

Prince of Peace Evangelical Lutheran Church



Christmas: Promises Kept

Genesis 3:15 — A Promise to Defeat Evil

Midweek Advent

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WELCOME!

Welcome to Prince of Peace Lutheran Church. We pray that the time spent here in God's house helps you to appreciate how dearly God loves you! He invested the life blood of his one and only Son into your salvation and offers the blessings of that sacrifice to us through Word and Sacrament! May God bless our worship today!

THEME FOR TODAY

During our midweek Advent services, we will take a look at three of the many promises that God kept by sending Jesus at the very first Christmas. The first promise we will look at is the first gospel promise in the Bible—Genesis 3:15, a promise to defeat evil. In the second of our midweek Advent services, we will look at God's promise in Jeremiah 23:5-6 to bring peace and safety through the coming Savior. In our final midweek Advent service, we will see how God's promise of a Savior has always been a promise to the whole world, just as he says in Isaiah 49:6. God bless your worship this Advent season!

INFORMATION

- Our nursery area is located near the entrance area of the church. It is equipped with a television monitor so that you can view and follow the service if you desire to stay with your child in the nursery.
- Restrooms are located through the double doors down the hallway on the right. A changing table for infants and toddlers is located in both restrooms. Additional restrooms are available in the education wing.
- The service is recorded and may be found on our YouTube channel or website.

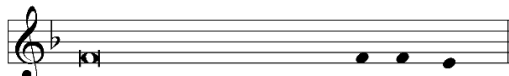
Musician: Mr. Isaac Roeseler

ORDER OF SERVICE

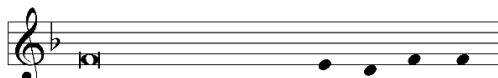
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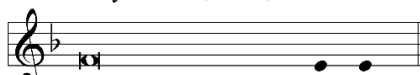
M: Jesus Christ is the light of the world,



C: the light no darkness can o-ver-come.



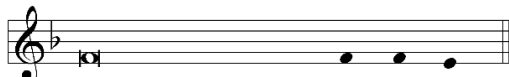
M: Stay with us, Lord, for it is eve-ning,



C: and the day is almost o-ver.



M: Be our light and scat-ter the dark-ness,



C: and hear our evening hymn of praise.



1 O gra-cious Light, Lord Je-sus Christ, In you the
2 Now sun-set comes, but light shines forth; The lamps are
3 Wor-thy are you of end-less praise, O Son of



Fa-ther's glo-ry shone. Im-mor-tal, ho-ly,
lit to pierce the night. Praise Fa-ther, Son, and
God, life-giv-ing Lord; Where-fore you are through



blest is he, And blest are you, his on-ly Son.
Spir-it: God Who dwells in the e-ter-nal light.
all the earth And in the high-est heav'n a-dored.

[M]: Blessed are you, O Lord our God, King of the universe, who led your people Israel with a pillar of cloud by day and a pillar of fire by night. Enlighten our darkness by the light of your Christ. May his Word be a lamp to our feet and a light to our path; for you are merciful, and you love your whole creation. We, your creatures, glorify you: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

[C]: Amen.

BE SEATED

LET MY PRAYER RISE BEFORE YOU

(PSALM 141)

C: Let my prayer rise be - fore you as in - cense, the lift - ing
up of my hands as the eve - ning sac - ri - fice. O Lord, I
call to you; come to me quick - ly; hear my voice when I
cry to you. Let my prayer rise be - fore you as in - cense,
the lift - ing up of my hands as the eve - ning sac - ri - fice.

ADVENT RESPONSES

[M]: Lift up your heads, you gates; be lifted up, you ancient doors,

[C]: that the King of glory may come in.

Psalm 24:7

[M]: A voice of one calling:

[C]: "In the wilderness prepare the way for the LORD; make straight in the desert
a highway for our God.

Isaiah 40:3

[M]: Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign:

[C]: The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel.

Isaiah 7:14

[M]: A shoot will come up from the stump of Jesse;

[C]: From his roots a Branch will bear fruit.

Isaiah 11:1

[M]: For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his
shoulders.

[C]: And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father,
Prince of Peace.

Isaiah 9:6

- [M]: "But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, though you are small among the clans of Judah,
[C]: **Out of you will come for me one who will be ruler over Israel, whose origins are from of old, from ancient times.**" *Micah 5:2*
- [M]: "I have installed my king on Zion, my holy mountain." *Psalm 2:6*
- [C]: **"You are a priest forever, in the order of Melchizedek."** *Psalm 110:4*
- [M]: For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the sight of all nations:
[C]: **A light for revelation to the Gentiles, and the glory of your people Israel."** *Luke 2:30-32*
- [M]: He who testifies to these things says, "Yes, I am coming soon."
[C]: **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.** *Revelation 22:20*

HYMN 32

When Sinners See Their Lost Condition vs. 1

1 When sin - ners see their lost con - di - tion And feel
2 When Je - sus en - ters meek and low - ly To fill
3 When Je - sus en - ters land and na - tion And chang-
4 When Je - sus comes—O bless - ed sto - ry— He works
5 Oh, may he soon to ev - 'ry na - tion Find en -

the press - ing load of sin And Je - sus comes on
the home with sweet - est peace, When hearts have felt his
es - peo - ple with his love, When, yield - ing to his
a change in heart and life; God's king - dom comes with
trance where he is un-known, With life and light and

his blest mis - sion To heal the sin - sick
bless - ing ho - ly And found from sin com -
kind per - sua - sion, Our hearts his truth and
pow'r and glo - ry To young and old, to
free sal - va - tion, That Sa - tan's pow'r be

heart with - in, All grief must flee be - fore his
plete re - lease, Then calm and joy with - in shall
bless - ing prove, Then shall our life on earth be
man and wife. Through sac - ra - ment and liv - ing
o - ver-thrown, And heal - ing to all hearts may

grace, And joy di - vine will take its place.
reign, And hearts di - vid - ed love a - gain.
blest; The peace of God on us shall rest.
Word Faith, love, and hope are now con - ferred.
come In heath - en land and Chris - tian home!

SERMON

Genesis 3:15 — A Promise to Defeat Evil

¹⁵ And I will put enmity
between you and the woman,
and between your offspring and hers;
he will crush your head,
and you will strike his heel.”

SONG OF MARY

C: My soul pro-claims the great-ness of the Lord; my spir-it re-
joic-es in God my Sav-ior, for he has looked with fa-vor
on his low-ly ser-vant. From this day all gen-er-a-tions
will call me bless-ed. The Al-might-y has done great
things for me, and ho-ly is his name. He has mer-cy on
those who fear him in ev-'ry gen-er-a-tion.
He has shown the strength of his arm; he has scat-tered the



proud in their con - ceit. He has cast down the might - y
from their thrones and has lift - ed up the low - ly.
He has filled the hun - gry with good things, and the rich
he has sent a - way emp - ty. He has come to the
help of his ser - vant Is - ra - el, for he has re - mem - bered his
prom - ise of mer - cy, the prom - ise made to our fa - thers,
to A - bra - ham, and to his chil - dren for - ev - er. A - men.

PRAYER

[M]: Lord God, all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works come from you. Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments. Defend us also from the fear of our enemies that we may live in peace and quietness, through the merits of Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

[C]: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

BLESSING

[M]: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ (†), and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

[C]: Amen.

BE SEATED

HYMN 1

The Advent of Our King (vs. 1-2)

ADVENT

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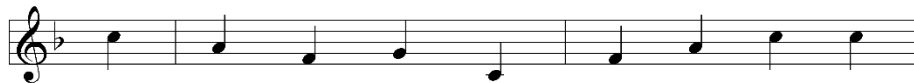
The Advent of our King



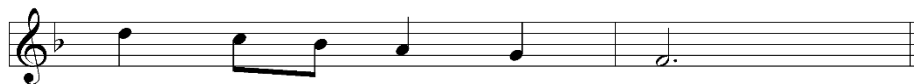
1 The ad - vent of our King Our
2 The ev - er - last - ing Son In -
3 O Zi - on's Daugh - ter, rise To
4 As judge, on clouds of light, He
5 Be - fore the dawn - ing Day Let



prayers must now em - ploy,
car - nate deigns to be,
meet your low - ly King,
soon will come a - gain
sin's dark deeds be gone,



And we must hymns of wel - come sing In
Him - self a ser - vant's form puts on To
Nor let a faith - less heart de - spise The
And his true mem - bers all u - nite With
The sin - ful self be put a - way, The



strains of ho - ly joy.
set his ser - vants free.
peace he comes to bring.
him in heav'n to reign.
new self now put on.

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