# First Sunday of Advent December 1, 2019

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Today:	9:00 a.m.	Worship at Lands	
-	Christmas Brunch at Lands following Worship		
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School at Romsdal	
	10:15 a.m.	Sunday School at Lands	
	10:30 a.m.	Worship at Romsdal	
	5:30 p.m.	Stable Communion	
Wed:	6:00 p.m.	Confirmation at Lands	
	8:00 p.m.	Parish Council at Romsdal	
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Fri:	12:00 noon	Beresford Ministerial meets at Romsdal	
Sat:	9:30 a.m.	Romsdal Women meet at the	
		Church	
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Sun:	Dec 8 <sup>th</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent	
	9:00 a.m.	Worship at Lands	
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School at Trinity	
	10:15 a.m.	Sunday School at Lands	
	10:30 a.m.	Worship at Trinity	
Romsdal Christmas Dinner following Worship			

Lands Ladies invite all members to a Christmas Brunch immediately following the Worship this morning. We will be serving pancakes, egg bake, and juice. Come and celebrate the beginning of Advent with us!

Moe Parish Stable Communion will be held today at 5:30 p.m. at Don & Laurie Cole's with a Chili supper following at Jim & Mary Bradshaw's.

Romsdal Women will meet at the Church at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday to set up for the Romsdal Christmas Dinner.

Please check and make sure that the lid you have for your crockpot is correct; some have not gotten back the right lids for crockpots brought to Lands on Installation Sunday.

## Prayer of the Day

God of hope and promise, be with us throughout this Advent season. Draw us closer to You as we anticipate and prepare for the birth of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Today's Readings **December 1. 2019** 1st Sunday of Advent

### First Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5

- **2** This is what Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem:
- 2 In the last days the mountain of the LORD's temple will be established as the highest of the mountains;
  - it will be exalted above the hills. and all nations will stream to it.
- **3** Many peoples will come and say,
  - "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the temple of the God of Jacob.
  - He will teach us his ways, so that we may walk in his paths."
  - The law will go out from Zion, the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.
- **4** He will judge between the nations and will settle disputes for many peoples.
  - They will beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks.
- Nation will not take up sword against nation, nor will they train for war anymore.
- **5** Come, descendants of Jacob, let us walk in the light of the LORD.

#### Second Reading: Romans 13:8-14

**8** Let no debt remain outstanding, except the continuing debt to love one another, for whoever loves others has fulfilled the law. **9** The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery," "You shall not murder," "You shall not steal," "You shall not covet," and whatever other command there may be, are summed up in this one command: "Love your neighbor as yourself." 10 Love does no harm to a neighbor. Therefore love is the fulfillment of the law. **11** And do this, understanding the present time: The hour has already come for you to wake up from your slumber, because our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed. **12** The night is nearly over; the day is almost here. So let us put aside the deeds of darkness and put on the armor of light. 13 Let us behave decently, as in the daytime, not in carousing and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and debauchery, not in dissension and jealousy. 14 Rather, clothe yourselves with the Lord Jesus Christ, and do not think about how to gratify the desires of the flesh.

### Gospel Lesson: Matthew 24:36-44

**36** "But about that day or hour no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. **37** As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. **38** For in the days before the flood, people were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day Noah entered the ark; **39** and they knew nothing about what would happen until the flood came and took them all away. That is how it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. **40** Two men will be in the field; one will be taken and the other left. **41** Two women will be grinding with a hand mill; one will be taken and the other left.

**42** "Therefore keep watch, because you do not know on what day your Lord will come. **43** But understand this: If the owner of the house had known at what time of night the thief was coming, he would have kept watch and would not have let his house be broken into. **44** So you also must be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him."



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