

**Moe Parish Worship
First Sunday in Advent
December 6, 2020**

Preparation for Worship – We bow before You, O Lord!

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Dedication in Worship – We Serve You, O Lord!

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Prayer of the Day

Dear Lord, You are preparing us for Advent through the words of John the Baptist. Turn our ears toward Your Holy Gospel, and touch our hearts to be open and receiving of Your message to us.
In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11

61 The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me,
because the Lord has anointed me
to bring good news to the poor;
he has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted,
to proclaim liberty to the captives,
and the opening of the prison to those who are bound;
2 to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor,
and the day of vengeance of our God;
to comfort all who mourn;
3 to grant to those who mourn in Zion—
to give them a beautiful headdress instead of ashes,
the oil of gladness instead of mourning,
the garment of praise instead of a faint spirit;
that they may be called oaks of righteousness,
the planting of the Lord, that he may be glorified.
4 They shall build up the ancient ruins;
they shall raise up the former devastations;
they shall repair the ruined cities,
the devastations of many generations.

8 For I the Lord love justice;
I hate robbery and wrong;
I will faithfully give them their recompense,
and I will make an everlasting covenant with them.
9 Their offspring shall be known among the nations,
and their descendants in the midst of the peoples;
all who see them shall acknowledge them,
that they are an offspring the Lord has blessed.

10 I will greatly rejoice in the Lord;
my soul shall exult in my God,
for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation;
he has covered me with the robe of righteousness,
as a bridegroom decks himself like a priest with a beautiful
headdress,
and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.
11 For as the earth brings forth its sprouts,
and as a garden causes what is sown in it to sprout up,
so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise
to sprout up before all the nations.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

16 Rejoice always, **17** pray without ceasing, **18** give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. **19** Do not quench the Spirit. **20** Do not despise prophecies, **21** but test everything; hold fast what is good. **22** Abstain from every form of evil. **23** Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. **24** He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR: Dec 6th thru Dec 13th

Today:	9:00 a.m.	Worship at Romsdal
	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School at Romsdal
	11:00 a.m.	Worship at Lands
Wed:	6:15 p.m.	Confirmation at Lands
	7:30 p.m.	Advent Zoom Bible Study
Thurs:	9:45 a.m.	Bethesda Chapel Worship
Sat:	5:00 p.m.	Stable Communion at Coles Chili Supper at Bradshaw's
Sun:	Dec 13 th	Worship Schedule
	9:00 a.m.	Worship at Trinity
	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School at Trinity
		Trinity Women meet after Church
	11:00 a.m.	Worship at Lands
	11:00 – 1:30	Parish Youth Group Christmas Party
	2:00 p.m.	Sunday School Christmas Program

God's Blessings to Caleb Sorum and Max Johnson who will be receiving Holy Communion today. Caleb and Max have completed the classwork and will be participating in their first Communion.

Pastor Chris will be leading an Advent Zoom Bible Study this Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. Please join us as we discuss "Who are the Wise Men?"

Stable Communion will be held this coming Saturday, December 12th at 5 p.m. at Don & Laurie Cole's. A chili supper will follow at Jim & Mary Bradshaw's.

Parish Youth Group Christmas Party will be held next Sunday, Dec 13th from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Trinity, lunch at 11:45 a.m.

The Sunday School Christmas Program will next Sunday, Dec 13th at 2 p.m. at Trinity. Offering taken will be given to "Ray of Hope."

Trinity Women are donating to Children's Inn, and will be meeting after church next Sunday, Dec 13th. Items needed are: non-perishable food, laundry detergent, toilet paper, and personal products; also gifts for infants, teens, along with women's and boy's underwear. Items can also be given to Julie Koopsma.

Gospel Lesson: John 1:19-28

19 And this is the testimony of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, "Who are you?" **20** He confessed, and did not deny, but confessed, "I am not the Christ." **21** And they asked him, "What then? Are you Elijah?" He said, "I am not." "Are you the Prophet?" And he answered, "No." **22** So they said to him, "Who are you? We need to give an answer to those who sent us. What do you say about yourself?" **23** He said, "I am the voice of one crying out in the wilderness, 'Make straight the way of the Lord,' as the prophet Isaiah said."

24 (Now they had been sent from the Pharisees.) **25** They asked him, "Then why are you baptizing, if you are neither the Christ, nor Elijah, nor the Prophet?" **26** John answered them, "I baptize with water, but among you stands one you do not know, **27** even he who comes after me, the strap of whose sandal I am not worthy to untie." **28** These things took place in Bethany across the Jordan, where John was baptizing.

Please remember in prayer:

Marlys Twedt
Lester Voegeli
Marlys Anderson
Larry & Phyllis Thompson
Yvonne Rasmussen
Dorothy Knutson
Pastor Nate, Ruth & the Hanson family
Local nursing homes, schools & hospitals



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