

Moe Parish Worship
Second Sunday of Advent
Dec. 08, 2024

Preparation for Worship – We Bow Before You, O Lord!

Prelude Organist
Welcome and Announcements
Advent Candle Lighting and Reading.....Connor Sogn
Olivia Hepner

Adoration in Worship – We Praise You, O Lord!

Opening Hymn....."The Advent of Our God".....#120
Confession of Sins.....Inside cover of hymnal
Liturgical Reading....."Prayer".....#655

Instruction in Worship – We Serve You, O Lord!

First & Second Lesson Lector.....
Special Music.....Piano Selections.....Blaine Evjen
The Gospel.....Luke 3:1-14
Children's Sermon.....Pastor Chris
Passing of the Peace (greet as you are comfortable)
Hymn....."Of the Father's Love Begotten".....#118
Sermon....."The Push for Prominence"....(Luke 3:1-14).....Pastor Chris

Dedication in Worship – We Honor You, O Lord!

Offering Hymn....."More Love to Thee"...(Phil. 1:9).....#363
Response....."We Give Thee But Thine Own".....#620
Apostle's Creed.....Inside cover of hymnal
Prayers of the Church
The Lord's Prayer
Closing Hymn....."Peace Like a River".....#498
Benediction

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Prayer of the Day Stir up our hearts, Lord God, to prepare the way of your only Son. By his coming give to all the people of the world knowledge of your salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

First Lesson Malachi 3:1-7b **1** "Behold, I send my messenger, and he will prepare the way before me. And the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple; and the messenger of the covenant in whom you delight, behold, he is coming, says the LORD of hosts.**2** But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap.**3** He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the sons of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, and they will bring offerings in righteousness to the LORD.**4** Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the LORD as in the days of old and as in former years.**5** "Then I will draw near to you for judgment. I will be a swift witness against the sorcerers, against the adulterers, against those who swear falsely, against those who oppress the hired worker in his wages, the widow and the fatherless, against those who thrust aside the sojourner, and do not fear me, says the LORD of hosts.**6** "For I the LORD do not change; therefore you, O children of Jacob, are not consumed.**7** From the days of your fathers you have turned aside from my statutes and have not kept them. Return to me, and I will return to you, says the LORD of hosts.

Second Lesson Philippians 1:2-11 **2** Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.**3** I thank my God in all my remembrance of you,**4** always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy,**5** because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now.**6** And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.**7** It is right for me to feel this way about you all, because I hold you in my heart, for you are all partakers with me of grace, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel.**8** For God is my witness, how I yearn for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus.**9** And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment,**10** so that you may approve what is excellent, and so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ,**11** filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.

Gospel Luke 3:1-14 **1** In the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar, Pontius Pilate being governor of Judea, and Herod being tetrarch of Galilee, and his brother Philip tetrarch of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias tetrarch of Abilene,**2** during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John the son of Zechariah in the wilderness.**3** And he went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins.**4** As it is written in the book of the words of Isaiah the prophet, "The voice of one crying in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.'**5** Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall become straight, and the rough places shall become level ways,**6** and all flesh shall see the salvation of God."**7** He said therefore to the crowds that came out to be baptized by him, "You

brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? [8](#) Bear fruits in keeping with repentance. And do not begin to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father.' For I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children for Abraham. [9](#) Even now the axe is laid to the root of the trees. Every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire." [10](#) And the crowds asked him, "What then shall we do?" [11](#) And he answered them, "Whoever has two tunics is to share with him who has none, and whoever has food is to do likewise." [12](#) Tax collectors also came to be baptized and said to him, "Teacher, what shall we do?" [13](#) And he said to them, "Collect no more than you are authorized to do." [14](#) Soldiers also asked him, "And we, what shall we do?" And he said to them, "Do not extort money from anyone by threats or by false accusation, and be content with your wages."

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR: Dec. 8th-Dec. 15th, 2024

Today: SUN: Dec. 8th Second Sunday of Advent

9:00 a.m. Parish Sunday School at Romsdal

10:00 a.m. Parish Worship at Romsdal

11:30 a.m. Romsdal Members Annual Christmas Dinner

5:30 p.m. Stable Communion at Don & Laurie Cole's Barn

followed by supper at Jim & Mary Bradshaw's Hog House

MON:7:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study at Lands

WED:6:15-7:15 p.m. Confirmation at Lands

SUN: Dec. 15th Third Sunday of Advent

9:00 a.m. Parish Sunday School at Trinity

10:00 a.m. Parish Worship at Trinity

Please remember in prayer: Sue Sandvig, Orville & Carol Sorlie, Alan Perry, Lynn Rodway, Gary Johnson, Barb Gillespie, Don Paulson, special prayers for Emmerson Paulson, Norm Gravely, Sharon Dominisse, Cassandra Sunderland (Niece of Mary Eliason), all those experiencing hardships due to the flooding in our communities as well as large parts of the Midwest, our Nation, nursing homes, hospitals, schools, and all those who are mourning the loss of loved ones.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE: There are opportunities for individuals, businesses or groups to sponsor a family in need at Christmas by providing a donation for a gift certificate to Sunshine Foods for a Christmas meal. You may call Love INC and we will match you with a family depending on your donation amount. Send the money to Love INC and we will purchase the gift certificate on your behalf and get it to the family for Christmas. Please call Sarah or Karen at 605-764-0453 by Thursday, December 12, 2024. Not only will you be a blessing to the families but to yourselves as well! Thanks for your support and generosity!



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