

Advent Lutheran Church
York, PA



“... ‘His name is John’ ...”

- Luke 1:63

Advent Lutheran Church
The Fifth Sunday After Pentecost

June 24, 2018

8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Preludes *(Please silence all cell phones)*

"Prelude On A Shaker Melody"

"Wonderful Peace"

arr. Mark Hayes

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Pastoral Greetings and Announcements

Gathering

- * Confession and Forgiveness p. 94

- * Entrance Hymn, #870
"We Praise You, O God"

- * Greeting
P: The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion
of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
C: And also with you.

- * Kyrie p. 138

- * Hymn of Praise p. 139-140

- * Prayer of the Day
P: Let us pray...
C: Amen.

* *Please stand if able.*

Word

L: A Reading from Malachi.

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. 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; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years. (*Malachi 3:1-4*)

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: *Thanks be to God.*

L: A Reading from Acts.

Then Paul and his companions set sail from Paphos and came to Perga in Pamphylia. John, however, left them and returned to Jerusalem; but they went on from Perga and came to Antioch in Pisidia. And on the sabbath day they went into the synagogue and sat down. After the reading of the law and the prophets, the officials of the synagogue sent them a message, saying, "Brothers, if you have any word of exhortation for the people, give it." So Paul stood up and with a gesture began to speak: "You Israelites, and others who fear God, listen. The God of this people Israel chose our ancestors and made the people great during their stay in the land of Egypt, and with uplifted arm he led them out of it. For about forty years he put up with them in the wilderness. After he had destroyed seven nations in the land of Canaan, he gave them their land as an inheritance for about four hundred fifty years. After that he gave them judges until the time of the prophet Samuel. Then they asked for a king; and God gave them Saul son of Kish, a man of the tribe of Benjamin, who reigned for forty years. When he had removed him, he made David their king. In his testimony about him he said, "I have found David, son of Jesse, to be a man after my heart, who will carry out all my wishes.' Of this man's posterity God has brought to Israel a Savior, Jesus, as he promised; before his coming John had already proclaimed a baptism of

repentance to all the people of Israel. And as John was finishing his work, he said, "What do you suppose that I am? I am not he. No, but one is coming after me; I am not worthy to untie the thong of the sandals on his feet.' "My brothers, you descendants of Abraham's family, and others who fear God, to us the message of this salvation has been sent. (Acts 13:13-26)

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: *Thanks be to God.*

* Gospel Acclamation

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C: *Alleluia, Lord to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, Alleluia.*

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke.

C: *Glory to you, O Lord.*

Now the time came for Elizabeth to give birth, and she bore a son. Her neighbors and relatives heard that the Lord had shown his great mercy to her, and they rejoiced with her. On the eighth day they came to circumcise the child, and they were going to name him Zechariah after his father. But his mother said, "No; he is to be called John." They said to her, "None of your relatives has this name." Then they began motioning to his father to find out what name he wanted to give him. He asked for a writing tablet and wrote, "His name is John." And all of them were amazed. Immediately his mouth was opened and his tongue freed, and he began to speak, praising God. Fear came over all their neighbors, and all these things were talked about throughout the entire hill country of Judea. All who heard them pondered them and said, "What then will this child become?" For, indeed, the hand of the Lord was with him. Then his father Zechariah was filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke this prophecy: ["Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for he has looked favorably on his people and redeemed them. He has raised up a mighty savior for us in the house of his servant David, as he spoke through the mouth of his holy prophets from of old, that we would be saved from our enemies and from the hand of all who hate us. Thus, he has shown the mercy promised to our ancestors, and has remembered his holy covenant, the oath that he swore to our ancestor Abraham, to grant us

that we, being rescued from the hands of our enemies, might serve him without fear, in holiness and righteousness before him all our days. And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High; for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways, to give knowledge of salvation to his people by the forgiveness of their sins. By the tender mercy of our God, the dawn from on high will break upon us, to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace." The child grew and became strong in spirit, and he was in the wilderness until the day he appeared publicly to Israel.]
(Luke 1:57-67 [68-80])

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Pr. Dan Biles

* Hymn of the Day, #755

"Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me"

Sacrament of Holy Baptism at 11:00 a.m.

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* Apostles' Creed (8:30 a.m. service only)

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P: With whole church, let us confess our faith...

* Prayers of the Church

P: ...Lord, in your mercy.

C: Hear our prayer.

* The Peace is Shared.

Meal

Offering

Offertory Duet

"Simple Gifts"

Leah Flinchbaugh, *viola*; Annette Flinchbaugh, *cello*

arr. John Higgins

* Congregational Offertory
 "Let the Vineyards..." Hymn #182

* Offertory Prayer for Gifts

* Great Thanksgiving p. 144 – 146

* Eucharistic Prayer

P: Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: Endless is Your mercy and eternal Your reign. You have filled all creation with light and life; heaven and earth are full of Your glory. For as often as we eat of this bread and drink of this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

C: *Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.*

P: Therefore, gracious Father, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us we await His coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.

C: *Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.*

P: Send now, we pray, Your Holy Spirit may live to the praise of Your glory and receive our inheritance with all Your saints in light.

C: *Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.*

P: Join in our prayers with those of Your servants of every time and place until He comes as victorious Lord of all.

C: *Through Him, with Him, in Him, with the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is Yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.*

* Lord's Prayer (Traditional Form) p. 145

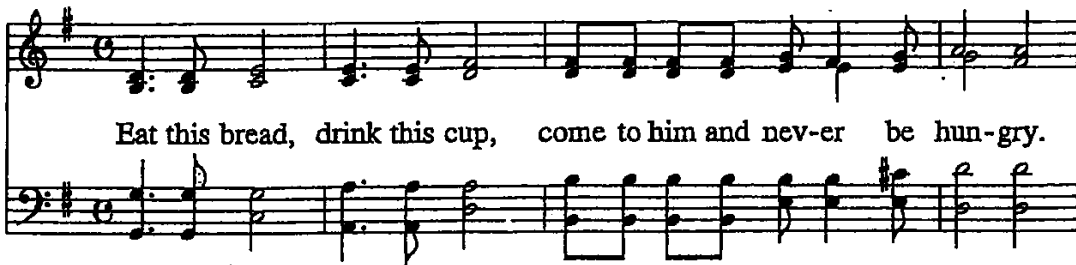
* Distribution

P: Come and receive the gifts of God for the people of God.

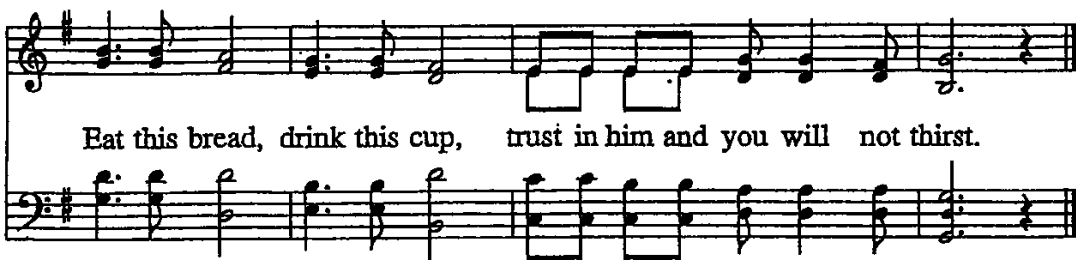
(Please sing "*Lamb of God*" p. 146, "*Eat This Bread*"
and conclude with "*Jesus Remember Me*", Hymn #616)

"Eat This Bread"

The refrain will be sung by the cantor, repeated by the congregation and sung after each verse.



Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to him and nev-er be hun-gry.



Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in him and you will not thirst.

Text: John 6; adapt. by Robert J. Bastastini, b.1942, and the Taizé Commun:
Tune: Jacques Berthier, 1923-1994
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I am the bread of life, the true bread sent from the Father...

C: Eat this bread...

Your ancestors ate manna in the desert, but this is the bread come down from heaven...

C: Eat this bread...

Eat my flesh and drink my blood, and I will raise up on the last day...

C: Eat this bread...

Anyone who eats this bread, will live forever...

C: Eat this bread...

If you believe and eat this bread, you will have eternal life...

C: Eat this bread...

* Blessing

P: The body and blood...keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

* *“Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise”*

Hymn, #204

* Post-Communion Prayer

Sending

* Benediction

* Recessional Hymn, #756

“Eternal Father, Strong to Save”

* Dismissal

P: Go in peace...

C: Thanks be to God.

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Evangelism Tip for the Month of June

Leave footprints of Love and Kindness

Wherever you go.

AN INVITATION

Believing that the Christ who is truly present in this Holy Sacrament is Lord of His Church and this Supper, and this same Lord Christ calls all believers to “take and eat . . . ,” WE INVITE THE BAPTIZED OF ALL CHRISTIAN CHURCHES who seek to commune with the crucified and risen Lord to participate in this Holy meal.

DIRECTIONS FOR COMMUNION BY INTINCTION

Intinction is the Eucharistic practice of partly dipping the consecrated bread, or *host*, into the consecrated wine before consumption by the communicant. Please fill out a Communion Record Card and give it to the Usher as you are invited to come forward. Stand to receive the Elements. Adults not receiving communion, as well as young children who have not yet celebrated their first Communion, are encouraged to come forward to receive a blessing. To commune: After you have received the wafer from the Pastor or Assistant to the Pastor on your side of the church, please walk to the communion server. Dip your wafer into the chalice. Only wine will be offered. After you have communed, return to your pew by the side aisle. If you do not want to receive wine, simply consume the bread. A Church teaching (since the 15th Century) called the Doctrine of Concomitance maintains that Christ’s presence is imbued wholly in both the bread and wine sacraments of the Eucharist, such that consuming only one or the other suffices for Holy Communion.

WE WELCOME THOSE who are visitors with us today. We wish to share with you every element of our congregation’s life. Please sign a Visitor’s Card and give it to an usher. If you are interested in having the Pastor call or in becoming a member of Advent, please check the appropriate box.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS ARE PRESENTED to the Glory of God and in honor and joy of Cooper and Duncan and their continued faith, by *Jennifer Webber*.

WE WELCOME INTO OUR MIDST TODAY through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism, Madelyn Kay Barton, daughter of Ryan and Emily. Madelyn was born April 12 in York. We greet Madelyn as one together with us in the body of Christ, the Church. May we grow together into the maturity of faith until the day Jesus Christ shall come.

CONFIRMATION CAMP gathers this week at Friendly Acres for the students to be ***confirmed next Sunday at the 11:00 a.m. worship service***. Please remember all who will participate as students, leaders, and servants in your prayers.

LAUTHER-CERASA COLLEGE GRANTS — If you are ***a college student in your junior or senior year*** at an accredited four-year institution and were confirmed at Advent, you are eligible for the Lauther-Cerasa Grant. All known eligible students should receive an invitation to apply for this grant the first week of June. If not, please contact the church office for an application. ***Applications for the fall semester must be in the church office by June 30***. Fall distributions should occur at the beginning of August. If you need any information or have any questions, please contact Duane Doll at 717-880-7436.

ALTAR FLOWER OPENING ON JULY 8. If you would like to provide altar flowers on July 8, please contact Kim Yinger at 717.225.2475.

BIBLE STUDY UPDATE – The Tuesday morning and Wednesday evening Bible Studies have concluded for the summer. They will resume again in September. Watch for announcements in future newsletters and bulletins.

NAWAKWA & KIRCHENWALD CAMPING NEWS: As you make your summer camping plans, remember that ***Advent will pay half of the actual cost of camp up to \$255.00. Any person needing additional financial assistance should see the pastor privately.*** More information about camp can be found on the bulletin board outside of the kitchen and by visiting the Lutheran Camping Corporation's website. Please contact Emily Barton at 717.880.2140 or barton0026@gmail.com if you have any questions.

SOUP ANGELS MINISTRY - We will be making soup in the church kitchen ***this Tuesday*** at 10:00 a.m., please let Lisa Deeter know if you can help. 717.650.6300. Pack a lunch if you would like. ***Members of Advent*** are reminded that soup is available in the freezer in the church kitchen for you to share with those in need.

TRUNK OR TREAT - Planning Meeting ***Tuesday, June 26 at 7:00*** in the Gathering Space to kick off plans for the ***Saturday, October 20th*** event at Advent. Anyone interested in helping is invited to attend. For more information contact Lisa Deeter, 717-650-6300.

SPECIAL EVENT - JULY 4 @ 10:00 a.m. - Annual Memorial Service for Colonel James Smith, Signer of the Declaration of Independence. Hosted by the Colonel James Smith Yorktown Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution. The service will be held in the courtyard at First Presbyterian Church, 225 East Market Street, York. Guest Speaker will be Mayor Michael Helfrich. Rain or shine. Bring a lawn chair.

STAINED GLASS CLASS - Linda Koons will be offering a 9-session class to create a stained-glass piece in August & September. There are three designs to select from. A morning class and evening class is available. Full details and registration forms can be found on the Kiosk in the Gathering Space and in the summer newsletter. ***Class size limited, register early!***

USED CHRISTMAS CARDS NEEDED for a holiday Fellowship Team project. If you have any to share, please leave them in the box designated for this in the Gathering Area.

VBS REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN! *Shipwrecked: Rescued by Jesus* will be held **Sunday, July 15 – Thursday, July 19 from 6 pm - 8:15 pm**. Come join us for an exciting, fun-filled week! To sign up, please complete the registration form and place it in the offering plate or use the link on the church website. Any adult who wants to participate in the adult discussion group can register using the same form. (You do not have to have a child in VBS to participate in the adult group; it is open to everyone)! Registration forms are available on the table outside of Fellowship Hall.

VBS VOLUNTEERS – On **July 8 at 9:45 am.**, we will meet in the gathering area outside Fellowship Hall. If you did not attend the meeting on June 3, please be sure to attend the one on July 8. See Catherine Ross if this date doesn't suit your schedule so that you can get important VBS information.

TO ALL GROUPS USING FELLOWSHIP HALL AND THE GATHERING AREA: Please refrain from leaning chairs and tables against the newly-painted walls. Unused tables and chairs should be stored on the racks located at the south end of Fellowship Hall.

LADIES RETREAT DAY - Thursday, July 12, at beautiful Camp Nawakwa - The day includes a private morning and afternoon session, *Tending Your Spiritual Garden*, presented by Pastor Brenda Kiser. Eucharist will be celebrated at Fischer Chapel. We will enjoy lunch with the campers and join other ladies from around the Synod for the Annual Ladies Camp Tea later in the afternoon. The day will conclude with entertainment from some of the resident campers. Full details and registration forms can be found on the Kiosk in the Gathering Space and in the summer newsletter. For more information contact Lisa Deeter, 717.650.6300.

INFORMATION ON GROUPS & FELLOWSHIP EVENTS can be found on the kiosk in the Gathering Area. Check often for updates! There is also a website for Fellowship Events: www.ldeeter57.wixsite.com/adventyorkfellowship.

TRIP TO SERRV in New Windsor, Maryland, to work in the warehouse is scheduled for **Friday, August 10 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.** We'll carpool and leave the church at 6:30 a.m. Lunch provided will be hot dogs, potato chips, dessert, and drinks; but you may bring your own lunch if you prefer. Look for the SERRV insert in upcoming bulletins; or you may contact Rosie Inners at 717.848.3734 if you have any questions.

WORSHIP AND YOUNG CHILDREN – Children grow in faith and learning by seeing, hearing, and participating in worship. Therefore, it is recommended that parents take their children with them and involve them in worship as soon as possible. To support this growth and learning, soft-covered books, worship bags of quiet activities, and children’s bulletins are available by seeing one of the ushers.

For families whose children may become restless, you may take them to the Gathering Area and still be able to enjoy the service as the audio is played there as well.

Families are reminded to come back into Fellowship Hall to receive Holy Communion and blessings for their children.

As needed, childcare for youngsters from birth through three years old is available in our Church nursery on Sundays from 8:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for parents who participate in Worship. This nursery is staffed by trained personnel and is located on the lower level. See an usher for directions.

Attendance Records

	Last Week	Last Year
Church	226	223

Last Week’s Fund Offerings

Current		Benevolence	
Weekly Offering Needed to Meet Budget	\$ 9,376	Weekly Offering Needed to Meet Budget	\$ 1,423
Weekly Offering Received	\$ 9,386	Weekly Offering Received	\$ 571
Total Offering Needed Year-To-Date	\$225,024	Total Offering Needed Year-To-Date	\$ 34,152
Total Offering Received Year-To-Date	\$178,850	Total Offering Received Year-To-Date	\$ 29,156

Capital Campaign Update

Total Campaign Pledge	\$1,871,220.00
Total Amount Received as of 6/17/18	\$1,400,082.54

Serving Our Lord and Church Today

Acolyte/Crucifer

8:30 Nicholas Keller
11:00 Brittany Loken

Lector

8:30 Lucy Warner
11:00 Barbara Crawford

Cantor

Paula Rineer

Communion Assistants

8:30 Charles & Susan Martin
11:00 Don Dubs, Pam Rutledge

Assistant to Pastor

8:30 Steve Tome
11:00 Carol Myles

Altar Guild

8:30 Sandy Maier, Lucy Warner, Casey Flanscha
11:00 Cathi Wampler, Lane & Marge Benda

Flower Delivery

Clarence & Brenda Bolinger

Lay Hospital

Kim Sprenkle

Ushers

8:30 Linda Unger (H), Doris Straw-Maisack, Pat Breneman,
Lesli Willoughby, Lori Ackors, Laura Willoughby, Carol Miller, Susan Ambrose
11:00 David Dellinger (H), Nancy Dellinger, Dan & Connie Ross,
Larry & Carol Myers, Raymond Harbold

Coffee Social

8:30 Self-Serve
11:00 Self-Serve

Tidy-Up Worship Area

Pam Rutledge

THIS WEEK AT ADVENT

Today	8:30 & 11:00 a.m.	Worship Services – <i>Fellowship Hall</i>
Tuesday	10:00 a.m.	Soup Angels - <i>Kitchen</i> NO BIBLE STUDY
	7:00 p.m.	Trunk or Treat Meeting
	5:00 p.m.	Confirmation Camp – <i>Friendly Acres</i>
Wednesday		Confirmation Camp – <i>Friendly Acres</i> NO BIBLE STUDY
Thursday		Confirmation Camp – <i>Friendly Acres</i> NO PRAYER TEAM

COMING EVENTS

July 1	8:30 a.m.	Worship Service – <i>Fellowship Hall</i>
	11:00 a.m.	Confirmation Service – <i>Fellowship Hall</i>
	12:45 p.m.	Lunch Bunch – <i>Meadow Hill Restaurant</i>
July 2	7:00 p.m.	Survivors of Suicide Loss Support Group
July 4		INDEPENDENCE DAY – OFFICE CLOSED
July 5	9:00 a.m.	Quilt Group

Prayers of the Church are requested for:

Those Hospitalized:

Those Recuperating: Roberta Arnesen, Polly Bergstrom Barnes, Luanne Bergstrom, Phyllis Bixler, Barbara Crawford, Joe Kauffman, Robert Myers, Carol Myles, Natalie Scala

Those with Ongoing Health Issues: Alexander Cucinella, Marie Fray, Ray Hively, Joseph & Elsie McNerney (Linda's Stahle's parents), Ila Faye Stare

Those Who Struggle:

Those in Need of Prayer: Sandy Cartwright, Donna Chaney, Dave Garbrick, Diane Horton, John Lutz, Janet Rebert; Tommy, Lore, Taylor, & Kiersten Reed; DeHaven Speicher, Kirk Summers

Those with Life-Threatening Illness: Beth Harwick, Tony Resh, Nathan Sulpizio

Those Serving in Combat Zones: Jose Arroyo, Jesse Butler, Jessica Deeter, Travis Reed, Mike Rudisill

PRAYER LIST UPDATE

Please complete the form below for adding loved ones to the prayer list. You may either bring it to the office or drop it in the offering plate. Thank you.

Add to: *Recuperating* *Ongoing Health* *Struggle* *In Need of Prayer*
 Life-Threatening *Combat Zones*

Names:

PLEASE REMOVE:

Requested By:

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We're On A Mission

Advent is a community of Christian Believers: experiencing, witnessing, and growing in the love of Jesus, and proclaiming the Good News of the Gospel by sharing God's gift with all people . . . friends and strangers alike.

To this adventure we invite you!

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