

Sion Lutheran Church
Lancaster, Minnesota
November 26th , 2017
Our 1st Sunday of Advent

Welcome to our worship this morning, we are glad you are here! As we gather in worship today, may you feel refreshed and ready for your new week ahead.

Lighting of the Advent Candle

Gathering: Welcome, Announcements & Prayer Requests

Service of the Word: Confession and Absolution (left column) please stand page 94-96

Gathering Song: Soon and Very Soon page 439

Holy Communion & Kyrie page 184

Hymn of Praise pages 187-188

Prayer of the Day: This is Advent, season of promise. In our worship we prepare for the birth of a baby in a dusty stable in Bethlehem, and remind ourselves that this child will become the Saviour of the World who will return again in power and glory to draw all of his children together with songs of everlasting praise. The promise of the baby is also the promise of eternal life to all who believe.

God's Word: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24 Psalm 95:1-7a Ephesians 1:15-23
The Word of the Lord.....**Thanks be to God.**

The Gospel Acclamation: please stand page 188

The Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46.....**Glory to you, O Lord.**

The Gospel of the Lord... **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Hymn of Day: Softly & Tenderly Jesus is Calling page 608

Apostle's Creed

page 217 or inside back cover

Sharing of the Peace

Offering

The Offertory Prayer (please stand): Merciful Father, we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us- ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

The Great Thanksgiving page 190

Lord's Prayer

Lamb of God

Communion Songs: Let Us Break Bread Together page 471

We Come To The Hungry Feast page 479

As The Grains of Wheat page 465

Eat This Bread page 472

Post Communion Prayer

Prayers for the People

Sending:

Benediction

Pastor: "Go in Peace to Serve the Lord!"

Congregation: "Thanks Be To God."

Sending Hymn: O Savior, Precious Savior page 543

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