



Trinity Presbyterian Church

Gathering in the Name of the Triune God

A Southeastern Wisconsin PCA (Presbyterian Church of America) church.

November 29, 2015

First Sunday of Advent – Hope



The traditional monograms **IC** and **XC** are ancient Latin abbreviations for **Jesus** (*IHCOYC*, a Latinized form of his Greek name) and **Christ** (*XRICTOC*). **NIKA** means Victor or Conqueror. Jesus Christ was born to conquer sin, death, and the Devil. The cross in the center of the world reminds us that Jesus has conquered by means of his suffering, death, and resurrection. Jesus now reigns *because* he died for us. Today our Pulpit and Table paraments are purple. Violet or purple is the royal color. During Advent season we pray for and reflect upon the ways in which Christ our King comes to serve us.

Lord's Day Service – November 29, 2015 First Sunday of Advent – Hope

Welcome & Announcements

Entrance – God Calls Us to Worship

Silent Preparation

** Call to Worship*

Psalm 24

Pastor: Let us rise and worship God, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen!**

Mt 28:19

Pastor: The Lord be with you!

People: **And also with you!**

Ruth 2:4

Pastor: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; Those who dwelt in the land of the shadow of death,

People: **Upon them a light has shined.**

Pastor: For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given; and the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called

People: **Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.**

Pastor: Of the increase of His government and peace there will be no end, upon the throne of David and over His kingdom, to order it and establish it with judgement and justice from that time forward, even forever.

People: **The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this.**

Is 9:2,6,7

Pastor: Behold, Your King is coming to you!

Zech 9:9

People: **O come, let us worship Him!**

Ps 95:6

** Hymn of Praise*

Psalter, #24C

The Earth and the Riches

Purification – We Confess Our Sins to God

Almighty God, my heavenly Father, you do not desire the death of a sinner, but rather that he should turn from his evil way and live: I pray that you would be gracious to me and turn from me those punishments which I by my sins have deserved, and to grant me grace from this day forward to serve you in holiness and purity; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. Amen!

(Silent, personal confession of sin)

Now lift up your heads, arise, and hear the good news from Micah 7:18-20! God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy on us. He has given His only Son to die for us, and for His sake forgives us of all our sins.

Thanks be to God! Our sins are forgiven in Jesus' name. AMEN!

Ascension – God Consecrates Us by His Word

Pastor: Lift up your hearts!

People: We lift them up to the Lord!

Ps 86:4, Lam 3:41

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God!

People: It is proper and right to do so!

Psalm 92:1

Pastor: Truly it is fitting and our greatest joy to give thanks to you at all times and in every place, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God. For you have proven your faithfulness in fulfilling the promise of the birth and ministry of Jesus, and because of this we anticipate the completion of your plan for us and your world in the future. Therefore, with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, and with the church on earth, we praise and magnify your glorious Name, evermore praising you and singing.

* *Hymn of Preparation*

Trinity Hymnal, #123
The People that in Darkness Sat

* *Prayer*

Stir up our hearts, O Lord, and give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; Lighten the darkness of our hearts even now, by coming to us with your Holy Spirit, so that we may readily receive your good and gracious gifts today through your appointed means of grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen!

Old Testament Lesson

Jeremiah 33:12-26

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

* *Gospel Lesson*

Matthew 1:1-17; Luke 1:1-4

Pastor: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus.

People: Praise to you, O Christ!

New Testament Lesson

Acts 1:1-5

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

"A Sequel of Hope – Intro to *the Acts*"

Tribute – We Offer Ourselves through Tithes

* *Hymn of Consecration*

Trinity Hymnal, #145
Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus

* *Presentation & Dedication of Tithes & Offerings*

Prayers of the Church

Requests & Lord's Prayer

Peace – We Commune with God

Words of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

We Confess Our Faith in the Triune, Incarnate God

Creed (inside hymnal cover)

* *Hymn of Thanksgiving*

Psalter, #72A
O God, Thy Judgments Give the King

Benediction – God Commissions & Blesses Us

* *The Lord's Commission of Us*

Romans 12:10-13

* *We Receive God's Blessing, His Good Word to Us*

Romans 15:13

* *We Bless the Lord, Lifting Our Hands and Voices to Him*

Doxology

* *Threefold Amen & Postlude*

LORD'S SUPPER

We observe Communion, or the Lord's Supper, weekly in our midst.

We believe it is worthily received by those who:

1. Have been baptized in the name of the Triune God (Matt 28:18-20);
2. Do profess faith in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God, and Savior of sinners, and do rest upon Him alone for salvation as He is offered in the Gospel (Ro 10:9-10);
3. Do live in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit and endeavor to live as becomes the followers of Jesus Christ (Gal 5:16-26); and
4. Are communing members in good standing in an evangelical church (1 Cor 10:1-6)

If these things are all true, we rejoice with you and invite you to commune with us at the Lord's Supper. If any of these are not true of you, we ask that you refrain. We invite you to speak to one of the Elders if you have doubts or questions regarding any of these beliefs, or if you are interested in learning more about Trinity.

Though collections are not ordinarily taken during a service, giving is a vital element of worship. Tithes and offerings may be placed in the basket at the rear of the church.
(2 Corinthians 9:6-11)

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Sermon Notes – November 29, 2015

"A Sequel of Hope - Intro to *the Acts*"
Text: Acts 1:1-5

1. Who? _____ Acts 1:1-5

2. When? _____ Acts 1:6,7

3. What? _____ Acts 1:8

4. How? _____ Acts 1:7,8

Announcements

Sunday School

Sunday School meets today at 11:30. The lesson is on the Intro of *The Kingdom & the Power: Rediscovering the Centrality of the Church*. Prepare for next week's lesson by reading Chapter 1, "What is the Kingdom?" p 1-22 and answer the questions that will be emailed.

WIC Activities

- Women's study has been rescheduled to meet tomorrow, 7pm, to discuss Hebrews 3.
- December 12th – Baby shower 2:30-4:30 pm for Katie Piquette at the church.
- January 9th – Bridal shower for Leigh Ann Nader

Advent Service/Prayer Meeting

Advent service this Thursday evening at 7 pm – the theme will be hope. During Advent, each Thursday evening service will begin at 7 pm (Dec 3, 10, 17), and at 3:30 pm on Christmas eve. Advent is a season of preparation, anticipation, learning and glad expectation for Christmas as we love to think about how God came to earth as man to save us, and as we ponder that Christ is coming again the second time as judge the earth. "Just as Christmas is a time of year when mulled cider is welcome, it is also a time when mulled thinking should happen as well – thinking about Jesus, talking about Him, and reading about Him...throughout Advent."

Youth Snow Camp

"Assignment: Faithfulness" Snow Camp 2016, Jan 15-17, for 6th -12th graders from WI OPC and PCA churches. Cost: \$100. Lake Lundgren Bible Camp. Activities: carpetball, tubing, broomball, praise worship, fellowship, ice skating, ping pong, cc skiing, Bible teaching, friends! Register by Dec 29 at tinyurl.com/snowcamp2016.

Set-up Teams

Next Week

December 6 Team 3 J Hummel,* D Dykema, Nader, Seaman

Following Weeks:

December 13 Team 4 J Pennington,* Eternick, K Hummel, Jens, Kelling

December 20 Team 5 Reich*, D'Alessio, Leskinen, Piquette, Ruchti

December 27 Team 1 Dykema*, Burie, N Greenwald, Hammer, Zitzke