

# 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent

November 28, 2021

## The First Reading

*Jeremiah 33:14-16*

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

*After the Reading, the Reader says* The Word of the Lord

**People Thanks be to God**

## Psalm

*Psalm 25:1-9*

1 To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you; \*  
let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.

2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; \*  
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.

3 Show me your ways, O LORD, \*  
and teach me your paths.

4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, \*  
for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.

5 Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, \*  
for they are from everlasting.

6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; \*  
remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.

7 Gracious and upright is the LORD; \*  
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.

8 He guides the humble in doing right \*  
and teaches his way to the lowly.

9 All the paths of the LORD are love and faithfulness \*  
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

## The Second Reading

*1 Thessalonians 3:9-13*

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

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## Sequence Hymn

## The Gospel Reading

*Luke 21:25-36*

*Before proclaiming the Gospel, the Priest says*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

**People Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

"Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## Announcements

### Birthdays this month

3rd: Ron Buckner  
 3rd: Jennifer Randell  
 4th: Mona Clower  
 8th: Francis Rauch  
 13th: Owen Glave  
 16th: Charlyne White  
 17th: Paul Duesterhoft  
 22nd: Ruth Wagner  
 24th: Susan Frier Brown  
 28th: Michael Clower  
 28th: Teresa Read

### Inquirer's Class

Bishop Fisher will be with us on January 30, 2022  
 In preparation for that, if you are interested in confirmation, reception, or reaffirmation please contact Mother Tracey by email or text:  
[mothertracey@smaalongview.org](mailto:mothertracey@smaalongview.org)  
 903.399.8334

### Longview Community Ministries

They are the principal organization in Longview that helps people with all sorts of emergency services, including food. They have asked us to help by donating canned fruits and vegetables during this season when food bank donations are down, and the need for services has increased. We will have a basket in the Narthex for ongoing donations. Please donate if you are able.

### Poinsettia Dedications

If you would like to provide a Poinsettia for the Sanctuary, please fill out the form located in the narthex and place in the offering plate. Suggested donation: \$20.00 per Poinsettia. Please indicate "Poinsettia" on your check

## NEXT Sunday's Servers (12/05)

**Cameras & Streaming:** Danielle Martin  
**Danny's Team:** Stan Williams  
**Eucharistic Ministers:**  
**Greeter:** Frank Supercinski  
**Lector:** Mary Lynn Dawes  
**Ushers:** Jerry Ritchie  
**Vestry People:** Frank Supercinski, Andy Sanders  
**Worship Tech:** Amy Brown

## Prayer Requests

### Healing For:

- McCarty Family
- Ruby Hahne
- Nancy
- Frank Rauch
- Roni & Tom

### Other Prayer Requests:

- Terisa Kirschke (TRMC where I work pray for myself/co-workers for strength & protection against COVID. Our hospital is full)
- Joe McClellan (to adjust to Hawkins Creek Assisted Living Facility)

To submit a prayer request, fill out the back of the information sheet in the pew and place it in the offering.  
 Or, send an email with your request to: [prayer@smaalongview.org](mailto:prayer@smaalongview.org)

**\*\* Emailed prayer requests are received by all who've signed up for the SMAA prayer chain. This community of prayer is committed to holding up our needs and thanksgivings to God whenever they are shared. TO JOIN IN THIS IMPORTANT MINISTRY, JUST SEND A REQUEST TO SMAA@SMAALONGVIEW.ORG ASKING TO BE A PART OF THE PRAYER CHAIN. \*\***

### Stewardship Update

DATE	GIVING	BUDGET	ABOVE/BELOW
10/31/21	\$3,811	\$2,946	\$864
11/07/21	\$1,635	\$2,946	-\$1,311
11/14/21	\$2,250	\$2,946	-\$696
11/21/21	\$7,009	\$2,946	\$4,063
<b>YTD TOTALS</b>	<b>\$110,534</b>	<b>\$138,483</b>	<b>-\$27,949</b>

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**Ushers:** David Brown  
**Vestry People:** Amy Brown, Roxanne Brink  
**Worship Tech:** Jessica Sanders

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