

# THE GREEN SHEET

Second Sunday in Advent

December 10, 2023

## Introit

*Psalm 80:1, 8a, 9b, 7; antiphon: verse 3*

Restore us, O God;  
let your face shine, that we may be saved!  
Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, you who lead Joseph like a flock!  
You who are enthroned upon the cherubim, shine forth.  
You brought a vine out of Egypt;  
it took deep root and filled the land.  
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**Glory be to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

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## Collect of the Day

Stir up our hearts, O Lord, to make ready the way of Your only-begotten Son, that by His coming we may be enabled to serve You with pure minds; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## Gradual

*Zechariah 9:9; Psalm 118:26, alt.*

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion.  
Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem.  
Behold, your king is coming to you;  
righteous and having salvation.  
Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
From the house of the Lord we bless you.

## Learn by Heart:

*Luke 3:4b, 6*

Alleluia. Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight; all flesh shall see the salvation of God. Alleluia.

**Readings for Next Sunday:** Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11; Psalm 126; 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24; John 1:6-8, 19-28

# Congregation at Prayer and Devotions for the Week

## INVOCATION

### INTROIT (front page)

**MEDITATION:** Psalm 85. The 85<sup>th</sup> psalm is a psalm of prayer in which the psalmist pleads against God's wrath and seeks His grace. The wrath (in my opinion) consists in this, that they have a lack of God's Word and true preaching; also a lack of good government, peace, and godly authority; and finally a lack of fruitful times and good harvest. Prayer: Remember not, O God, our transgressions against us, and record not our sins in Your book, but cast them into the depth of the sea, and remember them no more forever. Impute to us the obedience of Your Son, Jesus Christ, who fulfilled all righteousness for us and gave Himself a sacrifice for our sins. Let us live for His sake, and enable us to walk worthy of our calling. Amen. (Excerpt from Reading the Psalms with Luther)

### LEARN BY HEART: Bible Verse (front page)

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**TH 12/14:** Isaiah 30:15-26; Revelation 2:1-29

**F 12/15:** Isaiah 30:27-31:9; Revelation 3:1-22

**SA 12/16:** Isaiah 32:1-20; Revelation 4:1-11

## IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

- Pray for all who are suffering
  - that those wandering from the Body of Christ would return to receive His gifts of grace and mercy
  - Pray that we are all hungry for the Word of God.
  - Pray for our congregation: that we would continue to worship and fellowship with one another

## HYMN OF THE WEEK "On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry"

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