

# THE GREEN SHEET

## First Sunday in Advent

December 1, 2024

### Introit

*Psalm 81:8, 10-11, 13; antiphon: Luke 3:4b*

The voice of one crying in the wilderness:

“Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.”

Hear, O my people, while I admonish you!

O Israel, if you would but listen to me!

I am the Lord your God, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt.

Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it.

But my people did not listen to my voice;

Israel would not submit to me.

Oh, that my people would listen to me,

that Israel would walk in my ways!

**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:** Zephaniah 3:14-20; Psalm 85; Philippians 4:4-7; Luke 7:18-28

# Congregation at Prayer and Devotions for the Week

## INVOCATION

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**MEDITATION:** Psalm 66. The 66<sup>th</sup> psalm is a psalm of thanks for the general blessing that God often delivers and protects His people out of the hand of the enemies, as He did at the Red Sea. The histories in the books of the Judges and Kings are full of these deliverances, which He also does daily for us, delivering and keeping His own in the true faith against the devil, spirits, and sins. *Prayer:* Thanks and praise be unto You, God of all grace, because You have delivered our souls from the bondage of Satan, and have saved us through the Red Sea of the blood of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior. Cleanse us evermore with His blood that, with all Your saints, we may continually praise You. Amen. (Excerpt from Reading the Psalms with Luther)

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

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**TH 12/12:** Isaiah 29:1-14; Jude 1-25

**F 12/13:** Isaiah 29:15-30:14; Revelation 1:1-20

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- 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 for our members: Pastor, Melissa and Elsie Adelsen
- Pray for our congregation: that we would continue to worship and fellowship with one another

## HYMN OF THE WEEK

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