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LUKE 21:25

THERE WILL  
BE SIGNS  
IN THE SUN,  
THE MOON,  
AND THE STARS

# Hope Lutheran Church

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## First Sunday of Advent

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Prelude, Welcome, Announcements

Opening Hymn "Fling Wide the Door"

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Prayer of the Day (in unison)

Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. By your merciful protection awaken us to the threatening dangers of our sins, and keep us blameless until the coming of your new day, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

"Oh, Come, Oh, Come, Emmanuel" verse 1

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Prayers of the Church

The Lord's Prayer

Benediction & Dismissal

Closing Hymn "Now Thank We All Our God" LBW # 534

We are happy to have you worship with us today. Please sign our guest book in the entry if you are visiting.

Please stay to help decorate the church for Christmas following worship today.

Wednesday, December 1st: 4:00-5:00p.m. Confirmation @ Grace

Sunday, December 5th: 10:00 a.m. Holy Communion Worship

Sunday, December 12th: Donations for Friendship Home due.

In Our Prayers: We remember Bruce Gerking, Leta Steinkuhler, Larry Ikenberry & Adam Helgren serving in Kuwait.

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**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. <sup>15</sup>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. <sup>16</sup>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."

**Psalm 25:1-10****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? <sup>10</sup>Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

<sup>11</sup>Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. <sup>12</sup>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. <sup>13</sup>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.

**GOSPEL: Luke 21:25-36**

[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. <sup>26</sup>People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. <sup>27</sup>Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with power and great glory. <sup>28</sup>Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

<sup>29</sup>Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; <sup>30</sup>as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. <sup>31</sup>So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. <sup>32</sup>Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. <sup>33</sup>Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

<sup>34</sup>"Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, <sup>35</sup>like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. <sup>36</sup>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."

**Next Sunday's Readings:** Malachi 3:1-4 or Baruch 5:1-9; Luke 1:68-79; Philippians 1:3-11; Luke 3:1-6.

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