

A little child
shall
lead them

ISAIAH 11:6



**Hope Lutheran Church
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Second Sunday in Advent

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Hymn of Praise:

Angels from the realms of glory, Wing your flight o'er all the earth. Ye who sang creation's story, Now proclaim Messiah's birth. Come and worship, come and worship, Worship Christ, the newborn King.

Prayer of the Day (in unison)

Stir up our hearts, Lord God, to prepare the way of your only Son. By his coming nurture our growth as people of repentance and peace; through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, on God now and forever. Amen

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Welcome to Hope Lutheran. Visitors please sign our guest book in the entry. As we celebrate Holy Communion, we invite all communing Christians to participate.

In our prayers we remember Carol Speth, Ruth Heitbrink, Gerry Brezenski and the Workbook Committee.

Monday, Dec. 8th: 2:00 p.m. Grace Bible Study

Wednesday, Dec. 10th: 4:00 p.m. Kids for Christ,

6:00 p.m. Confirmation, 7:30 p.m. Hope Council & Workbook

Sunday, Dec. 14th: 9:00 Sunday School, 10:00 a.m. Worship

Next Sunday is the last day to bring items for the Friendship Home. We appreciate all the wonderful items. They will be a blessing to many needy women and children.

Second Sunday of Advent

FIRST READING: Isaiah 11:1-10

A shoot shall come out from the stump
of Jesse,
and a branch shall grow out of his roots.
The spirit of the LORD shall rest on him,
the spirit of wisdom and
understanding,
the spirit of counsel and might,
the spirit of knowledge and the fear
of the LORD.
His delight shall be in the fear of the
LORD.

He shall not judge by what his eyes see
or decide by what his ears hear,
but with righteousness he shall judge for
the poor
and decide with equity for the
oppressed of the earth;
he shall strike the earth with the rod
of his mouth,
and with the breath of his lips he shall
kill the wicked.
Righteousness shall be the belt around
his waist
and faithfulness the belt around
his loins.

The wolf shall live with the lamb;
the leopard shall lie down with the kid;
the calf and the lion will feed together,
and a little child shall lead them.

The cow and the bear shall graze;
their young shall lie down together;
and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.

The nursing child shall play over the hole
of the asp,
and the weaned child shall put its hand
on the adder's den.

They will not hurt or destroy
on all my holy mountain,
for the earth will be full of the knowledge
of the LORD
as the waters cover the sea.

On that day the root of Jesse shall stand
as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall
inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be
glorious.

Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19

SECOND READING: Romans 15:4-13
(not printed)

GOSPEL: Matthew 3:1-12

In those days John the Baptist appeared
in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming,
"Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has
come near." This is the one of whom the
prophet Isaiah spoke when he said,
"The voice of one crying out in
the wilderness:

'Prepare the way of the Lord,
make his paths straight.'

Now John wore clothing of camel's hair
with a leather belt around his waist, and
his food was locusts and wild honey. Then
the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were
going out to him, and all the region along
the Jordan, and they were baptized by
him in the river Jordan, confessing their
sins.

But when he saw many Pharisees and
Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to
them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned
you to flee from the wrath to come?

Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not
presume to say to yourselves, 'We have
Abraham as our ancestor'; for I tell you,
God is able from these stones to raise up
children to Abraham. Even now the ax
is lying at the root of the trees; every tree
therefore that does not bear good fruit is
cut down and thrown into the fire.

"I baptize you with water for repen-
tance, but one who is more powerful than
I is coming after me; I am not worthy to
carry his sandals. He will baptize you with
the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing
fork is in his hand, and he will clear his
threshing floor and will gather his wheat
into the granary; but the chaff he will
burn with unquenchable fire."

Next Sunday's Readings: Isaiah 35:1-10; Psalm 146:5-10 or Luke 1:46b-55; James 5:7-10; Matthew 11:2-11.

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