

Pride Sunday

Sunday, June 28, 2026

Advent Lutheran Church

We extend welcome to people of all races, cultures and colors; to people of all sexual orientations, gender expression and gender identity; to people of all ages, backgrounds and abilities; to people of every legal, economic and marital status and to all those the world seeks to separate, divide or isolate. We celebrate your identity as a gift from God. You are welcome to a diverse community united by faith. Receive God's grace given to all regardless of worldly successes or failures. Together we commit ourselves to embrace the continuing work of anti-racism, social and economic justice and environmental care.

*"Welcome one another therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you,
for the glory of God." Romans 15.7*



Advent is a **Reconciling in Christ** congregation
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Welcome

Worship includes everyone! You are invited to speak the bold-printed words in this bulletin. “ELW” refers to the red hymnal in front of you. “ACS” refers to hymns found in the purple hymnal. During the Sharing of Peace, people generally move around the sanctuary to share signs of Christ’s peace with a hug, a handshake, a peace sign, or saying the words, “Peace be with you.” Participate at your own comfort level.

Children are welcome in worship! Sunday School is taking a break this summer, but children are always encouraged to participate in worship. If your little one needs a break, there is space to play and stretch out in the narthex. A TV screen will allow you to see and hear worship while supervising your child. Quiet bags and coloring supplies can be found in the narthex and brought to your pews. During the Family Lesson, children are invited to come forward, with or without a grown-up, for a message created especially for them. Don’t worry — wiggles and noises are expected!

Fidget toys are available in bags in most pews. Noise-canceling headphones are also available. Ask an usher if you need a set. Neurodiversity is celebrated here.

Holy Communion is intended for everyone. It is an open table. Ushers will guide you. Gluten-free wafers and non-alcoholic grape juice are available.

Newcomer today? Use the QR code on the back page to learn more about Advent.

Your offering of financial support, time and talent is welcome and important. The QR link will guide you to online giving. Checks can be written to Advent Lutheran Church.

Restrooms are located in the Fellowship Hall next door.

The blue HERE I AM! card in your pew rack can be used to request a meeting with the pastor or ask for prayers. Visitors are invited to share their contact information and check the appropriate box to request our e-news. Place the card in the gold plate that will be passed to you during Offering.

Thank you for serving today:

Ushers: Irene Bizier and Tom Sweeney

Lector: Cindy Abrahamson

Hospitality: Kaye Lysen and the Advent Choir

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— GATHERING —

Prelude

Welcome

Litany of Love & Prayer of the Day

Holy One, who formed us in love and called us by name, we gather as your people, created in your image, and we come before you just as we are.

We praise you, Creator God, for we are marvelously made.

When the world has tried to strip us of our divine identity, or exclude us from your family; when voices of shame have tried to drown out your truth—

You say to us: “Do not fear! I am with you. You are beloved, and you are mine.”

For the judgements we harbor and the assumptions we make; for the harm done to LGBTQIA+ people in your name; for every time the Church has failed to love as you love, or welcome as you welcome, and has been an instrument of harm—

Forgive us, heal us, and make us bold in love.

You command us to abide in your love and to love one another as you love us.

Transform us with your radical love, that it would shape our life together.

As we celebrate the beauty of our diversity, the uniqueness of our bodies, and the differences that reflect your joyful creativity—unite us like the spectrum of colors in a rainbow, siblings of the same Holy Parent, and members of one human family.

Make this a community where every child of God is known, named, and cherished.

Help us to honor the divine within us, and in each person we meet.

We praise you, Creator God, for we are marvelously made.

Thanks be to God!

Let us pray.

God of Pride and Promise,

you have searched us and known us,

claimed us and called us, loved us and sent us.

May this worship be a celebration of your delight in your people and a witness to the liberating love you place in our hands. In Christ, who abides with us always. **Amen.**



— WORD —

Family Lesson

First Reading: Isaiah 43:1-7

¹But now thus says the LORD,

he who created you, O Jacob,

he who formed you, O Israel:

Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;

I have called you by name; you are mine.

²When you pass through the waters, I will be with you,

and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;

when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,

and the flame shall not consume you.

³For I am the LORD your God,

the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.

I give Egypt as your ransom,

Cush and Seba in exchange for you.

⁴Because you are precious in my sight

and honored and I love you,

I give people in return for you,

nations in exchange for your life.

⁵Do not fear, for I am with you;

I will bring your offspring from the east,

and from the west I will gather you;

⁶I will say to the north, “Give them up,”

and to the south, “Do not withhold;

bring my sons from far away

and my daughters from the end of the earth—

⁷everyone who is called by my name,

whom I created for my glory,

whom I formed and made.

Word of God. Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 139:1-14

¹LORD, you have searched me out;

O LORD, you have known me.

²**You know my sitting down and my rising up;**

you discern my thoughts from afar.

³You trace my journeys and my resting-places

and are acquainted with all my ways. ⁴

- ⁴**Indeed, there is not a word on my lips,
but you, O LORD, know it altogether.**
- ⁵You encompass me, behind and before,
and lay your hand upon me.
- ⁶**Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;
it is so high that I cannot attain to it.**
- ⁷Where can I go then from your Spirit?
Where can I flee from your presence?
- ⁸**If I climb up to heaven, you are there;
if I make the grave my bed, you are there also.**
- ⁹If I take the wings of the morning
and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,
- ¹⁰**even there your hand will lead me
and your right hand hold me fast.**
- ¹¹If I say, "Surely the darkness will cover me,
and the light around me turn to night,"
- ¹²**darkness is not dark to you; the night is as bright as the day;
darkness and light to you are both alike.**
- ¹³For you yourself created my inmost parts;
you knit me together in my mother's womb.
- ¹⁴**I will thank you because I am marvelously made;
your works are wonderful, and I know it well.**

Gospel Acclamation



Gospel Reading: John 15:9-18

The Holy Gospel according to Saint John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

⁹As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. ¹⁰If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete.

¹²"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. ¹³No one

has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. ¹⁴ You are my friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵ I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing, but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. ¹⁶ You did not choose me, but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. ¹⁷ I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another. ¹⁸ "If the world hates you, be aware that it hated me before it hated you.

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Pride Pop-Up Choir Anthem

Child of God

Mark Miller

No matter what people say
Say, or think about me
I am a child,
I am a child of God.

No matter what people say
Say, or think about you
You are a child,
You are a child of God.

No matter what the world says
Says, or thinks about me
I am a child,
I am a child of God.

No matter what the church says,
Decisions, pronouncements on you,
You are a child,
You are a child of God.

And there is no thing,
Or no one who can separate,
They can't separate you
From the truth that you're someone,
You are family,
You are meant to be
A child, a child of God!
You are a child, a child of God!





1. For ev - 'ry-one born, a place at the ta - ble, for
 2. For wo - man and man, a place at the ta - ble, and
 3. For young and for old, a place at the ta - ble, a
 4. For gay, bi, and straight, a place at the ta - ble, in -
 5. For bod - ies di - verse, a place at the ta - ble, all
 6. For ev - 'ry-one born, a place at the ta - ble, to



ev - 'ry-one born, clean wa - ter and bread, a
 all those be - tween, be - yond, and be - sides; ex -
 voice to be heard, a part in the song, the
 vit - ed to wed, to bap - tize and preach, a
 man - ner of speech and move - ment and minds; en -
 live with - out fear, and sim - ply to be, to



shel - ter, a space, a safe place for grow - ing, for
 pand - ing our world, dis - man - tl - ing pow - er, each
 hands of a child in hands that are wrin - kled, for
 rain - bow of race and gen - der and co - lor, for
 a - bled to lead and teach us new lang - uage, for
 work, to speak out, to wit - ness and wor - ship, for



ev - 'ry-one born, a star o - ver - head.
 val - ued for what their voice can pro - vide.
 young and for old, the right to be - long. And
 queer, trans, and ace, God's jus - tice in reach.
 bo - dies di - verse, a church re - de - signed.
 ev - 'ry-one born, the right to be free.

Refrain printed on page 8

Refrain:



God will de - light when we are cre-a - tors of
jus - tice and joy, yes, God will de - light when
we are cre-a - tors of jus - tice,
jus - tice and joy!

Prayers of the People

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Sharing Christ's Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

You are invited to share a sign of God's peace with those around you; a hug, a handshake, a fist bump, peace sign, and/or the words, "Peace be with you."

Announcements



Offering Song

Love Astounding



1 Love as - tound-ing, Love con - found-ing lim-its fear - ful minds im-pose.
2 Love re - ceiv-ing, Love be - liev - ing, we re - joice with thanks and song,



Love re - new-ing, Love pur - su - ing ev - 'ry heart un - til it knows
faith re - gain-ing, hope pro - claim-ing; Love has taught us we be - long,



Love's trans-form-ing, heal-ing good-ness, Love's a - bid - ing, gen-tle grace,
safe with - in Love's ten - der keep-ing, safe from fear's per - sis - tent call.



Love's en - dur-ance, Love's as - sur - ance, Love's con - sol-ing, strong em-brace.
Love de - fend-ing, Love un - end - ing, Love of God en-fold - ing all.

Offering Prayer

Holy God,

You call us by name and bless us with gifts to share. Use what we offer here – our hopes, our work, our whole selves – to lift up those who have been pushed down, welcome those who have been left out, and embody our gratitude for your generous love. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Eucharistic Prayer and Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread;
and forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

Instructions and Invitation to the Table

All are welcome at Christ's table. Ushers will guide you. Gluten-free and non-alcoholic elements are available.

Distribution and Music

*Holy Is the Refugee
Light Dawns on a Weary World
I Come with Joy*

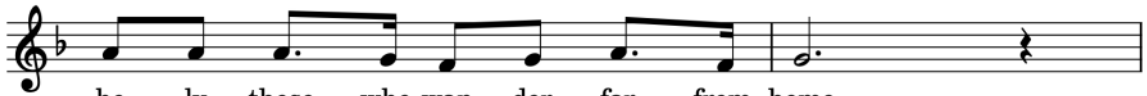
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Holy Is the Refugee



1. Ho - ly is the ref - u - gee, ho - ly is the guest,
2. Ho - ly are the ques - tion - ing, ho - ly are the queer,
3. Ho - ly are the dis - pos - sessed, ho - ly are the spurned,
4. Ho - ly is the en - e - my, ho - ly is the friend,



ho - ly, those who wan - der far from home.
ho - ly, those who chal - lenge, dance, and dare.
ho - ly are the pro - filed and pa - trolled.
ho - ly, ev - 'ry spir - it as it flames;



Ho - ly are the bod - ies seek - ing safe - ty, warmth, and rest; be -
Ho - ly are the bod - ies choos - ing joy in - stead of fear; be -
Ho - ly are the bod - ies harmed by ha - tred taught and learned, be -
Ho - ly is each bod - y, held by love un - til the end, be -



-lov - ed, find a wel - come as you roam. *To Verse 2*
-lov - ed, claim a free - dom all can share. Sing - ing
-lov - ed, now be shield - ed and con - soled. Sing - ing
-lov - ed, may we know what God pro - claims. Sing - ing



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly God who made us in their like - ness,



Ho - ly ev - 'ry bod - y, breath, and soul.

Prayer after Communion

Holy One,

You set a place for us at your table, and we have been fed and strengthened by your grace. Abide in us as we go out in love. Give us courage, tenderness, and joy, to honor the beauty of your creation and bear your love to the world. Amen.

— SENDING —

Sending Hymn

Child of God



1. No mat - ter what peo - ple say,
2. No mat - ter what peo - ple say,
3. No mat - ter what the world says,
4. No mat - ter what the church says, de -



- say or think a - bout me, I am a
say or think a - bout you, you are a
says or thinks a - bout me, I am a
ci - sions, pro-nounce-ments on you, you are a



- child, I am a child _____ of God.
child, you are a child _____ of God.
child, I am a child _____ of God.
child, you are a child _____ of God.

Blessing & Dismissal

Beloved siblings in Christ, the God who formed you walks beside you.

Jesus who loves you calls you by name.

The Spirit who breathes in you sends you in joy.

Go in peace, go with pride! **Thanks be to God!**

Postlude

Announcements

Weekly Bible Study with Pastor Anne happens every Tuesday at 12pm in the Fellowship Hall or via Zoom (a link can be found in each Wednesday email). This week's readings: Zechariah 9:9-12; Romans 7:15-25a; Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

Garden of Giving Update

The garden team has been working hard while dodging spring showers to harvest our bountiful produce. So far this year, we've delivered 240 pounds of cabbage, 370 pounds of lettuce, 112 pounds of radish and 78 pounds of beets to the Snohomish food bank and our food sharing tables. Our YTD total is 1,101 pounds. We're now looking forward to transitioning to our summer crops and anticipate harvesting our first zucchini and carrots this week. Tomatoes should start ripening right around July 4. Thank you for your prayers as we continue to address food insecurity in our neighborhood! Mark your calendar for our Garden of Giving Open House on Aug. 2.

The Little Pantry

Sunday, July 5th is the first Sunday of the month, and we'd greatly appreciate your donations of non-perishable food items. Right now, the pantry is especially in need of the following:

- Cereal and oatmeal
- Shelf stable milk
- Rice or pasta packets
- Spaghetti sauce and noodles
- Canned chicken, tuna, and salmon
- Chili and chunky soups
- Canned corn

Have you seen the Little Library lately? We are blessed to have a carefully curated library located in our Fellowship Hall for your enjoyment and learning. Unlike a stereotypical dusty old church library, ours is filled with excellent reads, both old and new, and is constantly updated to reflect monthly themes, highlight a diversity of authors, and introduce you to an array of literary styles. You're always welcome to check out a book to bring home until you're finished with it. And now, the library includes a **puzzle exchange station!** Check it out!

Landscaping Work Party Coming Up! We need all willing hands to assemble near the garage shed at 8am on Saturday, July 11. Bring your powered weed-whackers, loppers, garden shears, and machetes (no chainsaws!). Together we will tackle the overgrown undergrowth around our storm water catch basin. Sign up on the bulletin board in the Office lobby to work, bring tools, or provide refreshments.

Contact Andrew at maintenance@adventlutheran.net with questions.

Donate a plant for the sanctuary! According to the Church calendar, we're in the Time After Pentecost -- or what Pastor Anne likes to call, "the green and growing season." You'll notice scripture lessons and themes around discipleship, faith formation, abundance, life, and transformation. In keeping with that spirit, we're beautifying our sanctuary with more and more greenery through the summer and into fall. We hope to add one or two new green plants to our space each week. Please consider donating a plant anonymously or in honor or memory of a loved one.

Thanks to Tami "Green Thumb" Green for suggesting the following indoor plants, which should do well in the conditions of our sanctuary: Prayer Plant, Cast Iron Plant, Heart-Leaf Philodendron, ZZ Plant, Snake Plant, Dwarf Umbrella Plant, Peperomia Obtusifolia, Begonia Rex, Chinese Evergreen, Peace Lily, Dracaena, English Ivy, Pothos Plants

SAVE THE DATE! Please note these special summer Sundays:

June 22: Children's camps on Advent campus begin

June 28: Pride Worship with Pop-Up Pride Choir

July 5: Prayer for the Healing of the Nations

July 19: Outdoor Worship

August 2: Garden of Giving Open House (after worship)

August 16: Outdoor Worship

September 13: Rally Day with Ministry Fair and Carnival!

Live Music & Food Truck Wednesdays are HERE! Join your church family and our neighbors for an evening of food, fellowship, and live music! From 4:30 to 7:30pm every Wednesday during the summer you will find a local food truck *and* a local band right outside Advent's sanctuary. Come support a local business for dinner and stay for the fun! Tables and chairs are provided but you're invited to bring your favorite lawn chair or blanket and BYOB. Sign up to help with setup or cleanup. All are welcome!

Support Children, Youth, and Family Ministries! Everyone is welcome to a CYF Ministries program meeting on Wednesday, July 8 at 6:30pm, either in person or on Zoom. Join Bryant as we talk about how best to serve our young members and neighbors through faith formation, welcoming spaces, family events, and service opportunities. New volunteers are always welcome as together we fulfill the baptismal promises we make to every Child of God.

Thank you for worshipping with us today! We are a more complete community because you are here. Everyone is invited to share coffee, tea, treats, and friendly conversation in the Fellowship Hall after worship. Please join us!

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