To Win and Save Souls for Christ

Redeemer Lutheran Church

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First Wednesday of Advent
The Amazing Birth of Isaac



Our Advent Service:

Officiant: Rev. Robert Spilman



Opening Song ~ As With Gladness Men of Old (LSB 397)

Sing to God with gladsome voice; Let His praise be known to all. In the Lord our God rejoice; All His wondrous works recall. He our Lord and God alone – Ev'rywhere His will is known.

Invocation ~

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

The Bible Reading ~ Matthew 1:1-6a, 17

¹This is the genealogy of Jesus the Messiah the Son of David, the son of Abraham:

²Abraham was the father of Isaac,

Isaac the father of Jacob,

Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers,

³Judah the father of Perez and Zerah, whose mother was Tamar,

Perez the father of Hezron,

Hezron the father of Ram,

⁴Ram the father of Amminadab,

Amminadab the father of Nahshon,

Nahshon the father of Salmon,

⁵Salmon the father of Boaz, whose mother was Rahab,

Boaz the father of Obed, whose mother was Ruth, Obed the father of Jesse,

⁶and Jesse the father of King David.

¹⁷Thus there were fourteen generations in all from Abraham to David, fourteen from David to the exile to Babylon, and fourteen from the exile to the Messiah.

The Dialog Homily ~ The Amazing Birth of Isaac: God's Gift to Abraham

Confession ~

- P: Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Blessed is the man against whom the Lord counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.
- C: For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night Your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer. I acknowledged my sin to You, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord," and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.
- P: Therefore let everyone who is godly offer prayer to you at a time when you may be found. Let us confess our sins, confident that our gracious God forgives us.
- C: Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of Your name; deliver us, and atone for our sins, for Your name's sake!
- P: Peace be with you! Our crucified and risen Lord Jesus Christ tells His Church, "If you forgive the sins of anyone, they are forgiven."

 I, therefore, a called pastor of His Church, by His authority forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen. Thanks be to God!

The Words of Institution and the Distribution

(Please place Offerings in the plate at the entrance upon leaving)

Lord's Prayer ~

Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive
those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

Benediction ~

P: O give thanks to the Lord; call upon His name; make known His deeds among the peoples

C: He remembers His covenant forever, the covenant that He made with Abraham.

P: May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope. In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Closing Hymn ~ Let the Earth Now Praise the Lord (LSB 352) verses 1, 2, 3 and 6

Let the earth now praise the Lord, Who has truly kept His word And at last to us did send Christ, the sinner's help and friend.

What the fathers most desired, What the prophets' heart inspired, What they longed for many a year, Stand fulfilled in glory here.

Abram's promised great reward, Zion's helper, Jacob's Lord – Him of twofold race behold – Truly came, as long foretold.

Then when You will come again As the glorious king to reign, I with joy will see Your face, Freely ransomed by Your grace.

