

**Redeemer Lutheran Church
San Antonio, Texas**

**December 3, 2023
First Sunday In Advent
Responsive Prayer 1: Pgs. 282-284**

NOTES: Offerings will not be collected by passing plates. Please place your attendance cards and offering in the plates located by the narthex.

Masks are not required, but you can wear one at your own discretion. There is no specified seating for bible class or worship.

Prelude

The Opening Hymn:

“The Advent of Our King” – LSB # 331

Invocation: Pg. 282

The Lord’s Prayer

The Apostle’s Creed

The Readings:

The First Reading: Isaiah 64:4-12

⁴ Since ancient times no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who acts on behalf of those who wait for him. ⁵ You come to the help of those who gladly do right, who remember your ways. But when we continued to sin against them, you were angry. How then can we be saved? ⁶ All of us have become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous acts are like filthy rags; we all shrivel up like a leaf, and like the wind our sins

sweep us away. ⁷ No one calls on your name or strives to lay hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us and have given us over to our sins. ⁸ Yet you, LORD, are our Father. We are the clay, you are the potter; we are all the work of your hand. ⁹ Do not be angry beyond measure, LORD; do not remember our sins forever. Oh, look on us, we pray, for we are all your people. ¹⁰ Your sacred cities have become a wasteland; even Zion is a wasteland, Jerusalem a desolation. ¹¹ Our holy and glorious temple, where our ancestors praised you, has been burned with fire, and all that we treasured lies in ruins. ¹² After all this, LORD, will you hold yourself back? Will you keep silent and punish us beyond measure?

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

The Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

³ Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴ I always thank my God for you because of his grace given you in Christ Jesus. ⁵ For in him you have been enriched in every way — with all kinds of speech and with all knowledge — ⁶ God thus confirming our testimony about Christ among you. ⁷ Therefore you do not lack any spiritual gift as you eagerly wait for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed. ⁸ He will also keep you firm to the end, so that you will be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹ God is faithful, who has called you into fellowship with his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

The Gospel Reading: Mark 13:32-37 (GNT *)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 13th chapter.

Congregation: Glory to You, O Lord.

³² “No one knows, however, when that day or hour will come—neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son; only the Father knows. ³³ Be on watch, be alert, for you do not know when the time will come. ³⁴ It will be like a man who goes away from home on a trip and leaves his servants in charge, after giving to each one his own work to do and after telling the doorkeeper to keep watch. ³⁵ Watch, then, because you do not know when the master of the house is coming—it might be in the evening or at midnight or before dawn or at sunrise. ³⁶ If he comes suddenly, he must not find you asleep. ³⁷ What I say to you, then, I say to all: Watch!”

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Congregation: Praise to You, O Christ.

The Message Hymn:

“Savior of the Nations, Come” – LSB # 332

The Message:

Responsive Morning Prayers: Pg. 283

Congregational Prayers

(**Pastor:** Lord, in your mercy,)

(**Congregation:** Hear our prayer.)

Collect of the Day
Luther's Morning Prayer

Benedicamus and Blessing: Pg. 284

The Closing Hymn:
“Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates” – LSB # 341

Announcements:

Postlude

* GNT – Good News Translation

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