



THE LUTHERAN CHURCH—MISSOURI SYNOD

Pray For Us Calendar

ADVENT: THE SECOND COMING — DECEMBER 1-15

Advent means coming. We anticipate the promised return of Christ as the judge of the world. We look with hope to the day of the resurrection of all flesh, when those who believe in Christ will rise to everlasting life.

The Church waits for the Second Coming in repentance, hope and faith. For the following, we pray “Lord, have mercy.”

- 1.** For hearts that imitate the generosity and graciousness of Jesus. Pray that God’s people would be eager to show forth the love of God through their good works for their neighbor.
- 2.** That the Lord would preserve His Word and Sacraments in our midst, so that we may be kept strong in the one, true faith until Christ’s return.
- 3.** That the people of God would be faithful in their attendance of the Divine Service, where God

strengthens our faith toward Him and our steadfast love for one another.

- 4.** That all people would fear God and find hope in His gracious forgiveness through Christ.
- 5.** For all who do not believe in Jesus, that they might hear the Gospel and believe.
- 6.** For all Christians, that we might repent of our sins and prepare for Christ’s return.
- 7.** For steadfast faith as the world writhes and groans in anticipation of the day of judgment.

8. For the ministers of the Word, that they would be faithful to their calling.

9. for the Church’s missionaries, that through them the Word would go forth into the world with power.

10. For our government, that we might live peaceable and quiet lives.

11. For parents, that they would see their role in raising children as a holy calling from God in these last days.

12. For patience, as we wait for Christ’s coming, that we might believe God is not slow in keeping promises, but patient.

13. For those who mourn the loss of loved ones, that the promise of the resurrection may be their hope.

14. For those who are dying, that they may entrust their whole lives unto God who keeps them.

15. For the coming of Christ. Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.



ADVENT: THE INCARNATION — DECEMBER 16-31

During Advent we rejoice that God sent His Son to be the redeemer of the world. We gather with all Christians to celebrate this gracious gift from our heavenly Father. We trust in Christ alone as our Savior.

The Church gathers to thank God and ask for faith to trust in His gift of a Savior. For the following, we pray “Lord, have mercy.”

16. *For faithful reading of Old Testament, that all who read may see Jesus as the promised Savior.*

17. *For opportunities to proclaim the Gospel in this season. When the world is open to hearing the story of Christmas, may we be unashamed in our witness.*

18. *That all Christians might see the needs of their neighbor and love with the love of Christ.*

19. *For those who only attend worship at Christmas, that the Spirit would work faith through the hearing of the Word.*

20. *That we may believe the truth of the two natures of Christ.*

21. *For St. Thomas, apostle. That with him we might believe and confess that Jesus is Lord and God.*

22. *For faithful readings of the New Testament. That all the words of the apostles and evangelists may result in faith in Jesus Christ, the Son of God.*

23. *For pastors who serve as Christ’s under-shepherds in our midst. That they might proclaim the truth of the Good News of Christmas.*

24. *Rejoice that Jesus is Immanuel. God is with us to save us.*

25. *Rejoice in the incarnation of Jesus Christ. The Word became flesh and dwelt among us. We have seen His glory — glory as the only-begotten of God.*

26. *Thank God for St. Stephen, the first Christian*



Martyr. That we might also serve God with our lives — thoughts, words and deeds.

27. *That God would grant us faith to believe that He comes to us in the Means of Grace.*

28. *For all those who face depression and desperation at this time of year. That God’s gift of love in Christ would gladden their hearts.*

29. *For all those who travel. That God would grant them safety.*

30. *That all would know and believe in the suffering, death and resurrection of Jesus for the world’s salvation.*

31. *That the Lord would abundantly bless the efforts of the LCMS and its partners in the coming years. That the Gospel is the primary focus of all that is done and proclaimed.*

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