

## LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE CROSS OF VICTORIA

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### SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 7, 2025 - 10:00 AM

Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Holy Communion Setting Five

*Worship in-person and livestream*

***Where do you see John the Baptist's prophetic vision at work in the world today?***

### GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome and acknowledgement of lands

**Confession** *see insert*

**Gathering Song** ***Blessed Is the One*** *blue book* **No. 929**

Greeting The grace of Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

**Kyrie** *red book* Page 156

Prayer of the Day

### WORD

Lighting the Advent Wreath

**Advent Song** ***He Came Down*** *red book* **No. 253**

First Reading **Isaiah 11:1-10**

**Psalms 72:1-7, 18-19** *on the back cover, sung responsively with the refrain*

Second Reading **Romans 15:4-13**

**Gospel Acclamation** **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia** *red book* Page 160

Gospel Reading **Matthew 3:1-12**

Sermon

**Hymn of the Day** ***There's a Voice in the Wilderness*** *red book* **No. 255**

**Apostles' Creed** *red book* Page 105

Prayers of the People God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Peace Sharing The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

### MEAL

**Offering Song** ***Prepare the Royal Highway*** *red book* **No. 264**

*No offering is collected during worship. There is an offering plate in the entrance.*

Offering Prayer

Great Thanksgiving

**Dialogue** *red book* Page 161

**Holy** *red book* Page 162

Thanksgiving Prayer

Lord's Prayer *red book* Page 163

**Lamb of God** *red book* Page 164

*All are welcome at Christ's table. The wine is served in individual glasses and the common cup.*

*Red grape juice is in the centre of the trays. Gluten-free bread is available by asking the server.*

*You may commune with bread or wine alone or ask for a blessing.*

*Those worshipping online are invited to commune where you are.*

**Communion Songs** ***O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*** *red book* **No. 257**

***Let Justice Flow like Streams*** *red book* **No. 717**

Prayer

### SENDING

Announcements

Blessing

**Sending Song** ***Comfort, Comfort Now My People*** *red book* **No. 256**

Dismissal **...Thanks be to God!**

*Everyone present is invited to a time of hospitality in the Upper Hall following worship.*

*Thank you to Sabine Lehr and Susanne Standeven for hosting.*

### Worship Assistants

Assisting Minister

Boston Laferté

Musician

Carolyn Hoekstra

Kantor

Nathan McDonald

Choral Scholar

DJ McGrath

Livestream

Christopher McDonald

Communion

Ann Baty, Judy Bergbusch

Ushers

Don Storch, Laura Cochrane

*You are invited to Holy Communion Worship, Sundays, 10AM PT in-person and online.*

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*for the Crossroads newsletter, calendar, and events.*

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