

**THE FIRST SUNDAY in ADVENT**  
**DECEMBER 2, 2018**

**Introit**  *Psalm 89:6, 14–16, 18;*  
*antiphon: Zechariah 9:9b, alt.*

Behold, your king is com- | ing to you; \*  
righteous and having sal- | vation.  
Who in the skies can be compared | to the LORD? \*  
Who among the heavenly beings is | like the LORD?  
Righteousness and justice are the foundation | of your throne; \*  
steadfast love and faithfulness go be- | fore you.  
Blessèd are the people who know the | festal shout, \*  
who walk, O LORD, in the light | of your face,  
who exult in your name | all the day \*  
and in your righteousness are ex- | alted.  
For our shield belongs | to the LORD, \*  
our king to the Holy One of | Israel.  
**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son \*  
and to the Holy | Spirit;**  
**as it was in the be- | ginning, \***  
**is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**  
Behold, your king is com- | ing to you; \*  
righteous and having sal- | vation.

**Prayer**

Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come, that by Your protection we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins and saved by Your mighty deliverance; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Proper** *Zechariah 9:9; Psalm 118:26, alt.*

**Rejoice greatly, O daughter of | Zion. \***  
**Shout aloud, O daughter of Je- | rusalem.**  
**Behold, your king is com- | ing to you; \***  
**righteous and having sal- | vation.**  
**Blessèd is he who comes in the name | of the Lord. \***  
**From the house of the Lord we | bless you.**

**THE FIRST SUNDAY in ADVENT**  
**DECEMBER 2, 2018**

**Introit**  *Psalm 89:6, 14–16, 18;*  
*antiphon: Zechariah 9:9b, alt.*

Behold, your king is com- | ing to you; \*  
righteous and having sal- | vation.  
Who in the skies can be compared | to the LORD? \*  
Who among the heavenly beings is | like the LORD?  
Righteousness and justice are the foundation | of your throne; \*  
steadfast love and faithfulness go be- | fore you.  
Blessèd are the people who know the | festal shout, \*  
who walk, O LORD, in the light | of your face,  
who exult in your name | all the day \*  
and in your righteousness are ex- | alted.  
For our shield belongs | to the LORD, \*  
our king to the Holy One of | Israel.  
**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son \*  
and to the Holy | Spirit;**  
**as it was in the be- | ginning, \***  
**is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**  
Behold, your king is com- | ing to you; \*  
righteous and having sal- | vation.

**Prayer**

Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come, that by Your protection we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins and saved by Your mighty deliverance; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Proper** *Zechariah 9:9; Psalm 118:26, alt.*

**Rejoice greatly, O daughter of | Zion. \***  
**Shout aloud, O daughter of Je- | rusalem.**  
**Behold, your king is com- | ing to you; \***  
**righteous and having sal- | vation.**  
**Blessèd is he who comes in the name | of the Lord. \***  
**From the house of the Lord we | bless you.**

**Reading***Jeremiah 33:14–16***The LORD's Eternal Covenant with David**

<sup>14</sup>“Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. <sup>15</sup>In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David, and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. <sup>16</sup>In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will dwell securely. And this is the name by which it will be called: ‘The LORD is our righteousness.’”

**Reading***1 Thessalonians 3:9–13*

<sup>9</sup>What thanksgiving can we return to God for you, for all the joy that we feel for your sake before our God, <sup>10</sup>as we pray most earnestly night and day that we may see you face to face and supply what is lacking in your faith?

<sup>11</sup>Now may our God and Father himself, and our Lord Jesus, direct our way to you, <sup>12</sup>and may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, as we do for you, <sup>13</sup>so that he may establish your hearts blameless in holiness before our God and Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

**Reading***Luke 19:28–40***The Triumphal Entry**

<sup>28</sup>When [Jesus] had said these things, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. <sup>29</sup>When he drew near to Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount that is called Olivet, he sent two of the disciples, <sup>30</sup>saying, “Go into the village in front of you, where on entering you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever yet sat. Untie it and bring it here. <sup>31</sup>If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ you shall say this: ‘The Lord has need of it.’” <sup>32</sup>So those who were sent went away and found it just as he had told them. <sup>33</sup>And as they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, “Why are you untying the colt?” <sup>34</sup>And they said, “The Lord has need of it.” <sup>35</sup>And they brought it to Jesus, and throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. <sup>36</sup>And as he rode along, they spread their cloaks on the road. <sup>37</sup>As he was drawing near—already on the way down the Mount of Olives—the whole multitude of his disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen, <sup>38</sup>saying, “Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!” <sup>39</sup>And some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, rebuke your disciples.” <sup>40</sup>He answered, “I tell you, if these were silent, the very stones would cry out.”

**Reading***Jeremiah 33:14–16***The LORD's Eternal Covenant with David**

<sup>14</sup>“Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. <sup>15</sup>In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David, and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. <sup>16</sup>In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will dwell securely. And this is the name by which it will be called: ‘The LORD is our righteousness.’”

**Reading***1 Thessalonians 3:9–13*

<sup>9</sup>What thanksgiving can we return to God for you, for all the joy that we feel for your sake before our God, <sup>10</sup>as we pray most earnestly night and day that we may see you face to face and supply what is lacking in your faith?

<sup>11</sup>Now may our God and Father himself, and our Lord Jesus, direct our way to you, <sup>12</sup>and may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, as we do for you, <sup>13</sup>so that he may establish your hearts blameless in holiness before our God and Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

**Reading***Luke 19:28–40***The Triumphal Entry**

<sup>28</sup>When [Jesus] had said these things, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. <sup>29</sup>When he drew near to Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount that is called Olivet, he sent two of the disciples, <sup>30</sup>saying, “Go into the village in front of you, where on entering you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever yet sat. Untie it and bring it here. <sup>31</sup>If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ you shall say this: ‘The Lord has need of it.’” <sup>32</sup>So those who were sent went away and found it just as he had told them. <sup>33</sup>And as they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, “Why are you untying the colt?” <sup>34</sup>And they said, “The Lord has need of it.” <sup>35</sup>And they brought it to Jesus, and throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. <sup>36</sup>And as he rode along, they spread their cloaks on the road. <sup>37</sup>As he was drawing near—already on the way down the Mount of Olives—the whole multitude of his disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen, <sup>38</sup>saying, “Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!” <sup>39</sup>And some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, rebuke your disciples.” <sup>40</sup>He answered, “I tell you, if these were silent, the very stones would cry out.”