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**Advent Midweek 1
Jesus: The Son of David
(Series B)**

AS WE GATHER

In his Gospel, before Matthew tells us about the birth of Jesus, he provides Jesus' family tree, His genealogy. Today, we consider how Jesus is the Son of David. Jesus is not only David's descendant but also his Lord. Although we, like David, are flawed sinners, the promise to David that his kingdom would be eternal comes down to us. Our Lord entered human history to wear a crown of thorns and die on the cross, His wooden "throne," so that we might enter heaven, the eternal Kingdom promised to His forebear David. The One whose birth we shall soon celebrate reigns today and forever in the Kingdom in which we are His grateful, forgiven subjects. Come quickly, Son of David.

IMAGE ON THE COVER

Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham, . . . the father of Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom Jesus was born, who is called Christ. *Matthew 1:1, 16*

✠ PREPARATION ✠

LIGHTING OF CANDLES (*INCLUDING THE ADVENT WREATH*)

Stand

OPENING SENTENCES

Jeremiah 23:5–6; Acts 2:34–35; Luke 1:32–33

- P** Jeremiah wrote, “Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch.
- C** **And this is the name by which He will be called: ‘The LORD is our righteousness.’”**
- P** David wrote, “The Lord said to my Lord,
- C** **‘Sit at My right hand, until I make Your enemies Your footstool.’”**
- P** Gabriel told Mary, “The Lord God will give to Him the throne of His father David,
- C** **and of His kingdom there will be no end.”**

✠PSALMODY✠

PSALM

Psalm 145:1–13a; antiphon: v. 13a

- P** David recognized that God’s kingdom is eternal, continuing beyond earthly governments.

Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,
and Your dominion endures throughout all generations.

I will extol You, my God and King,
and bless Your name forever and ever.

- C** **Every day I will bless You
and praise Your name forever and ever.**

- P** Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised,
and His greatness is unsearchable.

- C** **One generation shall commend Your works to another,
and shall declare Your mighty acts.**

- P** On the glorious splendor of Your majesty,
and on Your wondrous works, I will meditate.
- C** **They shall speak of the might of Your awesome deeds,
and I will declare Your greatness.**
- P** They shall pour forth the fame of Your abundant goodness
and shall sing aloud of Your righteousness.
- C** **The LORD is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**
- P** The LORD is good to all,
and His mercy is over all that He has made.
- C** **All Your works shall give thanks to You, O LORD,
and all Your saints shall bless You!**
- P** They shall speak of the glory of Your kingdom
and tell of Your power,
- C** **to make known to the children of man Your mighty deeds,
and the glorious splendor of Your kingdom.**

**Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,
and Your dominion endures throughout all generations.**

THE GREAT O ANTIPHON

- P** One of the Great O Antiphons, to be used during the week preceding
Christmas, calls Jesus the Key of David.

O Key of David and scepter of the house of Israel, You open and no one
can close,

You close and no one can open:

- C** **Come and rescue the prisoners who are in darkness and the shadow
of death.**

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (Advent 1)



1 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, And
2 O come, Thou Key of Da - vid, come, And
3 O Da - vid's Son and Da - vid's Lord, Be



ran-som cap - tive Is - ra - el, That mourns in lone - ly
o - pen wide our heav'n - ly home; Make safe the way that
here and ev - 'ry - where a - dored. From us re-move re -



ex - ile here Un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
leads on high, And close the path to mis - er - y.
bel - lious sin; Thy end - less reign to ush - er in.



Re - joice! Re - joice! Em - man - u - el



Shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!

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✠READINGS✠

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 23:3-6

L Jeremiah writes that David's coming Son will provide the righteousness we so desperately need. A reading from Jeremiah, chapter 23.

³Then I will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴I will set shepherds over them who will care for them, and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed, neither shall any be missing, declares the LORD.

⁵"Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely. And this is the name by which he will be called: 'The LORD is our righteousness.'

L O Lord, have mercy on us.

C **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING

Acts 2:22-36

L On Pentecost, Peter preaches that Jesus is greater than His ancestor David: He has conquered death. A reading from Acts, chapter 2.

²²“Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with mighty works and wonders and signs that God did through him in your midst, as you yourselves know— ²³this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men. ²⁴God raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it. ²⁵For David says concerning him,

“I saw the Lord always before me,
for he is at my right hand that I may not be shaken;
²⁶therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced;
my flesh also will dwell in hope.
²⁷For you will not abandon my soul to Hades,
or let your Holy One see corruption.
²⁸You have made known to me the paths of life;
you will make me full of gladness with your presence.’

²⁹“Brothers, I may say to you with confidence about the patriarch David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. ³⁰Being therefore a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would set one of his descendants on his throne, ³¹he foresaw and spoke about the resurrection of the Christ, that he was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh see corruption. ³²This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses. ³³Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this that you yourselves are seeing and hearing. ³⁴For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he himself says,

“The Lord said to my Lord,
Sit at my right hand,
³⁵until I make your enemies your footstool.’

³⁶Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified.”

L O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

THIRD READING

Luke 1:26–33

L The angel Gabriel tells Mary that her baby will sit on David’s throne to reign forever. A reading from Luke, chapter 1.

²⁶In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, ²⁷to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. And the virgin’s name was Mary. ²⁸And he came to her and said, “Greetings, O favored one, the Lord is with you!” ²⁹But she was greatly troubled at the saying, and tried to discern what sort of greeting this might be. ³⁰And the angel said to her, “Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. ³¹And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus. ³²He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. And the Lord God will give to him the throne of his father David, ³³and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end.”

L O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORY

Based on Jeremiah 23:5–6; Acts 2:36; Luke 1:32–33

P I will raise up for David a righteous Branch,
C and of His kingdom there will be no end.

P God has made Him both Lord and Christ,
C and of His kingdom there will be no end.

P He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High,
C and of His kingdom there will be no end.

P In the last stanza of the next hymn, we echo the acclamations of Palm Sunday and look toward praising our King in eternity.

Sit

350 Come, Thou Precious Ransom, Come



1 Come, Thou pre - cious Ran - som, come, On - ly hope for
 2 En - ter now my wait - ing heart, Glo - rious King and
 3 My ho - san - nas and my palms Gra - cious - ly re -
 4 Hail! Ho - san - na, Da - vid's Son! Je - sus, hear our



sin - ful mor - tals! Come, O Sav - ior of the world!
 Lord most ho - ly. Dwell in me and ne'er de - part,
 ceive, I pray Thee; Ev - er - more, as best I can,
 sup - pli - ca - tion! Let Thy king - dom, scep - ter, crown,



O - pen are to Thee all por - tals. Come, Thy beau - ty
 Though I am but poor and low - ly. Ah, what rich - es
 Sav - ior, I will hom - age pay Thee, And in faith I
 Bring us bless - ing and sal - va - tion, That for - ev - er



let us see; Anx - ious - ly we wait for Thee.
 will be mine When Thou art my guest di - vine!
 will em - brace, Lord, Thy mer - it through Thy grace.
 we may sing: Hail! Ho - san - na to our King.

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SERMON

VOTUM

P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

C Amen.

OFFERING

Stand

936 Sing Praise to the God of Israel



1 Sing praise to the God of Is - ra - el! Sing praise for His
2 God spoke by the proph - ets long a - go, His prom - ise on
3 You, child, will go on be - fore the Lord As proph - et, His
4 O bright, ris - ing Sun, now shine on us In need of il -



vis - i - ta - tion! Re - deem - ing His peo - ple from their sin,
oath re - call - ing— To A - bra - ham made in for - mer years:
way pre - par - ing; To speak on be - half of God Most High,
lu - mi - na - tion; Come scat - ter the shades of sin and death



Ac - com - plish - ing their sal - va - tion, Up - rais - ing a
Of van - quish - ing foes ap - pall - ing, That those He de -
His coun - sel of truth de - clar - ing: Rich mer - cy and
And shat - ter their dom - i - na - tion. Be guid - ing our



might - y horn with - in The house of His ser - vant Da - vid!
liv - ered from their fears Might glad - ly and tru - ly serve Him.
grace for all where - by In - iq - ui - ty is for - giv - en.
foot - steps on the path Of peace, in Your pres - ence dawn - ing!

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✠PRAYER✠

SALUTATION

- P** The Lord be with you.
C And also with you.

COLLECTS

- P** Let us pray.

Lord Jesus, guide and protect clergy and lay leaders of Your Church. Enable them to lift people's hearts and minds to look beyond global pandemics, natural disasters, and political upheavals to see the eternal Kingdom, which You have graciously opened to all people who trust in You for life and health and peace. Bless those who till the soil, manage farms, transport supplies, and distribute food and clothing where they are needed. Son of David,

- C** **hear our prayer.**

P Almighty Lord, give wisdom and courage to those who lead governments, command armed forces, and maintain order in society. Give them hearts to seek peace so that warfare with neighbor states and civil strife within them give way to prosperity, health, and cooperation. Increase our faith to depend on Your eternal promises of the better country that awaits us by grace. Son of Abraham,

- C** **hear our prayer.**

P Jesus, Light of the world, open the hearts of all who are burdened by their scandals and other past sins. Surround them with faithful people to tell them about Your coming in human history to give Yourself for them. Protect and guide all law enforcement personnel, first responders, health care workers, and counselors. Help them balance justice, mercy, and compassionate care so that many may have their lives repaired and hope restored. Son of scandal,

- C** **hear our prayer.**

P Gracious Lord, cared for by Your adopted human father, Joseph, remember people like him, those who have been forgotten, whether dispossessed, incarcerated, or isolated for any reason. Remember not their sins and iniquities but give them a sense of Your abiding presence. Nurture in us all a love for Your will so that we obediently do whatever You ask. Son of Joseph,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Servant Savior, born in a stable to a lowly Virgin, remind us again that You turn the world's ways upside down. Give strength to the weak, lift up the downtrodden, provide hope for the despairing, announce peace to the distraught, and proclaim eternal forgiveness to all burdened by their sin. Son of Mary,

C **hear our prayer.**

COLLECT FOR TODAY

P Lord Jesus, Son of David, in You the Father's promise of an eternal throne for David came true.

C **Grant us lively faith to serve You each day, aware of the citizenship in Your kingdom, which You won for us by Your obedient life, sacrificial death, and glorious resurrection.**

P Son of David,

C **hear our prayer.**

COLLECT FROM SUNDAY

P Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come,

C **that by Your protection we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins and saved by Your mighty deliverance;**

P for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

LUTHER'S EVENING PRAYER

P We pray together,

C I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me.

LORD'S PRAYER

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C 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.

BENEDICAMUS

P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION

P The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless you and keep you.

C Amen.

359 Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming



1 Lo, how a rose e'er bloom - ing From ten - der stem hath
2 I - sa - iah 'twas fore - told it, The rose I have in
3 This flow'r, whose fra - grance ten - der With sweet - ness fills the
4 O Sav - ior, child of Mar - y, Who felt our hu - man



sprung! Of Jes - se's lin - eage com - ing As proph - ets long have
mind; With Mar - y we be - hold it, The vir - gin moth - er
air, Dis - pels with glo - rious splen - dor The dark - ness ev - 'ry -
woe; O Sav - ior, King of glo - ry, Who dost our weak - ness



sung, It came, a flow - 'ret bright, A - mid the
kind. To show God's love a - right, She bore to
where. True man, yet ver - y God, From sin and
know: Bring us at length we pray To the bright



cold of win - ter, When half - spent was the night.
us a Sav - ior, When half - spent was the night.
death He saves us And light - ens ev - 'ry load.
courts of heav - en, And to the end - less day.

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THE GENEALOGY OF JESUS

Matthew 1:1–16

The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, the son of **David**, the son of **Abraham**.

Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac the father of Jacob, and Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers, and Judah the father of Perez and Zerah by **Tamar**, and Perez the father of Hezron, and Hezron the father of Ram, and Ram the father of Amminadab, and Amminadab the father of Nahshon, and Nahshon the father of Salmon, and Salmon the father of Boaz by **Rahab**, and Boaz the father of Obed by **Ruth**, and Obed the father of Jesse, and Jesse the father of David the king.

And David was the father of Solomon by the **wife of Uriah**, and Solomon the father of Rehoboam, and Rehoboam the father of Abijah, and Abijah the father of Asaph, and Asaph the father of Jehoshaphat, and Jehoshaphat the father of Joram, and Joram the father of Uzziah, and Uzziah the father of Jotham, and Jotham the father of Ahaz, and Ahaz the father of Hezekiah, and Hezekiah the father of Manasseh, and Manasseh the father of Amos, and Amos the father of Josiah, and Josiah the father of Jechoniah and his brothers, at the time of the deportation to Babylon.

And after the deportation to Babylon: Jechoniah was the father of Shealtiel, and Shealtiel the father of Zerubbabel, and Zerubbabel the father of Abiud, and Abiud the father of Eliakim, and Eliakim the father of Azor, and Azor the father of Zadok, and Zadok the father of Achim, and Achim the father of Eliud, and Eliud the father of Eleazar, and Eleazar the father of Matthan, and Matthan the father of Jacob, and Jacob the father of **Joseph** the husband of **Mary**, of whom Jesus was born, who is called Christ.

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