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Next Week:

Psalm 66:1–12

Malachi 3:1–7b

Philippians 1:2–11

Luke 3:1–20

Bring a friend, make a friend!

Bible Readings for Advent 1C, December 2, 2018

Psalm 25:1–10

¹Lord, I appeal to you.

²My God, I trust in you.

Do not let me be disgraced;
do not let my enemies gloat over me.

³No one who waits for you
will be disgraced;
those who act treacherously without cause
will be disgraced.

⁴Make your ways known to me, Lord;
teach me your paths.

⁵Guide me in your truth and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation;
I wait for you all day long.

⁶Remember, Lord, your compassion
and your faithful love,
for they have existed from antiquity.

⁷Do not remember the sins of my youth
or my acts of rebellion;
in keeping with your faithful love, remember me
because of your goodness, Lord.

⁸The Lord is good and upright;
therefore he shows sinners the way.

⁹He leads the humble in what is right
and teaches them his way.

¹⁰All the Lord's ways show faithful love and truth
to those who keep his covenant and decrees.

Jeremiah 33:14–16

¹⁴“Look, the days are coming”—

this is the Lord's declaration—
“when I will fulfill the good promise
that I have spoken
concerning the house of Israel
and the house of Judah.
¹⁵In those days and at that time
I will cause a Righteous Branch
to sprout up for David,
and he will administer justice
and righteousness in the land.
¹⁶In those days Judah will be saved,
and Jerusalem will dwell securely,
and this is what she will be named:
The Lord Is Our Righteousness.

1 Thessalonians 3:9–13

⁹How can we thank God for you in return for all the joy we experience before our God because of you, ¹⁰as we pray very earnestly night and day to see you face to face and to complete what is lacking in your faith?
¹¹Now may our God and Father himself, and our Lord Jesus, direct our way to you. ¹²And may the Lord cause you to increase and overflow with love for one another and for everyone, just as we do for you. ¹³May he make your hearts blameless in holiness before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints. Amen.

Luke 21:25–36

²⁵“Then there will be signs in the sun, moon, and stars; and there will be anguish on the earth among nations bewildered by the roaring of the sea and the waves. ²⁶People will faint from fear and expectation of the things that are coming on the world, because the powers of the heavens will be shaken. ²⁷Then they will see the Son

of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. ²⁸But when these things begin to take place, stand up and lift up your heads, because your redemption is near.”

²⁹Then he told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree, and all the trees. ³⁰As soon as they put out leaves you can see for yourselves and recognize that summer is already near. ³¹In the same way, when you see these things happening, recognize that the kingdom of God is near. ³²Truly I tell you, this generation will certainly not pass away until all things take place. ³³Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away.

³⁴“Be on your guard, so that your minds are not dulled from carousing, drunkenness, and worries of life, or that day will come on you unexpectedly ³⁵like a trap. For it will come on all who live on the face of the whole earth. ³⁶But be alert at all times, praying that you may have strength to escape all these things that are going to take place and to stand before the Son of Man.”

Collect of the Day

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.