

Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer

We're one week closer! As we prepare our worship space and our homes for the coming of Jesus at Christmas, let us also prepare our hearts. Welcome pads are at the end of each pew; please sign your name and pass it along.

Sunday, December 8, 2018, 8:30am

Second Sunday of Advent

Welcome

Mission Opportunities and Sharing of the Peace

Invocation, Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God, the Lord of Israel who comes to set us free, the mighty Savior who comes to show mercy, the Dawn from on high who guides us into peace. **Amen.**

Let us come before God in confession.

Silence is kept for reflection.

To you, O God,

**we lift up our souls. You know us through and through; we confess our sins to you.
Remember not our sins; remember us with your steadfast love. Show us your ways;
teach us your paths; and lead us in justice and truth, for the sake of your goodness
in Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

Children of God, come with joy and draw water from the well of salvation. Remember the gift of baptism: your sin is washed away in the name of ✝ Jesus; you belong to Christ; you are anointed to serve. Stand up and raise your heads! The reign of God is near. **Amen.**

Lighting of the Advent Candle

“O Come, O Come Emmanuel”

O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel,
that mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear.

(Refrain) Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel

Shall come to you, O Israel.

O come, O Branch of Jesse, free your own from Satan's tyranny;
from depths of hell your people save, and give them vict'ry o'er the grave. *(Refrain)*

O come, O Key of David, come, and open wide our heav'nly home;
make safe the way that leads on high, and close the path to misery. *(Refrain)*

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Prayer of the Day

Stir up our hearts, Lord God, to prepare the way of your only Son. By his coming give to all the people of the world knowledge of your salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Special Music

“One Small Child” by David Meece; arr. By Tammy Waldrop

Handbell Choir and Redeemer Ringers

Vocalists: Julianne Decker & Robbyn Givens

Directed by Bev Splinter

Song of Praise

“We Will Wait”

We will wait with ever watchful eyes We will wait with ever serving lives

We will wait with ever open hearts We will greet You

We will greet You with ever thankful tears We will greet You with ever lessening fears

We will greet You with ever hopeful joy We will welcome You

We will welcome You We will sing We will welcome You We will sing

We will welcome You as prophesied We will welcome You into our lives

We will welcome lessons that You teach We will sing for You

We will sing while we wait here on earth We will sing to greet You at Your birth

We will sing to welcome You the gift We will follow You

We will welcome You We will sing We will welcome You We will sing

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Psalm

Psalm 150

¹Hallelujah! Praise God in the holy temple; praise God in the mighty firmament.

²**Praise God for mighty acts; praise God for exceeding greatness.**

³Praise God with trumpet sound; praise God with lyre and harp.

⁴**Praise God with tambourine and dance; praise God with strings and pipe.**

⁵Praise God with resounding cymbals; praise God with loud clanging cymbals.

⁶**Let everything that has breath praise the LORD. Hallelujah!**

Lesson

Romans 12:1-2

¹I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. ²Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God — what is good and acceptable and perfect.

Children's Church

in the Chapel with Colleen Hestad

Advent Conspiracy Introductory Video

Gospel

Luke 1:39-45

³⁹In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, ⁴⁰where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. ⁴¹When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit ⁴²and exclaimed with a loud cry, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. ⁴³And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? ⁴⁴For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leaped for joy. ⁴⁵And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her by the Lord."

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Worship Fully

Pastor Dan Ofstehage

Song

"Long Ago the Prophet Came"

Tune: *We Three Kings*

Long ago the prophet came To the Jordan to proclaim

"Turn from sinning, new beginning, Make righteousness your aim."

(Refrain) "Oh, in the desert make a way For the Lord to pass today."

John's voice crying, faith undying. "God's salvation comes today."

To the Jordan John was sent To Baptize, to cry out "Repent!"

Water cleansing, Spirit mending, Changed hearts were evident. *(Refrain)*

After John came God's own Son Holy Reign through him begun.

New ways teaching, lost lives reaching, Vict'ry from death he won. *(Refrain)*

We await his last return Satan's stronghold to o'erturn.

Justice reigning, peace attaining. For Christ's new rule we yearn. *(Refrain)*

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

BeFriender Ministry: A Listening Presence

Sandy Albertson, Nancy Brinkman, Barb Cramer, Tammy DeLange, Karin Freiwald,
Nancy Hlavacek, Joan & Carl Hohnstadt, Candy Johnson, Norma Kearney,
Lynn Langner, Diane Madsen, Renae Madison, LaVerna Moldenhauer,
Pam Raeder, Twila Schmitt, Clea Urevig, Bonnie Weippert

Offering

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Prayer Song

“What Shall I Give”

What shall I give to you? What shall I give to you?

Oh, that we could give like the rain, pouring out on rich and poor the same.

Oh, that we could give like the sun, shining light on ev'ry one.

What shall I give to you? What shall I give to you?

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Prayers of the Church

Hospitalized/ill: Lois Bateman, Beth Garnos, Evan Hamre, Carol Hinderaker, Chrissy Hoover, Shelley Hardie, Christine Walraven, Elden Hemme, Sonya Benson, Chad Lambert, Stan Peterson, Greg Dubois, Jerry & Cindy Rudebusch, *friends of Lesa (Tom) Franken* Josh Anderson, *grandson of Terri Bruner* Pete Carlson, *son of Jerry & Marvel Carlson* Darcy Chapman, *daughter of Marilyn Chapman* Ruben Speidel, *grandfather of the Pletan family* Donnie Ammon, *cousin of Nancy Slostad* John Lahey-Wiggs, *brother of Chala (Tom) Lechner* Jim Wiggs, *brother of Chala (Tom) Lechner*

Death: Geri Mahlen

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The Lord’s Prayer

Benediction

Sending Song

“Let’s Go Out”

Let’s go out into the world and make it a loving place to live.

Let’s go out into the world and tell ev’ry one the Savior lives.

Let’s go out *Let’s go out* Let’s go out *Let’s go out* and make it a loving place to live.

Let’s go out *Let’s go out* Let’s go out *Let’s go out* and tell ev’ry one the Savior lives!

Let’s go out

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Call to Service

Pastor: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

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are available. Just ask an Usher.*

Serving This Morning

Presiding: Pastor Kent Stillson

Preaching: Pastor Dan Ofstehage

Worship Team: Directed by Jim Miller

Head Ushers: Darwin Brinkman, Steve Kjellsen

Acolytes: Rynne Anderson, Kyle Kneeland

Greeters:

Sound & Projection: Aaron Sowers, Robyn VanMeter

Lector: Peg Juba

Ushers: Dave Wicks, Pete Juba

Sunday Morning Helpers: Doug & Shelly Alvine

Coffee Servers: BeFriends

Welcome Center: Pam Luckhurst, Darlene Bailey

Christmas Eve Worship with Holy Communion

Monday, December 24th

All worship services will include favorite Christmas Carols and Holy Communion.

1:30 p.m. This candlelight worship service will feature a Worship Team leading the carols, Special Music by the LCOOR Handbells and more!

***3:30 p.m. These traditional candlelight worship services will feature
& accompaniment by organ and a brass ensemble along with Special***

5:30 p.m. Music by the Praise & Rejoice Choir.

***10:00 p.m. This traditional candlelight worship service will feature
piano, flute and guitar accompaniment.***