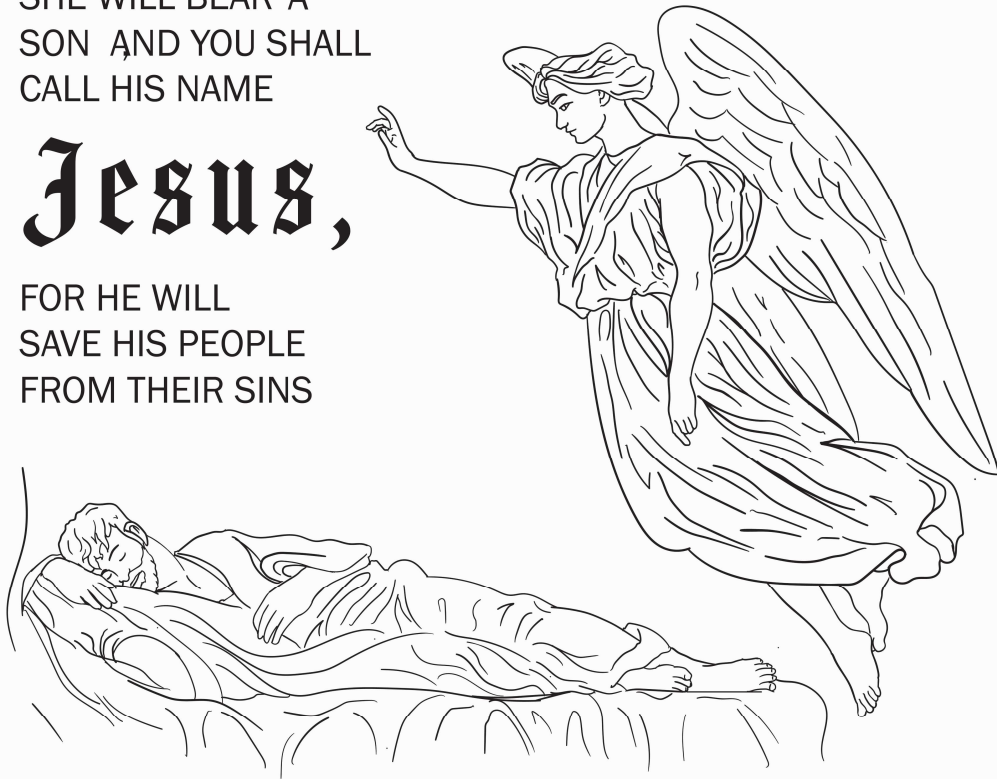


LAMB OF GOD LUTHERAN CHURCH

SHE WILL BEAR A
SON AND YOU SHALL
CALL HIS NAME

Jesus,

FOR HE WILL
SAVE HIS PEOPLE
FROM THEIR SINS



4th Sunday in Advent
Sunday, December 21st, 2025
8 am



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Welcome to all who are joining us for worship this day, especially to any guests who are among us.

We are so glad you are here and want to get to know you!

Please fill out our online [Record of Attendance](#) by scanning the QR code

If you wish to join or to have a Pastor call, please indicate that in the online form as well.



As you enter the Sanctuary...

Before the service, Speak to God; During the service, Let God Speak to You; After the service, Speak to One another

If you are a Guest visiting with us this morning...

- If you want to know more about us, talk to an usher, an elder, or visit our **Information Desk** in the Atrium and take home a **Visitors Welcome Bag**. You'll also find info about our **Sunday School** and/or **Adult Bible classes** there.
- For assistance, please ask an usher at the entrance of the Sanctuary.

To the Parents of Our Young Children, May We Suggest...

- Relax! God put the 'wiggles' in children; don't feel you have to suppress it in God's House. This house of worship is their HOME. There's **Children Worship Bags** for the kids in the back of Church, too.
- Quietly explain the parts of the Service and actions of the Pastor, Ushers, the Choir, etc. to your children.
- Sing the Hymns, Pray and Say the responses. Children learn Liturgical behavior by copying you.
- If you have to leave the Service with your child, feel free to do so. We have a **Family Room** in back with sound and windows to allow you to worship while calming or feeding your children – but please come back. As Jesus said, "Let the little children come to Me."
- The way we welcome children in Church directly affects the way they respond to Church, to God and one another.

What We Believe About the Lord's Supper:

- Receiving the Sacrament is not merely a matter between God and the person, but a "communion" - something done in "community" and a public confession of a "common union".
- We believe in the real presence, that the body and blood of Jesus is truly present—in, with, and under the bread and wine (Matthew 26:26-29) and is not merely a symbolic representation.
- If there are communicant members of a congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod (LCMS) or of congregations which are in altar and pulpit fellowship with the LCMS, such as The Lutheran Church – Canada (LCC), the Lutheran Synod of Mexico and The American Association of Lutheran Churches (AALC), we welcome them to come to the Altar to receive the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.
- If there are members of other Christian denominations or those who have questions/doubts about the Sacrament, we also welcome them to come to the Altar, crossing their arms over their chest. Our Pastor will speak a blessing over those persons.
- Scripture teaches that Holy Communion is to be a confession of a common faith (1 Cor. 10:17; Acts 2:42) and that those who are unprepared may do themselves spiritual harm (1 Cor. 11:23-32). We do not thereby presume to question another's faith in Christ but hold this historic position out of love for God's Word and in care for souls. Even as we try to respect the practices of other Christian denominations, so we ask others to please respect our practice.
- If there are those who wish to remain in their pews during Holy Communion, we ask that they join us in praying for the great day when all in Christ may be one, as He is with the Father (John 17:21). Any who would like to discuss this practice at more length may make an appointment with our Pastor to do so.

The following prayer may be helpful during your time of self-examination: Lord, search my heart - Have mercy on me and forgive me all my sins. Thank You for the gift of Your son, Jesus Christ, whose body was broken, and blood was shed on the cross for me. As I come to Your Supper grant me faith to recognize the gifts You give to me in this sacrament – Your own body and blood for the forgiveness of my sins. Thank You for coming to me in this holy sacrament to forgive me and strengthen my faith in You. Amen.

*Please Stand***+ PREPARATION +**

Psalm 24

- P** The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof, the world and those who dwell therein,
C for he has founded it upon the seas and established it upon the rivers.
P Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord? And who shall stand in his holy place?
C He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to what is false and does not swear deceitfully.
P He will receive blessing from the Lord and righteousness from the God of his salvation.
C Such is the generation of those who seek him, who seek the face of the God of Jacob.
P Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.
C Who is this King of glory? The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in battle!
P Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.
C Who is this King of glory? The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory!

Processional Hymn

"Hark the Herald Angels Sing"

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1 Hark! The her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new - born King;
 2 Christ, by high - est heav'n a - dored, Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord,
 3 Hail, the heav'n-born Prince of Peace! Hail, the Sun of Righ-teous-ness!



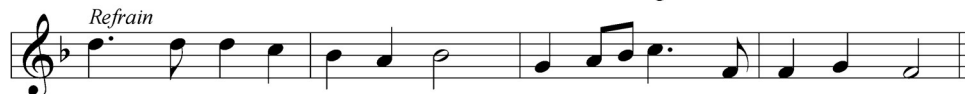
Peace on earth and mer - cy mild, God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled!"
 Late in time be-hold Him come, Off - spring of a vir-gin's womb.
 Light and life to all He brings, Ris'n with heal - ing in His wings.



Joy - ful, all ye na - tions, rise, Join the tri - umph of the skies;
 Veiled in flesh the God-head see, Hail the in-car - nate De - i - ty!
 Mild He lays His glo - ry by, Born that man no more may die,



With the an - gel - ic host pro-claim, "Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!"
 Pleased as Man with man to dwell, Je - sus, our Im - man - u - el!
 Born to raise the sons of earth, Born to give them sec-ond birth.



Refrain
 Hark! The her-ald an-gels sing, "Glo-ry to the new-born King!"

Invocation

- P** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.
P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Prelude/Gathering Song

Music helps draw us into an attitude of prayer and praise.

Processional Hymn

We are a "singing church," so we follow the advice of the apostle Paul to teach and admonish "one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord" (Colossians 3:16). This hymn may be one of praise, prayer, or reflection on the season of the church year.

Hark the Herald Angels Sing

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Invocation

From the Latin "to call upon." The spoken words at the beginning of the service remind us of our Baptism.

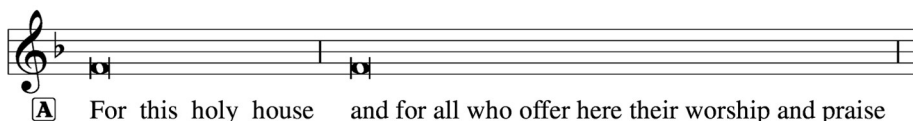
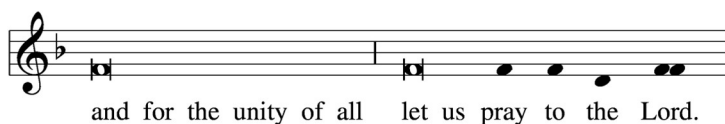
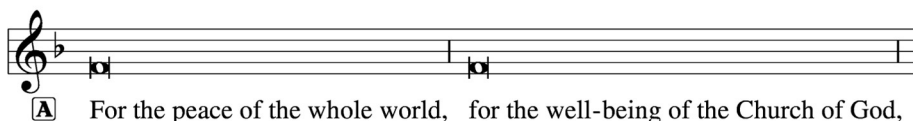
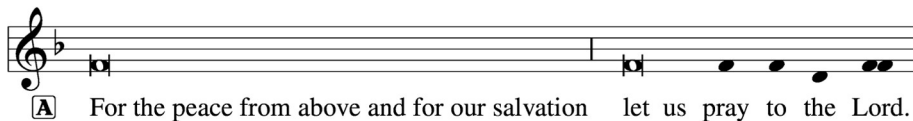
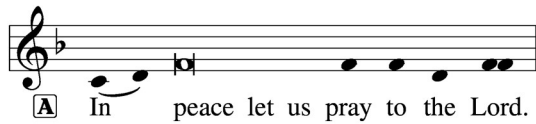
Confession and Absolution

- P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C** Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.
- P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

+ WORD +

Kyrie

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LITURGY NOTATIONS

Confession

We examine ourselves and publicly confess our sins. Such a confession at the beginning of the service provides a climate of acceptance. In spite of our sins, we are accepted by God, and in turn we can accept each other. *I John 1:8-10 [Rom. 7:14-8:4]

Absolution

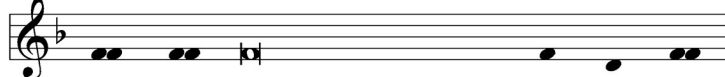
Christ said to his disciples, "If you forgive anyone his sins, they are forgiven"*. The pastor speaks for God and announces God's cleansing forgiveness to those who made confession. *John 20:23.

Kyrie

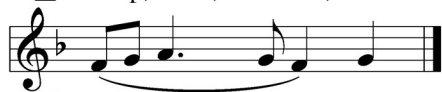
Latin for "Lord, have mercy!". Sometimes referred to as a Song of Praise, this cry was often uttered by people when their King entered the city, as a reminder that their Lord was the only one powerful enough to grant them mercy. Among God's People, we utter this cry in praise to our Savior and King that He is the only Lord Who can grant to us eternal mercy.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



C A - men.

Hymn of Praise

"O Come, O Come Emmanuel"

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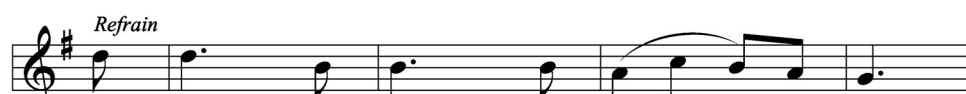
7 O come, De - sire of na - tions, bind In one the



hearts of all man - kind; Bid Thou our sad di -



vi - sions cease, And be Thy - self our King of Peace.



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



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

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Hymn of Praise

Biblical truth in poetic form, to turn our attention to the Lord who is great and "most worthy of praise."

Prayer of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

C Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come and help us by Your might, that the sins which weigh us down may be quickly lifted by Your grace and mercy; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Please Be Seated

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 7:10-17

Again the Lord spoke to Ahaz, "Ask a sign of the Lord your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven." But Ahaz said, "I will not ask, and I will not put the Lord to the test." And he said, "Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary men, that you weary my God also? Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel. He shall eat curds and honey when he knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good. For before the boy knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good, the land whose two kings you dread will be deserted. The Lord will bring upon you and upon your people and upon your father's house such days as have not come since the day that Ephraim departed from Judah—the king of Assyria."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

Prayer of the Day

The main thoughts of the day are collected or summarized in this short prayer. The collects for the season of the church year have come to us from the rich treasury of the church's heritage.

Epistle Reading

Romans 1:1-7

Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy Scriptures, concerning his Son, who was descended from David according to the flesh and was declared to be the Son of God in power according to the Spirit of holiness by his resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith for the sake of his name among all the nations, including you who are called to belong to Jesus Christ, To all those in Rome who are loved by God and called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

Please Stand

Alleluia Verse

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LITURGY NOTATIO

Alleluia and Verse

From John 20:31, reminding us that the heart of the Gospel message is the Word being proclaimed so that the world might believe Jesus is the Christ.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 1:18-25

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 1st chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

Now the birth of Jesus Christ took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been betrothed to Joseph, before they came together she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. And her husband Joseph, being a just man and unwilling to put her to shame, resolved to divorce her quietly. But as he considered these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary as your wife, for that which is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet: "Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call his name Immanuel" (which means, God with us). When Joseph woke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him: he took his wife, but knew her not until she had given birth to a son. And he called his name Jesus.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.



1 Of the Fa - ther's love be - got - ten Ere the worlds be -
 2 Oh, that birth for - ev - er bless - ed, When the vir - gin,
 3 This is He whom seers in old time Chant - ed of with
 4 O ye heights of heav'n, a - dore Him; An - gel hosts, His
 5 Christ, to Thee, with God the Fa - ther, And, O Ho - ly



gan to be, He is Al - pha and O - me - ga,
 full of grace, By the Ho - ly Ghost con - ceiv - ing,
 one ac - cord, Whom the voic - es of the proph - ets
 prais - es sing. Pow'rs, do - min - ions, bow be - fore Him
 Ghost, to Thee Hymn and chant and high thanks - giv - ing



He the source, the end - ing He, Of the things that are, that
 Bore the Sav - ior of our race, And the babe, the world's Re -
 Prom - ised in their faith - ful word. Now He shines, the long - ex -
 And ex - tol our God and King. Let no tongue on earth be
 And un - end - ing prais - es be, Hon - or, glo - ry, and do -



have been, And that fu - ture years shall see
 deem - er, First re - vealed His sa - cred face
 pect - ed; Let cre - a - tion praise its Lord
 si - lent, Ev - 'ry voice in con - cert ring
 min - ion, And e - ter - nal vic - to - ry



Ev - er - more and ev - er - more.
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Please Be Seated

Sermon

Pastor Mark Payne

Please Stand

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Hymn of the Day

This hymn follows the theme of the readings and sets the stage for the sermon.

Of the Father's Love Begotten




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Nicene Creed

From the Council of Nicaea in 325 A.D., which spoke against the Arian heresy that claimed Jesus was not equal to God the Father in the Holy Trinity and took no part in creating the world. Which is why the words, "And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made" were included. The Creed also addressed the error that the Holy Spirit proceeded only from God the Father, which removed Jesus' taking part in sending the Holy Spirit to His people. Which is why the words, "And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son..." were included.

Offering

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Choir Anthem

"Our of the Orient Crystal Skies"

Zgodava
Chancel Choir

Out of the orient, crystal skies
 A blazing star did shine,
 Showing the place where poorly lies
 A blessed Babe divine.

This shining star three kings did guide
 Even from the furthest East,
 To Bethlehem where it betide
 This blessed Babe did rest,

He was born of a maid of royal blood
 Who Mary was called by name,
 A sacred rose which once did bud
 By grace of heavenly flame.

And for the joy of His great birth
 A thousand angels sing:
 "Glory and peace unto the earth
 Where born is this new King!" Alleluia! Alleluia!

Please Stand

C Thank you, Lord, for blessing us so that we may be a blessing to others.

Prayer of the Church

P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Response after each petition

P Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen!

+ SACRAMENT +

Preface

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

LITURGY NOTATIO

Offering

Our words reflect the words God spoke to Abraham, "I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing." (Genesis 12:2)

Thank you, Lord,
 Genesis 12:1-3, Ephesians 1:3, 2 Corinthians 5:21

Prayer of the Church

Since God's people are called to 'pray without ceasing' (1 Thess. 5:17), we take this time to collect all our prayers to pray with one heart and mind as the people of God.

Preface

Preface means "introduction." The pastor and people get ready to celebrate the Holy Meal by greeting each other and with an exhortation as how to celebrate the meal.
 * Cf. "Salutation"; Lam. 3:41; Ps. 86.4.

- P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

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C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

Lord's Prayer (*Matthew 6:9–13*)

- 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.

Communion Confession

- P** The Lord's Supper is God's gift for Christians who are properly instructed. (1 Cor. 10:17; Act 2:42) In communing, we want people to receive Christ's body and blood for their good. (1 Cor. 11:23-32) This means that as you come to the Lord's Table you affirm with each communicant that Jesus is your Savior and Lord; and with Lutheran (LCMS) Christians you confess:
- C** I recognize and confess that I am a sinner. I repent of my sin and ask God's forgiveness.
- C** I believe that Jesus Christ is my only Lord and Savior from sin, Satan and death.
- C** I believe that the risen Christ is really present in the Sacrament and, under the form of the bread and wine, I receive His true body and blood for the forgiveness of my sin and the strengthening of my faith and life. (Augsburg Confession – Article X)

Words of Our Lord *Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25*

Pax Domini

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C** And also with you.

LITURGY NOTATIO

Sanctus

Sanctus is a Latin word meaning "Holy." The Sanctus contains words from Isaiah's vision of God (Isaiah 6:3) and the crowd's response on Palm Sunday when Jesus entered the city of Jerusalem (Matthew 21:9). We join them in spirit by singing their words as we anticipate Christ's coming in the sacrament. * Is. 6:3; Matt. 21:9 (Mk 11:9); Ps. 118:25-26. in the special meal. *1 Corinthians 11:23-26; Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20.

Lord's Prayer

We pray to God as our Father using the prayer of the family of God* because the Lord's Supper is our family meal. * Matt. 6:9ff; Luke 11:2ff

Words of Our Lord

The pastor speaks the words which Jesus spoke when He instituted the Supper with His disciples in the Upper Room. With these words the bread and wine are consecrated, that is, set apart for God's use

Pax Domini

Latin for "Peace be with you" - The greeting of peace which Jesus spoke on the first Easter is shared before we approach the altar to receive Him. In the Lord's Supper, the body and blood of Christ are truly present in, with, and under the bread and wine. You are invited to share that peace with one another. * John 14:27; John 20:19-21

☐ Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

Please Be Seated

Distribution of Holy Communion

(Distribution, Meditation and Blessing)

Please join us in singing as you prepare to come to the table. Gluten free wafers are available in individually wrapped containers on request. Grape juice is available in the center of the communion tray.

Holy Communion Hymns

"Sussex Carol"

K McChesney
LOG Handbell Choir

Choir Anthem

"Before the Marvel of This Night"

C Schalk
Chancel Choir

Before the marvel of this night, adoring, fold your wings and bow,
Then tear the sky apart with light, and with your news the world endow.
Proclaim the birth of Christ and peace, that fear and death and sorrow cease:
Sing peace, sing peace, sing gift of peace, sing peace, sing gift of peace!

Awake the sleeping world with song, this is the day the Lord has made.
Assemble here, celestial throng, in royal splendor come arrayed.
Give earth a glimpse of heavenly bliss, a teasing taste of what they miss:
Sing bliss, sing bliss, sing endless bliss, sing bliss, sing endless bliss!

The love that we have always known, our constant joy and endless light,
Now to the loveless world be shown, now break upon its deathly night.
Into one song compress the love that rules our universe above:
Sing love, sing love, sing God is love, sing love, sing God is love!

Post-Communion Blessing

Post-Communion Canticle

☐ Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.
Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.
He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy
with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

Agnus Dei

Agnus Dei is a Latin phrase meaning "Lamb of God." John the Baptist spoke these words as he pointed to Jesus coming toward him (John 1:29). As Christ comes to us in the Holy Supper, we recognize him as the Lamb of God sacrificed for us to free us from the bondage of sin and death. * John 1:29; Is. 53:7.

Post-Communion Collect

P We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you His peace.

C Amen.

Closing Hymn

"Joy to the World"

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1 Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth re - ceive her
2 Joy to the earth, the Sav - ior reigns! Let men their songs em -
3 No more let sins and sor - rows grow Nor thorns in - fest the
4 He rules the world with truth and grace And makes the na - tions
King; Let ev - 'ry heart pre - pare Him
ploy, While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and
ground; He comes to make His bless - ings
prove The glo - ries of His righ - teous -
room And heav'n and na - ture sing, And heav'n and na - ture
plains Re - peat the sound - ing joy, Re - peat the sound - ing
flow Far as the curse is found, Far as the curse is
ness And won - ders of His love, And won - ders of His
sing, And heav'n, and heav'n and na - ture sing.
joy, Re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.
found, Far as, far as the curse is found.
love, And won - ders, won - ders of His love.

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P Go in peace, serve the Lord always with Joy.

C Thanks be to God.

Postlude

"In Dulci Jubilo"

A Miller

Kimberly DeRosa, *harp*

Pastor Rance Settle, *Senior Pastor* | Pastor Mark Payne, *Associate Pastor* | Pastor Walt Waiser, *Pastor Emeritus*
Stephanie Poyner, *Director of Music Ministry*

LITURGY NOTATIONS

Post-Communion Canticle

"Thank the Lord," "Lord, now let Your servant go in peace," or an appropriate hymn is sung. The purpose is to offer our thanks and express our faith in what God has done for us and promised to do for us in the future. "Lord, now you let Your servant go in peace", Luke 2:29f.

Benediction

The blessing spoken by the pastor is the Aaronic benediction, the blessing God first gave to Aaron and the other priests to speak to the people of Israel. Jesus Christ, our High Priest, has come to us in a special way through this Holy Meal. The blessing is God's promise that Christ will go with us as we leave the church and return to the world to serve Him. We say "Amen" to affirm the blessing; "So be it -- it is true!"

*Numbers 6:23-27.



prayers@log.org
or
(972) 539-5200 x277

Prayer Requests remain in the weekly announcements for four weeks. If you would like continued prayers, please renew your Prayer Request.

General

The President and all world leaders
Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod
Our Armed Forces
Lutheran Disaster Care
Lutheran World Relief
World Peace

Cancer

Michelle T, wife of Derrick T

Kathy, friend of JP & Margaret H
Tim, boyfriend of Wanda Oden's sister
Tom Graves, president of Cross of Christ Lutheran Church in DeSoto, TX
Milo, 2-month-old son of Samantha & Ryan, DCE's in MN
Lucyna, wife of Jerry
Mike M, friend of JP & Margaret H
Selena, cousin of Kara K's best friend, Carrie
Mike H, brother of Emily R
Kyle P
Jerry F, Uncle-in-law of Gary P
Amanda R, mother of Sam R's friend
Betsy J
Denise J
John S, son-in-law of Dallas & Bernadette L
Declan N, great nephew of Karan N

Health

Elle Brantley, LOG Preschool teacher

Susan F

Jennifer P

Kelsey M

Gary S
Roger D
Anita S
Bob S
Don S, father of Pastor S
Karen S
Gary S
Pat D, mother of Denise J, grandmother of Hannah P
Christa T
Carla G, cousin of Marti G
Adalyn W great granddaughter of Johnnie W
Meredith G granddaughter of Johnnie W
Steve W son of Johnnie W
Brett B friend of Johnnie W
Evan R, friend of Pat A
Sherri B, sister of Kayla M
Ken & Jamye S's father
David J, friend of Chris C
Barbara M
Steve M, friend of Chris & Connie C
Patti W
Jeremy G, friend of Chip & Jeri M
Don D, brother of Marcia G
Lydia R, friend of Chris C
David I, nephew of Camille H

12/21 Jeff G
12/22 Renee D
Brian T
Rachel M
12/23 Scott E
Bennie M
Odin M
Michael H
Rebecca W
12/24 Susan E

12/25 Melissa B
Ben P
12/26 Layne F
12/27 Charlotte H
Vicki M



Erwin and Ruth J
12/23
David and Mary J
12/25



FAITH 101: NEW MEMBER CLASS

This class is for those considering joining Lamb of God, those interested in learning more about what the Lutheran Church (LCMS) believes, teaches, and confesses, and for parents who want to be better equipped to teach the faith in their home.

Join Pastor Mark Payne for this 8-session class held during Sunday Bible study hour.

We are looking to add more participants to our next class. Once registered, we will notify you of upcoming class.



Register online
or contact us at
(972) 539-5200

MARRIAGE MENTORS

Different from the marriage advice you get from secular culture, Marriage Mentors helps couples build stronger marriages through faith in God. The program benefits couples looking to increase the biblical basis of their marriage as well as introducing tools for growth in their relationship.



For more information on this important program, please contact Pastor Mark Payne at pastorpayne@log.org.



SUNDAY | 9:15 AM

Adult Bible Study

When God's Mercy Makes Us Mad

Fellowship Hall | Pastor Rance Settle

Romans

Classroom A | Mark Goodson

***Anyone interested, you are welcome to bring snacks/treats to Sunday Bible Study.*

Family Sunday School

Birth - 36 months	Childcare Center
4 year - 5 th Grade	Children's Wing
6 th Grade - 12 th Grade	Youth Center

WEEKDAY BIBLE STUDY

TUESDAY

Women's Bible Study

Tuesdays Classroom A 10:00 am

WEDNESDAY

Mid-Week Bible Study

Wednesdays Classroom A 10:00 am

Fraternity of Men Bible Study

Wednesdays Classroom H 6:15 pm

High School Youth Bible Study

Wednesdays Youth Room 6:00 pm

MUSIC MINISTRY | REHEARSALS RESUME

Youth Handbells & Choir

Wednesdays at 5:30 pm

Adult Handbells

Wednesdays at 6:15 pm

LOG Choir

Wednesdays at 7:15 pm

Children's Choir & Chimes

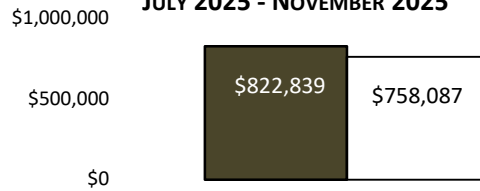
Sundays at 3:00 pm

Praise Band

Thursdays at 6:30 pm

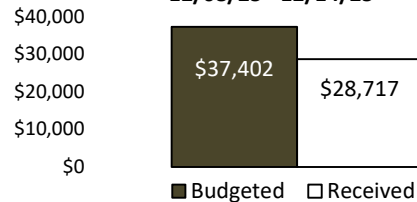
For additional information, please contact

Stephanie Poyner, Director of Parish Music
spoyner@log.org.

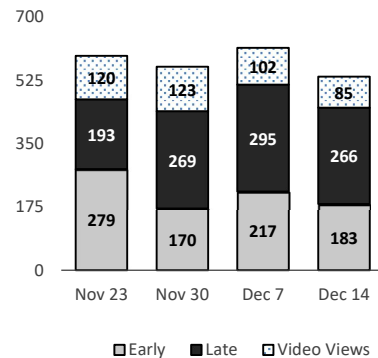
OFFERINGS
JULY 2025 - NOVEMBER 2025

■ Budgeted □ Received

Weekly Average: \$34,459

WEEKLY OFFERING
12/08/25 - 12/14/25

■ Budgeted □ Received



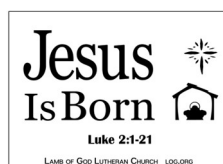
□ Early ■ Late □ Video Views

Welcome to Worship



Sign up to greet visitors and members before worship services.

We are seeking **volunteers** to arrive approximately 20 minutes before service to serve as a Greeter. **Sign up for the Sundays that you are available.** Thank you for helping us to be loving, outreaching, and growing together in Christ.



YARD SIGN | \$20 EACH

Support the Youth Ministry!
Purchase in person – cash or check only. Before and after services in **The Nook**.

Advent is almost here, and the Youth Ministry is selling **"Jesus is Born"** yard signs! All proceeds will support our Youth Mission Trip to Colorado in the summer of 2026.



SECURITY ACCESS

Request building key card.



Interested in joining the Holy Cow Smokers?
DO YOU ENJOY SMOKING MEAT?
LOVE FELLOWSHIP WHILE SERVING OTHERS? For more information learn more about Holy Cow Smokers Ministry at hcsfwd@log.org



We want to send a big **THANK YOU** to everyone who helped bring the Nativity story to life. Because you were generous with your time and talents we were once again able to host this wonderful event
THE LIVE NATIVITY COMMITTEE



TODAY!! YOUNG-AT-HEART CHRISTMAS PARTY

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21
FELLOWSHIP HALL**

following the late service: Fellowship Hall

Young at Heart Annual Christmas Dinner—Sunday Dec. 21 is the day for the annual Young at Heart Christmas Dinner (for anyone over 60) The elders will be providing and serving all the food. Just come to the Fellowship Hall following the late service. If you like, you can bring items to include in gift bags for our Homebound members. Suggested items are: tea bags, hot chocolate packs, small Kleenex packs, stamps, note cards, individually wrapped candies, small lotions, and ChapStick.
Hope to see you there!

NEW BIBLE STUDY STARTING JANUARY 11, 2026

Sundays | 9:15 am
Fellowship Hall/Gym



REJOICE ALWAYS: EMBRACING JOY IN A HAPPINESS-OBSESSED WORLD

Join us for a 10-week journey through *Paul's letter to the Philippians*! Written from a prison cell, Philippians mentions "joy" or "rejoice" 16 times in just four chapters. How could Paul be so joyful in chains? What's the difference between the happiness our culture chases and the deep, unshakeable joy God offers? This in-depth study will take us verse by verse through Philippians, exploring how the Gospel transforms our circumstances and anchors our hearts in Christ. Perfect for anyone hungry to go deeper into God's Word.

THE SHEPHERD'S CORNER BOOKSTORE

OPEN | SUNDAY

9 AM – 10:30 AM

3RD SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

9 AM – 12 PM

Come browse our selection of handmade Christmas cards, ornaments, and stocking stuffers. We've also added John 3:16 cross pocket coins—just 50¢ each. Be sure to explore our devotional books and journals, and don't miss our \$5 sale on a variety of books!

SLEEP IN HEAVENLY PEACE

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We're looking for helping hands to build beds for children in our community who don't have one, as well as to assist with a few miscellaneous projects around the church. No experience required—just a willing heart!



2026 LOG YOUTH EVENTS

**HIGH SCHOOL RETREAT
FEBRUARY 20-22**



**MIDDLE SCHOOL MISSION TRIP
MAY 22 – 24**



**HIGH SCHOOL MISSIONS
JUNE 20-28**

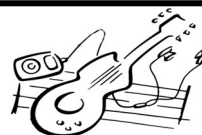
YOUTH FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITIES

CHECK IT OUT!



**HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR SUNDAY
MARCH 29**

During the 10:30 am Worship Service we honor our graduating high school seniors.
Registration Coming Soon



WINTERFEST

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28TH
6PM – 9PM**

Join us for an unforgettable evening listening to Big Band era music and dinner
Invite friends and neighbors.

Save the Date!

Tickets available early January

**BULLETIN FOLDERS NEEDED**

Friday Mornings
Takes only 2-3 Hours
No Experience Necessary! Contact
Shelley in the front office


SERVE THE COMMUNITY
1ST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH


LOG is serving lunch to the homeless and other community members at the **Salvation Army soup kitchen** in Lewisville. No cooking required! We need 3-4 people to take the food from LOG and serve at the Salvation Army from 12pm-1:30pm. *serve! For additional information, please email outreach@log.org*

STEPHEN MINISTRY***Sometimes It's Hard to Ask for Help***

We're brought up to be strong, self-sufficient, independent people. We tend to think that if we ask for help, it is sign of weakness. So, we try to keep our struggles hidden, stuffed deep inside. However, that's not God's plan.

Galatians 6:2 says, "Bear one another's burdens and so fulfill the law of Christ." God wants us to care for others -and allow other to care for us in our time of need.

If you're sad or struggling inside, don't suffer alone. Ask for help, we've got a team of Stephen Ministers who are ready to listen, care, encourage, pray, and help you through a tough time. *(It's confidential too!)*

If you need care, please contact:

- Pastor Rance Settle at pastorsettle@log.org
- Pastor Mark Payne at pastorpayne@log.org
- or visit the Stephen Ministry page at log.org.


LOG BOOK CLUB
THURSDAY, JANUARY 8
7 PM | CLASSROOM G

All are invited to join us at our next gathering. We meet monthly on the 2nd Thursday. *For additional information, please contact Linda Umoh at lumoh@smu.edu*


Women's Retreat
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20 - 22


Lone Oak Ranch & Retreat, Gainesville TX
Registration **Now** using the QR code above!
It is time to relax, reset, and refresh!!

A sweet friendship refreshes the soul Proverbs 27:9

**LWML QUILTERS**

WILL RESUME IN JANUARY 2026

for information, please contact us at info@log.org

CCA FOOD DRIVE

The Christian Community Action (CCA) Food Pantry **NEEDS your help!** With the rising cost of living, hunger continues to impact many families in North Texas, and our food pantries are distributing more food than ever.

Please consider donating nonperishable canned goods. Donations may be placed in the CCA bin located by the

Information Desk. Thank you for your generosity!


CCA's Top Ten Pantry Needs
Neighbors Feeding Neighbors

1. Canned Beans (Refried, Pinto, Baked, etc.)
2. Canned Meat (Spam, Deviled Ham/Chicken, Chili, Ravioli with Meat, Tuna)
3. Miscellaneous Vegetables (Potatoes, Okra, Mushrooms, Squash)
4. Corn/Creamed Corn
5. Peas
6. Mac & Cheese
7. Cooking Oil
8. Flour/Sugar
9. Condiments
10. Diapers/Formulas

Email: development@ccahelps.org
www.ccahelps.org
200 S. Mill Street | Lewisville

GIVE NOW



AMAZON LIST

**BRUNCH BUNCH**

Meet by the coffee pots in the Fellowship Hall following Sunday School

**LUNCH BUNCH**

**** We will Not meet in December or January 2026**

**JUNK JOURNALING | CRAFTING**

TUESDAY, JANUARY 13 & 27

7 PM | SHEPHERD'S CORNER BOOKSTORE

Do you love paper crafting, creating interesting items using new/upcycled materials?

We meet monthly on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday. No experience needed. For additional information, please contact Elasha Edwards, drop by the bookstore, or email bookstore@log.org

PASTOR SETTLE'S SUNDAY CLASS**WE NEED SNACKS!****JOIN THE SUNDAY SCHOOL TREAT TEAM!**

Sign up to make or buy 3 Dozen Treats for class either once a month or every other month.

Also, looking for a person or a couple to make coffee and clean it up after Bible Study on **ONLY the 5th month Sunday**.

For information and to sign up text Jeannie Boren at 469-878-1040

PLEASE JOIN US THROUGHOUT THIS CHRISTMAS SEASON. WE WISH YOU A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS



CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14

9:15 AM | FELLOWSHIP HALL



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21

8 AM | CELEBRATION OF CAROLS
with Chancel Choir and Handbells

10:30 AM | CHRISTMAS PRAISE &
WORSHIP



SERVICE OF HOPE & ENCOURAGEMENT

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21

5 PM | SANCTUARY & LIVE STREAM
*A service of light and hope for those who
are struggling with grief and loss.*



CHRISTMAS EVE WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24

3 PM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

FAMILY CHRISTMAS SERVICE
Families with young children

5 PM & 7 PM & 9 PM | SANCTUARY

FESTIVAL CANDLELIGHT CELEBRATION
Live Stream available at 7pm



CHRISTMAS DAY WORSHIP

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25

9 AM | SANCTUARY & LIVE STREAM