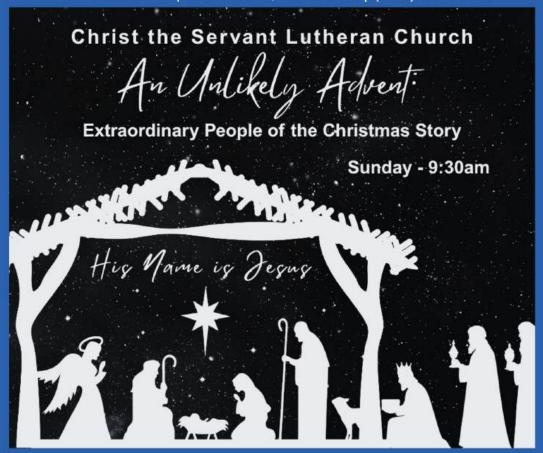
# CHRIST THE SERVANT LUTHERAN CHURCH

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## PASTOR WELCOME!



Welcome to worship today, we are so blessed to have you with us at Christ the Servant. All are welcome and we want to ensure a safe, sacred, and comfortable experience for everyone who worship with us. Please feel free to touch base with me after worship so we can get to know each other a little better.

Peace- Pastor Karen Pahl

## Worship Information:

**Offering:** The offering will take place up front during the communion process. Members will be encouraged to bring their offering up to the plate when coming up to take communion.

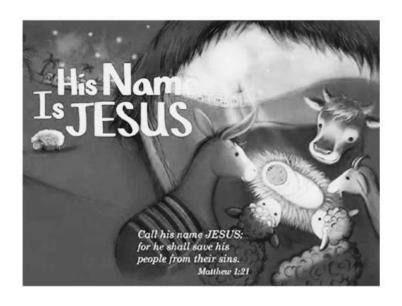
We Care Books: Members and visitors are asked to sign the We Care books and pass them along to their neighbors. Feel free to make introductions during the process.

**Sharing the Peace:** People are encouraged to share and receive the peace in any manner they feel comfortable.

Communion: Communion is offered to all regardless of age or faith tradition and is offered at the rail, you may choose to kneel or stand. The pastor and worship assistant will hand out a communion wafer, which is gluten free, and the communion assistants will hold a tray of communion cups (red liquid is wine and the white liquid is grape juice), so each participant can take the cup of their choice. The pastor, worship assistant, and communion assistants will share the words of promise with anyone who comes forward. If anyone would prefer a blessing, their arms should be crossed in front of their chest. After participating in Communion please discard the empty cup in the basket, located at each side aisle, as you return to your seat.

**Children's Activity Bags:** if your little ones are looking for something to keep their minds and hands busy during worship there are crayons, coloring books, & notepads in the cloth bags hanging on the small coat rack just outside the Sanctuary doors. Help yourself - you can return the bags following worship.

**Nursery:** We love to have children with us in worship and their sounds and voices are to be celebrated. We also realize that sometimes the freedom to play is needed and we have a nursery for just those times. Our nursery is unstaffed, but parents may access it any time, while supervising their child/children. The nursery is located down the hallway to the left of the coat closet, the 3rd door on the left, or ask one of our ushers to direct you.



## HIS NAME IS JESUS - A CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

### List of Roles

Vocal Leads and Snare Drum: Maddy Mulqueen and Erin Johnson Trombone: A.J. Johnson Hand Chimes: Torsten Redetzke

Speaker 1: Emmy Peterson Speaker 2: Izzy Nelson

Bible Reader 1: Kaylee Thompson

Speaker 3: Avery Cavett Speaker 4: Olivia Walker

Bible Reader 2: Logan Kirchenberg

Bible Reader 3: Hazel Bantz

Speaker 5: Derrick Braun

Speaker 6: A.J. Johnson

Bible Reader 4: Flora Anderson

Speaker 7: Sutton Hayes Speaker 8: Kara Cavett

Bible Reader 5: Kenzie Nelson

Speaker 9: Jack Nelson Speaker 10: Gracie Walker

Bible Reader 6: Harper Engibous

Mary: Stella Pontious

Joseph: Torsten Redetzke

Animals: Leah Thompson, Harper Engibous

Shepherds: Hazel Bantz, Landon Seston, Siena Kirchenberg Angels: Colleen Anderson, Ava Redetzke, Kieran Redetzke,

Kenzie Nelson, Sutton Hayes

Wise Men/Women: Kaylee Thomson, Flora Anderson, Logan Kirchenberg

Directors: Erin Johnson, Mary Johnson, Laury Grow, Jo Pirlott,

Amy Mulqueen, Maddy Mulqueen

Congregation reads C: bolded text.

▲ = The congregation is invited to stand as able. ▼ = The congregation is invited to sit.

## GATHERING The Holy Spirit calls us together as people of God

#### Welcome

## ▲ Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity,  $\oplus$  one God, whose home is heaven and earth, whose salvation is sure.

#### Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God who was and is and is to come.

despite our best intentions, even our deepest desires, we find ourselves time and again turning away from you to follow after other gods - possessions, people, comforts - in an effort to fill the hole that only you can. In so doing we have harmed ourselves, others, and your holy creation by what we have said and done, and by the things we have neglected to do. Open our eyes to see that you alone are the source of our wholeness. Forgive us our wrongs and inspire us to the work of making them right, for the sake of your son, Jesus Christ.

Beloved of God, like the prodigal son, you are always received with great joy, your sins are forgiven, you are saved by grace, and ready to welcome the Savior. **Amen.** 

## ▲ Advent Wreath Song

Blessed is the One - ACS 929



## Lighting of the Advent Wreath Katie, Jess and Stella Pontious

Dear Jesus,

as we light three candles, help us to focus on you during this busy season. May we be aware of the joy you bring into our lives and come to your manger on Christmas with hearts full of gratitude.

Amen.

## HIS NAME IS JESUS - A CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins - Matthew 1:21

Processional - Sunday School and Youth participants proceed up the middle aisle

## **Gathering Hymn**

O Come, All Ye Faithful - ELW 283 vs 1 & 3

#### Verse 1

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant! O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem; Come and behold him. born the king of angels:

#### Refrain

O come, let us adore him, O come let us adore him, O come let us adore him, Christ the Lord!

#### Verse 3

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation, sing, all ye citizens of heaven above! Glory to God in the highest:

#### Refrain

O come, let us adore him, O come let us adore him, O come let us adore him, Christ the Lord!

▼ Scene 1: MESSIAH

O Come, Little Children

Sunday School and Youth participants sing verse 1

#### Congregation sings verses 2 & 3

Verse 2	Verse 3	
Oh, see in the manger, Oh, there lies the Chris		
in hallowed light,	on hay and on straw;	
A star throws its beam	The shepherds are kneeling	
on this holiest sight.	before him with awe.	
In clean, swaddling clothes	And Mary and Joseph	
lies the heavenly child, smile on him with love		
More lovely than angels,	While angels are singing	
this baby so mild.	sweet songs from above.	

## ▼ Bible Reading

Isaiah 9:6

"For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace."

#### ▼ Scene 2: Emmanuel

## ▼ Song

He Came Down - ELW 253

Sunday School and Youth participants sing verses 1 & 2

#### Congregation sings verses 3 & 4

Verse 3	Verse 4	
He came down that we may have peace;	He came down that we may have joy;	
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He came down that we may have peace;	He came down that we may have joy;	
Hallelujah forevermore.	Hallelujah forevermore.	

## ▼ Bible Reading

Luke 2:7

"And she gave birth to her first-born son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn."

## **▼** Bible Reading

Matthew 1:23

"Look, Mary shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel,' which means, 'God is with us."

#### ▼ Scene 3: Lord

## **▼** Song

Away in a Manger- ELW 277

Sunday School and Youth participants sing verse 1

#### Congregation sings verses 2 & 3

#### Verse 2

Verse 3

The cattle are lowing; the baby awakes, But little Lord Jesus, no crying he makes. I love thee, Lord Jesus; look down from the sky, And stay by my cradle till morning is nigh.

Be near me Lord Jesus, I ask thee to stay, Close by me forever, and love me, I pray. Bless all the dear children in thy tender care, And take us to heaven to live with thee there.

## ▼ Bible Reading

Luke 2:10-11

"The angel said to them, 'Do not be afraid; for see, I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord."

## ▼ Scene 4: King of Kings

## **▼** Song

The Birthday of a King

Sunday School and Youth participants sing verse 1 and refrain

#### Congregation sings verses 2 and refrain

#### Verse 2

'Twas a humble birthplace, but, oh, how much he gave to us that day, From a manger bed what a path has led. What a perfect, holy way.

#### Refrain

Alleluia! O how the angels sang. Alleluia! How it rang! And the sky was bright with a holy light. 'Twas the birthday of a King. ▼ Bible Reading Matthew 2:2

"Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star in the east, and we have come to worship him."

#### ▼ Scene 5: Savior

### **▼** Song

Little Drummer Boy - CCLI #172614

Sunday School and Youth participants sing verse 1

#### Congregation sings verses 2 & 3

#### Verse 2

Baby Jesus, Parum pum pum pum.

I am a poor boy too, Parum pum pum pum.

I have no gift to bring, Parum pum pum pum.

That's fit to give our King, Parum pum pum,

Rum pum pum, Rum pum pum pum.

Shall I play for you, Parum pum pum, On my drum?

#### Verse 3

Mary nodded, Parum pum pum pum.

The ox and lamb kept time, Parum pum pum pum.

I played my drum for Him, Parum pum pum pum.

I played my best for Him, Parum pum pum pum,

Rum pum pum, Rum pum pum pum.

Then He smiled at me, Parum pum pum, Me and my drum.

## ▼ Bible Reading

John 3:16

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life."

▼ Song His Name Is Jesus

Sunday School and Youth participants sing verse 1 and refrain

#### Congregation sings verses 2 & 3 with refrain and bridge

#### Verse 2

As shepherds watched their flocks by night, God's glory shone in brilliant light. Angelic echoes made the message clear: the Lord's Messiah had come near. Could such an awesome thing be true? The shepherds ran to share the news. It was exactly as the angels said: a baby in a manger bed.

#### Refrain

His name is Wonderful. His name is Counselor. He is the Everlasting Father. This Mighty God will be the Prince of Peace we need, a child to rescue and redeem: His name is Jesus, his name is Jesus, his name is Jesus.

#### Bridge

He's the Almighty King, the Way, the Truth, the Life! Today, may his name be lifted high!

#### Verse 3

Our God has taken human form; without beginning yet now born! How could it be that he who made the stars lay sleeping in his mother's arms? The Lord has done a wondrous thing. Eternal praises now we sing. The name that's high above all other names with all our hearts we will proclaim!

#### Refrain

His name is Wonderful. His name is Counselor. He is the Everlasting Father. This Mighty God will be the Prince of Peace we need, a child to rescue and redeem: His name is Jesus, his name is Jesus, his name is Jesus.

#### #HNJ24DSE

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Adaptations by Mary and Erin Johnson



## Thank You!

#### A ROUND OF APPLAUSE

to our Sunday School children and our Youth who participated in todays Christmas program!

We also thank all of the adults who make it all possible!

Join us following Worship today for some cookies and refreshments!

#### ▲ Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

During **PEACE** you are welcomed come up front and take pictures of your children in their costume.

#### ▼ Announcements

We Care Book Please sign in the We Care book and pass it down the pew.

MEAL God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ

## ▲ Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

We lift them to the Lord. Lift up your hearts.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

#### ▲ Words of Institution

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

## ▲ Lord's Prayer

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.

#### ▲ Invitation to the Table

God our host, at this table you feed us with joy and gladness. Through this meal, satisfy our parched places, that we may rejoice and be signs of your love in the world. Send us forth, eager to share this feast of grace, welcome the stranger, and share the name of Jesus.

Thanks be to God.

COMMUNION: Communion is a gift of God for the people of God, no matter age, faith tradition or where you are on your journey. Ushers will guide each row to the altar, you may kneel or stand by the communion rail. Pastor will hand out the communion bread, which is gluten free, and the deacon will hold a tray of communion cups (red liquid is wine, white liquid is grape juice), each participant will take a cup. If anyone would prefer a blessing please cross your arms in front of your chest. Empty cup may be discarded in the basket provided as you return to your seats.

#### Youth Piano Soloists

#### ▼ Communion Hymns

Gracie Walker-Hallelujah Olivia Walker-Mary Did You Know Hazel Bantz- Silent Night

## ▼ Communion Hymn

Now the Heavens Start to Whisper - ACS 901



- 1 Now the heav ens start to whis per, as the veil is grow-ing thin.
- 2 Heav y clouds that block the moon-light now be gin to drift a way.
- 3 Christ, e ter nal Sun of jus tice, Christ, the rose of wis-dom's seed,



Earth from slum - ber wakes to lis - ten to the stir - ring, faint with-in: Dia - mond bril-liance through the dark-ness shines the hope of com-ing day. come to bless with fire and fra-grance hours of yearn-ing, hurt, and need.



seed of prom-ise, deep-ly plant-ed, child to spring from Jes - se's stem! Christ, the morn-ing star of splen-dor, gleams with-in a world grown dim. In the lone-ly, in the strang-er, in the out-cast, hid from view;



Like the soil be neath the frost-line, hearts grow soft to wel-come him. Heav-en's em - ber fans to full-ness; hearts grow warm to wel-come him. Child who comes to grace the man-ger, teach our hearts to wel-come you.

### ▼ Communion Hymn

In a Far-Off Place, Jesus Comes- ACS 908



## ▼ Prayer after Communion

God, you gathered us at your table and we receive your grace. You have spoken into being all that is, all we have and all we are.

Accept now our time, talents and financial treasures, that they may be abundant blessings for the mission of Christ the Servant and beyond. Amen.

## SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

#### ▲ Benediction

So, let the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, guard our hearts and minds in Christ Jesus and the peace of Christ rule in our hearts, now and forever.

Amen.

## ▲ Sending Song

## Joy to the World - ELW 267 vs 1 & 4



## ▲ Dismissal

Go in peace as:

We welcome all people to grow in faith and serve in Jesus' name. Thanks be to God.

### **Postlude**

Join us in supporting Christ the Servant Lutheran Church's mission and ministry! Scan the QR code to the right to give securely online. Your gift helps sustain our worship, faith formation, and serving in our community. This also helps us continue to be a welcoming community to share God's love and make a difference in the lives of our neighbors around us.



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## THANK YOU TO OUR WORSHIP SERVERS Sunday, December 14, 2025 - Children's Program

Presiding: Pastor Karen Pahl Vocal Lead: Erin Johnson, Maddy Mulqueen

Accompanist: Mary Johnson Trombone: AJ Johnson

Worship Assistant: Mike Dutelle Hand Chimes: Torsten Redetzke

Acolyte: Emmy Peterson Altar Guild: Chris Tralongo

Counters: Patti Marti, Chris Tralongo

Usher Team: Youth Participants, Larry Bornemeier, Wesley & Channing Brown, Jessi Braun

Tech Team: Jeff Pahl, Adam Johnson, Mitzi Keadle

Plant Sponsorship:

## **Helping Those In Need!**

Let's not sit on a shelf.... as the holiday season approaches there are many in the Waukesha area who are in need of food. For December please bring in food that could be used for baking at Christmas

Flour - Sugar - Cookie Mixes - Cake Mixes, Chocolate Chips - Candy Sprinkles - Baking Powder - Baking Soda - Vanilla - Crisco or Oil etc...

Let's be merry little elves and gather as much as we can!

The office is open between 11:00 and 3:00 Mondays through Thursdays or you can drop your items off directly at the Food Pantry.

Thank you for your generosity!

## PRAYER REQUESTS

"Our prayers may be awkward. Our attempts may be feeble. But since the power of prayer is in the One who hears it and not in the one who says it, our prayers do make a difference." - Max Lucado

If you would like to include someone, or yourself, on our prayer list, you may visit the website at: www.christtheservant.org to fill out a prayer request form. Or email to CTSprayerchain@gmail.com.

Marilyn Schlei Patty Jehn Dawn Yellen Midge and Bob Bennett
Dan Williams Arlene Stewart Jerri Simmert Marty Monfre
Jon Williams Bob Swanson Jan Cavett Charlotte Winger

Shirley Haugse Gordon Nowakowski Joe Frederick Lois and Paul Wegner Chris Tralongo Jim & Linda Saladin

We pray for, and thank, all who are currently serving our country and for all veterans who have served.

## NEXT WEEK'S WORSHIP SERVERS Sunday, December 21, 2025 - 4<sup>TH</sup> Sunday of Advent

Presiding: Pastor Karen Pahl

Accompanist: Mary Johnson Vocal Lead: Mike Dutelle

Worship Assistant: Laury Grow Acolyte: AJ Johnson

Altar Guild: Laury Grow Counters: Linda Gatlin, Jan Cavett

Ushers: Patti and Jeff Marti, Bert Magnuson, Mike Jehn, Marty Grow

Tech Team: John and Alec Dethloff, Kyle Engibous

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#### WORSHIP SERVERS FOR

## Wednesday December 24, 2025 - Christmas Eve 3 pm & 7 pm

Presiding: Pastor Karen Pahl WA: 3:00 pm Bert Magnuson

Accompanist: Mary Johnson 7:00 pm Kerry Bantz

Acolyte: 3:00 pm Sutton Hayes Vocals: 3:00 pm Erin Johnson

7:00 pm Emmy Peterson 7:00 pm Abbi Monfre

Counters: Linda Gatlin, TBD Altar Guild: Lynda Schmidt/Marlys Swanson

Usher Team: 3:00 pm Jill & Scott Stamn, Kay Styza, Kim Dutelle

7:00 pm Joyce Hinojosa, Ryan and Hazel Bantz

Tech Team: 3:00 pm John and Alec Dethloff, Adam/AJ Johnson

7:00 pm Jeff Pahl, Mitzi Keadle

## This Coming Tuesday!



The holidays are a season of giving, and patients in our hospitals still urgently need blood. Cancer patients, trauma victims, and those living with sickle cell disease rely on donors every day, even as donations typically drop this time of year. If you are looking to make a real impact this season, donating blood is one of the most meaningful gifts you can give.

## Tuesday December

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2:00 pm - 6:00 pm



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## Christmas Clearing House Families.

## Thank you for supporting our CCC Families!

A special thank you to all the help for the Christmas Clearing Council this year. With your help, We provided gifts and a grocery store gift card for nine families. I would especially like to thank our committee: Laury Grow ,Michelle Monroe, and Annie Anderson for all their help. Also another special thank you to the youth who purchased some great items and was able to provide breakfast during the wrapping.

An awesome ministry to be able to provide to our local families in need.

Patti Marti, CCC Coordinator

## Baking Spirits Bright! Cookies due December 18th



The CTS Jail Ministry will once again sponsor a COOKIE DRIVE for inmates. The cookies need to be homemade (with love!) and our goal is 84 dozen. Cookies can be dropped off at the CTS kitchen and are due by December 18th! Bake and Freeze is a great plan! The cookies will be packed on December 19th and distributed on December 20th. **Thank you for participating!** 

You can contact Linda Pischke at 262-506-8366 or authorlinda1945@gmail.com. Please consider this wonderful opportunity to share the "taste" of Christmas...

## **LAF Christmas Party**



LIFE AFTER FIFTY

Wednesday, December 17 at Noon

Come Celebrate the Season with Us!
We will be serving Appetizers



Secret Santa Exchange! Bring a Gift - Receive a Gift!

If you plan to exchange

gifts should be valued at NO MORE then \$10 New or Repurposed See You Wednesday!

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- December 15<sup>th</sup> Book Discussion Group Christmas Celebration 6:30 PM Bring an appetizer, dessert or beverage to share.

  Discussing "Small Things Like These" by Claire Keegan
- 2 CTS Blood Drive 2:00 pm 6:00 pm December 16<sup>th</sup>.
- 3 LAF at NOON Christmas Celebration Wednesday, December 17<sup>th</sup>
  Gift Exchange Bring A Gift Receive A Gift Value no more then \$10 New or Repurposed
- 4 Baking Spirits Bright Cookie Drive Please bring in cookies by Dec. 18th.
- 5 Sunday Hospitality December 21st Join us following Worship

See all details in Thursdays email blast - sign up at http://www.christtheservant.org/stay-in-touchcontact-us

CTS	CALENDAR OF EVENTS - DECEMBER
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15 MON	<b>Book Discussion Group - Christmas Celebration</b> 6:30 PM
16 TUE	Blood Drive - CTS Sanctuary 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM
17 WED	LAF - Christmas Celebration - Appetizers & Cheer 12:00 pm - Bring a Gift - Receive a Gift Gift Exchange
19 FRI	Joyful Souls 6:30 PM
21 SUN	Worship - 9:30 AM - 4th Sunday in Advent 10:45 AM - NO SUNDAY SCHOOL - 10:45 AM Sunday Hospitality
24 WED	Christmas Eve Worship Services 3:00 PM and 7:00 PM

SERMON NOTES	
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## WHO ARE WE

At Christ the Servant we embrace people for who God created them to be, including those from all backgrounds, races, ethnicities, sexual orientations, gender identities, gender expressions, abilities, and economic status. We commit ourselves to advocating for social and environmental justice, racial equity and serving others. We will strive to create a space where everyone feels loved and invited to fully participate in our mission.

Connect with Us

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