

# WELCOME TO PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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First Sunday of Advent, Year C

Sunday, December 1, 2024 ~ 10:00 am



## PRELUDE

*My Lord, What a Morning!*, arr. by Eugene W. Hancock  
*Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending*, arr. by Charles Callahan  
*Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying*, Philipp Nicolai

## WELCOME

## FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT READING LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

Mike Haugen

## CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

ELW p. 94

## OPENING HYMN

*My Lord, What a Morning*

ELW 438

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. By your merciful protection alert us to the threatening dangers of our sins, and redeem us for your life of justice, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## FIRST READING

**Jeremiah 33:14-16**

<sup>14</sup>The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. <sup>15</sup>In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. <sup>16</sup>In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

## RESPONSIVE PSALM

**Psalms 25:1-10**

<sup>1</sup>To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

<sup>2</sup>**O my God, in you I trust; do not let me be put to shame; do not let my enemies exult over me.**

<sup>3</sup>Do not let those who wait for you be put to shame; let them be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.

<sup>4</sup>**Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths.**

<sup>5</sup>Lead me in your truth, and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all day long.

<sup>6</sup>**Be mindful of your mercy, O Lord, and of your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.**

<sup>7</sup>Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for your goodness' sake, O Lord!

<sup>8</sup>**Good and upright is the Lord; therefore he instructs sinners in the way.**

<sup>9</sup>He leads the humble in what is right, and teaches the humble his way.

<sup>10</sup>**All the paths of the Lord are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep his covenant and his decrees.**

**SECOND READING****1 Thessalonians 3:9-13**

<sup>9</sup>How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? <sup>10</sup>Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith. <sup>11</sup>Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. <sup>12</sup>And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. <sup>13</sup>And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

**MUSICAL MESSAGE** *The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns*, arr. by Stephen DeCesare  
**Michael Johnson, baritone**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION*****Joy to the World*****ELW 267 v. 1****GOSPEL READING****Luke 21:25-36**

P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 21<sup>st</sup> chapter.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>25</sup>“There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. <sup>26</sup>People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. <sup>27</sup>Then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in a cloud’ with power and great glory. <sup>28</sup>Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.” <sup>29</sup>Then he told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree and all the trees; <sup>30</sup>as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. <sup>31</sup>So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. <sup>32</sup>Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. <sup>33</sup>Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. <sup>34</sup>“Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day catch you unexpectedly, <sup>35</sup>like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. <sup>36</sup>Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”

P: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON****Pastor Cassie Anderson****HYMN OF THE DAY*****Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying*****ELW 436****APOSTLES' CREED****ELW p. 105****PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

After each petition:

P: Lord in your mercy...

**C: Hear our prayer.**

**APOSTLES' CREED****ELW p. 105****SHARING OF THE PEACE****OFFERING**

*Infant Holy, Infant Lowly*, arr. by Michael Johnson

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION****LORDS PRAYER****DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION**

*An Advent Prayer*, Louis E. Stairs

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**BLESSING**

**SENDING HYMN**

*People, Look East*

**ELW 248**

**DISMISSAL**

P: Go in peace, serve the Lord.  
C: **Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**

*People, Look East!*, Kristina Langlois

**Prayer List:** Maxine Kroke, Carol Middlestead, Maddison Williams, Kelsey Phinney (friend of Michelle Johnson), Doug & Sally Larsen, Joyce Schoenfish, Curt and Marilyn Larsen (parents of Michelle Johnson), Jackie (Marcella) Hagen, Bryan Halvorson (brother of Joyce Snyder), Betty Neumiller (sister-in-law to Pam Neumiller), Cathy Alm (sister of Meredith Alm), Arlene Kolrud, Alan Halverson, Bob Hilborn (son of Marian Hilborn), Dick Larsen, Kyle Tekautz (Grandson of Andy & Jan Fugle), Terry Thompson, Phyllis Thurlow, Orville Nelson  
**To add someone or update the prayer list, call the church office.**

**THIS WEEK AT PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH**

<u>Sun:</u> (Dec 1)	<u>10:00 am Worship with Communion</u> Coffee by Fellowship Committee
<u>Mon:</u> (Dec 2)	4-8:00 pm NDSU Music Academy
<u>Tue:</u> (Dec 3)	10:00 am - noon Food Shelf 4-8:00 pm NDSU Music Academy 6:30 pm Cub Scouts
<u>Wed:</u> (Dec 4)	<u>11:00 am Midday Worship &amp; Soup</u> 4-8:00 pm NDSU Music Academy 6:30 pm Advent Devotion 6:30 pm Wed School, FiF & Confirmation 7:30 pm Fellowship Meeting 8:00 pm AA
<u>Thu:</u> (Dec 5)	3-5:00 pm Food Shelf 4-8:00 pm NDSU Music Academy 5:00 pm Organ Lesson 6:30 pm Girl Scouts 7:00 pm AA Recovery
<u>Fri:</u> (Dec 6)	9:30 am Men's Coffee
<u>Sat:</u> (Dec 7)	8:00 am Serve at Micah's Mission 2:00 pm NDSU Music Academy Recital
<u>Sun:</u> (Nov 10)	<u>10:00 am Worship</u> Coffee by Peace & Justice

**IN WORSHIP TODAY**

Senior Pastor: Cassie Anderson  
Members & Guests of Peace  
Altar Guild: Sharon Smithberg  
Organist: Dr. Jean M. Hellner  
Vocalist: Michael Johnson  
Tech Support: Jeremy Thompson

**United in Christ:**



worship



share our gifts



work for peace and justice



Peace Lutheran Church



Advent Mid-Week:  
Dec 4, 11, 18  
11:00 am Worship & Soup  
Advent Devotion & Conversation:  
Dec 4 & 11 @ 6:30pm  
Quiet Christmas:  
Dec 18 @ 6:30 pm  
Carols in the Courtyard:  
Dec 18 @ 6:30pm  
Christmas Eve Worship:  
Dec 24 @ 5:30 pm  
Dec 24 @ 9:00 pm



You are invited to provide a poinsettia for the sanctuary to remember or celebrate loved ones during the holidays. The cost is \$15.00 per plant. Order forms can be found at the sign up table. Please order by Dec 19. Pick up your plant or have it delivered after Dec 24. Thank you for helping us decorate the sanctuary this Christmas season!



**Lefse Making:** All are welcome on Friday, December 13 from 6-8:30pm for making the dough and Saturday, December 14 from 9am-noon for rolling and frying. We will be using our newly remodeled kitchen. Please let us know that you are coming by December 8<sup>th</sup> by signing up on the sheet outside the sanctuary or calling the church office. We are also looking to borrow lefse making tools (girdles, rolling pins, etc.). If you are willing to share, please sign up on the sheet outside the sanctuary. We will be having dinner on Friday and breakfast on Saturday so please consider donating items for the meals (see the sign-up sheet). \*\*For folks who are coming on Friday night, please bring your own potato peeler (if you own one).



**Ugly Sweater**  
Sunday, December 15, after worship  
Let's make this holiday season a bit more entertaining. We can't wait to see your terrible taste in sweaters! No sign up needed, just bring a food shelf donation to enter the contest. Lefse will be served by the Fellowship Committee.

