



Welcome to all! Our mission at ILC: To thank, praise, honor and serve our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ as we gather and worship, grow in the Word, and serve God by serving people.

A special welcome to guests and visitors! May our time together be a blessing to you.

Information for Visitors ...

Coffee & Fellowship is available in the Lower Narthex each Sunday between services.

A Nursery is available from 8:30am-12:00pm for children through age 4. It is located in the hallway just outside the Narthex.

Children's bulletins are available from the ushers.

Elevator is located through the basement and the ushers' room in the sanctuary.

Sunday School is at 9:45am and all ages are welcome. Adult classes meet in the Conference Room, Parlor and Cry Room.

Red Worship Attendance pads are passed during the offering. Please take a moment to register your attendance. Visitors, please let us know if we can be of service to you.

Regular Worship Times: 7:45 & 11:00am – Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)
8:45am – Contemporary Worship (Parish Hall)

HOLY COMMUNION

The sacrament is celebrated at all worship services every Sunday. All are welcome, believing that our Lord is present offering grace and forgiveness.

At 7:45 service you will be ushered forward to kneel at the railing. Please leave your empty chalice on the railing.

At 8:45 & 11:00 service you will commune by intinction, meaning you may dip the wafer in either the wine or grape juice or drink from the common cup.

Gluten-free wafers and/or white grape juice are available at all services.

Please Turn Off All Cell Phones & Pagers
Thank You!!

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen

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

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C: Amen

OPENING HYMN *“Good Christian Friends, Rejoice”*

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P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



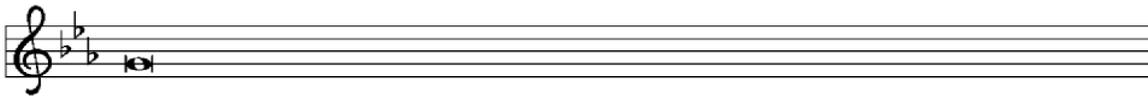
Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



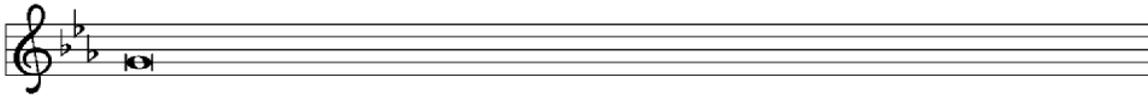
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



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



A - men, a - men.

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray,

Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. With your abundant grace and might, free us from the sin that would obstruct your mercy, that willingly we may bear your redeeming love to all the world, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

First Reading 2 Samuel 7:1-11,16

Instead of David building a house (temple) for the Lord, the Lord promises to establish David's house (dynasty) forever. Centuries later, after the Babylonian exile, no king sat on the throne. Even then, however, the people of Israel remembered this promise and continued to hope for a king, the messiah, the Lord's anointed.

¹Now when the king was settled in his house, and the LORD had given him rest from all his enemies around him, ²the king said to the prophet Nathan, "See now, I am living in a house of cedar, but the ark of God stays in a tent." ³Nathan said to the king, "Go, do all that you have in mind; for the LORD is with you." ⁴But that same night the word of the LORD came to Nathan: ⁵Go and tell my servant David: Thus says the LORD: Are you the one to build me a house to live in? ⁶I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle. ⁷Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any of the tribal leaders of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, "Why have you not built me a house of cedar?"

⁸Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the LORD of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be prince over my people Israel; ⁹and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. ¹⁰And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as formerly, ¹¹from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover the LORD declares to you that the LORD will make you a house. ¹⁶Your house and your kingdom shall be made sure forever before me; your throne shall be established forever.

R: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

Luke 1:46b-55 (read responsively)

^{46b} My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,

⁴⁷ **my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,**

⁴⁸ for you, Lord, have looked with favor on your lowly servant. From this day all generations will | call me blessed:

⁴⁹ **you, the Almighty, have done great things for me and holy is your name.**

⁵⁰ You have mercy on those who fear you, from generation to generation.

⁵¹ **You have shown strength with your arm and scattered the proud in their conceit,**

⁵² casting down the mighty from their thrones and lifting up the lowly.

⁵³ **You have filled the hungry with good things and sent the rich away empty.**

⁵⁴ You have come to the aid of your servant Israel, to remember the promise of mercy,

⁵⁵ **the promise made to our forbears, to Abraham and his children forever.**

Second Reading Romans 16:25-27

Paul closes his letter to the Romans by praising God because in the proclamation of the gospel of Jesus Christ God has revealed the promised, divine plan of salvation for all humanity. Paul proclaims this gospel of Christ in order to bring about the obedience of faith among all nations.

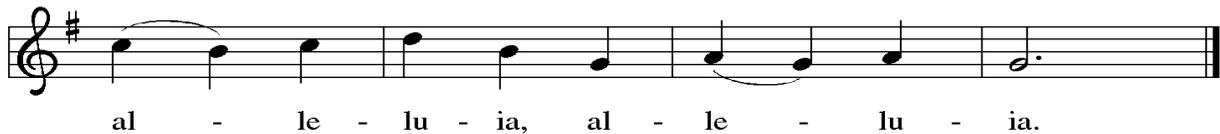
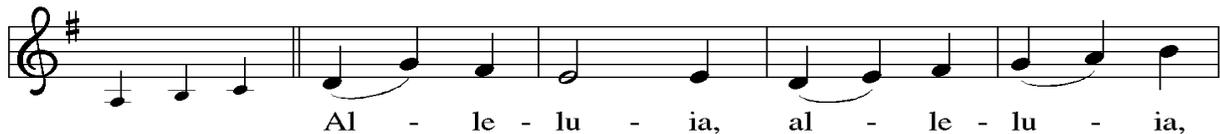
²⁵ Now to God who is able to strengthen you according to my gospel and the proclamation of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery that was kept secret for long ages ²⁶ but is now disclosed, and through the prophetic writings is made known to all the Gentiles, according to the command of the eternal God, to bring about the obedience of faith—²⁷ to the only wise God, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever! Amen.

R: The Word of the Lord

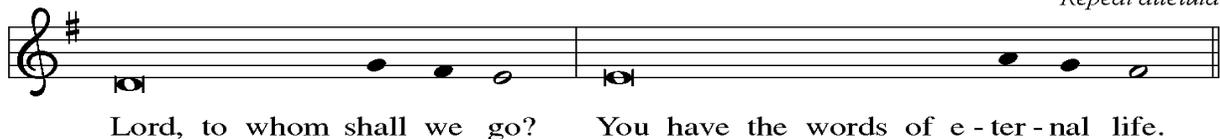
C: Thanks be to God

LIGHTING OF ADVENT CANDLE

VERSE



Repeat alleluia



P: The holy gospel according to Luke the 1st chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel Luke 1:26-38

In this annunciation, Luke makes clear that God comes with good news for ordinary people (Mary) from little known places (Nazareth). This king will not be born to royalty in a palace, but to common folk in a stall. Here Luke highlights the role of the Spirit, a special emphasis in his gospel.

²⁶In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, ²⁷to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. ²⁸And he came to her and said, "Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you." ²⁹But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. ³⁰The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. ³¹And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. ³²He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. ³³He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." ³⁴Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I am a virgin?" ³⁵The angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. ³⁶And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. ³⁷For nothing will be impossible with God." ³⁸Then Mary said, "Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.

P: The gospel of the Lord

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY *"The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came"* **ELW 265**

Holy Baptism

PRESENTATION

P: God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope

through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

(To Candidates who are able to answer for themselves:)

P: _____, called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to be baptized into Christ?

R: **I do**

(To parents and Sponsors:)

P: Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you present _____ to be baptized into Christ?

R: **I do**

P: As you bring *your children* to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities:

to live with *them* among God's faithful people,
bring *them* to the word of God and the holy supper,
teach *them* the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments,
place in *their* hands the holy scriptures,
and nurture *them* in faith and prayer,
so that *your children* may learn to trust God,
proclaim Christ through word and deed,
care for others and the world God made,
and work for justice and peace.

Do you promise to help *your children* grow in the Christian faith and life?

R: **I do**

P: Sponsors, do you promise to nurture *these persons* in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help them live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

R: **I do**

P: People of God, do you promise to support _____ and pray for *them* in *their* new life in Christ?

C: **We do.**

PROFESSION OF FAITH (STAND)

P: I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of

the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

C: I renounce them.

P: Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

C: I renounce them.

P: Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

C: I renounce them.

P: Do you believe in God the Father?

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

P: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

C: 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.

P: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

C: 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

THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that those who are washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life. To you be given honor

and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BAPTISM

P: _____, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

(Congregation may be seated.)

P: Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughters and sons new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life.

Sustain _____ with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

C: Amen.

P: _____, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

C: Amen.

WELCOME

P: Jesus said, I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will have the light of life. Let us welcome the newly baptized.

C: We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.

(Those who have gathered at the font may return to their places. The service continues with the prayers)

The Prayers of the Church

P: Lord in your mercy,
C: Hear our prayer.

PEACE

OFFERING

OFFERTORY Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus



1 Come, thou long-ex - pect-ed Je - sus, born to set thy peo-ple free;
2 Born thy peo - ple to de - liv - er, born a child, and yet a king;



from our fears and sins re - lease us; let us find our rest in thee.
born to reign in us for - ev - er, now thy gra - cious king-dom bring.



Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion, hope of all the earth thou art,
By thine own e - ter - nal Spir-it rule in all our hearts a - lone;



dear de - sire of ev - 'ry na - tion, joy of ev - 'ry long-ing heart.
by thine all - suf - fi - cient mer - it raise us to thy glo - rious throne.

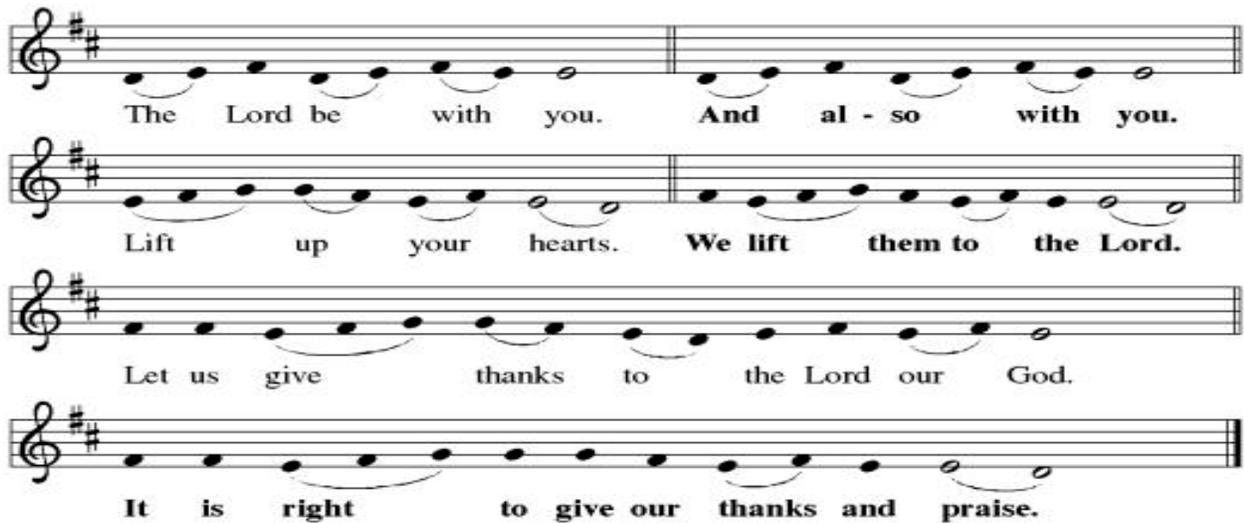
Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788
Music: JEFFERSON, W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835

OFFERTORY PRAYER

P: Let us pray,

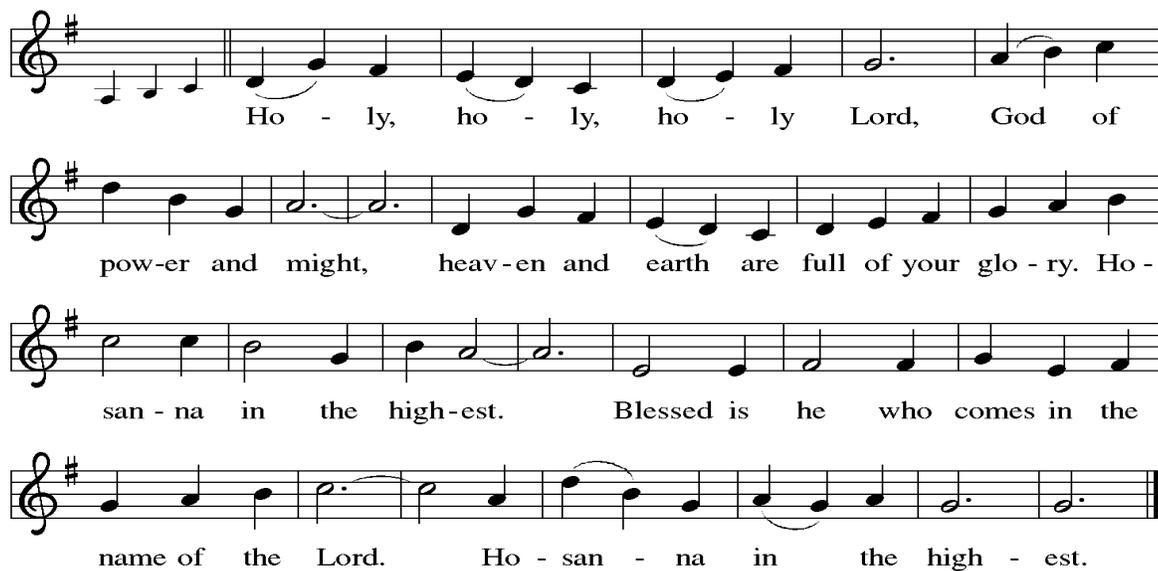
C: Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

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, grant us peace.

Hymns during Communion

"Once in Royal David's City"

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"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

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"Infant Holy, Infant Lowly"

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P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

C: Amen

Now, Lord, you let your ser-vant go in peace: your word has been ful -
 filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which you have pre-pared in the
 sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: a light to re-veal you to the na - tions
 and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

P: Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love O Lord, and unite the wills of those you have fed with one heavenly food; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

BLESSING

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C: Amen

CLOSING HYMN “*Joy to the World*”

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DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!



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LUTHERAN
CHURCH

Mission Statement

To thank, praise, honor and serve our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ as we gather and worship, grow in the Word, and serve God by serving people.

GATHER and Worship

Please pray for these ILC members:

Norman Weiss	Elois Sakewitz	Marie Davis	Andy Shuvalov
Glenn Herzog	Jennave Fuchs	EINora Estes	Willie Mae Burns
Max Kuempel	Dorothy Plattow	Mildred Huebel	Ellie Diemicke

Please also pray for these friends & extended family members:

Thomas O'scier	Seth Munk	Rodney Reed	Mike Emken
Thaine Manske	Camryn Adkison	Calen Stewart	Diane Miller
Mickey Elsner	Katie Swarts	Randall Foley	Diana Mitschke
Evangeline Neese	Louis Wiederhold, Jr.	Sandy Bailey	Ben Grumbine
Brianna Bonnet	Mathilda Machicek	Wayne Lovett	Hazel Byrd
Robert McKee	Faye Nawar	Martha Milling	Mary Hufstedler
Rev. Mark & Sharon	Gruebmeier	Sebastian Escobar	Therese Espejo

Holy Baptism: This morning we welcome Layla Ruth and Liv Ryan Ramos into the holy Christian Church through the Sacrament of Baptism. As fellow children of God, we rejoice with these new sisters. Parents are Dominc and Lauren Ramos. Sponsors for Layla are Katy and Joseph Cantu. Liv's sponsors are Cecilia Ramos and Benjamin Keilman.

This Week's Gatherings:

Today	Christmas Eve Worship Services	4:30 & 7:00pm
Mon.	Christmas Day Service – Chapel & Sanctuary	10:00am
Tues.	Church Office Closed!	
Wed.	Trinity Care Center	10:00am
Sat.	Narthex Reserved	12-2:00pm
Sun.	Traditional Worship Service – Chapel & Sanctuary	10:00am

GROW in the Word

at Ruth Barron Elementary School each Friday. Please prayerfully consider donating any of the following items: 15 or 30 oz. ravioli with meat cans; single serve mac and cheese; canned chicken noodle soup; instant oatmeal packets or cups; fruit cups, individual servings; ramen cups; peanut butter crackers; popcorn, individual bags; granola bars; fruit snacks; goldfish crackers; shelf-stable milk (8 oz. boxes, any flavor).

2018 Offering Envelopes are available in the Narthex. Pick up a booklet for you and your family and **be sure** you write your name on the outside if you are giving cash

Lower Narthex Rejuvenation Project: Let's turn our attention and focus to a current project and take some steps toward completing it. Through Dec. \$3818 has been donated toward this project. Occasionally it is okay to give to ourselves and now is the time. What item or items are you interested in donating to help complete this project? Here is a list of the items needed to complete the project.

COREtec Plus 5" Plank (flooring)	\$5,700.00
Removal of carpet & tile	\$1,000.00
Bali Solar Roller Shades (6)	\$1,393.00
Hampton Bay Ceiling Fans (3)	\$ 120.00
Electric Wiring for the Fans	\$ 840.00
Grand Design Chairs (40)	\$3,695.00
Bar Height Hospitality Tables (2)	\$ 236.00

Last Sunday's Attendance: Middle: 115 - Late: 124

Upcoming Holiday Events!!

Sunday, Dec. 24th – Christmas Eve Candlelight Services – 4:30 & 7:00pm

Monday, Dec. 25th – Christmas Day Worship Service – 10:00am

Sunday, Dec. 31st — Only 1 Worship Service—10:00am

Serving Today Dec 24th

Organists: Joy Arnhamn and Vernagene Mott

Choir Director: Renee Kesselring

Acolytes: Haidyn Damstrom & Reese Krause (10:00)

Dec. Elders: Marie Davis (early) Mark Sassman (middle) Beverly Wolff (late)

Readers: Barbara Bohls (10:00)

Communion Assts: Barbara Bohls, Kelly Knobloch, **1 needed** (10:00)

Chapel Assts. **1 needed** (10:00)
Ushers: **4 needed** (10:00)
Children's Message: Advent Candle Lighting (10:00)
Console/Projectionist: Vera Gebert (10:00)
Altar Guild: Janelle Hebbe & Martha Sansom

Serving Christmas Eve (Dec. 24th)

Organists: Joy Arnhamn and Vernagene Mott
Choir Director: Renee Kesselring
Trumpet: Mark Kesselring (7:00)
Clarinet: Wiley Fletcher (7:00)
Acolytes: Stella Rachui & Alyssa Motloch (4:30)
 Catherine & Jacqueline Kruse (7:00)
Dec. Elders: Marie Davis (early) Mark Sassman (middle) Beverly Wolff (late)
Readers: Kate Hudson (4:30) **1 needed** (7:00)
Communion Assts: **3 needed** (4:30) **3 needed** (7:00)
Chapel Assts. **1 needed** (4:30) **1 needed** (7:00)
Ushers: Lucy Hudson, **3 needed** (4:30) **4 needed** (7:00)
Console/Projectionist: Brent Reeder (4:30) Charles Kleen (7:00)
Altar Guild: Grace Lin & Mary Jo Beene

Serving Christmas Day (Dec. 25th)

Organists: Joy Arnhamn and Vernagene Mott
Choir Director: Renee Kesselring
Acolytes: Rex Kuempel & Ava Owen (10:00)
Dec. Elders: Marie Davis (early) Mark Sassman (middle) Beverly Wolff (late)
Ushers: **4 needed** (10:00)
Console/Projectionist: Charles Mott (10:00)
Altar Guild:

Serving Next Week (Dec 31st)

Organists: Joy Arnhamn and Vernagene Mott
Choir Director: Renee Kesselring
Acolytes: Elliott Weiss & T.J. Odegaard (10:00)
Dec. Elders: Marie Davis (early) Mark Sassman (middle) Beverly Wolff (late)
Readers: Marie Davis (10:00)
Communion Assts: **3 needed** (10:00)

Chapel Assts: Carlton & Marilyn Lorfing, Ralph Kirkley (10:00)
 Ushers: Odegaard Family, **1 needed** (10:00)
 Children's Message: Katie Wegner (10:00)
 Console/Projectionist: Matthew Krieg (10:00)
 Altar Guild: Janelle Hebbe & Martha Sansom

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice

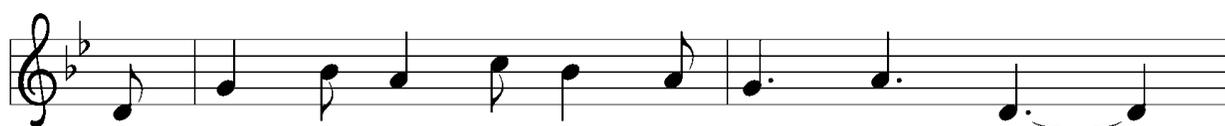
1 Good Chris-tian friends, re - joice with heart and soul and voice;
 2 Good Chris-tian friends, re - joice with heart and soul and voice;
 3 Good Chris-tian friends, re - joice with heart and soul and voice;

give ye heed to what we say: Je - sus Christ is born to - day;
 now ye hear of end - less bliss: Je - sus Christ was born for this!
 now ye need not fear the grave; Je - sus Christ was born to save!

ox and ass be - fore him bow, and he is in the man - ger now.
 He has o - pened heav - en's door, and we are blest for - ev - er - more.
 Calls you one and calls you all to gain the ev - er - last - ing hall.

Christ is born to - day! Christ is born to - day!
 Christ was born for this! Christ was born for this!
 Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!

The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came



1 The an - gel Ga - bri - el from heav - en came,
 2 "For know a bless - ed moth - er thou shalt be,
 3 Then gen - tle Mar - y meek - ly bowed her head;
 4 Of her, Em-man - u - el, the Christ, was born



with wings as drift - ed snow, with eyes as flame:
 all gen - er - a - tions laud and hon - or thee;
 "To me be as it pleas - eth God," she said.
 in Beth - le - hem all on a Christ - mas morn,



"All hail to thee, O low - ly maid - en Mar - y,
 thy son shall be Em - man - u - el, by seers fore - told,
 "My soul shall laud and mag - ni - fy God's ho - ly name."
 and Chris-tian folk through-out the world will ev - er say:



most high - ly fa - vored la - dy."
 most high - ly fa - vored la - dy." Glo - ri - a!
 Most high - ly fa - vored la - dy,
 "Most high - ly fa - vored la - dy."

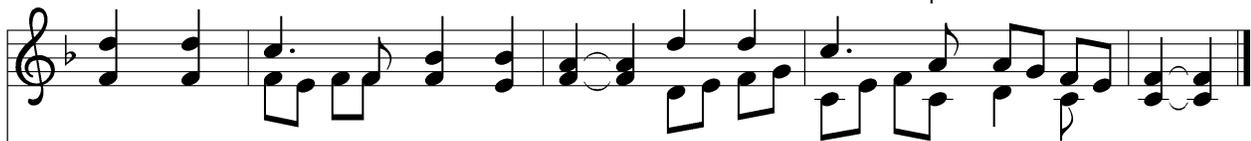
Once in Royal David's City



1 Once in roy - al Da - vid's cit - y stood a low - ly cat - tle shed,
2 He came down to earth from heav - en who is God and Lord of all,
3 And our eyes at last shall see him, through his own re - deem - ing love;
4 Not in that poor low - ly sta - ble, with the ox - en stand - ing by,



where a moth - er laid her ba - by in a man - ger for his bed:
and his shel - ter was a sta - ble, and his cra - dle was a stall;
for that child so dear and gen - tle is our Lord in heav'n a - bove;
we shall see him; but in heav - en, set at God's right hand on high;



Mar - y was that moth - er mild, Je - sus Christ, her lit - tle child.
with the poor and meek and low - ly, lived on earth our Sav - ior ho - ly.
and he leads his chil - dren on to the place where he is gone.
there his chil - dren gath - er round, bright like stars, with glo - ry crowned.



Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

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 you na - tions, rise; join the tri - umph of the skies;
Veiled in flesh the God - head see! Hail, in - car - nate de - i - ty!
Mild he lays his glo - ry by, born that we no more may die,

with an - gel - ic hosts pro - claim, "Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!"
Pleased as man with us to dwell, Je - sus, our Em - man - u - el!
born to raise each child of earth, born to give us sec - ond birth.

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

Infant Holy, Infant Lowly



1 In - fant ho - ly, in - fant low - ly, for his bed a cat - tle stall;
2 Flocks were sleep - ing, shep - herds keep - ing vig - il till the morn - ing new



ox - en low - ing, lit - tle know - ing Christ the child is Lord of all.
saw the glo - ry, heard the sto - ry, tid - ings of a gos - pel true.



Swift - ly wing - ing, an - gels sing - ing, bells are ring - ing, tid - ings bring - ing:
Thus re - joic - ing, free from sor - row, prais - es voic - ing, greet the mor - row:



Christ the child is Lord of all! Christ the child is Lord of all!
Christ the child was born for you! Christ the child was born for you!

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Music: W ŻŁOBIE LEŻY, Polish carol

Joy to the World

1 Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth re -
 2 Joy to the earth, the Sav - ior reigns! Let all their
 3 No more let sin and sor - row grow nor thorns in -
 4 He rules the world with truth and grace and makes the

ceive her king; let ev - 'ry heart pre - pare him
 songs em - ploy, while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and
 fest the ground; he comes to make his bless - ings
 na - tions 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

and heav'n and na - ture sing, and

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.
 heav'n and na - ture sing,