

Holy Spirit Lutheran Church

Second Sunday of Advent



December 4, 2022

Holy Spirit Lutheran Church

A congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

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We extend a cordial welcome to all visitors worshipping with us this day. We request that you sign our friendship book and allow us to invite you to worship with us again.

Holy Communion is open to all believers, and we welcome you to partake with us; please proceed down the center aisle as the ushers direct. Wine is offered in the chalice. You may take an empty individual cup and wine will be poured for you at the altar. You will find grape juice in pre-poured individual cups, if you prefer juice to wine; The Pastor will place bread in your hand.



WELCOMING MUSIC

Let us prepare our hearts and minds for worship.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Confession and Forgiveness

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P: Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel,
who alone does wondrous things.

Blessed be God's name forever.

C: Amen.

P: Beloved, now is the time to wake from sleep.
Let us confront our sins,
and confess them to the one who is merciful and just.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: God of new beginnings,

C: we confess that we have not welcomed your holy reign.

We have strayed from your paths.

We prepare for war instead of peace.

We dishonor one another and your creation.

Purify us with your refining fire

and set us again on your way of love,

that we may bear fruit worthy of repentance,

and welcome your coming among us.

Amen.

P: People of God,

a new thing is growing in our midst,

a tender branch,

a living sign.

By water and the Spirit you are joined to this wonder.

You have put on ✠ Christ,

and your sins have been washed away.

Rejoice in the way of the Lord.

C: Amen.

GATHERING HYMN, Prepare the Royal Highway (LBW 26)

Prepare the Royal Highway



1 Pre - pare the roy - al high - way; the King of kings is near!
2 God's peo - ple, see him com - ing: your own e - ter - nal king!
3 Then fling the gates wide o - pen to greet your prom - ised king!
4 His is no earth - ly king - dom; it comes from heav'n a - bove.



Let ev - 'ry hill and val - ley a lev - el road ap - pear!
Palm branch - es strew be - fore him! Spread gar - ments! Shout and sing!
Your king, yet ev - 'ry na - tion its trib - ute too may bring.
His rule is peace and free - dom and jus - tice, truth, and love.



Then greet the King of glo - ry, fore - told in sa - cred sto - ry:
God's prom - ise will not fail you! No more shall doubt as - sail you!
All lands will bow be - fore him; their voic - es join your sing - ing:
So let your praise be sound - ing for kind - ness so a - bound - ing:



Refrain
Ho - san - na to the Lord, for he ful - fills God's word!

GREETING

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.

KYRIE (WOV 12)

In peace, in peace let us pray to the Lord. For the
Lord, have mer - cy.

peace from a - bove, and for our sal - va - tion, let us pray to the

Lord. For the peace of the whole world, the well - being of the
Lord, have mer - cy.

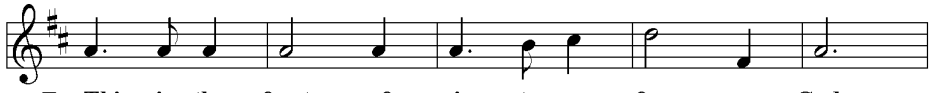
Church of God, and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the

Lord. For this ho - ly house, and for all who of - fer here their
Lord, have mer - cy.

wor - ship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mer - cy.

Help, save, com - fort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.
A - men

HYMN OF PRAISE (This is the Feast WOV 15)



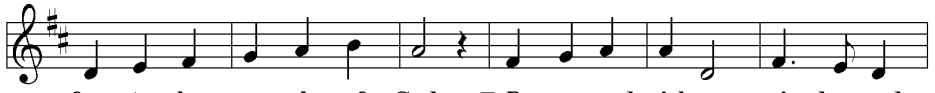
☐ This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



☐ Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo - ple of God. ☐ Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.



☐ This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



☐ Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and join in the hymn of



all cre - a - tion: ☐ Bless - ing and hon - or, glo - ry and



might to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men



 ☩ This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



 ☩ For the Lamb, the Lamb who was slain has be -



 gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.



 ☩ This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le -



 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. A - men

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

Stir up our hearts, Lord God, to prepare the way of your only Son. By his coming nurture our growth as people of repentance and peace; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.



LITURGY FOR LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH 2ST SUNDAY

Today we light the candle of hope and peace

“Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace.” (Colossians 3:15)

Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah



1 Light one can-dle to watch for Mes-si - ah: let the light ban-ish dark - ness.
2 Light two can-dles to watch for Mes-si - ah: let the light ban-ish dark - ness.



He shall bring sal - va - tion to Is - ra - el, God ful - fills the prom - ise.
He shall feed the flock like a shep - herd, gent - ly lead them home - ward.

ALL: Almighty God, you offer rest for our hearts, and peace for our souls. Give us grace to seek peace in our lives, peace in this community, and peace in the world. Through Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace. Amen.



SECOND SUNDAY
OF
Advent

A: A reading from Isaiah the eleventh chapter.

¹A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse,
and a branch shall grow out of his roots.

²The spirit of the LORD shall rest on him,
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,
the spirit of counsel and might,
the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.

³His delight shall be in the fear of the LORD.

He shall not judge by what his eyes see,
or decide by what his ears hear;

⁴but with righteousness he shall judge the poor,
and decide with equity for the meek of the earth;
he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth,
and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.

⁵Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist,
and faithfulness the belt around his loins.

⁶The wolf shall live with the lamb,
the leopard shall lie down with the kid,
the calf and the lion and the fatling together,
and a little child shall lead them.

⁷The cow and the bear shall graze,
their young shall lie down together;
and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.

⁸The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp,
and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den.

⁹They will not hurt or destroy
on all my holy mountain;
for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD
as the waters cover the sea.

¹⁰On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the
peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be
glorious.

A: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

- ¹Give the king your justice, O God,
and your righteousness to the king's son;
²**that he may rule your people righteously
and the poor with justice;**
³that the mountains may bring prosperity to the people,
and the hills, in righteousness.
⁴**Let him defend the needy among the people,
rescue the poor, and crush the oppressor.**
⁵May he live as long as the sun and moon endure,
from one generation to another.
⁶**Let him come down like rain upon the mown field,
like showers that water the earth.**
⁷In his time may the righteous flourish;
and let there be an abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.
¹⁸**Blessed are you, LORD God, the God of Israel;
you alone do wondrous deeds!**
¹⁹And blessed be your glorious name forever,
and may all the earth be filled with your glory. Amen. Amen.



A: A reading from Romans the fifteenth chapter.

⁴Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. ⁵May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, ⁶so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

⁷Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. ⁸For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised-on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, ⁹and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written,

“Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles,
and sing praises to your name”;¹⁰and again he says,

“Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people”;¹¹and again,

“Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him”;

¹²and again Isaiah says, “The root of Jesse shall come,
the one who rises to rule the Gentiles;
in him the Gentiles shall hope.”

¹³May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

A: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *Please stand for the reading of the gospel, as you are able.*



G Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al- le - lu - ia.

- P:** The Holy Gospel according to Matthew the third chapter.
- C:** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, ²“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.” ³This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said,

“The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

‘Prepare the way of the Lord,
make his paths straight.’”

⁴Now John wore clothing of camel’s hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. ⁵Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, ⁶and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

⁷But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? ⁸Bear fruit worthy of repentance. ⁹Do not presume to say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our ancestor’; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. ¹⁰Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

¹¹“I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹²His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

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

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

SERMON

Pastor Ginger Bennett

HYMN OF THE DAY On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry (LBW 36)

On Jordan's Banks the Baptist's Cry



1 On Jor - dan's banks the Bap - tist's cry an - nounc - es
2 Then cleansed be ev - 'ry life from sin; make straight the
3 We hail you as our Sav - ior, Lord, our ref - uge
4 Stretch forth your hand, our health re - store, and make us
5 All praise to you, e - ter - nal Son, whose ad - vent



that the Lord is nigh; a - wake and hear - ken,
way for God with - in, and let us all our
and our great re - ward; with - out your grace we
rise to fall no more; oh, let your face up -
has our free - dom won, whom with the Fa - ther



for he brings glad tid - ings of the King of kings!
hearts pre - pare for Christ to come and en - ter there.
waste a - way like flow'rs that with - er and de - cay.
on us shine and fill the world with love di - vine.
we a - dore, and Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er - more.



NICENE CREED

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the
dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A: As we prepare for the fullness of Christ's presence, let us pray for a world that yearns for new hope.

A brief silence for prayerful meditation and preparation.

A: God, you renew the church in every age. We give thanks for hymn writers and theologians especially John of Damascus, whom we commemorate *today*. Inspire teachers, writers, and musicians to delight and instruct your people. God, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

A: You give us a vision of creation in harmony, when hurting and destruction will be no more. Teach us to be stewards of the earth and companions to its creatures. Restore to balance and wholeness what human greed has harmed. God, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

A: You defend the cause of all who are poor and oppressed. Raise up leaders who will govern with equity and serve the common good. Guide judges, lawmakers, and public officials to protect the rights of those who cannot advocate for themselves. God, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

A: You deliver those in need from suffering and fear. Come to the aid of any who are exploited or abused, especially children, elders, and victims of human trafficking. Provide safety and help to our neighbors without shelter, refugees, and those fleeing violence. God, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer

A: You urge your people to welcome one another as you have welcomed us. Nurture ministries of hospitality and care in this and every congregation. We pray for people who are homebound, hospitalized, or separated from loved ones especially those on our prayer list and those we name before you now, silently, or out loud, (*Pause to allow prayers to be voiced*) God, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer

A: You embrace all who have died trusting in your promises especially Joe Blankenship, and we give thanks for their faithful witness. Sustain us in hope until we are united with them in the joy of your eternal presence. God, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer

P: God of our longing, you know our deepest needs. By your Spirit, gather our prayers and join them with the prayers of all your children. In Jesus' name we pray.

C: Amen.

PASSING THE PEACE

P: The Peace of Christ be with you all

C: And also with you.

P: Let us share a sign of peace with one another.

OFFERING *The Offering is collected.*

OFFERING HYMN *Please stand as you are able*

Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, fill to the brim our
cup of bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown,
that we may be fed, we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gath-er the hopes and the dreams of all; u-nite them with the
prayers we of-fer now. Grace our ta-ble with your pres-ence,
and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

A: Let us pray.

Eternal God,
you make the desert bloom
and send springs of water to thirsty ground.
Receive these simple gifts of bread, wine, and money,
and make us messengers of your mercy and love
for all in need of your healing and justice.
We ask this through Christ our Savior.

Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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 our thanks and praise.**

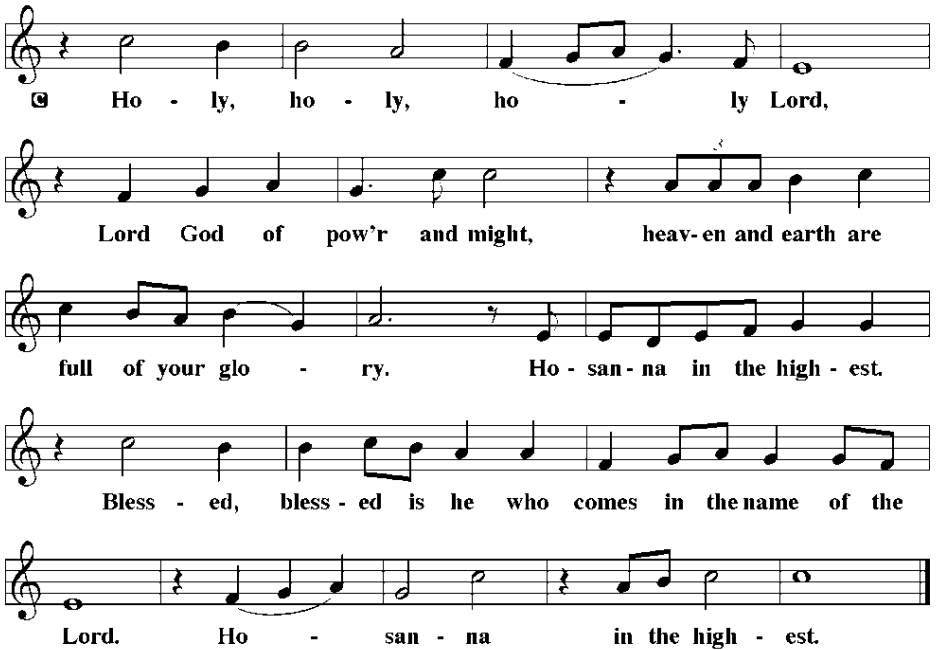


PREFACE

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ.

You comforted your people with the promise of the Redeemer,
through whom you will also make all things new
in the day when he comes to judge the world in righteousness.

And so, with all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



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

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

P: Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life:

Blessed are you for the birth of creation.

Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light.

Blessed are you for your promise to your people.

Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams.

Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will.

Blessed are you for your Son Jesus,
the Word made flesh.

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.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

With this bread and cup
we remember your Word dwelling among us,
full of grace and truth.

We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection.
We look with hope for his coming.

Come, Lord Jesus.

Holy God, we long for your Spirit.

Come among us.

Bless this meal.

May your Word take flesh in us.

Awaken your people.

Fill us with your light.

Bring the gift of peace on earth.

Come, Holy Spirit.

All praise and glory are yours,

Holy One of Israel,

Word of God incarnate,

Power of the Most High,

one God, now and forever.

Amen.

THE 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.

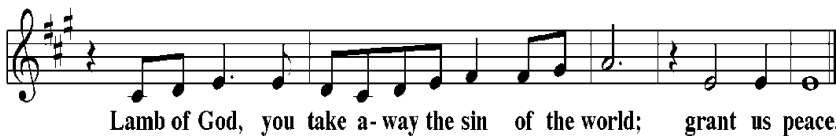
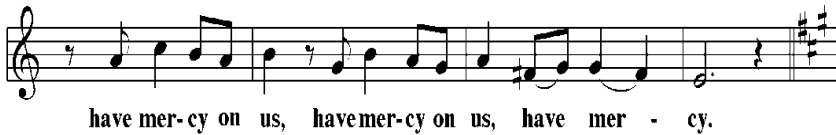
Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come! This is the table, not of the Church, but of the Lord. It is made ready for those who love him and for those who want to love him more. So come, you who have much faith and you who have little, you who have been here often, and you who have not been here long, you who have tried to follow, and you who have failed. Come, because it is the Lord who invites you. It is his will that those who want should meet him here.

C: Amen.

COMMUNION SONG

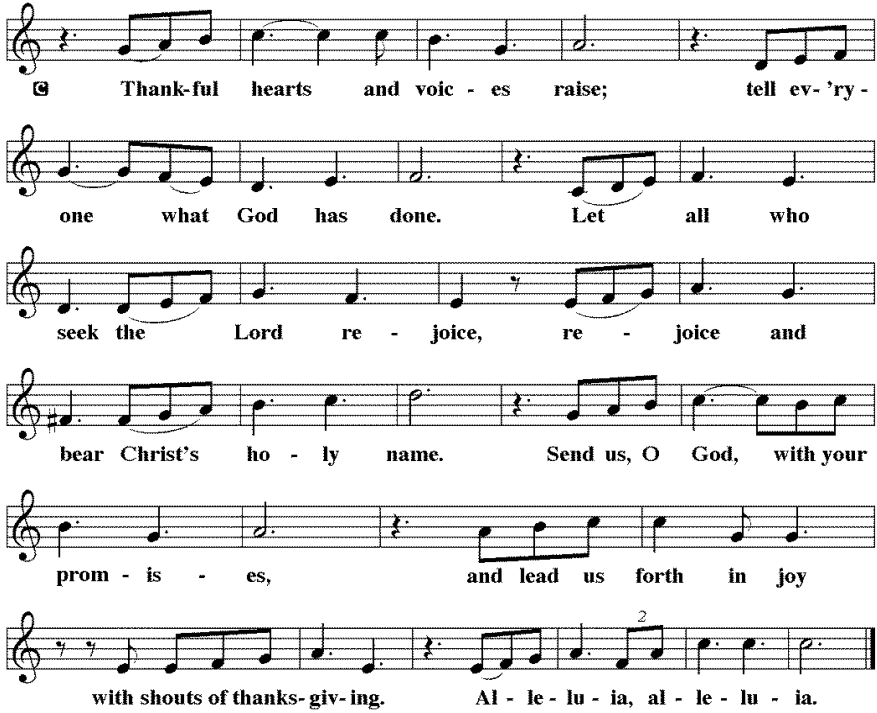


COMMUNION BLESSING

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

C: Amen.

CANTICLE



Thank-ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev-'ry -
one what God has done. Let all who
seek the Lord re - jice, re - jice and
bear Christ's ho - ly name. Send us, O God, with your
prom - is - es, and lead us forth in joy
with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Faithful God,

in this meal you have remembered your mercy,
bringing heaven to earth in the body and blood of Christ.
As we wait for the day when all your promises will be fulfilled,
sustain us and strengthen us by this holy mystery.
Guide us toward your promised future,
coming to birth in Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

BLESSING

P: God the eternal Word,

who dwells with us in Jesus,
and who holds us in the grace of the Holy Spirit,
✠ bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.



SENDING HYMN Hark the Glad Sound (LBW 35)

Hark, the Glad Sound!



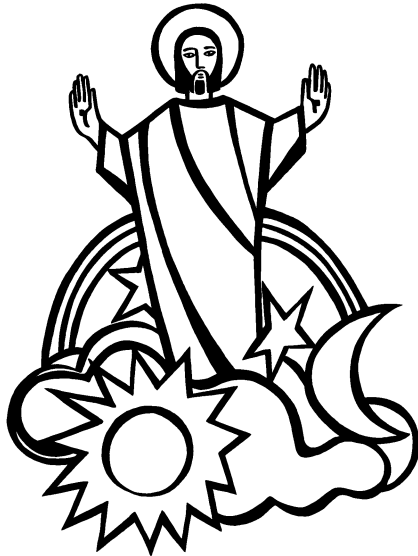
1 Hark, the glad sound! The Sav - ior comes, the Sav - ior
2 He comes the pris - 'ners to re - lease, in Sa - tan's
3 He comes the bro - ken heart to bind, the bleed - ing
4 Our glad ho - san - nas, Prince of peace, your wel - come



prom - ised long; let ev - 'ry heart pre -
bond - age held. The gates of brass be -
soul to cure, and with the trea - sures
shall pro - claim, and heav'n's e - ter - nal



pare a throne and ev - 'ry voice a song.
fore him burst, the i - ron fet - ters yield.
of his grace to en - rich the hum - ble poor.
arch - es ring with your be - lov - ed name.



DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

C: Thanks be to God.

A: Our purpose is to love God,

C: And bring people into a growing relationship with Jesus and his church.

“We all serve as ministers in the mission of the church”

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Worship Attendance:

November 27 9:30 - 42 Zoom – Facebook Live -
Recorded Service -

ACTIVITIES AT HOLY SPIRIT LUTHERAN CHURCH:

THIS WEEK DECEMBER 4, 2022

Sunday (12/4) 9:30 am– Worship with Holy Communion
10:45 am – Sunday School
12:00 pm – Confirmation Class
Tuesday (12/6) 1:30 pm – Adult Bible Study - Contact Pastor for details
6:30 pm – Girl Scouts
Thursday (12/8) 12:30 pm –Christmas Luncheon w/shut in – Baughers Restaurant

NEXT WEEK DECEMBER 11, 2022

Sunday (12/11) 9:30 am– Worship with Holy Communion
10:45 am – Sunday School
12:00 pm – Confirmation Class
Tuesday (12/13) 1:30 pm – Adult Bible Study - Contact Pastor for details
6:30 pm – Girl Scouts
Thursday (12/15) 11:00 am – Prayer with a shut in – Contact Pastor for details

Volunteers

Serving Sunday December 4, 2022, 930 am

Assisting Minister	Joyce Peregoy
Communion Assistant	Joyce Peregoy
Lector	Joyce Peregoy
Acolyte	Brooke
Usher	Bill Miller
Greeter	Sharon Miller
Altar Care	Nancy Bowman
Teller	Nancy Bowman

Serving Sunday December 11, 2022, 930 am

Assisting Minister	Holly deBenedictus
Communion Assistant	Holly deBenedictus
Lector	Holly deBenedictus
Acolyte	Lily
Usher	Rusty Long
Greeter	Shirley Dill
Altar Care	Lorraine Markosky
Teller	Nancy Bowman



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Patti Derr
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Linda & John Gondeck
Bea Grant
Chuck Giffis
Tom Hall
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Devin Herrick
Chuck & Bev Horn
Branch Jones
Fran Midkiff
Bob Miller
Karen Rund
People of Ukraine
Carroll Lutheran Village
Carroll Lutheran School
Holy Spirit Lutheran Preschool
Ending of Pandemic

Political Leaders (Local, State, Federal)
Presiding Bishop Eaton of ELCA
Bishop Gohl – DE- MD Synod
Pastor Ginger
Joyce Peregoy
Joe & Linda Herb
Rena Hudson
Amelia Bennett

Sick & Shut-in



Betty Adams
Emily Celly
Ginny Marriott
Darlene Revis
Wilson Family



worship
with us

Zoom Link – Updated Link for Sunday, Bible Study, and Prayer Meeting



<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4107956333?pwd=S3U1ZWVGcXJXWFFZQ1pnRHISV2ISZz09>

Meeting ID: 410 795 6333

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Bible Study



Tuesday afternoons at 1:30pm.
Any questions? Ask Pastor! If you
can't find her on Sunday morning,
call the church office (410) 795-6333
(or email her
hslc.pastor@comcast.net).

The “Spirit Diners” will meet on Sunday, December 4,
at **Salerno’s** at 1 PM, located at 1043 Liberty Road,
Eldersburg, MD. We will receive separate checks. Use
the “sign-up” sheet (in back of the church) to make your
reservation or email me at
barbaranorthrop2011@comcast.net, or call me at 410-
552-0104.

ADVENT

HOPE PEACE JOY LOVE





December

BIRTHDAYS

Michele Burger

Joe Herb

Linda Gondeck

Lynn Graham

Shirley Dill



December

ANNIVERSARIES

David and Soraya Willson

Will and Terri Stecher



HOLIDAY SERVICE PROJECT: "GIVING TREE"

Sunday, November 20 - Sunday, December 18

HSLC Congregation in conjunction with HSLC Early Childhood Learning Center will be supporting two families this Christmas.

These families were provided by Human Services Programs of Carroll County with general information about needs and wishes for the holiday. The project will run through Sunday, December 18. All items will be delivered to the families that week, in time for Christmas.

There are 5 people in Family 1: Mom, Dad, a 5-year-old boy, a 3-year-old boy, and a 1-year-old girl. Family 2 consists of 8 people: Mom, Dad, two 14-year-old girls, a 13-year-old girl, a 6-year-old boy, a 3-year-old boy, and a 1-year-old girl.

Ornaments are designated for Family 1 or Family 2, listing information about the family or an individual family member in black ink. A suggested gift or "wish" is in red ink and outlined in red. Ornaments will be hung on the "Giving Tree" in the church foyer for the congregation and displayed in the entrance hallway of the ECLC for the preschool families.

Please select an ornament(s).

- Purchase and wrap gift(s).
- Attach ornament to package(s).
- Place gift in designated area by Sunday, December 18.

PLEASE PLAN ON INCLUDING A NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEM(S) as part of your gift giving for these families.

God has generously blessed us. Let us share His love and blessings with our neighbors.

Thank you for always helping those in our community and giving back. For any questions, contact Lindsay Holbig or Patsy Taylor.

Multipurpose Room Roof

Our multipurpose room roof shingles were replaced in June. The cost was \$20,500.00!

Fortunately, we had the funds to go forward with the new roof but spending the \$20,500 significantly depleted our finances. We are grateful for the \$7,000 we have received so far but are still hoping to replace the entire \$20,500.

Donation envelopes are available in the narthex (next to the posterboard model of the multipurpose room).

Each 'roofing shingle' on the posterboard model represents \$50. 'Shingles' will be colored in as donations are received.

You can also make donations online via [Tithe.ly](https://www.tithe.ly); just note your donation be directed to the Multipurpose Room Roof.

