



OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Sunday, December 8, 2024

Second Sunday of Advent

10:30 AM

PRELUDE

THE FIRE

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING SONG: "Newborn King"

*We've been waiting, our hearts hoping for a Savior, for our Lord
Now this day, in flesh appearing, love is here; we wait no more,*

Refrain: *Light of the world, come to save, come to save us. Heaven rejoices,
angels sing! Glory to God in the high, in the highest. We bow before our newborn
king.*

*Peace on earth and death defeated, mercy triumphs, grace abounds.
Through this child, we find forgiveness, our salvation here and now. (Refrain)*

*Hallelujah, Christ our Savior, hope eternal, we will sing!
Hallelujah, Christ our Savior, Son of God, our newborn king! (Refrain)*

Our newborn King! Glory to God, our new born King!

ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING

CANDLE LIGHTING HYMN: "We Three Kings of Orient Are"

WOV 646 V. 1

*1) We three kings of Orient are; bearing gifts we traverse afar, field and fountain,
moor and mountain, following yonder star. Oh, star of wonder, star of night, star
with royal beauty bright; westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to thy
perfect light!*

ADVENT CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who comes to wake us from sleep, who leads us into the light of grace.

C: Amen.

L: Let us prepare the way of the Lord by confessing our sin against God and neighbor.

(Silence for reflection and self-examination.)

L: God of all time,

C: we confess that we have not prepared for your merciful reign among us. We ignore our neighbors in need and fail in the labor of justice and peace. In your mercy forgive us. Grant us wisdom to welcome your light and to seek the things that will endure until Christ comes again in glory. Amen.

L: Comfort, O comfort my people, says your God. In Jesus Christ your sins are forgiven and all things are made new. Rejoice in this good news!

C: Amen.

GREETING

L: 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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: God of all,

C: With shouts of joy at all you have done and created, help us to prepare our hearts for the inbreaking of your son that we might receive and know him.

FIRST READING: Job 38:1-7 The Lord Answers Job

Then the Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind:

²"Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge?

³Gird up your loins like a man;

I will question you, and you shall declare to me.

⁴"Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?

Tell me, if you have understanding.

⁵Who determined its measurements—surely you know!

Or who stretched the line upon it?
⁶On what were its bases sunk,
or who laid its cornerstone
⁷when the morning stars sang together
and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?

L: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SONG FOR THE WORD

The image shows two staves of musical notation in 4/4 time, written in a treble clef with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is simple and repetitive, consisting of quarter and eighth notes. A large slur covers the first six notes of each staff. The lyrics are written below the notes.

Glo - - - - ri - a in ex-cel-sis De - o;

⁷ glo - - - - ri - a in ex-cel-sis De - o.

GOSPEL READING: Luke 3:2-6 The Proclamation of John the Baptist

²during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. ³He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, ⁴as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah,

“The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

‘Prepare the way of the Lord;
make his paths straight.

⁵Every valley shall be filled,
and every mountain and hill shall be made low,
and the crooked shall be made straight,
and the rough ways made smooth,

⁶and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.’ ”

L: The gospel of the Lord.

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

MESSAGE

SONG OF THE DAY: “Come, Lord Jesus (Even So Come)

*All of creation, All of the earth, Make straight a highway, A path for the Lord,
Jesus is coming soon. Call back the sinner, Wake up the saint, Let every nation
shout of Your fame, Jesus is coming soon.*

Chorus: *Like a bride waiting for her groom, We'll be at Church ready for You,
Every heart longing for our King, We sing "even so come" Lord Jesus, come,
Even so come Lord Jesus, come*

*There will be justice, all will be new, Your name forever, faithful and true, Jesus is
coming soon (Chorus)*

*So we wait, We wait for You, God, we wait, You're coming soon, So we wait,
We wait for You, God, we wait, You're coming soon (Chorus)*

Even so come, Lord Jesus, come

APOSTLES' CREED

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

**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 into hell.**

**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.**

**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.**

PRAYER SONG: “O Come, All Ye Faithful” Refrain

ELW 283

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

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

L: Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

(Repeat Prayer Song)

PASSING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

“Make Room” by THE FIRE

OFFERTORY: "What Child Is This"

ELW 296 V. 3

So bring him incense, gold, and myrrh; come, peasant, king, to own him. The King of kings salvation brings; let loving hearts enthrone him. Raise, raise the song on high, the virgin sings her lullaby; joy, joy, for Christ is born, the babe, the son of Mary!

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER *ELW p. 154*

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.

HOLY COMMUNION *All are Welcome at the Lord's table. Note that all the communion wine is alcohol-free and the communion bread is gluten-free.*

DISTRIBUTION SONG: "Light of the World"

(words on screen)

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

SENDING SONG: "Hope Was Born This Night"

*Tonight I can see a star shine, And its splendor fills up the sky, It's the same that appeared, And the wisemen revered, When Hope was born this night
Out upon the snowy fields, There's a silent peace that heals, And it echoes the grace, Of our Savior's embrace, Because Hope was born this night*

Refrain: *Glory to God in the highest, Peace on earth, Goodwill to men, Let all of the world, Sing the chorus of joy, Because Hope was born this night*

*I can hear the Christmas bells ringing, As softly a church choir sings, It's the song used to praise, The ancient of days, When Hope was born this night
There are angels in this place, And my heart resounds in the praise, Like a shepherd so scared, I'll rejoice and declare, That Hope was born this night*

(Refrain) Gloria! Gloria! Gloria! Gloria! Gloria! Gloria! Gloria! Gloria!

(Refrain) Because Hope was born this night, I know hope was born this night, Because Christ was born this night

BLESSING / THREE BELLS

DISMISSAL / POSTLUDE

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **C: Helping people experience the Love of God.**

O Lord, Hear Our Prayers

Praise & Thanksgiving to God for...

The people of Our Savior's.

Those celebrating birthdays today: Wyatt Torgerson

God's Healing Presence for...

Clarice Satrom	Tim Klocke (Mike Tweten's friend)
Vicki Dahlstrom	Robert Thompson (Isaac, Ava, Mia's grandpa)
Sonja Diehl	Dennis Sollid (Anne Kittelson's dad)
Larry (Butch) Lovas	Steve Rinke (Stacy Dickhoff's step-dad)
Patrick Flanagan	Todd Donner (Tanya Buethner's brother)
Carol Christianson	Scott Berry (Benjamin Strand's uncle)
Kenna Kappes	John (Veronika Pawlikowski's dad)
Becky Foss	Dennis Taus (Phyllis Leraas' brother-in-law)
Peggy Gilbertson	Elaina Mueller (Bonnie Mueller's granddaughter)
Deb Kritzberger	Lindsey Gilbertson (Kathy Duval's brother)
Liz Hanson	Kim Olson (Pastor Joe's cousin)
Karen Paulson	Hunter Gordon (Eunice Morlock's grandson-in-law)
Susie Anderson	Asher Madsen (Vicki Madsen's great grandson)
Charlie Anderson	Tom Wait (friend of Jon Bertsch)
	Barry Sailor (Tara Fandrich's uncle)
	Marta Datsik (McSparron's Exchange Student-Ukraine)
	Dr. Rich Martin (Cheri and family)

Safety for those serving in the Military... especially those serving in combat areas:

Our Sympathy to... Those in our church family who have experienced the death of a family member or friend:

EDUCATION PASTOR: Pastor Amanda Johnson, 218.556.8895

VISITATION MINISTER: Joy McSparron, 701.361.9990

HEAD USHERS: (8:30) Ed Laxdal (10:30) Randy & Janelle Habeck family

ACOLYTES: (8:30) Callie Kozojed, Lane Nelson
(10:30) Mason Stauss, Eli Thompson

ATTENDANCE: December 1, 2024 – (8:30) 80 and (10:30) 105

STEWARDSHIP REPORT: December 1, 2024: \$8,241.77; December to date: \$8,241.77;
Income through October 31, 2024: \$293,761.85; Expenses through October 31, 2024:
\$328,201.03. Income less Expense: -\$34,439.18

ANNOUNCEMENTS: (Due in the church office by 9am Thursdays)

TONIGHT! SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8TH
The Community Christmas Concert “He Was Born For You”
7:00 pm at Our Savior’s Church

“For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.” John 3:16.

Join us for an evening of musical worship, with refreshments following the concert.
All are Welcome!

OSLC ANGEL TREE for HMC Care Center Residents

The Angel Tree is set up in the Narthex at Our Savior’s. It is adorned with item and cash donation cards for the HMC Care Center residents. Choose a card off of the tree, purchase the item and bring the unwrapped item, or cash donation, back to Our Savior’s Church by December 10th. Gifts will be delivered to the residents before Christmas. Please contact Joy McSparron with questions or to help out, 701.361.9990



W.O.W. BIBLE STUDY began an Advent study on Monday, Nov. 25th entitled “Prepare the Way for the Lord: Advent and the Message of John the Baptist” by Adam Hamilton. This is a four-week study, so should finish on Monday, December 16th. This study has a DVD.

“No other figure in Scripture is more closely associated with this idea of preparation, of making people ready for the Coming of Christ, than John the Baptist.” ~Adam Hamilton

Welcome one and all! We will resume the study of David on January 6, 2025 at 9 AM. ~Senora Almquist, Leader

Our Savior’s Lutheran Church has the following dollars available to be distributed in 2024:

OSLC Endowment Fund - \$1,700.00

Blanchard Endowment Fund - \$675.00

Please email (oslcelca@rrv.net) or bring your written request -for where you would like to see these available funds distributed- to the Church Office prior to Friday, December 13, 2024. They can be used for programs at OSLC, education and outreach into the community, EaND Synod missions, and ELCA worldwide missions. Thank you!

WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

Sunday, December 8

Communion Sunday
8:30am Traditional Service
9:30am Coffee/Fellowship
9:30am Sunday school
10:30am Contemporary Service
11:30am **Council Meeting**
7:00pm Community Christmas
Concert at OSLC

Monday, December 9

9:00am WOW Bible Study
6:30pm Choir practice
7:30pm GosBELLS practice

Tuesday, December 10

7:00am Text Bible Study
at Hillsboro Cafe

Wednesday, December 11

7:00am Men's Bible Study
(Hillsboro Cafe)
5:30pm Meal
6:00pm Confirmation
7:30pm Youth Group (9-12 gr)

Thursday, December 12

10:45am Worship Service at HMC

Sunday, December 15

8:30am Traditional Service
9:30am Coffee/Fellowship
9:30am Sunday school
10:30am Contemporary Service
w/Sunday school program
7:00pm AA Meeting

The SUNDAY SCHOOL PROGRAM will be held on December 15th during the 10:30am service. 3 year old through 6th grade children need to be at the church by 9:30am to get ready. Thanks!

PLEASE JOIN US on Sunday, December 22 at the 8:30am worship service- and Coffee Hour following the service- as we **Honor our Organist, Karen Alfson** for 47 years of playing music for us at Our Savior's Lutheran Church!

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