



OUR SAVIOUR'S

LUTHERAN CHURCH

Bringing Christ to the people and the people to Christ.

We are a community of faith, formed in the grace and joy of Jesus Christ.

We are a people involved in God's sure and unfolding promise to mend His creation through the life, death and resurrection of His Son, and in the power of the Holy Spirit.

We are a church under the cross of Christ, shaped by the ancient rhythms of Christian worship, fellowship, and service to others.

Come share the joy!

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SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT (YEAR C)
DECEMBER 8, 2024 • 10:00 A.M.



A picture of the Via Dolorosa (The way/road of pain), the road that Jesus walked on his way to the cross.

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Our Members, Guests and Visitors

We are all on a journey of faith;
God does not expect us to make the journey alone.
Our Office Hours are Monday through Friday, 10:00 - 2:00

Prelude - Dr. Jaeyong Lee

You may use this time for silent meditation to prepare your heart for worship

Welcome to Our Saviour's

- Welcome! Whether you are a longtime member or visiting for the first time, you are a gift from God to us. Guests, please fill out the yellow card on the back of your pew and place it in the offering plate later in the service.
- All who are baptized and desire to share in the Body and Blood of our Lord are welcome to receive Communion.

"O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; let the whole earth stand in awe of him." Psalm 96:9

Please stand

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"ONCE IN ROYAL DAVID'S CITY" Vss 1-2 (WOV #643)

Once in royal David's city stood a
lowly cattle shed,
Where a mother laid her baby in a
manger for his bed:
Mary was that mother mild, Jesus
Christ, her little child.

He came down to earth from heaven
who is God and Lord of all,
And his shelter was a stable, and his
cradle was a stall;
With the poor and meek and lowly,
lived on earth our Savior holy.

WORDS OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

As the Pastor says the Invocation, the Sign of the Cross ✠ may be made in remembrance of our baptisms.

P In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C Amen**

P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **C Amen**

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P Most merciful God,

C **We confess that we are in bondage 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 Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. In the name of Jesus Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. C **Amen**

APOSTOLIC 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

A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. C **Lord, have mercy.**

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

C **Lord, have mercy.**

A 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. C **Lord, have mercy.**

A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord. C **Lord, have mercy.**

A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. C **Amen**

P The Lord be with you. C **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P "See Insert" C **Amen**

Please be seated

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

P: At His birth in Bethlehem, there was no room found for Jesus. The Ruler of the Universe was wrapped in swaddling clothes and laid to sleep in a manger. Remembering that we love only because He first loved us, we pray that God would prepare for Himself a place in our hearts. In love, we light the second candle on the Advent wreath. We read in Micah:

You, O Bethlehem Ephrathah, who are too little to be among the clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel, whose origin is from of old, from ancient days. (Micah 5:2)

We will light the second candle as we sing the second verse of "Oh, Come, Oh, Come, Emmanuel".

HYMN ~ OH, COME, OH, COME, EMMANUEL ~ (LBW #34) Vs. 2

Oh, come, oh, come, great Lord of might,
Who to your tribes on Sinai's height
In ancient times once gave the law
In cloud, and majesty, and awe.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to you, O Israel.

The Service Of The Word

FIRST READING ~ MALACHI 3:1-7B

R "See Insert" R This is the Word of the Lord! C **Thanks be to God!**

PSALMODY ~ PSALM 66:1-12

R "See Insert"

SECOND READING ~ PHILIPPIANS 1:2-11

R "See Insert" R This is the Word of the Lord! C **Thanks be to God!**

CHILDREN'S SONG ~ "AWAY IN A MANGER" Vs. 2 (LBW #67)

The cattle are lowing, the poor baby wakes,
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.

Feeding Our Little Lambs

Please stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION ~ "THE LORD IS IN HIS HOLY TEMPLE"

The Lord is in His holy temple:
Let all the earth keep silence before Him;
Keep silence, keep silence,
Keep silence before Him.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

^P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 3rd Chapter. ^C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Luke 3:1-14 (15-20)

^P The Gospel of the Lord. ^C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

SERMON ~ PASTOR TONY EDE

PREPARE THE WAY

Please stand

Hymn Of The Day ~ "PREPARE THE ROYAL HIGHWAY" (LBW #26)

Prepare the royal highway;
The King of kings is near!
Let ev'ry hill and valley
A level road appear!
Then greet the King of glory,
Fore-told in sacred story:

Refrain:

*Hosanna to the Lord,
For he fulfills God's Word!*

God's people, see him coming:
Your own eternal king!
Palm branches strew before him!
Spread garments! Shout and sing!
God's promise will not fail you!
No more shall doubt assail you!

Refrain

Then fling the gates wide open
To greet you promised king!
Your kin, yet ev'ry nation
Its tribute too may bring.
All lands will bow before him;
Their voices join your singing:
Refrain

His is no earthly kingdom;
It comes from heav'n above.
His rule is peace and freedom
And justice, truth, and love.
So let your praise be sounding
For kindness so abounding:
Refrain

THE 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: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

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.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Confident in God's steadfast love through Jesus Christ and guided by the Holy Spirit, let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

After each portion of the prayers:

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

The prayers conclude:

P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **C** **Amen**

Please be seated

OFFERING & OFFERTORY MUSIC

Please stand

The Doxology~ PRAISE GOD, FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW (LBW #564)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise Him all creatures here below.

Praise Him above ye heavenly host.

Praise Father, ✨Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

Post Offertory Prayer

P Let us pray. Merciful Father, C **We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us – our vocations, our time, our possessions – signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

Please remain standing

PASSING OF THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always. C **And also with you.**

At this time, we invite you to share the peace of the Lord with your neighbors

The Holy Meal

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING ~ P. 88 LBW

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them up to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. C **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

P It is indeed good, right, and salutary that we should at all times, and in all places, offer thanks and praise to You, O Lord, Holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. For 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 again to judge the world in righteousness. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS ~ P. 89 LBW

C **Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might: Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P 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.*

P 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.*

P Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

C **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

P Therefore, gracious Father, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us. And, believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.

C **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus**

P Send now we pray, your Holy Spirit, the spirit of our Lord and of His resurrection, that we who receive the Lord's body and blood may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

C **Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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 ~ P. 92 LBW

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Please be seated

DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION HYMNS:

"OF THE FATHER'S LOVE BEGOTTEN" VSS. 1-4 (LBW #42)

Of the Father's love begotten
Ere the worlds began to be,
He is Alpha and Omega,
He the source, the ending he,
Of the things that are, that have been,
And that future years shall see
Evermore and evermore.

Oh, that birth forever blessed,
When the virgin full of grace,
By the Holy Ghost conceiving,
Bore the Savior of our race;

And the babe, the world's redeemer,
First revealed his sacred face
Evermore and evermore.

This is he whom seers in old time
Chanted of with one accord,
Whom the voices of the prophets
Promised in their faithful word;
Now he shines, the long-expected;
Let creation praise its Lord
Evermore and evermore.

Let the heights of heav'n adore him;
Angel hosts, his praises sing;
Pow'rs, dominions, bow before him
And extol our God and King;

Let no tongue on earth be silent,
Ev'ry voice in concert ring
Evermore and evermore.

“I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE”

Chorus:

*I am the Bread of Life,
All who eat this Bread will never die
I am God's love revealed.
I am broken that you might be healed.*

All who eat of this heavenly Bread,
All who drink this cup of the covenant;
You will live forever
For I will raise you up.

Chorus

No one who comes to Me
shall ever hunger again
No one who believes shall ever thirst
All that the Father draws shall come to Me
And I will give them rest.

Chorus

“BEFORE THE MARVEL OF THIS NIGHT” (WOV #636)

Before the marvel of this night,
adoring, fold your wings and bow,
then tear the sky apart with light,
and with your news the world endow.
Proclaim the birth of Christ and peace,
that fear and death and sorrow cease:
sing peace, sing peace, sing gift of peace,
sing peace, sing gift of peace!

Awake the sleeping world with song,
this is the day the Lord has made.
Assemble here, celestial throng,
in royal splendor come arrayed.

Give earth a glimpse of heav'nly bliss,
a teasing taste of what they miss:
Sing bliss, sing bliss, sing endless bliss,
sing bliss, sing endless bliss!

The love that we have always known,
our constant joy and endless light,
now to the loveless world be shown,
now break upon its deathly night.
Into one song compress the love
that rules our universe above:
Sing love, sing love, sing God is love,
sing love, sing God is love!

Please stand

COMMUNION BLESSING

^P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in
his grace. ^C **Amen**

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

“SONG OF SIMEON”

Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace,
Your word has been fulfilled.

My own eyes have seen the Salvation,
Which you have prepared in the sight of every people.

A light to reveal you to the Nations,
And the glory of your people, Israel.

Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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

BENEDICTION ~P. 95 LBW

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. In the name of the Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit. **C Amen**

CLOSING HYMN ~ “ALL EARTH IS HOPEFUL” VSS 1, 2, & 4 (WOV #629)

All earth is hopeful,
the Savior comes at last!
Furrows lie open for God’s
creative task;
This, the labor of people,
who struggle to see
how God’s truth and justice
set ev’rybody free.

People of Israel,
you heard the prophet tell:
“A virgin mother will bear Emmanuel”;

She conceived him, “God with us,”
our brother, whose birth
restores hope and courage to children
of this earth.

We first saw Jesus a baby in a crib.
This same Lord Jesus today has come
to live in our world;
he his present, in neighbors we see
our Jesus is with us,
and ever sets us free.

DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **C Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Our Worship Servants This Morning:

Greeter: Tom & Jocye Lewis
Acolytes: Ean & Jonah Hollenbeck
Ushers: Cliff & Sally Dengerud
Reader: Sylvia Miller
Cantor: Blaine Davis
Communion Assistants: Blaine Davis, Dee Miles, Carmen Nazario
Projectionist: Toby Fite

Upcoming Activities at OSLC (December 9-December 15)

Monday: Men's Group 8:00 PM
Tuesday: Quilters 9:00 AM
Spin Class 6:00 PM
Wednesday: Embroiderers 9:30 AM
Soup Supper 5:30 PM
Advent Service 6:30 PM
Thursday: Bible Study 10:00 AM
CODA 6:00 PM
Saturday: Altar Guild Team #3
Sunday: Sunday School 9:15 AM
Bible Study 9:15 AM
Choir 9:15 AM
Worship 10:00 AM
Church Council 11:30 AM
Confirmation 4:00 PM

Attendance

Attendance Last Week 78
2024 Average Attendance 99

Stewardship

Last Week's Offerings: \$ 2,764
Total Offering for November \$ 21,473
2024 Total Offerings to Date: \$ 274,140

ANNOUNCEMENTS
Wednesday, December 11th

Soup Supper at 5:30

The Holden Evening Prayer Service 6:30

Please sign up to bring a soup, salad, or bread.

We also need help with set up & clean up.

Sign up is in the Narthex.



Bless all who helped make this happen! These special gifts will be on their way to delight 115 precious children and bring the gospel to many unreached parts of the world. Thank you for your generous and caring hearts.

Chris & Priscilla

PRAYER LIST

Our Members

Linda Eck, Glory Gopinath, John Spintzyk, Sam Hough, Amber Tizcareno, AJ & Tammy Noecker, Susan Walker, Ron Nixon, Jeanine Franklin, Ruth Chauvaux, Carol Barner, Jim & Janet Anthony, Ellie Sadek, Tom & Mary Criswell, Kathleen Grant, Phyllis Guysinger, Larry & Joanne Hill, Sarah Lyles, Diane Polley, Margo Williams, Curt & Joyce Peterson,

Family & Friends

Lois Snyder, Jennifer Anderson, Amy Little, Helen Wallace, Marissa Rose, Shawn Gilbertson, Marshall Hart, Rebecca Smith, Blake Madewell, Joanna Garrett, Richard Grinnell, & Tom & Mindy Lyons

If you have any updates or changes to the prayer list, please contact Blaine, Natalie, or Jerry Redman