



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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FIRST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS (YEAR C)

DECEMBER 29, 2024 • 10:00 A.M.



EMMANUEL

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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 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

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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 Guest Connect Card on the back of your pew and place it in the offering plate.
- If you have any prayer requests, needs, or concerns, please complete the blue card on the back of your pew and place it in the offering plate.
- 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 ~ “GO TELL IT ON THE MOUNTAIN” (LBW #70)

Chorus:

*Go tell it on the mountain,
Over the hills and ev'rywhere;
Go tell it on the mountain
That Jesus Christ is born!*

While shepherds kept their watching
O'er silent flocks by night,
Behold, throughout the heavens
There shone a holy light.

Chorus

The shepherds feared and trembled
When, lo, above the earth
Rang out the angel chorus
That hailed our Savior's birth.

Chorus

Down in a lonely manger
The humble Christ was born;
And God sent us salvation
That blessed Christmas morn.

Chorus

Please stand (in body or in spirit)

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**

HYMN OF PRAISE ~ "GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST" (LBW PGS 79-80)

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly king,
almighty God and Father:

We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God:

You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.
Amen

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

Prayer of the Day

P "See Insert" **C** **Amen**

Please be seated

The Service Of The Word

FIRST READING ~ EXODUS 13:1-3A, 11-15

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

PSALMODY ~ PSALM 111

R "See Insert"

SECOND READING ~ COLOSSIANS 3:12-17

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

CHILDREN'S SONG ~ "THIS IS THE DAY"

This is the day,
This is the day
That the Lord has made
That the Lord has made.
We will rejoice,
We will rejoice
And be glad in it,
And be glad in it.

This is the day
That the Lord has made.
We will rejoice
And be glad in it.
This is the day,
This is the day
That the Lord has made.

Feeding Our Little Lambs

Please stand

GOSPEL CANTICLE ~ "ALLELUIA, LORD" ~ (P. 83 LBW)

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 2nd Chapter. **C** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Luke 2:22-40

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

Please be seated

SERMON ~ REV. STEPHEN "WALLY" SEIBEL

GETTING TO KNOW YOU

PLEASE STAND

Hymn Of The Day ~ "GOOD CHRISTIAN FRIENDS, REJOICE" (LBW #55)

Good Christian friends, rejoice
With heart and soul and voice;
Give ye heed to what we say:
Jesus Christ is born today;
Ox and ass before him bow,
And he is in the manger now.
Christ is born today!
Christ is born today!

He has opened heaven's door,
And we are blest for evermore.
Christ was born for this!
Christ was born for this!

Good Christian friends, rejoice
With heart and soul and voice;
Now ye hear of endless bliss:
Jesus Christ was born for this!

Good Christian friends, rejoice
With heart and soul and voice;
Now ye need not fear the grave;
Jesus Christ was born to save!
Calls you one and calls you all
To gain his everlasting hall.
Christ was born to save!!
Christ was born to save!

Apostles' Creed

I BELIEVE in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I BELIEVE in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and born of the Virgin Mary. He 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P 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

THE SHARING 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 right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS

^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:

“SHOUT TO THE LORD” (LBW #439)

My Jesus, my Savior,
Lord there is none like You.
All of my days I want to praise
the wonders of your mighty love.

My comfort, my shelter,
Tower of refuge and strength;
Let every breath, all that I am,
never cease to worship You!

Shout to the Lord! All the earth let us sing.
Power and majesty, Praise to the King!
Mountains bow down and the seas will
roar at the sound of Your name!

I sing for joy at the work of your hands!
Forever I'll love you, forever I'll stand.
Nothing compares to the promise
I have in you.

“AWAY IN A MANGER” (WOV #644)

Away in a manger,
no crib for his bed,
The little Lord Jesus lay down his
sweet head;
The stars in the bright sky looked
down where he lay,
The little Lord Jesus,
asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing,
the poor baby wakes,
But little Lord Jesus,
no crying he makes.

I love you,
Lord Jesus, look down from the sky,
And stay by my cradle 'till morning is
nigh.

Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask you to stay
Close by me forever, and love me I pray.
Bless all the dear children
in your tender care,
And fit us for heaven,
to live with you there.

“NOW WE JOIN IN CELEBRATION” (LBW #203)

Now we join in celebration
At our Savior’s invitation,
Dressed no more in spirit somber,
Clothed instead in joy and wonder;
For the Lord of all existence,
Putting off divine transcendence,
Stoops again in love to meet us,
With his very life to feed us.

Lord, as round this feast we gather,
Fill our hearts with holy rapture!
For this bread and cup of blessing
Are for us the sure possessing

Of your loving deed on Calv’ry
Of your living self, our vict’ry,
Pledge of your unfailing presence,
Foretaste here of heav’nly gladness.

Lord, we share in this communion
As one fam’ly of God’s children,
Reconciled through you, our brother,
One in you with God our Father.

Give us grace to live for others,
Serving all, both friends and strangers,
Seeking justice, love, and mercy
Till you come in final glory.

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 ~ "JOY TO THE WORLD" *Vss 1, 2 & 4 (LBW #39)*

Joy to the world, The Lord is come!
Let earth receive its King;
Let every heart prepare him room,
And heav'n and nature sing,
And heav'n and nature sing,
And heav'n, and heav'n, and nature
sing.

Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns!
Let all their songs employ,
While fields and floods,
rocks, hills, and plains

Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat, the sounding joy.

He rules the world with truth and
grace,
And makes the nations prove
The glories of his righteousness,
And wonders of his love,
And wonders of his love,
And wonders, wonders, of his love.

DISMISSAL

P Go in Peace, serve the Lord

C **Thanks be to God**

POSTLUDE

Announcements

Survey

Our Worship Servants This Morning:

Greeter: Glory Gopinath
Acolyte: Charles & Caedmon Cumming
Ushers: Terry Ball and Jerry Redman
Reader: Ken Pontious
Communion Assistants: Sylvia Miller, Susan Buntz, Kristin Blaise
Projectionist: Toby Fite

Upcoming Activities at OSLC (Dec. 30-Jan. 5)

Monday:	Men's Group	8:00 PM
Tuesday:	Quilters	9:00 AM
	Spin Class	6:00 PM
Wednesday:	New Year's Day	
Thursday:	CODA	6:00 PM
Saturday:	Altar Guild Team #1	
Sunday:	No Sunday School	
	Bible Study	9:15 AM
	Choir	9:15 AM
	Worship	10:00 AM
	Confirmation	4:00 PM

Attendance

Sunday, December 22, 2024:	90
Christmas Eve Service:	XX
2024 Average Attendance:	99

Stewardship

Last Week's Offerings:	\$ 6,205
Christmas Eve Offerings:	\$
Total Offering for December:	\$
2024 Total Offerings to Date:	\$

PRAYER LIST

Our Members

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

Family & Friends

Lois Snyder, Janet Freeman, Amy Little, Helen Wallace, Marissa Rose, Shawn Gilbertson, Marshall Hart, Rebecca Smith, Blake Madewell, Joanna Garrett, Richard Grinnell

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