



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 AFTER CHRISTMAS (YEAR A)

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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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS ~ SEE INSERT

PROCESSIONAL HYMN ~ "ANGELS WE HAVE HEARD ON HIGH" (LBW #71)

Angels we have heard on high,
Sweetly singing o'er the plains,
And the mountains in reply,
Echoing their joyous strains.
Gloria in excelsis Deo;
Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Come to Bethlehem and see
Him whose birth the angels sing;
Come, adore on bended knee
Christ the Lord, the newborn king.
Gloria in excelsis Deo;
Gloria in excelsis Deo

Shepherds, why this jubilee?
Why your joyous strains prolong?
What the gladsome tidings be
Which inspire your heav'nly song?
Gloria in excelsis Deo;
Gloria in excelsis Deo

INVOCATION

P: We gather in this sanctuary, and we worship, in the name of the Father, and of the
✱ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

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: 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. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by His authority, I declare to you the Good News, "Your sins are forgiven," 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 fellowship 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 P. 79)

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: The Lord be with you. **C And also with you.**

A: Almighty and everlasting God, direct our actions according to your good pleasure, that in the name of your beloved Son, we might be made to abound in good works. Grant this, we pray, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen

Please be seated

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

FIRST READING ~ I KINGS 3:4-15

L: The first reading is from the First book of Kings, the 3rd chapter.

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

PSALMODY ~ PSALM 119:97-104 (CHANTED)

"See Insert"

SECOND READING ~ EPHESIANS 1:3-14

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

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 2:40-52

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

Please be seated

CHILDREN'S SONG ~ "JESUS LOVE ME"

Jesus loves me, this I know.	Yes, Jesus loves me.
For the Bible tells me so.	Yes, Jesus loves me.
Little ones to him belong,	Yes, Jesus loves me.
They are weak but He is strong.	The Bible tells me so.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON ~ PASTOR JEFFERY CARPENTER

Please stand

HYMN OF THE DAY ~ "COME THOU LONG EXPECTED JESUS" (LBW #30)

Come, thou long-expected Jesus, born to set thy people free; from our fears and sins release us; let us find our rest in thee. Israel's strength and consolation, hope of all the earth thou art, dear desire of ev'ry nation, joy of ev'ry longing heart.	Born thy people to deliver, born a child, and yet a king; born to reign in us forever, now thy gracious kingdom bring. By thine own eternal Spirit rule in all our hearts alone; by thine all-sufficient merit raise us to thy glorious throne.
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The Nicene Creed

A: Let us declare our faith using the words of the Nicene Creed.

**C: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth,
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,**

**God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,
begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;**

**who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.**

He suffered and was buried.

**And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.**

And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church,
We acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and we look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

A: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs. For the increase of peace among all the nations of the world in the reign of Christ, let us pray to the Lord,

C: Christ the Lord, bring peace on earth.

A: For the spread of the Good News of great joy that the Savior has come, let us pray to the Lord,

C: Christ the Lord, bring peace on earth.

A: For the poor and those who find no room made for them, let us pray to the Lord,

C: Christ the Lord, bring peace on earth.

A: For the renewal of the whole church in unity and joy, let us pray to the Lord,

C: Christ the Lord, bring peace on earth.

A: For the light of Christmas to shine on all, let us pray to the Lord,

C: Christ the Lord, bring peace on earth.

P: Rejoicing in Your birth and trusting in Your mercy, we commend to You, O Lord, all for whom we pray.

C: Amen

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
Please be seated*

OFFERING & OFFERTORY MUSIC

Please stand and remain standing for Communion

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

A: Let us pray. Merciful Father,

C: We present to You these offerings, signs of our stewardship of what You have given us to manage. We know that through these offerings and the sharing of our talents and abilities, the ministries of Our Saviour’s Lutheran Church are made possible and powerful. We pray for those among us who will use these offerings, that the decisions they make will be wise, will build up Your Kingdom, and will please You. So having placed them before You, we pray Your blessing on them in the Name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

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 give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, through Jesus Christ our Lord. In the wonder and mystery of the Word made flesh you have opened the eyes of faith to a new and radiant vision of your glory; that, beholding the God made visible, we may be drawn to love the God whom we cannot see. And so with the Church on earth, and with the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

CANTICLE (TUNE: “HARK! THE HERALD ANGELS SING”)

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord. God of hosts, by all adored!

Heaven and earth cannot contain All the glory of Your name

Hail, hosanna, God most high!

Blest is He who now draws nigh

In the name of God the King! Hallelujah’s glad we sing.

Hail hosanna! Praises due Be forever, Lord, to You!

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 in 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 in 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:

"ANGELS FROM THE REALMS OF GLORY" (LBW #50)

Angels, from the realms of glory,
Wing your flight o'er all the earth;
Once you sang creation's story;
Now proclaim Messiah's birth:

Chorus:
Come and worship, come and worship,
Worship Christ, the newborn king.

Shepherds, in the fields abiding,
Watching o'er your flocks by night,
God with us is now residing,
Yonder shines the infant light.

Chorus

Sages, leave your contemplations,
Brighter visions beam afar;
Seek the great desire of nations,
You have seen his natal star.

Chorus

All creation, join in praising
God, the Father, Spirit, Son,
Evermore your voices raising
To the eternal Three in One.

Chorus

"IT CAME UPON THE MIDNIGHT CLEAR" (LBW #54)

It came upon the midnight clear,
that glorious song of old,
from angels bending near the earth
to touch their harps of gold:
"Peace on the earth, good will to all,
from heav'n's all-gracious king."
The world in solemn stillness lay
to hear the angels sing.

Still through the cloven skies they come
with peaceful wings unfurled,
and still their heav'nly music floats
o'er all the weary world.
Above its sad and lowly plains
they bend on hov'ring wing,
and ever o'er its babel sounds
the blessed angels sing.

And you, beneath life's crushing load,
whose forms are bending low,
who toil along the climbing way
with painful steps and slow:
look now, for glad and golden hours
come swiftly on the wing;
oh, rest beside the weary road
and hear the angels sing!

For lo! The days are hast'ning on,
by prophets seen of old,
when with the ever-circling years
shall come the time foretold,
when peace shall over all the earth
its ancient splendors fling,
and all the world give back the song
which now the angels sing.

"INFANT HOLY, INFANT LOWLY" (LBW #44)

Infant holy, infant lowly,
For his bed a cattle stall;
Oxen lowing, little knowing,
Christ the babe is Lord of all.
Swiftly winging, angels singing,

Bells are ringing, tidings bringing:
Christ the child is Lord of all!
Christ the child is Lord of all!

Flocks were sleeping,
shepherds keeping
Vigil till the morning new
Saw the glory, heard the story,
Tidings of a Gospel true.

Thus rejoicing, free from sorrow,
Praises voicing, greet the morrow:
Christ the child was born for you!
Christ the child was born for you!

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: "NOW THANK WE ALL OUR GOD" (LBW #534)

All praise and thanks to God
The Father now be given,
The Son, and him who reigns
With them in highest heaven,
The one eternal God,
Whom earth and heav'n adore;
For thus it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

CW: Let us pray.

C: We give you thanks, Almighty God, that you refreshed us through the healing power of the gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us through this gift in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen

BENEDICTION ~ LBW P. 95

P: May you be filled with the wonder of Mary A: The obedience of Joseph
P: The Joy of the angels A: The eagerness of the shepherds
P: The determination of the magi A: The peace of the Christ Child.
P: And the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you always.

C: Amen

CLOSING 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!

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

Chorus

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

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

Chorus

DISMISSAL

A: Go, live as disciples of Christ Jesus.

C: Thanks be to God. And, we will!

POSTLUDE

Our Worship Servants This Morning:

Greeter:	Helen Seibert and The Cumming Family
Acolyte:	Charles and Caedmon Cumming
Ushers:	Joe Coke and Alan Cumming
Assistant & Cantor:	Blaine Davis
Reader:	Becky Chambers
Communion Assistants:	Blaine Davis, Jana Coke and Linda Webster
AV Booth:	Amy Norris and Preston Graham

Attendance

Christmas Eve:	157
Sunday, December 28:	98
2025 Average:	91

Stewardship

Christmas Eve Offering:	\$	1,592
Last Week’s Offerings:	\$	5,653
Total for the month of Dec.	\$	27,134
2025 Total Offerings to Date:	\$	295,393

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES JANUARY 5-11

READING THE BIBLE IN A YEAR SMALL GROUPS BEGIN

Monday	Men's Group	8:00 PM
Tuesday	Quilters	9:00 AM
	Spin	6:00 PM
Thursday	Bible Study	10:00 AM
	Social Ministry	11:00 AM
	CoDA	6:00 PM
Friday	Classical Conversations	9-3
Saturday	Altar Guild	
Sunday	Sunday School, Bible Study, & Choir	9:00 AM
	Worship Service	10:00 AM
	Church Council	11:30 AM

PRAYER LIST

Our Members: Glory Gopinath, Limuel Norris, Linda Eck, Tom Criswell, Jim & Janet Anthony, Bill Thomas, Ed Lucas, Mary Ferguson, Sam Hough, Amber Tizcareno, Jeanine Franklin, Carol Barner, Gloria Guilfoyle, Kathleen Grant, Phyllis Guysinger, Margo Williams, Joanne Hill, Sarah Lyles, Diane Polley, Curt & Joyce Peterson

Family & Friends: Rebecca Johnson, Jordan Graves, Phil & Gloria Renaker, Colleen Werner, Jacob Carpenter, Evie Long, Steve Hall, Paul & Grace Long, Jennifer Hendrick, Erin Gilland, Mark Malloy, Nick Lopez, Helen Wallace, Marissa Rose, Shawn Gilbertson, Marshall Hart, Joanna Garrett

"Angels We Have Heard on High" LBW 71 Text: French carol; tr. "Crown of Jesus," 1862 Tune: French carol

"Jesus Loves Me" Authors Anna Bartlett Warner, Jennifer Searl CCLI Song # 5073948 Catalog Aardvark Hill / Public Domain

"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" LBW 30 Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788 Tune: W. Walker, Southern Harmony, 1835

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" LBW 564 Text: Thomas Ken 1637-1711 Tune: Louis Bourgeois c. 1510-1561

"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing" LBW 60 Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, alt. Tune: Felix Mendelssohn, 1809-1847

"Angels, from the Realms of Glory" LBW 50 Text: James Montgomery, 1771-1854, alt., Tune: Henry T. Smart, 1813-1879

"It Came upon the Midnight Clear" LBW 54 Text: Edmund H. Sears, 1810-1876, alt. Tune: Richard S. Willis, 1819-1900

"Infant Holy, Infant Lowly" LBW 44 © Text: Polish carol; tr. Edith M. G. Reed, 1885-1933, atl. Tune: Polish carol

"Now Thank We All Our God" LBW 534 Text: Martin Rinkhart, 1586-1649; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1829-1878 Tune: Johann Crüger, 1598-1662

"Go Tell It on the Mountain" LBW 70 © Text: Negro spiritual, refrain; John W. Work Jr., 1871-1925, stanzas, alt. Tune: Negro spiritual

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