

**St. Andrew Lutheran Church
& Early Childhood Campus**

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Worship Hours: Sunday 9:00 a.m.

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First Sunday after Christmas

December 29, 2024

PRESERVICE MUSIC WHILE WE PREPARE FOR WORSHIP

WELCOME & GREET ONE ANOTHER WITH GOD'S PEACE

OPENING HYMN "Once in Royal David's City" LSB 376

DIVINE SERVICE (Setting Three) *(p. 184 in the front of the hymnal)*

INVOCATION

P: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C: Who made heaven and earth.

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C: And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

+ Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination +

P: O Almighty God, merciful Father,

C: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

INTROIT

Ps. 98:1-4; Is. 52:10

P: The Lord has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all the nations, and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

C: Oh sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things! His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.

P: The Lord has made known his salvation; he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.

C: He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel. All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

P: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises!

THE GLORIA PATRI

LSB page 186

C: ♪ Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

THE KYRIE

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C: ♪ Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

LSB pages 187-188

P: Glory be to God on high:

C: ♪ And on earth peace, good-will toward men.

We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee,

We glorify Thee, We give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.

O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only begotten Son, Jesus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

That takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.

Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,

Art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT (PRAYER) OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: ♪ And with thy spirit.

P: Let us pray.

C: O God, our Maker and Redeemer, You wonderfully created us and in the incarnation of Your Son yet more wondrously restored our human nature. Grant that we may ever be alive in Him who made Himself to be like us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: ♪ Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Exodus 13:1-3a, 11-15

The Lord said to Moses, "Consecrate to me all the firstborn.

Whatever is the first to open the womb among the people of Israel, both of man and of beast, is mine." Then Moses said to the people,

"Remember this day in which you came out from Egypt, out of the house of slavery, for by a strong hand the Lord brought you out from this place. "When the Lord brings you into the land of the

Canaanites, as he swore to you and your fathers, and shall give it to you, you shall set apart to the Lord all that first opens the womb. All the firstborn of your animals that are males shall be the Lord's. Every firstborn of a donkey you shall redeem with a lamb, or if you will not redeem it, you shall break its neck. Every firstborn of man among your sons you shall redeem. And when in time to come your son asks you, 'What does this mean?' you shall say to him, 'By a strong hand the Lord brought us out of Egypt, from the house of slavery.

For when Pharaoh stubbornly refused to let us go, the Lord killed all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both the firstborn of man and the firstborn of animals. Therefore I sacrifice to the Lord all the males that first open the womb, but all the firstborn of my sons I redeem.'

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE

Colossians 3:12-17

Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God.

And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA VERSE

C: ♪ Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 2:22-40

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the second chapter.

C: ♪ Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

And when the time came for their purification according to the Law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the Law of the Lord, "Every male who first opens the womb shall be called holy to the Lord") and to offer a sacrifice according to what is said in the Law of the Lord, "a pair of turtledoves, or two young pigeons." Now there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon, and this man was righteous and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Christ. And he came in the Spirit into the temple, and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him according to the custom of the Law, he took him up in his arms and blessed God and said, "Lord, now you are letting your servant depart in peace, according to your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation that you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to your people Israel." And his father and his mother marveled at what was said about him. And Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, "Behold, this child is appointed for the fall and rising of many in Israel, and for a sign that is opposed (and a sword will pierce through your own soul also), so that thoughts from many hearts may be revealed." And there was a prophetess, Anna, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was advanced in years, having lived with her husband seven years from when she was a virgin, and then as a widow until she was eighty-four. She did not depart from the temple, worshiping with fasting and prayer night and day. And coming up at that very hour she began to give thanks to God and to speak of him to all who were waiting for the redemption of Jerusalem. And when they had performed everything according to the Law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. And the child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom. And the favor of God was upon him.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.
C: ♪ Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

CONFESSION OF FAITH "Nicene Creed" (p. 191)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY "See amid the Winter's Snow" LSB 373

SERMON "See Salvation" Luke 2:25-35

OFFERTORY HYMN "Create in Me" (pp. 192-193)

OFFERING

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P: Almighty God, You have chosen us from the foundation of the world to be Your people. Strengthen our hearts by Your grace and open our lips to sing Your praises, that Your Holy Word would dwell richly within us from generation to generation. Lord, in Your mercy,
(following each petition the congregation responds)

C: Hear our prayer.
(our petitions this day)

P: All these things we pray, O Lord, in confidence of Your mercy, trusting that You will grant us all things needful and prevent all things harmful to our faith, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

Preface (p. 194)

Sanctus

Lord's Prayer

The Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini – "The Peace of the Lord" (p. 197)

Agnus Dei – "Lamb of God"

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"O Sing of Christ" LSB 362

"A Great and Mighty Wonder" LSB 383

"Let All Together Praise Our God" LSB 389:1-3

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

Nunc Dimittis – "Song of Simeon" (p. 199)

Thanksgiving (p. 200)

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT (p. 201)

BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN "Go Tell It on the Mountain" LSB 388

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

OFFICIANT: Rev. John Fuchs

ORGANIST: Rinda Bye

LAY READER: Jessica Dreska

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREW

Monday, December 30	-	7:00 p.m. Men's Group
Friday, January 3	-	6:00 p.m. Youth Group
Saturday, January 4	-	8:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study Dan
Sunday, January 5	-	9:00 a.m. Worship
	-	10:15 a.m. Family Education Hour
		4:30 p.m. Twelfth Night Pary

DID YOU KNOW?

Please check the bulletin board for other announcements.

SHHHHH. . . THERE IS A "QUIET ROOM" AT ST. ANDREW in the back of the Sanctuary. It has a sound system and the service can be heard in that room. Please be considerate of the worshipful attitude of others and use it as necessary. It is there for your comfort and convenience.

We have **reduced gluten communion wafers**. If you desire to receive one during communion, please identify yourself before the service to the Elder for that service so we can distribute one to you.

BASKETS are located in the Narthex to collect food for the **FOOD PANTRY**.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR - SUNDAYS: 6 a.m. WGN Chicago 720 AM; 7:30 a.m. WTKM Hartford 104.9 FM; 6:30 a.m. WTMJ Milwaukee 620 AM & 103.3 FM; 5 p.m. WJUB Plymouth 1420 AM; 9 a.m. WIBD West Bend 1470 AM

Lutheran Church Radio Service – JOY/WJYI (1340 AM)
7 a.m. Sundays

Reminder: Check your mailboxes regularly.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK: December 29 thru January 4

BIRTHDAY: Nancy Legate, Karen Unruh, Brittany Neumann

BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARIES: Kara Ruback, Steven Steinpreis, Will Hale, James Keaton, Tracy Neatherlin, Lisa Baertlein

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES: Lee & Sharon Oelke,

PRAYERS FOR. Meghan Kelley for her Great Aunt Vern who was recently diagnosed with breast cancer. **The Muth's** are asking for prayer for their sweet grandson Wade Scott Muth, 18 months old and youngest of Peter and Gina was diagnosed earlier this week with AML Leukemia. Pray for healing, minimal complications and a full recovery. Also lift Peter and Gina in prayer as they journey through all this. The road will be long but may God shed his healing mercy on our baby boy. **Cliff Hetzel's nephew** Tim Hackbarth. **Rory Hetzel's** best friend growing up Mike Deschler. **Darryl Harrison** sister Judy Harrison broke her hip, please pray for healing.

THE MILITARY: William Bowman (brother of Katie Vierkant), Matthew Speaks-(nephew of Darryl & Laurie Pree) Beau Szczerbinski (brother of Meghan Kelley). Brandon & Benjamin Roeglin (Grandsons of Joyce & Jim Schmoltd)

WELCOME VISITORS! We are glad you chose to worship with us. Sign our Guest Book in the Narthex or one of the cards in the pews and please talk to Pastor, an Usher or Elder if you have any questions.

DIFFERENT CHURCHES HAVE DIFFERENT UNDERSTANDINGS regarding Holy Communion. For this reason, because of what 1Corinthians 11:27-30 tells us, we ask that visitors talk to Pastor if they wish to commune with us. **ALSO**, see the back of the communion cards for a statement by Synod.

WE HAVE A PRAYER CHAIN AT ST. ANDREW. Please contact Josie Pfeiffer at 262-626-4303 or pfeiffer4303@charter.net

ELDER SERVING TODAY: Thai Hua, Randy Sheffield
Next Sunday: Thai Hua & Rory Hetzel

CLEANING THIS WEEK ENDING January 3 Melissa Knox, Carla Peterson, Sandy Lompa

NEXT WEEK January 6 thru January 11 Randy Sheffield, Kris Sheffield, Stephanie Gutschmidt, Cathy Grande

Altar Guild for January: Dorene Betz, Kris Sheffield, Judi Riedel, Joanne Miller

February: Katie Vierkant, Debbie Puestow, Cathy Grande, Melissa Knox

Please contact Pastor Jon (262)808-7974 if you or a loved one is in the hospital, celebrating a milestone, or would just like a visit..

2025 Youth Lock In! Mark your calendar. The Lock In will be Friday, Jan. 17-Saturday, Jan. 18 from 7 p.m.-7 a.m. A team from Concordia University will be leading games, devotions, and fun activities, and food will be available all night. Youth from 5th grade-12 grade are invited, and friends are welcome to come. Online signup links are available on the church website. Please see Katie Vierkant if you would like more information.

SISTER'S IN CHRIST

Sisters in Christ Mission Store will soon be filled with Christmas gift items! Please shop and take what delights you or shop for a friend or family member. All items are free but as always, donations are appreciated!

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS: A Big thank you to those that decorated the Sanctuary, Narthex and Christmas tree all looks very beautiful. Thank you for all you do!!

TWELFTH NIGHT CELEBRATION: Mark your calendar for January 5, 2025! This event celebrates Epiphany, and gives us one last opportunity to sing Christmas carols as decorations are removed from the Christmas tree. The gathering will begin at 4:30 PM, with dinner at 5 PM. We are fortunate that Texas Roadhouse will again provide most of the food. There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board.



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