

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

*For
unto us
a* **child**
is born...

Christmas Day | December 25, 2022 | 10:30 a.m.

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GOOD SHEPHERD
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“WELCOME ONE ANOTHER, THEREFORE, AS CHRIST HAS WELCOMED YOU.”

ROMANS 15:7

**GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH WARMLY WELCOMES PEOPLE OF ANY AGE, RACE,
NATIONALITY, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, LIFE CIRCUMSTANCE, AND PHYSICAL OR MENTAL CAPABILITY.**

Please silence your cell phones.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

“Angels We Have Heard on High”

Thomas Eisnor

– Alec Wyton

Stand

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, **+** one God, the Word made flesh, our life and our salvation.

C Amen.

P Trusting the goodness and lovingkindness of God our Savior, let us confess our sin. God of life,

C you promise good news of great joy for all people, and call us to be messengers of your peace. We confess that too often we hoard our joy, our resources, and our security. We nurture conflict and build barriers. We neglect the needs of our neighbors and ignore the groaning of creation. Have mercy on

us. Where we are self-centered, open our hearts.

Where we are reluctant, give us courage. Where we are cynical, restore our trust. Renew us with your grace and give us again the hope of eternal life in you. Amen.

P Hear the good news: We are children of God and heirs of God’s promises through the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. In **+** Jesus we are forgiven and redeemed. Sing with joy, for all the ends of the earth shall know the salvation of God.

C Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

“O Come, All Ye Faithful”

ELW #283

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you. **C** And also with you. **P** Let us pray....
Assembly responds, “Amen.”

Sit

THE CHRISTMAS ACCLAMATION

P Unto us a Child is Born!

C Unto us a Son is given!

P And His name shall be called: Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,

C Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace,

P Son of David, Son of God,

C Prophet, Priest, and King,

P Root of Jesse's Stem, Key of David,

C Rock of Ages, the Cornerstone,

P The Dayspring from on High,

C The Light of the World,

P The Alpha and the Omega,

C The Beginning and the End,

P The Good Shepherd who lays down His life for the sheep,

C The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the World,

P Emmanuel, God with us,

C Jesus, Our Savior, Which is Christ the Lord!

ALL: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

 **WORD** 

THE STORY OF CHRISTMAS IN WORD AND SONG

LESSON 1: Genesis 3:8-15		Pew Bible page 3
LESSON 2: Isaiah 7:10-14		Pew Bible page 623
CHRISTMAS HYMN	<i>“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”</i>	ELW #257 vs. 1-4
LESSON 3: Isaiah 9:2-7		Pew Bible page 624
LESSON 4: Luke 1:26-38		Pew Bible page 931
CHRISTMAS HYMN	<i>“Angels We Have Heard on High”</i>	ELW #289
LESSON 5: Matthew 1:18-25		Pew Bible page 877
LESSON 6: Luke 2:1-7		Pew Bible page 933
CHRISTMAS HYMN	<i>“O Little Town of Bethlehem”</i>	ELW #279
LESSON 7: Luke 2:8-14		Pew Bible page 933
LESSON 8: Luke 2:15-20		Pew Bible page 933
CHRISTMAS HYMN	<i>“Hark! The Herald Angels Sing”</i>	ELW #270
LESSON 9: Matthew 2:1-12		
LESSON 10: John 1:1-14		
CHRISTMAS HYMN	<i>“Silent Night, Holy Night”</i>	ELW #281

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

(As the Assisting Minister closes each petition with the words, “God of grace,” worshipers respond with the words, “hear our prayer.”)

PEACE

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

Sit

 **MEAL** 

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

“Away in a Manger”
-Mary MacDonald

Thomas Eisnor

Stand

OFFERING PRAYER

Assembly responds, **“Amen.”**

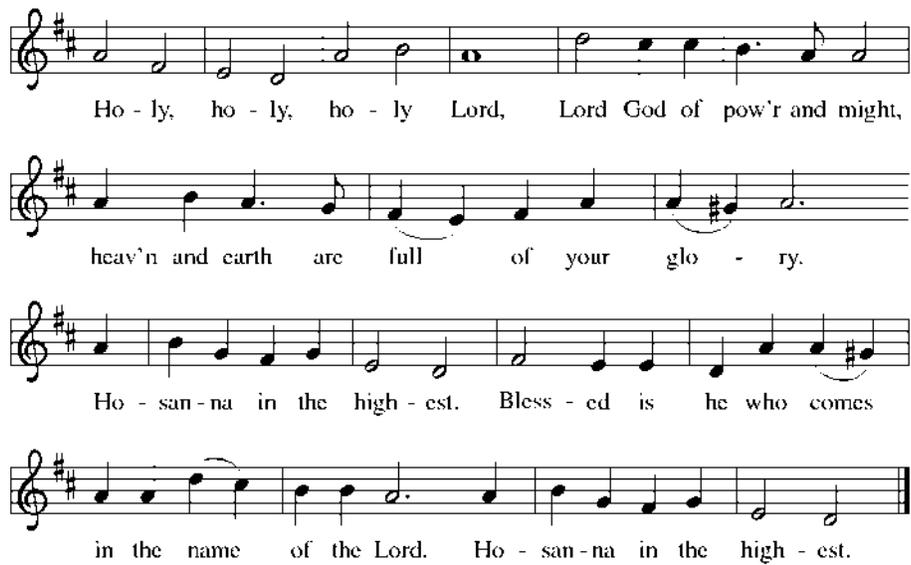
GREAT THANKSGIVING

DIALOGUE (sung)

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** And also with you.
- P** Lift up your hearts.
- C** We lift them to the Lord.
- P** Let us give thanks to the Lord.
- C** It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

- P** Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life:
Blessed are you for the birth of creation.
Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light.
Blessed are you for your promise to your people.
Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams.
Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will.
Blessed are you for your Son Jesus, the Word made flesh.

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.

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.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

- C** Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.
- P** With this bread and cup we remember your Word dwelling among us, full of grace and truth. We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection. We look with hope for his coming.
- C** Come, Lord Jesus.
- P** Holy God, we long for your Spirit. Come among us. Bless this meal. May your Word take flesh in us. Awaken your people. Fill us with your light. Bring the gift of peace on earth.
- C** Come, Holy Spirit.
- P** All praise and glory are yours, Holy One of Israel, Word of God incarnate, Power of the Most High, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

- P** Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray, saying:
- 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.

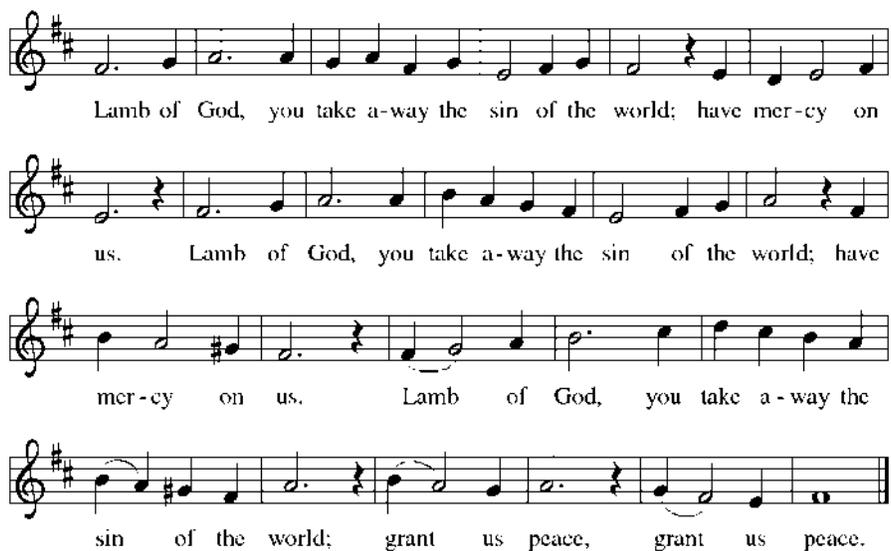
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Sit

LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION

- † All believers are invited to come and receive the real presence of Christ in the sacrament.
- † Follow the directions of the ushers, who will release you from your rows toward the center aisle.
- † Please take the bread and an individual cup of red wine or white grape juice. Gluten free wafers and sealed wafer & juice combination packets are also available upon request.
- † Those who do not wish to take communion are invited to come forward for a blessing. Please indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest.
- † Use the trash receptacles provided.
- † After receiving communion please proceed around the side aisles to return to your seat.

COMMUNION HYMNS

“Good Christian Friends Rejoice”

ELW #288

“Lo, How a Rose E-er Blooming”

ELW #272

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

Assembly responds, “Amen.”

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Assembly responds, “Amen.”

SENDING

FINAL BLESSING

SENDING HYMN

“Joy to the World”

ELW #267

DISMISSAL

Assembly responds, “Thanks be to God!”

POSTLUDE

“O Come, All Ye Faithful”
-Alec Wyton

Thomas Eisnor

Merry Christmas!

CHRISTMAS CONTINUES AT GOOD SHEPHERD

FIRST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

Sunday, January 1 at 8:30 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.

We are called, gathered and blessed to be a community and instrument of grace for all sheep of the Good Shepherd.

Are you worshipping with us for the first time?

WE WELCOME YOU!

Our Sunday services are at 8:30 and 10:45 a.m.

We offer Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. for ages 3 through adult.

Come Worship with Us!

Rev. Rosalina Rivera Pastor

Thomas Eisnor Director of Music Ministry

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