

Sending Song

Dismissal:

L: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

Schedule for the Week

Wednesday, November 30: 6:00 p.m. Worship
7:00 p.m. LiFT! Theme Event & parent night

Sunday, December 4:

9:15 a.m. Coffee fellowship
10:00 a.m. Worship/Launch/Communion with delivery

Weekly offering needed: \$2,867.00
Last week's offering: \$1,905.00
Thank you for your gifts!

We are starting to plan for Christmas baskets at the food pantry. If you could help with donating any of these items, it would be greatly appreciated: Stuffing, Jell-o or pudding, peanut butter, Hamburger Helper and Macaroni & Cheese. Items can be dropped off at the church Monday-Thursday from 10-4:30 p.m. Thanks for your help!

The Share the Joy of Christmas tree is up in the fellowship hall. Gifts are due back by December 2nd. Thanks for helping with this yearly project!

Community Advent Tea will be held at the Congregational Church on Sunday, Dec. 4th at 2:00 p.m. All are welcome!

**Welcome to Worship at
First Lutheran Church
First Sunday in Advent
November 27, 2022**



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PASTOR: Amy Kippen

MINISTERS: All Members of the Congregation

MISSIONARIES: Anne & Willie Langdji, Central Africa

MISSION PARTNER CHURCH: The Neighborhood Church, Fargo

Music: videos

Acolytes: Olivia Larson & Noah Wobbema

Ushers: Rick Swenson & Gary Weigum

Reader: Marilyn Gedrose

Power Point: Janel Fortney

Sound: Kenny Thompson

The Radio Broadcast today is sponsored in memory
of Merv Bjornson, by Bev Bjornson.

Gathering Music

Welcome/Worship Notes/Announcements

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

The Greeting:

P: We come with great expectation to await the coming Messiah.

C: All creating waits with great longing for the Son of God.

P: As John the Baptist cried in the wilderness, "Prepare ye the way of the Lord."

C: We are here to prepare a place in our hearts for his coming.

WE CONFESS OUR NEED FOR THE CHRIST CHILD

God of Advent, we confess our excitement about this season has very little to do with Jesus. We surround ourselves with the ornaments of the season, yet we feel alone and lifeless. We confess that we find more pleasure in receiving than giving. Forgive the sins of our thoughts, words, and actions. In this Christmas season, allow us to know that forgiveness is possible only because of the Christ-child, Jesus.

WE HEAR THE GOOD NEWS OF GOD'S ONLY SON

People of God, today we have good news to share together. Christ came into the world to save us from sin and to restore us to a right relationship with God and with each other. God came in human flesh to be one of us – to know our pain and to live among us. In this special season, God comes to us in the baby Jesus, born to give life and hope to all of us who are God's children. New life comes to us with the birth of the Son of God.

Opening Hymn

Prayer of the Day: Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. By your merciful protection save us from the threatening dangers of our sins, and enlighten our walk in the way of your salvation, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Launch Storytime

Noisy Offering & Song of Blessing

First Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5

Responsive Reading: Psalm 122

Second Reading: Romans 13:11-14

L: Word of God, Word of Life. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Gospel: Matthew 24:36-44

L: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Message

Hymn of the Day

Affirmation of Faith:

I believe in a great God, who created the world in power and love. God's character is reflected in all creation. I believe in Jesus Christ, Son of God and Son of Man. His life, his teachings, his miracles, his death, and his resurrection provide true forgiveness of sin and life for all eternity. His strength bolsters my weakness. His love covers my failures. His sacrifice forgives my sin. I trust him as a friend and a brother. I believe in the Holy Spirit, God at work in and among us. I believe God is present and active in today's world and I can know some of the joy of heaven right now. I believe the church of Christ is the people of God, and I can experience true meaning and everlasting love in my life through prayer, the Sacraments, and the community of the church. Amen.

Prayers of the People: Arlo, Val, Lorraine, Paul, Tara, Charlotte, Karen, Allen, Marty, Wayne & Becky, Sandy, MaryLou, Bailey, Haydon, Jennifer, AJ, Vi, Art, the family of baby Claire, the family of Wayne Eldridge

L: Lord, in your mercy **C: Hear our Prayer**

Sharing of Peace:

L: The peace of Christ be with you always. **C: And also with you.**

Offering Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Benediction