Wednesday, December 17th, 2025

Welcome & Announcements

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

*Opening Hymn

Christmas Carol By Request

*Prayer of the Day:

P: Let us pray together, C: Stir up the wills of all who look to you, Lord God, and strengthen our faith in your coming, that, transformed by grace, we may walk in your way; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

*Holy Gospel: Matthew 11:2-11

When John heard in prison what the Messiah was doing, he sent word by his disciples ³ and said to him, "Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?" ⁴ Jesus answered them, "Go and tell John what you hear and see: ⁵ the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, those with a skin disease are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have good news brought to them. ⁶ And blessed is anyone who takes no offense at me." ⁷ As they went away, Jesus began to speak to the crowds about John: "What did you go out into the wilderness to look at? A reed shaken by the wind? ⁸ What, then, did you go out to see? Someone dressed in soft robes? Look, those who wear soft robes are in royal palaces. ⁹ What, then, did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. ¹⁰ This is the one about whom it is written, 'See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you.' "Truly I tell you, among those born of women no one has arisen greater than John the Baptist, yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.

Sermon Pastor Brad

<u>*Hymn of the Day:</u> Christmas Carol By Request

*The Apostle's 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:

Each petition ends with: P: Lord, in your mercy, C: Hear our prayer.

*The Peace:

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

We invite you to share the peace in the manner you are most comfortable with. Please respect others, knowing that someone may not be comfortable sharing the peace with you in the same manner.

Offering

*The Words of Institution

*The Lord's Prayer:

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.

Distribution of Communion

*Post-Communion Blessing & Prayer

*Benediction and Sending

P: May the Lord bless you and keep you. May the Lord's face shine upon you and be gracious to you. May the Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace, in the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C: THANKS BE TO GOD!

<u>*Closing Hymn</u> Christmas Carol By Request

<u>Postlude</u>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Sunday is Sunday School Christmas Program at 9 am

Christmas Eve Worship, Wednesday, Dec 24th at 2 pm, 4:30 pm and 9 pm Each service features special music, a Candlelight portion, and Holy Communion.

We are looking for a few more ushers for the Christmas Eve Service. Please see PB if you are interested and able to help.

<u>Help us keep our sidewalks free from snow!</u> See the sign-up sheet on the table in the Narthex. We have a tractor with a snowblower on it for you to use.

Serving Our Lord and Church

Pastor: Bradley K. Peterson Ministers: All Baptized Believers

Parish Manager: Andrea McVeigh Ushers: Bill Borgert, Nick Schaff, Bill Fisher

Organists: Ginny Waller, Lee Peshaw Altar Guild: Becky Nyhus, Char Larson, Barb Doty

Reader: Karen Schaff Fellowship: Tyler Sudbrink/Bentley Halopka,

Greeter: Joe & Mary Larson Caden Knutson

Schedule For The Week of Dec 14-21

Sunday	9:00am	Worship	
	9:45am	Sunday School	
Monday	10:00am	Bible Study	
Tuesday	9:00am	Quilting	
Wednesday	3:30-5:00	Crew	
-	5:30pm	Confirmation	
	6:30pm	Worship	
	7:00pm	Voices of Praise	venmo
Thursday	10:00am	Cards	

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Our Prayer Concerns

Dick Clack	Saul Hedlund	Ken Larson	
Leona Steies	Kayden Ebensperger	Shannon Bauer	Amy Frieburg
Jennifer Marlett	Brad Stevens	Jeanna Hollister	Shirley Mittlestadt
Randee Mayer	Lynda Swenson	Kasen Iverson	Helen Rosen
Tom Lohfink	Lynda Bird	Kendra Kostman	
Ashley Behling	Brian Moll	Kathy Joles	

Weekly Devotions

Sunday: Psalm 87 Monday: Psalm 88 Tuesday: Psalm 89:1-18 Wednesday: Psalm 89:19-45 Thursday: Psalm 89:46-52 Friday: Psalm 90

Saturday: Psalm 91 Sunday: Psalm 92