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Lutheran Church

Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost



Keep Watch! You Do Not Know the Day or Hour!



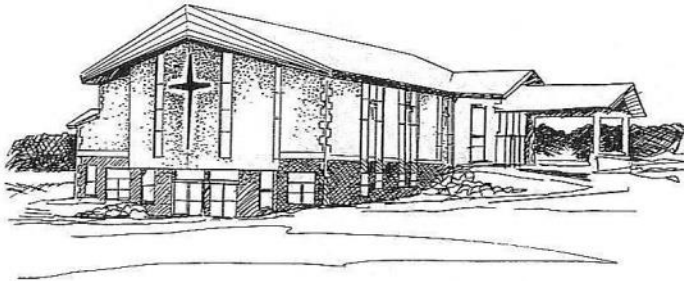
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**“I rejoiced with those who said to me,
‘Let us go to the house of the LORD.’”
Psalm 122:1**



*Today's 8:00 service will be recorded including the Service of the Sacrament.
Individuals taking communion will not be visible in the recording.*

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November 12, 2023

SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

OPENING HYMN (CW 220)

O'er the Distant Mountains Breaking



1 O'er the dis - tant moun - tains break - ing Comes the red -
2 Come, O Long - Ex - pect - ed; wea - ry Waits my spir -
3 Near - er is my soul's sal - va - tion; Spent the night,
4 With my lamp well - trimmed and burn - ing, Swift to hear



d'ning dawn of day. Rise, my soul, from sleep a - wak - ing;
it anx - ious - ly. Life is dark and earth is drear - y
the day at hand. Keep me in my hum - ble sta - tion,
and slow to stray, Watch - ing for your glad re - turn - ing,



Rise and sing and watch and pray. 'Tis your Sav - ior,
Where your light I can - not see. O my Sav - ior,
Watch - ing for you till I stand, O my Sav - ior,
Wait - ing for the bless - ed day. Come, my Sav - ior,



'Tis your Sav - ior, On his bright re - turn - ing way.
O my Sav - ior, When will you re - turn to me?
O my Sav - ior, In your bright, your prom - ised, land,
Come, my Sav - ior, O my Sav - ior, quick - ly come!

Text: John S. B. Monsell, 1811–75, abr., alt.

Tune: O JERUSALEM, DU SCHÖNE (87 87 447) Johann G. C. Störl, 1675–1719, alt.

STAND

M: The grace of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: **And also with you.**



CONFESSION OF SINS

M: God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

C: **Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

PRAYER AND PRAISE

LORD, HAVE MERCY

Kyrie

M: For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.



C: Lord, have mer - cy.

M: For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.



C: Christ, have mer - cy.

M: For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.



C: Lord, have mer - cy.

M: Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:



C: A - men.

M: The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.



C: O Lord, our Lord, how glo - rious is your name in



all the earth. Al - might - y God, mer - ci - ful Fa - ther,



you crown our life with your love. You take a - way our sin;



you com - fort our spir - it; you make us pure and



ho - ly in your sight. You did not spare your on - ly Son,



but gave him up for us all. O Lord, our Lord,



how glo - rious is your name in all the earth.



O Son of God, e - ter - nal Word of the Fa - ther,



you came to live with us; you made your Fa - ther known;

you washed us from our sins in your own blood. You are the
 King of glo - ry; you are the Lord! O Lord, our Lord,
 how glo - rious is your name in all the earth.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

Almighty God and Savior, you have set the final day and hour when we shall be delivered from this world of sin and death. Keep us ever watchful for the coming of your Son that we may sit with him and all your holy ones at the marriage feast in heaven; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: A - men.

BE SEATED

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 52:1-6

Wake, awake!

Clothe yourself with strength, O Zion.

Put on your beautiful garments,

Jerusalem, you holy city,

*for never again will the uncircumcised
and the unclean enter you.*

² Shake off the dust.

Get up and take your seat, Jerusalem.

Loosen the chains from your neck,

you captive daughter of Zion.

³ Yes, this is what the LORD says.

You were sold for nothing,

and you will be redeemed without money.

⁴ Yes, this is what the LORD God says.

*In the beginning, my people went down to Egypt to stay there
for a while. Later Assyria oppressed them without cause.*

⁵ Now what do I have here? declares the LORD.

Indeed, my people have been taken away for nothing.

Their rulers howl with mockery, declares the LORD.

My name is continually despised all day.

⁶ Therefore my people will know my name.

*So on that day they will know that I am the one—
the one who is saying, “Here I am!”*

CHOIR ANTHEM

Anthem of Thanksgiving
Trumpets: Andy Huebner & Ruth Kovaciny

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

M: Alleluia. Therefore keep watch, because you do not know on what day your Lord will come. Alleluia.

GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 25:1-13

“At that time the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. ² Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. ³ When the foolish ones took their lamps, they did not take any oil with them; ⁴ but the wise took oil in their containers with their lamps. ⁵ While the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy and fell asleep. ⁶ But at midnight there was a shout, ‘Look, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!’ ⁷ Then all those virgins got up and trimmed their lamps. ⁸ The foolish ones said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your oil because our lamps are going out.’ ⁹ But the wise answered, ‘No, there may not be enough for us and for you. Instead, go to those who sell oil and buy some for yourselves.’ ¹⁰ But while they were away buying oil, the bridegroom came. Those who were ready went in with him to the wedding banquet, and the door was shut. ¹¹ Later, the other virgins also came and said, ‘Lord, Lord, let us in.’ ¹² But he answered, ‘Amen I tell you: I do not know you.’ ¹³ Therefore, keep watch, because you do not know the day or the hour.



HYMN (CW 206)

Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying



1 "Wake, a - wake, for night is fly - ing,"
 2 Zi - on hears the watch - men sing - ing,
 3 Now let all the heav'ns a - dore you;



The watch-men on the heights are cry - ing, "A - wake, Je -
 And all her heart with joy is spring-ing; She wakes, she
 Let saints and an - gels sing be - fore you With harp and



ru - sa - lem, a - rise!" Mid - night hears the
 ris - es from her gloom, For her Lord comes
 cym - bal's clear - est tone. Of one pearl each



wel - come voic - es And at the thrill - ing
 down all - glo - rious, The strong in grace, in
 shin - ing por - tal, Where, dwell - ing with the



cry re - joic - es: "Oh, where are all you vir - gins wise?
 truth vic - to - rious; Her Star is ris'n, her Light is come.
 choir im - mor - tal, We gath - er round your ra - diant throne.



The Bride - groom comes— a - wake! Your lamps with
 "Now come, O Bless - ed One, Christ Je - sus,
 No vi - sion ev - er brought, No ear has



glad - ness take! Al - le - lu - ia! With bri - dal care
 God's own Son. Hail! Ho - san - na! The joy - ful call
 ev - er caught Such great glo - ry; There - fore will we



Your-selves pre - pare To meet the Bride-groom who is near."
 We an - swer all And fol - low to the wed - ding hall."
 In vic - to - ry Sing hymns of praise e - ter - nal - ly.

Concerning the times and dates, brothers, there is no need to write to you, ² for you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. ³ When people are saying, "Peace and security," destruction will suddenly come on them, like labor pains on a pregnant woman, and they will certainly not escape. ⁴ But you, brothers, are not in the dark so that this day takes you by surprise like a thief; ⁵ for you are all sons of the light and sons of the day. We do not belong to the night or the darkness. ⁶ So then let us not sleep like everyone else, but rather let us remain alert and sober. ⁷ To be sure, those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk, get drunk at night. ⁸ But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, putting on faith and love as a breastplate, and the hope of salvation as a helmet. ⁹ You see, God did not appoint us for wrath, but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ. ¹⁰ He died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep, we may live together with him. ¹¹ Therefore, encourage one another and build each other up, just as you are also doing.

Ready or Not!

STAND

APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

**He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.**

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

GATHERING OF THANK OFFERING

While the offering is gathered, please sign and pass the Friendship Register.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Lord, you are our help and deliverer. We bring to you the prayers and petitions of your people, that you may grant us all things needful and guard us against all things harmful. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O Lord, preserve your people from believing that you are pleased with us because of our works or ceremonies. Grant that what we do in worship and prayer may proclaim salvation in Christ Jesus alone. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Lord God, you bestow favor and honor and withhold nothing from those who walk uprightly. Bless parents and those who teach children your ways, that generations to come would love your promises, walk in your truth and dwell in your house. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Righteous God, you despise corruption and command justice. Embolden our rulers and all in authority to enact and defend measures that preserve peace and provide justice for all. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Heavenly Father, show mercy to those who cry aloud as they await your Son's coming in glory [*including _____*]. Answer them with strength and healing, comfort and hope. Make them confident in Christ, who will raise his people on the Last Day. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O Lord, your Son will descend from heaven with a cry of command, raise those who have fallen asleep and deliver us to your kingdom of glory. Until that day, strengthen us by his body and blood and prepare us for his coming in glory. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious Lord, fill the heart of each and every person here with a love for the lost, and open our eyes to see the opportunities that lie before us to tell others of Jesus so that they too may be prepared for the great Day of the Lord. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of our salvation, we know neither the day nor the hour of Christ's return, but we know that he has died and is risen again to open the kingdom of heaven to all believers. Until that day, preserve us in faith and guard us from temptation. Do not let us be caught unprepared for his coming. Let us live our days in loving service and joyful expectation of the life of the world to come; through the same Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.



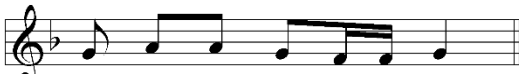
THE SACRAMENT

M: The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

M: Lift up your hearts.



C: We lift them up to the Lord.

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

M: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. He protects and preserves his Church in every age and gives us confidence to lift up our heads and watch for Jesus with joy.

Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Sanctus



C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.



The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.



You are my God, and I will ex - alt you.



I will give you thanks, for you have be - come my sal -



va - tion. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.



The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

M: The peace of the Lord be with you always.



C: A - - - men.

O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

Agnus Dei



C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world; have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you



take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.



O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world; grant us your peace. A - men.

BE SEATED

DISTRIBUTION

In accordance with the Scriptural practice of closed Communion, we invite to the Sacrament of Christ's body and blood the communicant members of this congregation. We invite also the communicant members of our sister congregations in our fellowship (the WELS and the ELS) who have made their intention known to one of our pastors. We ask other guests in attendance to refrain from taking the Sacrament with us today, and we invite you to speak with our pastor about how you may join our fellowship and commune with us in the future.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN (CW 208)

Great God, What Do I See and Hear



1 Great God, what do I see and hear? The end of
 2 The dead in Christ shall first a - rise At that last
 3 But sin - ners filled with guilt - y fears Be - hold his
 4 O Christ, you died, and yet you live; To me ac -



things cre - a - ted; The judge of man-kind shall ap - pear
 trum - pet's sound - ing, Caught up to meet him in the skies,
 wrath pre - vail - ing, For they shall rise and find their tears
 count your mer - it, My par - don seal, my sins for - give,



On clouds of glo - ry seat - ed. The trum - pet
 With joy their Lord sur - round - ing. No gloom - y
 And sighs are un - a - vail - ing; The day of
 And cleanse me by your Spir - it. Be - neath your



sounds; the graves re - store The dead which they con -
 fears their souls dis - may; His pres - ence sheds e -
 grace is past and gone; They trem - bling stand be -
 cross I view the day When heav'n and earth shall



tained be - fore: Pre - pare, my soul, to meet him!
 ter - nal day On those pre - pared to meet him.
 fore his throne, All un - pre - pared to meet him.
 pass a - way, And thus pre - pare to meet you.

Text: *Psalms and Hymns*, Sheffield, 1802, st. 1, alt.; William B. Collyer, 1782–1854, st. 2–4, alt.
 Tune: ES IST GEWISSLICH (87 87 887) Klug, *Geistliche Lieder auff's new gebessert*, Wittenberg, 1535.



1 Je - sus, your blood and right - eous - ness My beau - ty
 2 Bold shall I stand in that great day— Who can a
 3 Lord, I be - lieve your pre - cious blood, Which at the
 4 Lord, I be - lieve were sin - ners more Than sands up -
 5 When from the dust of death I rise To claim my



are, my glo - rious dress; Mid flam - ing worlds, in
 word a - gainst me say? Ful - ly through you ab -
 ver - y throne of God For - ev - er will for
 on the o - cean shore, You have for all a
 man - sion in the skies, E'en then this shall be



these ar - rayed, With joy shall I lift up my head.
 solved I am From sin and fear, from guilt and shame.
 sin - ners plead, For me—e'en for my soul—was shed.
 ran - som paid, For all a full a - tone - ment made.
 all my plea: Je - sus has lived and died for me.

6 Jesus, be worshiped endlessly!
 Your boundless mercy has for me,
 For me and all your hands have made,
 An everlasting ransom paid.

Text: Nicolaus L. von Zinzendorf, 1700–60, abr.; tr. John B. Wesley, 1703–91, alt.

Tune: ST. CRISPIN (LM) George J. Elvey, 1816–93.



THANKSGIVING

STAND

THANK THE LORD



C: Thank the Lord and sing his praise. Tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re-joice and proud-ly bear his name.



He re-news his prom-is - es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia!

M: Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another.
Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



BE SEATED

CLOSING HYMN (CW 219)

Lord, When Your Glory I Shall See
(see page 21)

219 Lord, When Your Glory I Shall See

Lord, when your glo - ry I shall see And taste your king - dom's
 plea - sure, Your blood my roy - al robe shall be, My
 joy be - yond all mea - sure! When I ap - pear be - fore your
 throne, Your right - eous - ness shall be my crown; With
 these I need not hide me. And there, in gar - ments rich - ly
 wrought, As your own bride I shall be brought To
 stand in joy be - side you.

Text: Paul Gerhardt, 1607–76, abr.; tr. *The Lutheran Hymnal*, St. Louis, 1941, alt.
 Tune: WEDDING GLORY (87 87 887 887) Kurt J. Eggert, 1923–93. © 1993 Kurt J. Eggert. All rights reserved.
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Personal Prayers for Worship

Before Communion:

Lord, I am not worthy to be a guest at your holy table. But you are the friend of sinners, and you will not cast me out. This bread is your body, which bore my sins upon the tree. This wine is your blood, which purifies me from all guilt. At your invitation, I come rejoicing. Receive me, my Savior.

After Communion:

Thank you, Lord Jesus Christ, for nourishing me in this sacrament with your body and blood. You have given me forgiveness, life, and salvation. Let me always remain in you as a branch remains in the vine. Send me out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

O living Bread from heaven, how richly you have fed your guest! The gifts you now have given have filled my heart with joy and rest. Lord, grant me that thus strengthened with heavenly food, while here my course on earth is lengthened, I serve with holy fear. And when you call my spirit to leave this world below, I enter through your merit where joys unmingled flow.

Gluten Free communion wafers: Gluten free communion wafers are available each Sunday during the Lord's Supper. They are placed on the baptismal font at the start of communion. If you would prefer this wafer, please pick it up as you approach the altar.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Jesus,

Last month, you presented me with a gift for Pastors' Appreciation Month. On the day you did so, I fumbled about trying to find words to adequately thank you. I will try again. Thank you for your generous gift, and the love that motivated it. I am completely humbled by such gestures. What I need more than anything from you is mercy and forbearance for my many shortcomings. Yet you give me a gift. Inexplicable. Only in the light of Jesus' love does it make sense. Please accept my heartfelt thanks!

In Jesus' love,
Pastor Jenswold

Sunday November 12: Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Worship Services at 8:00 & 10:30 am with Holy Communion

9:15 am: Adult Bible study, Teen class and Sunday school

- Pastor Joel Jenswold
- Organist: Jennifer Boll
- Choir Director: Elaine Wilson
- Councilman: 8:00 Ryan Jaeger, 10:30 Steve Kalscheuer
- Ushers 8:00: Sef Fox, Steven Fox, Ben Olson and Dave Olson
- Ushers 10:30: The Holzman Family
- Counters: Donna Cotter and Sharon Kalscheuer
- Altar Guild: Sandy Heath and Sally Kaalberg · A/V & Recording: Jen Olson
- Refreshments: Cindy & Paul Crary

Sunday November 19: Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Worship Services at 8:00 & 10:30 am with Holy Communion

9:15 am: Adult Bible study, Teen class and Sunday school

Drumstick food donations are due to church by 11:30 am.

- Pastor Joel Jenswold
- Organist: Sharon Freund
- Councilman/elder: 8:00 *Volunteer needed*, 10:30 Jim Miller
- Ushers 8:00: Ryan Jaeger and Aaron Oughton
- Ushers 10:30: Joshua Hodkiewicz and Greg Zeman
- Counters: Bob Degnan and Gene Freund
- Altar Guild: Sandy Heath and Sally Kaalberg · A/V & Recording: Devin Anderson
- Refreshments: Weinheimer Family

11:30 – 12:00 pm: Assemble food items, *upstairs addition.*

12:00 – 1:30 pm: Families pick up Thanksgiving meals, *upstairs addition.*

Bible Studies this week:

Sunday 9:15 am: New topic starting, *sanctuary*

Tuesday 9:00 am: Gospel of John, *downstairs*

Wednesday* 6:30 pm: God's Rest, *downstairs.*

**Nov. 15 is the last Wednesday evening Bible study until January.*

Friday 6:00 am (Breakfast 6:00, Bible study 6:45): **Matthew**

DeForest Family Restaurant (505 W. North Street, DeForest)

Happy Birthday: We wish God's blessings to Gene Freund (11/12), Autumn Eisenhardt (11/15), Ben Olson (11/16) and Bill Grulke (11/17) who celebrate their birthdays this week.

Anniversary: We wish God's blessings to James & Nicole Immel (11/12) and Dar & Roger Raether (11/13) who celebrate their anniversaries this week.

In Our Prayers: Fred Bakken, Joyce Hamburg (sister-in-law of Karen Tobison), Roger LaGrange, Peter Leege, Marilyn Lund, Rose Lund, Peg Schroeder and Steve Tobison who are experiencing difficulties.

A special prayer for all our men & women who are serving in the Armed Forces. Among them are Shannon & Matthew Garrett, Sara Goss and John J. Schueman (son of Bonnie & John Schueman).

Looking ahead:

- **November 5:** Winter clothing collection for Madison Jail Ministry program starts.
- **November 19:** Drumstick items due to church. Organize food items 11:30 am – Upstairs
- **November 19:** Giving Tree collection begins
- **November 22: Thanksgiving Worship, 6:30 pm**
- **November 23: Thanksgiving Worship, 9:00 am**
- **Nov. 25:** Christmas tree setup and decorating, 9:00 am. Treats provided.
- **Nov. 26:** Winter clothing collection ends today.
- **Dec. 2, 9, & 16: Children's Christmas service practice, 9:00 – 10:00 am**
- **Dec. 3: Advent by Candlelight, Zion Lutheran, Leeds. 3 – 4:30 pm. All ladies invited.**
- **Tuesday December 12:** Christmas in the Dells Dinner Show, 2:00 pm. Leave church at 12:00 noon. \$61 per person. 4 spots are still available. Deadline to signup/pay is Nov. 24.
- **December 20: Children's Christmas Service, 6:30 pm**
- **December 25: Christmas Day Worship, 9:00 am**
- **January 11, 2024:** Red Cross Blood Drive at Lord of Love, 12:00 – 5:00 pm

