



LORD of LOVE
Lutheran Church

First Sunday after Christmas



God Gives Both Substitute and Sacrifice

Welcome! We are so happy you have come to worship today! Someone has described worship as “a joyful dialogue with God.” God speaks to us in his Word, and we speak to him in praise and prayer. May God richly bless you through this “joyful dialogue” today!

Restrooms – The restrooms are located straight ahead as you enter the building. You will also find restrooms in the lower level gathering space at the end of the classrooms on the right side before the exit doors.

Parent’s Room – The sound of children in the house of the Lord is music to our ears! However there is also a parent room to the right just before you enter the sanctuary if your little one needs a moment. It is accessed as you exit the sanctuary, on the left, next to the seats reserved for families with small children.

Assistance Getting Around – There is a walker and a wheelchair available in the fellowship hall. Anyone who needs them is welcome to use them. Please speak to an usher if you need help accessing them.

Offering Message – An offering will be gathered in the service today. These offerings support the Gospel ministry of Lord of Love locally, and also the global mission of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod. Visitors need not feel obligated to give, but certainly may if you wish.

Explanation of the theme of the day: The Son of God took on flesh for two reasons: to be our substitute and our sacrifice. You see, when God created mankind in his image, his desire was that we would live holy lives, full of love for him and our fellow man. When mankind fell into sin, that became impossible. So, the heavenly Father sent Jesus. He is the only human being to keep all of God’s law perfectly. He did that as our substitute. Through faith, we claim his perfection as our own. But we needed another gift—one who could pay for the sin we had committed. And so, the Son of God became human for another reason—so that he might die as the sacrifice for our sins, removing that barrier between us and a holy God.

Understanding we needed both—substitute and sacrifice—helps us better understand Jesus’ saving work. That work includes more than Jesus’ death on the cross. Jesus saving work began the moment he was born under the law and obeyed it. This week, we thank God that Jesus served us in both these much-needed ways!

Lord of Love Lutheran Church

December 29, 2024

THE COMMON SERVICE

OPENING HYMN (CW 34)

Now Sing We, Now Rejoice



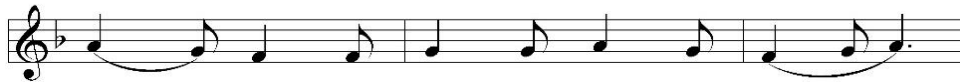
1 Now sing we, now re - joice, Now raise to heav'n our
2 Come from on high to me; I can - not rise to
3 Now through his Son doth shine The Fa - ther's grace di -
4 Oh, where shall joy be found? Where but on heav'n - ly



voice; He from whom joy stream - eth Poor
thee; Cheer my wea - ried spir - it, O
vine. Death o'er us had reign - ed Through
ground? Where the an - gels sing - ing With



in a man - ger lies; Not so bright - ly
pure and ho - ly Child; Through thy grace and
sin and van - i - ty; He for us ob -
all his saints u - nite, Sweet - est prais - es



beam - eth The sun in yon - der skies.
mer - it, Blest Je - sus, Lord most mild,
tain - ed E - ter - nal joy on high.
bring - ing In heav'n - ly joy and light.



Thou my Sav - ior art! Thou my Sav - ior art!
Draw me un - to thee! Draw me un - to thee!
May we praise him there! May we praise him there!
Oh, that we were there! Oh, that we were there!

Text: Latin hymn, 14th century; tr. Arthur T. Russell, 1806-74, alt.
Tune: IN DULCI JUBILO (66 66 66 55) German melody, 14th century, alt.

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



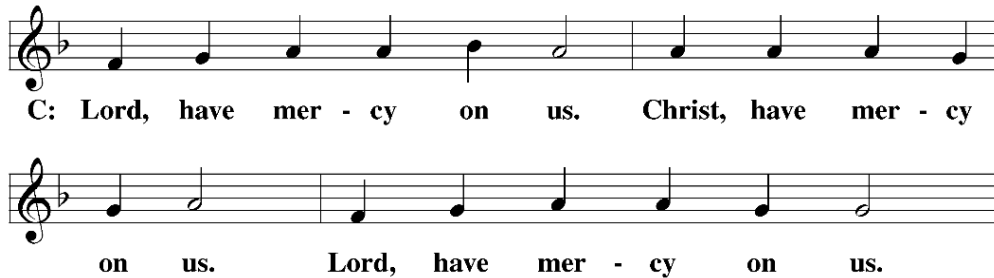
CONFESSION OF SINS

M: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

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.**

LORD, HAVE MERCY

Kyrie



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.



PRAYER AND PRAISE

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

Re - joyce, re - joyce this hap - py morn! A Sav - ior
un - to us is born, The Christ, the Lord of glo - ry.
His low - ly birth in Beth - le - hem The an - gels
from on high pro - claim And sing re - demp - tion's sto - ry.
My soul, Ex - tol God's great fa - vor; Bless him ev - er For
sal - va - tion. Give him praise and ad - o - ra - tion.

Text: Birgitte K. Boye, 1742–1824; tr. Carl Döving, 1867–1937.

Tune: WIE SCHÖN LEUCHTET (887 887 22 44 48) Philipp Nicolai, 1556–1608, alt.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

Almighty God, in mercy you sent your one and only Son to take upon himself our human nature. By his gracious coming, deliver us from the corruption of our sin, and transform us into the likeness of his glory; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 50:4-9

⁴The LORD God gave me a tongue like the learned, an instructed tongue, so I know how to sustain the weary with a word. He wakes me up morning by morning. He wakes up my ears so that I listen like the learned.⁵ The LORD God opened my ear, and I myself was not rebellious. I did not turn back. ⁶I submitted my back to those who beat me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out my beard. I did not hide my face from disgrace and from spit.

⁷The LORD God will help me, so I will not be disgraced. Therefore I have made my face hard like flint. I know that I will not be put to shame.

⁸The one who will acquit me is near! Who can accuse me? Let us take our stand. Who can pass judgment on me? Let him approach me. ⁹Look, the LORD God will help me. Who then can declare me guilty? Look, all of them will wear out like a garment. A moth will consume them.

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 84

Refrain



Let us go re-joic - ing to the house of the Lord.

Psalm tone



How lovely is your dwelling place,*
O LORD Almighty!

My soul yearns, even faints,*
for the courts of the LORD.

Blessed are those who dwell in your house;*
they are ever praising you.

Refrain

Better is one day in your courts*
than a thousand elsewhere;

I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God*
than dwell in the tents of the wicked.

O LORD Almighty,*
blessed are they who trust in you.

**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.**

Refrain

¹⁰ Certainly it was fitting for God (the one for whom and through whom everything exists), in leading many sons to glory, to bring the author of their salvation to his goal through sufferings. ¹¹ For he who sanctifies and those who are being sanctified all have one Father. For that reason, he is not ashamed to call them brothers. ¹² He says: "I will declare your name to my brothers. Within the congregation I will sing your praise." ¹³ And again: "I will trust in him." And again: "Here I am and the children God has given me." ¹⁴ Therefore, since the children share flesh and blood, he also shared the same flesh and blood, so that through death he could destroy the one who had the power of death (that is, the Devil) ¹⁵ and free those who were held in slavery all their lives by the fear of death. ¹⁶ For surely he was not concerned with helping angels but with helping Abraham's offspring. ¹⁷ For this reason, he had to become like his brothers in every way, in order that he would be a merciful and faithful high priest in the things pertaining to God, so that he could pay for the sins of the people. ¹⁸ Indeed, because he suffered when he was tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted.

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.**



1 Let all to - geth - er praise our God Be - fore his
 2 He leaves his heav'n - ly Fa - ther's throne, Is born an
 3 He veils in flesh his pow'r di - vine A ser - vant's
 4 A won - drous change which he does make: He takes our
 5 He serves that I a lord may be— A great ex -



high - est throne; To - day he o - pens heav'n a - gain And
 in - fant small, And in a man - ger, poor and lone, Lies
 form to take; In want and low - li - ness must die Who
 flesh and blood, And he con - ceals for sin - ners' sake His
 change in - deed! Could Je - sus' love do more for me To



gives us his own Son, And gives us his own Son.
 in a hum - ble stall, Lies in a hum - ble stall.
 heav'n and earth did make, Who heav'n and earth did make.
 maj - es - ty as God, His maj - es - ty as God.
 help me in my need, To help me in my need?

6 For us he opens wide the door
 Of paradise today.
 The angel guards the gate no more;
 To God our thanks we pay,
 To God our thanks we pay.

41 Every year his parents traveled to Jerusalem for the Passover Festival. 42 When he was twelve years old, they went up according to the custom of the Festival. 43 When the days had ended, as they were returning, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem. His parents did not know it. 44 Since they thought he was in their group, they went a day's journey. Then they began to look for him among their relatives and friends. 45 When they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem, searching for him. 46 After three days they found him in the temple courts, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. 47 And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. 48 When his parents saw him, they were astonished. His mother said to him, "Son, why have you treated us this way? See, your father and I have been anxiously looking for you." 49 He said to them, "Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be taking care of my Father's business?" 50 They did not understand what he was telling them. 51 He went down with them and came to Nazareth. He was always obedient to them. And his mother treasured up all these things in her heart. 52 Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and with people.

The Perfect Son

After the sermon, the congregation sings:

C: Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
 new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
 way from your pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it
 from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of your sal - va -
 tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it. A - men.

GATHERING OF THE THANK-OFFERING

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

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

For the Lord's blessing on the whole Church on earth, that Christ's people may set their hearts and minds on the things above and, in love, be clothed with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For our families, that they would be ruled by Christ's peace; that the Word of Christ would dwell richly among us; that fathers and heads of the household would teach and admonish their families in all wisdom; and that our words and deeds would be done in the name of the Lord Jesus, with thanksgiving, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who await the second advent of our Savior, that our gracious Father would give us faithful patience to endure in our vocations and do the good works prepared in advance for us to do, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For those suffering wounds of body and soul, that our gracious Father would heal them according to his will and sustain them unto the day of the resurrection of all flesh, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

That we, like Mary, may know what is worthy of our attention and what will pass away; and that, approaching the table of our Lord, we may be well-prepared to receive his body given for the life of the world and his blood that cleanses us from all sin, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

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. **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

PREFACE

M: The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

M: Lift up your hearts.



C: We lift them up un - to the Lord.

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



C: It is good and right so to do.

M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, for in the wonder and mystery of his birth you have opened our eyes to the glory of your grace and renewed in our hearts the fervor of your love.

Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Sanctus

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

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

Holy Communion is celebrated today. Mindful of the Scriptural teaching concerning church fellowship, we practice close (or closed) communion. Communicant members of this congregation, or another congregation of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (or the Evangelical Lutheran Synod), are encouraged to commune this morning. Guests are asked to speak with our pastor, before the service, if they wish to commune.



1 Peace came to earth at last that cho - sen night
 2 And who could be the same for hav - ing held
 3 You show the Fa - ther none has ev - er seen,
 4 How else could I have known you, O my God!



When an - gels clove the sky with song and light And
 The in - fant in their arms and lat - er felt The
 In flesh and blood you bore our griefs and pain, In
 How else could I have loved you, O my God! How



God em - bod - ied love and sheathed his might— Who could but
 wound-ed hands and side, all doubts dis - pelled— Who could but
 bread and wine you vis - it us a - gain— Who could but
 else could I em - brace you, O my God! Who could but



gasp: Im - man - u - el! Who could but sing: Im - man - u - el!
 sigh: Im - man - u - el! Who could but shout: Im - man - u - el!
 see: Im - man - u - el! Who could but thrill: Im - man - u - el!
 pray: Im - man - u - el! Who could but praise: Im - man - u - el!

The picturesque language of this Jaroslav Vajda hymn vividly illustrates the weighty significance of God becoming man in Christ.

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1 "From heav'n a - bove to earth I come To bear good
 2 "To you this night is born a child Of Mar - y,
 3 "This is the Christ, our God most high, Who hears your
 4 "He will on you the gifts be - stow Pre - pared by
 5 "These are the signs which you shall mark: The swad - dling



news to ev - 'ry home; Glad ti - dings of great joy
 cho - sen vir - gin mild; This lit - tle child of low -
 sad and bit - ter cry; He will him - self your Sav -
 God for all be - low, That in his king - dom, bright
 clothes and man - ger dark. There you will find the in -



I bring, Where - of I now will say and sing:
 ly birth Shall be the joy of all the earth.
 or be From all your sins to set you free.
 and fair, You may with us his glo - ry share.
 fant laid By whom the heav'ns and earth were made."

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| <p>6 How glad we'll be to find it so!
 Then with the shepherds let us go
 To see what God for us has done
 In sending us his own dear Son.</p> <p>8 Welcome to earth, O noble Guest,
 Through whom the sinful world is blest!
 You came to share my misery
 That you might share your joy with me.</p> <p>10 Were earth a thousand times as fair
 And set with gold and jewels rare,
 It would be far too poor and small
 A cradle for the Lord of all.</p> <p>12 And so it pleases you to see
 This simple truth revealed to me:
 That all the world's wealth, honor, might
 Are weak and worthless in your sight.</p> <p>14 My heart for very joy must leap;
 My lips no more can silence keep.
 I, too, must sing with joyful tongue
 That sweetest ancient cradle song:</p> | <p>7 Come here, my friends, lift up your eyes,
 And see what in the manger lies.
 Who is this child, so young and fair?
 It is the Christchild lying there.</p> <p>9 Ah, Lord, though you created all,
 How weak you are, so poor and small,
 That you should choose to lay your head
 Where lowly cattle lately fed!</p> <p>11 Instead of soft and silken stuff
 You have but hay and straw so rough
 On which as King, so rich and great,
 To be enthroned in royal state.</p> <p>13 Ah, dearest Jesus, holy Child,
 Prepare a bed, soft, undefiled
 Within my heart, made clean and new,
 A quiet chamber kept for you.</p> <p>15 Glory to God in highest heaven,
 Who unto us his Son has given!
 While angels sing with pious mirth
 A glad new year to all the earth.</p> |
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Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt.
 Tune: VOM HIMMEL HOCH (L.M.) Schumann, *Geistliche Lieder aufs neu gebessert*, Leipzig, 1539.

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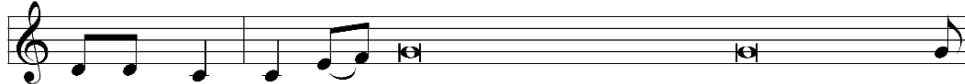
STAND

SONG OF SIMEON

Nunc Dimittis



C: Lord, now you let your servant de - part in peace ac-cord-ing



to your word. For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have pre-

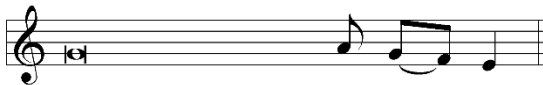


pared be - fore the face of all people, a light to light - en the



Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of your peo-ple Is - ra - el.

M: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.



C: And his mercy endures for - ev - er.

M: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this holy supper. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

M: 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 64)

Let Us All with Gladsome Voice



1 Let us all with glad - some voice Praise the
 2 To this vale of tears he comes, Here to
 3 We are rich, for he was poor; Is not
 4 O Lord Christ, our Sav - ior dear, Bless us



God of heav - en, Who, to bid our
 serve in sad - ness, That with him in
 this a won - der? There - fore praise God
 and be near us. Grant us now a



hearts re - joice, His own Son has giv - en.
 heav'n's fair homes We may reign in glad - ness.
 ev - er - more Here on earth and yon - der.
 glad new year. A - men, Je - sus, hear us!

Text: *Ander Theil Des Dressdenischen GesangBuchs*, Dresden, 1632; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827-78, alt.
 Tune: LASST UNS ALLE (76 76 Trochaic) *Ander Theil Des Dressdenischen GesangBuchs*, Dresden, 1632, alt.



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 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.

Weekly Bible Studies

Sunday 9:15 am: Exodus, *sanctuary*

Tuesday 9:00 am: The Gospel of John, *lower level*

Wednesday 6:30 pm: TBD, *lower level*

Friday 6:00 am: Breakfast 6:00, Bible study 6:45 | **The Book of Esther**

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

Sunday December 29: First Sunday after Christmas

Worship Service: 8:00 & 10:30 am with Holy Communion

9:15 am: Adult Bible Study, Sunday School and Teen Class

- Pastor Joel Jenswold
- Organist: Jennifer Boll
- Councilman: 8:00: Mike Wilson, 10:30: Mitch Myhre
- Ushers 8:00: Dave and Ben Olson
- Ushers 10:30: Greg Zeman and TBD
- Counters: Sharon Kalscheuer and Donna Cotter
- Altar Guild: Colleen Biber
- A/V & Recording: Julie Doyle
- Refreshments: Kristin Vomhof and Elaine Wilson

Sunday January 5: Second Sunday after Christmas

Worship Service: 8:00 & 10:30 am with Holy Communion

9:15 am: Adult Bible Study, Sunday School and Teen Class

- Pastor Joel Jenswold
- Organist: Kristin Huebner
- Councilman: 8:00: Dave Olson, 10:30: Jim Miller
- Ushers 8:00: Steven and Sef Fox
- Ushers 10:30: The Heath Family
- Counters: Bob Degnan and Gene Freund
- Altar Guild: Colleen Biber
- A/V & Recording: TBD
- Refreshments: TBD

Happy Birthday We wish God's blessings to Marianne Ketelhohn (12/29), Dar Raether (1/1), Mike Wilson (1/1), Sharon Freund (1/2), Kai Caballero (1/2), Linda Dobbins (1/3), Alexander Fellin (1/4), Nora Mislivecek (1/4), and Christian Rimmert as they celebrate their birthdays this week.

Anniversary There are no anniversaries to celebrate this week.

In Our Prayers Roger LaGrange, Peter Leege, Peg Schroeder, John Schueman, 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 Carter Chavez (grandson of John & Sherry Hill), and Shannon Garrett.

COMING UP AT LORD OF LOVE

December 31: New Year's Eve Worship Service | 4:00 pm

January 2: January Food Drive Begins

January 13: Council Meeting | 6:30 pm

January 11: Un-decorate the Sanctuary & Fellowship Hall | 9:00 am

January 16: Red Cross Blood Drive | 12:00 – 5:00 pm – lower level

January 16: Elders and Deaconess Meeting | 6:30 pm – fellowship Hall

January 18: Ladies Coffee/Breakfast | 8:00 am – M-N-M's Coffee House, Waunakee

January 19: Open Forum & Quarterly Voters Meeting | 9:15 – sanctuary

Quarterly Forum and Voters Meeting | January 19 - 9:15 – 10:15 am

Our Quarterly Congregational Forum and Voters Meeting will be held between worship services on January 19, 2025. No Adult Bible Study

January Food Pantry Collection until January 31

We will be collecting food and non-perishable items throughout the month of January to help stock the shelves at our local food pantry. There are collection bins located at both the main and fellowship entrances. You may drop any donations off Tuesday – Friday from 8:30 – 3:30 pm. All donations go to the DeForest Area Needs Network. (DANN)

January 11 | 9:00 am - Volunteers needed to take down the Christmas Decor

We are in need of some volunteers to assist with taking down the Christmas trees and decorations on Saturday January 11, at 9:00 am. If you have time and can assist, we welcome you to come help out.

January 18 | Ladies Coffee and Breakfast at M-N-M's, Waunakee

All of the ladies of the congregation are invited to meet at M-N-M's Coffeeshouse in Waunakee for coffee & fellowship. Breakfast is also available. What a great way to start off the new year with the fellow ladies of Lord of Love.

Dr. Eggert | January 8 1:30pm - New Class - Will the Real Church Please Stand Up?

There are numerous types of churches in our communities. If you attended them, you would find that in some ways they are like your own congregation but in other ways they are quite different. Why is this true? To learn the answer, it is best not to visit each of these churches and to try to figure them out but rather to come to the 8-week course that Dr. Arthur Eggert will lead based on Rev. Dr. Matthew Richard's book *Will the Real Church Please Stand Up?* The course will be an interesting look into what makes churches behave as they do. It will be taught in two parallel sessions, one at 6:30 pm on Tuesday evenings beginning January 7 at Eastside Lutheran in Madison, and the other at 1:30 pm Wednesday afternoons beginning January 8 at Lord of Love Lutheran in DeForest. The sessions will be 60 minutes long. If you cannot attend in person, you can view the video sessions of the course later. All the necessary information to register for and attend this class series is available on the Online Classes page of the In Terra Pax website www.interrapaxlp.com. Information, class notes, and videos will be updated on this website on a weekly basis. The book can be ordered online from Concordia Publishing House (CPH) or Amazon.

Thank you!

Reflecting on our Christmas worship services, we are filled with gratitude. The kindness, dedication, and willingness to share your time and talents made our celebration of our Savior's birth truly special.

To our musicians and choir, your music filled the air with joy. To the teachers, thank you for guiding our little ones and helping them take part in the celebration during the children's service with such enthusiasm and to the many volunteers who worked so quietly behind the scenes to make sure everything ran smoothly and created a warm and welcoming atmosphere. With heartfelt appreciation, Thank you.



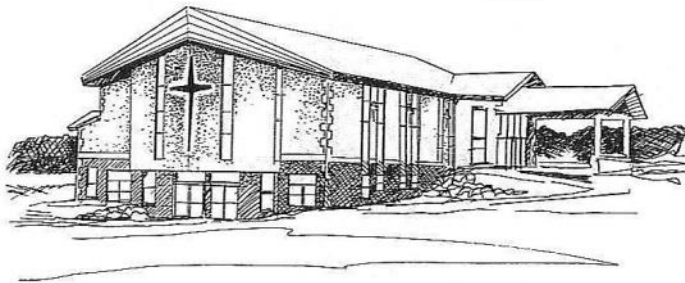
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**“I rejoiced with those who said to me,
‘Let us go to the house of the LORD.’”
Psalm 122:1**



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