



OUR SAVIOR'S  
LUTHERAN CHURCH

# Celebrate

Planting Faith ~ Nurturing Hope ~ Sharing God's Love

Christmas Eve

Wednesday, December 24 ~ 2:30pm & 5:30pm



Our Savior's Lutheran Church (ELCA) \* 909 West 33<sup>rd</sup> Street, Sioux Falls, SD 57105  
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+ indicates to stand if able

## **GATHERING**

**Gathering Song - “O Come All Ye Faithful,” C. Oakley, John F. Wade**

**1. O come all ye faithful  
Joyful and triumphant  
O come ye O come ye to Bethlehem  
Come and behold Him  
Born the King of angels  
O come let us adore Him  
O come let us adore Him  
O come let us adore Him  
Christ the Lord**

**2. Sing choirs of angels  
Sing in exultation  
O sing all ye bright  
Hosts of heav’n above  
Glory to God all  
Glory in the highest  
O come let us adore Him  
O come let us adore Him  
O come let us adore Him  
Christ the Lord**

### **Welcome and Call to Worship**

**+Gathering Song - “Angels We Have Heard On High,” James Chadwick**

**1. Angels we have heard on high  
Sweetly singing o’er the plains  
And the mountains in reply  
Echoing their joyous strains**

**(Chorus) Gloria in excelsis Deo  
Gloria in excelsis Deo**

**2. Shepherds why this jubilee?  
Why your joyous strains prolong?  
What the gladsome tidings be**

**Which inspire your heavenly song? (chorus)**

**3. Come to Bethlehem and see  
Him whose birth the angels sing.  
Come adore on bended knee  
Christ the Lord the newborn King. (chorus)**

**+Confession and Forgiveness**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
whose steadfast love is everlasting.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

God with us,  
we confess that we have turned away  
those seeking shelter,  
claiming there is no room when we have plenty.  
We have made power and wealth our idols,  
while you show us true glory: a baby in a manger.  
We have overlooked the shepherds,  
expecting good news in prettier packaging.  
Too often, we have valued violence  
instead of your peace.  
Turn us from our ways to your ways.  
Grant us the grace to begin again.  
Free us from all that keeps us bound,  
and forgive our sin,  
through Jesus Christ, who gives himself for us.  
**Amen.**

Hear the good news and rejoice!  
You are God's chosen ones,  
holy and beloved,  
† forgiven in Christ,  
and freed to respond in joy. **Amen.**

## WORD

**First Reading** - Isaiah 9:2–7

**The Christmas Story, Reading** - Luke 2:1–20

## Sermon

**Candle Dance** - “O Holy Night”

**+Prayers of the People**

## MEAL

### Offering

**Offering Song** - “Christmas Day,” Andrew Bergthold, Ed Cash, Franni Cash, Martin Cash, and Scott Cash

**1. Joy to the world**  
**On a night like no other**  
**Emmanuel,**  
**God is with us**

**2. Beggars and kings**  
**Let us come and adore Him**  
**Rest in His peace**  
**And bow before Him**

*(Chorus)* Sing all you people  
**The Lord Almighty reigns**  
**Sing every creature of God**  
**Come bless His name**  
**For He is good, for He is good**  
**He was born to conquer the grave**  
**Light of the world**  
**The reason for Christmas day**

**3. Stars we have seen**  
**Over deserts and oceans**

**The darkness was deep  
But never hopeless  
Redemption came  
And His name is Jesus (chorus)**

**Bridge: From the mountains  
We will shout it out  
For the Lord our God Almighty reigns  
He is with us  
He is with us now  
For the Lord our God Almighty reigns  
From the mountains  
We will shout it out  
For the Lord our God Almighty reigns  
He is with us  
He is with us now  
For the Lord our God almighty reigns (chorus)**

**+Offering Prayer**

**+Holy Communion**

**+Setting the Table**

**Preface**

**Words of Institution**

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,  
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

**+Lord's Prayer**

**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.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.**

**Communion Song - “Light of the World,” Lauren Daigle, Paul Duncan, and Paul Mabury**

**1. The world waits for a miracle  
The heart longs for a little bit of hope  
O come O come Emmanuel  
A child prays for peace on earth  
And she’s calling out from a sea of hurt  
O come O come Emmanuel  
And can you hear the angels singing**

*(Chorus 1) Glory to the Light of the world  
Glory the Light of the world is here*

**2. The drought breaks with the tears of a mother  
A baby’s cry is the sound of love  
come down  
Come down Emmanuel  
He is the song for the suffering  
He is Messiah the Prince of peace has come  
He has come Emmanuel**

*(Chorus 2) Glory to the Light of the world  
Glory to the Light of the world  
Glory to the Light of the world  
Glory to the Light of the world*

**Bridge: For all who wait for all who hunger  
For all who’ve prayed  
for all who wonder  
Behold your King**

**behold Messiah**

**Emmanuel Emmanuel (chorus 1)**

*(Ending) The world waits for a miracle,  
the heart longs for a little bit of hope  
O come O come Emmanuel*

**Communion Song** – “Go Tell it on the Mountain,” John W. Work Jr

*(Chorus) Go tell it on the mountain  
Over the hills and ev’rywhere  
Go tell it on the mountain  
That Jesus Christ is born*

**1. While shepherds kept their watching  
O’er silent flocks by night  
Behold throughout the heavens  
There shone a holy light (chorus)**

**2. The shepherds feared and trembled  
When lo above the earth  
Rang out the angel chorus  
That hailed our Savior’s birth (chorus)**

**3. Down in a lonely manger  
The humble Christ was born  
And God sent us salvation  
That blessed Christmas morn (chorus twice)**

**Communion Song** - “Away in a Manger,” James Ramsey Murray, John Thomas McFarland, Martin Luther

**1. Away in a manger no crib for a bed  
The little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head.  
The stars in the sky looked down where He lay.  
The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay**

**2. The cattle are lowing the poor baby wakes  
But little Lord Jesus no crying He makes**

**I love Thee, Lord Jesus, look down from the sky  
And stay by my cradle 'til morning is nigh**

**3. Be near me Lord Jesus I ask Thee to stay  
Close by me forever and love me I pray  
Bless all the dear children in Thy tender care  
And fit us for heaven to live with Thee there**

**Prayer after the Meal**

**Merciful God,  
we thank you for Jesus, who is our heavenly food.  
Strengthened by this goodness,  
send us forth to announce your peace,  
comfort the afflicted,  
and share the good news of great joy. Amen.**

**SENDING**

**Litany of Light**

**Hymn of Light: "Silent Night," Joseph Mohr, Franz Gruber**

**1. Silent night holy night  
All is calm all is bright  
'Round yon virgin mother and child  
Holy infant so tender and mild  
Sleep in heavenly peace  
Sleep in heavenly peace**

**2. Silent night holy night  
Shepherds quake at the sight  
Glories stream from heaven afar  
Heav'nly hosts sing alleluia  
Christ the Savior is born  
Christ the Savior is born**

**3. Silent night holy night  
Son of God love's pure light**

**Radiant beams from Thy holy face  
With the dawn of redeeming grace  
Jesus Lord at your birth  
Jesus Lord at your birth**

**Prayer after Communion**

**Blessing**

The God of love,  
Father, <sup>†</sup> Son, and Holy Spirit, lavish you with grace,  
illumine your path, and increase your joy, today and always.  
**Amen.**

**+Singing Song:** “Joy to the World,” George Frideric Handel, Isaac Watts, arr.  
D. Gale

- 1. Joy to the world the Lord is come**  
Let earth receive her King  
Let every heart prepare Him room  
And heaven and nature sing  
And heaven and nature sing  
And heaven, and heaven and nature sing
  
- 2. Joy to the earth the Savior reigns**  
Let all their songs employ  
While fields and floods  
Rocks hills and plains  
Repeat the sounding joy  
Repeat the sounding joy  
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy
  
- 3. No more let sins and sorrows grow**  
Nor thorns infest the ground  
He comes to make His blessings flow  
Far as the curse is found  
Far as the curse is found  
Far as, far as the curse is found

**4. He rules the world with truth and grace  
And makes the nations prove  
The glories of His righteousness  
And wonders of His love  
And wonders of His love  
And wonders, wonders of His love**

**+Sending**

Go in peace. Christ is Born!

**Thanks be to God!**

WORSHIP TEAM

Preaching Minister: Pastor Michael Stadtmueller

Presiding Minister - 2:30: Pastor Greg Johnson

Presiding Minister - 5:30: Pastor Tim Lemme

Celebrate Band: Janell Mills, Denny Gale, John Isaacson, Dan Baedke, Gene LeVasseur, Toni LeVasseur Nate Anderson

Reader: 2:30: Debby Olson

Reader: 5:30: Alison Sahly

Media: O'Zareus Davis,

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