



**Christmas Eve Candlelight Service**  
**December 24, 2024**  
**4:30 PM & 6:30 PM**

First Lutheran Church  
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## PRELUDE

## WELCOME AND OPENING PRAYER

### **ENTRANCE HYMN..... OH, COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL**

**Oh, come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant!**

**Oh, come ye, oh, come ye to Bethlehem;**

**Come and behold him born the king of angels:**

#### *Refrain*

**Oh, come, let us adore him, oh, come, let us adore him,**

**Oh, come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!**

**The highest, most holy, light of light eternal,**

**Born of a virgin, a mortal he comes;**

**Son of the Father now in flesh appearing! *Refrain***

**Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,**

**Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!**

**Glory to God in the highest: *Refrain***

## CHRISTMAS DIALOG AND GREETING

P: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light.

**C: The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.**

P: Those who dwelt in the land of deep darkness, on them light has shined.

**C: We have beheld Christ's glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father.**

P: For to us a child is born, to us a Son is given.

**C: In him was life, and the life was the light of all people.**

P: May the grace and truth of Christ be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

## OPENING PRAYER

P: Let us pray.

**C: Almighty God, you made this holy night shine with the brightness of the true Light. Grant that here on earth we may walk in the light of Jesus' presence and in the last day wake to the brightness of his glory; through your only Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen**

SPECIAL MUSIC.....Jada Vetter – 4:30 PM  
“Away in the Manger”  
Orlin Larson & Theresa Petersen – 6:30 PM  
“I am so Glad each Christmas Eve”

FIRST READING..... Isaiah 9:2–7

<sup>2</sup> The people who walked in darkness  
have seen a great light;  
those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness,  
on them has light shined.

<sup>3</sup> Thou hast multiplied the nation,  
thou hast increased its joy;  
they rejoice before thee  
as with joy at the harvest,  
as men rejoice when they divide the spoil.

<sup>4</sup> For the yoke of his burden,  
and the staff for his shoulder,  
the rod of his oppressor,  
thou hast broken as on the day of Mid'ian.

<sup>5</sup> For every boot of the tramping warrior in battle tumult  
and every garment rolled in blood  
will be burned as fuel for the fire.

<sup>6</sup> For to us a child is born,  
to us a son is given;  
and the government will be upon his shoulder,  
and his name will be called  
“Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,  
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.”

<sup>7</sup> Of the increase of his government and of peace  
there will be no end,  
upon the throne of David, and over his kingdom,  
to establish it, and to uphold it  
with justice and with righteousness  
from this time forth and for evermore.  
The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

**HYMN..... O LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM**

O little town of Bethlehem, how still we see thee lie!  
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep the silent stars go by;  
Yet in thy dark streets shineth the everlasting light.  
The hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight.

For Christ is born of Mary, and, gathered all above  
While mortals sleep, the angels keep their watch of wond'ring  
love.

O morning stars, together proclaim the holy birth,  
And praises sing to God the king, and peace to all the earth!

O holy Child of Bethlehem, descend to us, we pray;  
Cast out our sin, and enter in, be born in us today.  
We hear the Christmas angels the great glad tidings tell;  
Oh, come to us, abide with us, our Lord Immanuel!

**SECOND READING..... Titus 2:11–14**

<sup>11</sup> For the grace of God has appeared for the salvation of all men,  
<sup>12</sup> training us to renounce irreligion and worldly passions, and to  
live sober, upright, and godly lives in this world, <sup>13</sup> awaiting our  
blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and  
Savior Jesus Christ, <sup>14</sup> who gave himself for us to redeem us from  
all iniquity and to purify for himself a people of his own who are  
zealous for good deeds.

**HYMN..... HARK! THE HERALD ANGELS SING**

Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn king;  
Peace on earth, and mercy mild, God and sinners  
reconciled." Joyful, all you nations, rise; join the triumph of  
the skies; With angelic hosts proclaim, "Christ is born in  
Bethlehem!"

***Refrain:***

Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn king!"

Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of  
righteousness! Light and life to all he brings, ris'n with  
healing in his wings. Mild he lays his glory by, born that we  
no more may die, Born to raise each child of earth, born to  
give us second birth. *Refrain*

THIRD READING ..... Luke 2:1–7

In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be enrolled. <sup>2</sup> This was the first enrollment, when Quirin'i-us was governor of Syria. <sup>3</sup> And all went to be enrolled, each to his own city. <sup>4</sup> And Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the city of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, <sup>5</sup> to be enrolled with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. <sup>6</sup> And while they were there, the time came for her to be delivered. <sup>7</sup> And she gave birth to her first-born son and wrapped him in swaddling cloths, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

**HYMN..... AWAY IN A MANGER**

**Away in a manger, no crib for his bed,  
The little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head;  
The stars in the bright sky looked down where he lay,  
The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.**

**The cattle are lowing; the poor baby wakes,  
But little Lord Jesus no crying he makes.  
I love you, Lord Jesus; look down from the sky  
And stay by my cradle till morning is nigh.**

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

FOURTH READING ..... Luke 2:8–20

<sup>8</sup> And in that region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. <sup>9</sup> And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with fear. <sup>10</sup> And the angel said to them, "Be not afraid; for behold, I bring you good news of a great joy which will come to all the people; <sup>11</sup> for to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. <sup>12</sup> And this will be a sign for you: you will find a babe wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger." <sup>13</sup> And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying,

<sup>14</sup> “Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among men with whom he is pleased!” <sup>15</sup> When the angels went away from them into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, “Let us go over to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has made known to us.” <sup>16</sup> And they went with haste, and found Mary and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger. <sup>17</sup> And when they saw it they made known the saying which had been told them concerning this child; <sup>18</sup> and all who heard it wondered at what the shepherds told them. <sup>19</sup> But Mary kept all these things, pondering them in her heart. <sup>20</sup> And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

**HYMN..... GO, TELL IT ON THE MOUNTAIN**

***Refrain***

**Go tell it on the mountain, over the hills and ev'rywhere;  
Go tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born!**

**While shepherds kept their watching o'er silent flocks by  
night, Behold, throughout the heavens there shone a holy  
light. *Refrain***

**Down in a lonely manger the humble Christ was born;  
And God sent us salvation that blessed Christmas morn.  
*Refrain***

SERMON ..... Pastor Paul Krueger  
“Born For You!” - Luke 1:1-20

SPECIAL MUSIC..... Pastor Paul Krueger 4:30 PM & 6:30 PM  
“Somewhere in Your Silent Night”

OFFERING

HOLY COMMUNION

THE PREFACE

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And with you, His servant.**

P: Oh come, let us lift our hearts unto the Lord.

**C: With hearts uplifted**

**Thanks to Him we render:**

**With joy we come before Him,**

**In gratefulness implore Him,**

**With thankful hearts adore Him Evermore!**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Thanks and praise be to You, our Father, almighty Creator, merciful lord, God of promise and fulfillment. Of old Your faithful people waited for the day of Your visitation, manifest at last when the time had fully come and You sent forth Jesus Christ, Your Son. Having seen His glory, now we wait for the day of consummation, when He will come again as Judge and King. And so, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise Your name and join their unending hymn:

THE SANCTUS ..... "Hark' the Herald Angels Sing"

**Holy, holy, holy Lord!**

**God of hosts, by all adored!**

**Heav'n and earth cannot contain**

**All the glory of Your name!**

**Hail, hosanna, God most high!**

**Blest is He who now draws nigh**

**In the name of God the King!**

**Hallelujahs glad we sing:**

**Hail, hosanna! Praises due**

**Be forever, Lord, to You!**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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, for ever and ever. Amen**

THE DISTRIBUTION (2 aisle stations)

THE THANKSGIVING ..... "From Heaven Above"

**Oh, thank the Lord, whose goodness sure  
And steadfast love 'fore'er endure!  
Our eyes have seen, our ears have heard,  
And we have tasted of His word.**

**As His own servants we depart  
With His salvation In our heart.  
His saving power He has made known;  
His love through all the earth Is shown.**

**Lord, let us show the world Your light;  
Let us declare Your glory bright,  
Proclaim Your death until You come  
To take Your ransomed servants home.**

**Glory to God, the Father, Son,  
And Holy Spirit, Three In One!  
Oh, thank the Lord, whose goodness sure  
And steadfast love fore'er endure!**

THE GOSPEL OF THE INCARNATION.....John 1:1–14

*The minister lights a large candle from an altar candle, which symbolizes Christ, the Light of the world of whom John's gospel speaks. The ushers light their candles from the minister's candle, then light the candle of each worshiper nearest the aisle. The lighted candle is never tilted, but is always held upright when giving light to another.*



In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. <sup>2</sup>He was in the beginning with God. <sup>3</sup>All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being <sup>4</sup>in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. <sup>5</sup>The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. <sup>6</sup>There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. <sup>7</sup>He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. <sup>8</sup>He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. <sup>9</sup>The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. <sup>10</sup>He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. <sup>11</sup>He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. <sup>12</sup>But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, <sup>13</sup>who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. <sup>14</sup>And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

## THE PRAYERS

P: Glory to God in the highest,

**C: and peace to God's people on earth.**

P: Blessed are you, Prince of Peace. You rule the earth with truth and justice.

**C: Send your gift of peace to all nations of the world.**

P: Blessed are you, Wonderful Counselor. You enlighten the heart with steadfast love.

**C: Enliven your church that it might bear good tidings of great joy to all people.**

P: Blessed are you, Emmanuel. You promise to be with us even to the end of the age.

**C: Open our eyes to see your presence in all who are hungry, lonely, or homeless.**

P: Blessed are you, Son of Mary. You share our humanity.

**C: Have mercy on the sick, the dying, and all who suffer this day.**

P: Blessed are you, Son of God. You dwell among us as the Word made flesh.

**C: Reveal yourself to us in word and sacrament that we may bear your light to all the world.**

**HYMN OF LIGHT ..... SILENT NIGHT, HOLY NIGHT!**  
**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.**

**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!**

**Silent night, holy night! Son of God, love's pure light**  
**Radiant beams from your holy face, with the dawn of**  
**redeeming grace, Jesus, Lord, at your birth, Jesus, Lord, at**  
**your birth.**

### **BLESSING**

**P:** May you be filled with the wonder of Mary, the obedience of Joseph, the joy of the angels, the eagerness of the shepherds, the determination of the magi, and the peace of the Christ Child. Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit bless you now and forever.

**C: Amen**

*The candles are extinguished.*

**DEPARTURE HYMN .....JOY TO THE WORLD**  
**Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive its King;**  
**Let ev'ry heart prepare him room and heav'n and nature sing.**

**Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns! Let all their songs employ,**  
**While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains repeat the**  
**sounding joy.**

**No more let sin and sorrow grow nor thorns infest the**  
**ground; He comes to make his blessings flow far as the curse**  
**is found.**

**He rules the world with truth and grace and makes the**  
**nations prove The glories of his righteousness and wonders**  
**of his love.**



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## **Our Mission**

“Working hand in hand to know Christ and make Christ known through Worship, Christian Education, Evangelism, Fellowship, Caring Ministries, and Service.”

## **Welcome to this Christmas Eve service of rejoicing.**

Merry Christmas! “Let us now go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has come to pass, which the Lord has made known to us” (Luke 2:15, NKJV).

## **Holy Communion**

*All are welcome to receive the Lord's Body and Blood who are baptized in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit and believe that Jesus Christ, crucified and risen, is truly present in, with and under the forms of bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation. Receive the bread into your open, flat palm. Ask if you wish to receive grape juice or a gluten free wafer. Alert an usher if you, or someone you know, needs communion served in the pew.*

## Hearing Assist

First Lutheran has hearing assist systems to be used during the worship services. If you feel you could benefit from this or want to try it, please see the ushers in the narthex.

*This week we pray for:*

### **This Week's New Prayer Requests:**

### **Prayers of Christian Sympathy:**

*Long Term prayer requests:*

**Members:** Alton Krebsbach, Howard Johnson, Karen Goehring

\* The person in parenthesis is who the person is related to or friends of. Please feel free to ask these individuals how best you can pray for their family/friend.

*This month we pray for:*

**Members:** Tom Merkel, Roger Holznagel, Bob Weisgarber, Joan Zimmerman

### **Friends & Family:**

*This Quarter we pray for:*

**Members and Nonmembers:** Corrine Kerzmann (Donna Gunderson), Marion Narum (Peggy Moran), Ty Brown (Jody & Nicole Brown), Alice Richard, Jackie Olson

### **Military Prayer and Card List**

We pray for the Men & Women in our Military who protect our country, especially those assigned to serve overseas or away from home.

- **Members of First Lutheran on Active Duty in the Military and the National Guard:**
  - SGT Bryce Rost – Army National Guard
  - SPC Olivia Retterath – National Guard
  - SPC Cassidy Sommer – National Guard
  - SGT Jonathan Melvard – Army National Guard

- **Friends and Family on Active Duty in the Military and in the National Guard:**

SGT Dustin Enockson – National Guard

Emily Johnson – Air Force

Bryar Anderson – Marines

1SGT Jordan Ternes – Army National Guard

Tech. SGT Andre Austin – Air Force

Hunter Feigum – National Guard

Morris Duffy – Medical Air Guard

Adam Walsvik – National Guard

SGT Tom Heidelberger – Army

2LT Tony Heidelberger – Air Force

***Notice of Prayer List Policy***

We have a monthly/quarterly prayer list cycle. When you add someone to our prayer list the request will remain on our monthly list for four weeks and then be removed. If you would like to have the request moved to our quarterly list, please contact the office and the request will be added to our “This Quarter we pray for:” list for the next three months. Please help us keep our prayer list current by communicating updates to the office at 701-462-3775. Thank you all for your faithful prayers for all of God’s people.

**Large Print Bulletins**

We now have large print bulletins for those wanting or needing larger print. Ask the usher for one.

**Thank You**

Thank you, Jada Vetter and Jesslyn Hall for providing special music at the 4:30 PM service also Orlene Larson & Theresa Petersen and Pastor Paul Krueger at the 6:30 PM service.

**2025 FLCW Booklets**

The 2025 FLCW Booklets are in your mailbox ready to pick up. Take it home with you and see what is happening throughout the year with our First Lutheran Women and join us for meeting and events.

## 2025 Offering Envelopes

The 2025 offering envelopes are in the narthex. Please pick yours up to use next year if you have not already done so. If you don't see one for yourself and would like one, please talk to Jeannette.

## 2025 FLCW Booklets

The 2025 FLCW Booklets are in your mailboxes here at the church. If you are a member of First Lutheran Church you are part of the women's group and should have a booklet in your mailbox. Please check your mailboxes before leaving the service today and take home what is in it.

## THIS WEEK AT FIRST LUTHERAN

TODAY

4:30 & 6:30 PM Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship  
w/Holy Communion

WED.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

SUN.

9:30 AM Worship  
10:30 AM Fellowship/Coffee Hour  
7:00 PM AA Meeting  
Al-Anon Meeting





# Poinsettias & Outside Greenery

Thank you to everyone that gave poinsettias or helped pay for the outside greenery this Christmas season.

## Given by

Nadine Berger  
Justin, Nikki & Seth Sackman

Dick & Carla Bickert

David & Ruth Borlaug  
Nicolette & Cassandra

Dick Brewster

Jody & Nicole Brown & Ty  
Dennis & Donna Kroll  
Noelle Kroll  
Cody Kroll & Family

Janet Carvell & Family

Terry & Donna Gunderson (2)

Erik & Kathryn Johnson

Duane & Marlys Knell

Paul & Susann Krueger (2)

Orlin & Ivadell Larson

## In Memory of

Kevin Berger  
Eleanore Gappert

Robert & Henrietta Bickert  
Curtis Jorgenson

Warren & Verna Rockenbach  
Oliver & Judy Borlaug

Barbara Brewster  
To the Glory of God

Tate Brown, infant son of  
Jody & Nicole Brown

Al Carvell

Our Parents

Justin Johnson

Layla Knell  
Arnold & Ida Knell  
Reiny & Clara Schock

To the Glory of God

Brice Larson



**Given by**

Jeneen Loe & Family (2)

Dewey & Wanda Oster (2)

Terry & Norma Petersen

Rick & LeAnn Richard

John & Helen Samuelson

Elmer & Arlene Schwarz

Brad & Cathy Sheldon

Wes & Patricia Sick

Arlene Hoff  
Dale & Brenda Suckow

Gary & Cindy Thiel

Sylvia Thompson  
Susan, Sarah, Sally, Art &  
Families

Arden & Sande Wagner

Newell & Linda Zeller

**In Memory of**

David Loe

To the Glory of God

Our Parents  
Our Brothers – Dale & Jim

Stan Richard  
Art & Esther Bender

Our Parents

In Thanksgiving for Our  
Family & Friends

To the Glory of God

Loved Ones

Emil Hoff  
Derek Ronning

Amanda Thiel

Arlin Thompson

Rudolph & Bertha Wagner  
Elmo & Bernie Larson

Rodney Jaeger  
In Thanksgiving for:  
Kristi Jaeger, Jacob & Sadie  
Oberlander and Hunter, Maddie  
& Noah Jaeger

## **That's a (re)wrap!**

The Reintgen family of North Carolina will always remember Christmas 2023. At 3 a.m. on December 25, their 3-year-old son woke them up, asking for scissors to open his new action-figure toy. "That's when we realized something had gone terribly wrong," said Scott, his dad.

A quick trip downstairs revealed a mess of unwrapped gifts under the family's Christmas tree. "There was not one thing that he left unscathed," Scott said. The boy, in his defense, said he was just trying to help everyone know what they'd received.

With only hours until their other children awoke, the Reintgens were determined to save Christmas. Mom Katie raced to rewrap gifts, even managing to get most nametags back on the correct packages. Instead of being angry, the parents found humor in the ordeal. Afterward, they explained to their son the joy that people experience from receiving – and opening – their own presents.

Morals of the story? Remember this 3-year-old when you get overeager for certain parts of the holidays. Don't rush through anything, and let others enjoy Christmas at their own pace too. When something goes wrong, don't panic. Like the Reintgens, find joy in any unexpected glitches and grinsches you encounter throughout the season.

--Stephanie Martin

## **Christmas Adam**

(Something to remember for next year since December 23<sup>rd</sup> is past this year.)

Need a fun new tradition to liven up your Christmas celebrations? Then join the growing number of Christians who observe Christmas Adam – the day before Christmas Eve!

In honor of the first human, enjoy some barbecued ribs and an apple salad or dessert. Your family might exchange small gifts on Christmas Adam or do last-minute shopping together. Some people temporarily rename their pets that day, just as Adam named the animals in the Garden.

No matter how you celebrate, have fun on December 23 as you remember why Jesus had to come to earth in the first place!

# ***Listening for the Promise***

## **Sola Publishing – Weekly Devotions**

Christmas Eve – December 24, 2024

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*“For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.”*

*- Luke 2:11 -*

### ***Faith, the Greatest Gift***

Jesus of Nazareth was born in humble of circumstances. His father Joseph was a simple carpenter from a small town in Israel. He was from the line of David, but he was no king. Joseph’s wife Mary was a young Jewish girl. Joseph and Mary were forced to travel to Bethlehem, Joseph’s hometown, during her pregnancy to be recorded in a census that was being taken of the entire Roman world. The journey was long, over harsh wilderness, mostly on foot.

The town of Bethlehem was crowded with others who had traveled to register. There were no rooms left for Joseph and Mary. Mary felt the early pains of childbirth as they searched for a place to stay. At last, an innkeeper allowed them to use his stable. There, among the smell and noises of the beasts of burden, Mary gave birth to her son. Joseph served as the midwife, a feeding trough as the cradle. The first visitors to this humble scene were shepherds, the lowest of the low in their society. When the powerful and mighty discovered His presence, they killed innocent children to protect their positions in the world.

These are humble beginnings for the child of any parent, but this baby born to Joseph and Mary was not just any child. Jesus Christ should have had the best of everything. His parents should have traveled with a grand procession. He should have been born in the finest room of a palace. He should have had the best doctors. His bed should have been covered in silk, and not hay. He should never have feared the swords of men.

But God never does things as we would expect. Jesus Christ, the King of Kings, Lord of Lords, arrived in the simplest, most frightening way. There was nothing about this nativity that would indicate the Savior of the world had arrived. However, God has given us the greatest gift of all: not only the Savior, but also the faith to know that Jesus of Nazareth is Jesus the Christ, born into this world for us.