

WELCOME

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH | Lori Collins & Layla Sycks

***CONFESSION + FORGIVENESS** | Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, alive in the world, reviving our creation, arriving soon. Amen.

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

God of mercy, **we confess that we have sinned. We trust earthly powers and human authority alone. We grow fearful. We cling to false comforts.**

God of might, **we confess that we have sinned. We have turned away from our neighbors. We have trusted false promises.**

God in our midst, **we confess that we have sinned. We plead: come to us. Bring your mercy to birth in us.**

A righteous branch springs forth: it is Christ the Lord, our Savior, in whom we have forgiveness, life, and mercy. By the power of the Holy Spirit, receive the grace and forgiveness of God through † Christ Jesus, whose day draws near. **Amen.**

***GATHERING HYMN** | *O Come, O Come Emmanuel* vv. 1-3 [ELW #257](#)

*GREETING

***Kyrie** p. 147

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

FIRST READING | *Jeremiah 33:14-16*

PSALM 25:1-10

1 To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.

2 **My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be put to shame, nor let my enemies triumph over me.**

3 Let none who look to you be put to shame; rather let those be put to shame who are treacherous.

4 **Show me your ways, O LORD, and teach me your paths.**

5 Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.

6 **Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, for they are from everlasting.**

7 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; remember me according to your steadfast love and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.

8 **You are gracious and up right, O LORD; therefore you teach sinners in your way.**

9 You lead the lowly in justice and teach the lowly your way.

10 **All your paths, O LORD, are steadfast love and faithfulness to those who keep your covenant and your testimonies.**

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** p. 151 *Alleluia, Lord to whom shall we go*

***HOLY GOSPEL** | *Luke 21:25-36*

Response after announcement: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Response at the conclusion: **Praise to you, O Christ**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY | *Wake Awake, for Night is Flying* [ELW #436](#)

***NICENE CREED** p. 104

***PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION** | ... *hear our prayer.*

***PEACE**

OFFERING | *Come Now, O Prince of Peace* [ELW #247](#)

***OFFERTORY** | *Praise God, from Whom All Blessing Flow* [ELW #884](#)

***OFFERING PRAYER**

***THE GREAT THANKSGIVING** p. 144

***THE LORD'S PRAYER** p. 145

COMMUNION HYMNS *Lamb of God* p. 146

What Feast of Love [ELW #487](#)

Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah [ELW #240](#)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

***SENDING HYMN** | *Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence* [ELW #490](#)

DISMISSAL | ... **Thanks be to God.**

Assisting in Worship

Organist | Robyn Menk

Ushers | Rick & Kathy Brockway Reader | Diane Tiede

Acolyte | Owen Lloyd & Grayson Moon

The bulletin is sponsored today by Susan Schmidt in honor of Larry's December 7th birthday, and my dad's December 29th birthday. ~Happy heavenly birthday to these two that I miss so much.

Flowers at the chancel are from the funeral service of Vi Kaisershot which was held here this past Tuesday. Let us keep Susie & Jim Soulek and the rest of Vi's family in our thoughts, prayers, and acts of kindness.

If you would like to help the Heart to Heart group with a special holiday delivery project, bringing cheer to some of our members, please reach out to Marilyn Boettcher.

Service of Remembrance - will be held on December 8th at 5pm. For many individuals this is a difficult time of year, and it is our hope that this service may offer a sense of healing and hope, creating a safe space to recognize the emotional weight often felt during this season - while also offering the hope that Jesus provides.

The Children's Christmas Program, "**The Proclamations**" and a *Birthday Party for Jesus* will be held on Sunday, December 15th.

Attn: Committee Chairpersons: if you have not submitted your Annual report to Tammy, please do so in the next several days.

Movie Night! Witness the 1st Christmas through a whole new set of eyes, a donkey no less, who becomes the unsung hero in "The Star". Join us at the LC American Legion Club on December 18th at 6pm.

Live Streaming: We are seeking volunteers to operate the camera on Sunday mornings. If you are able to assist, please reach out to Pastor Heath.

Coffee Hour is hosted today by the Sycks family, with Reid whipping up his almost famous pancakes!