

# *Good Shepherd Lutheran Church*

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Christmas Day



Luke 2:6-7

And while they were there, the time came for her to give birth. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in swaddling cloths and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them **in the inn.**

To listen to the service, please turn your radio to

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Thank you for joining our service today.

*Please leave your offering in the plate at the door as you enter or leave the service.*

*This service will use the liturgy WOV setting 5 (blue hymnal).*

*Please stand (if able) for sections marked with an asterisk (\*) in this bulletin.*

## **Gathering**

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

**Prelude**

Tena Rackow

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Confession and Forgiveness**

**WOV page 10**

P: In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen**

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P: Gracious God,

**C: have mercy on us.**

**In your compassion forgive us our sins,  
known and unknown, things done and left undone.**

**Uphold us by your Spirit**

**so that we may live and serve you in newness of life,  
to the honor and glory of your holy name;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

P: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord ☩ Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **C: Amen**

\* **Gathering Hymn**

**“O Come All Ye Faithful”**

**ELW#257**

\* **Greeting**

**WOV page 28**

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

\* **Kyrie**

**WOV page 28**

P: Kyrie eleison: Lord have mercy. **C: Lord have mercy.**

P:Christe eleison: Christ have mercy. **C: Christ have mercy.**

P: Kyrie eleison: Lord have mercy. **C: Lord have mercy.**

\* **Gloria**

**WOV page 29**

**C: Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest; glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God’s people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:**

**We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.**

**Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest; glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God’s people on earth.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.**

**You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.**

**Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest; glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God’s people on earth.**

**For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High,**

**Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

**Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest; glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God’s people on earth, and peace to God’s people on earth.**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Let us pray.

All-powerful and unseen God, the coming of your light into our world has brightened weary hearts with peace. Call us out of darkness, and empower us to proclaim the birth of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever .

**C: Amen.**

Word

*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.*

**First Reading: Isaiah 62:6-12**

<sup>6</sup>Upon your walls, O Jerusalem,  
I have posted sentinels;  
all day and all night  
they shall never be silent.  
You who remind the LORD,  
take no rest,  
<sup>7</sup>and give him no rest  
until he establishes Jerusalem  
and makes it renowned throughout the earth.  
<sup>8</sup>The LORD has sworn by his right hand  
and by his mighty arm:  
I will not again give your grain  
to be food for your enemies,  
and foreigners shall not drink the wine  
for which you have labored;  
<sup>9</sup>but those who garner it shall eat it  
and praise the LORD,  
and those who gather it shall drink it  
in my holy courts.

<sup>0</sup>Go through, go through the gates,  
prepare the way for the people;  
build up, build up the highway,  
clear it of stones,  
lift up an ensign over the peoples.

<sup>11</sup>The LORD has proclaimed  
to the end of the earth:  
Say to daughter Zion,  
“See, your salvation comes;  
his reward is with him,  
and his recompense before him.”

<sup>12</sup>They shall be called, “The Holy People,  
The Redeemed of the LORD“;  
and you shall be called, “Sought Out,  
A City Not Forsaken.”

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**\* Hymn**

**“The First Noel”**

**ELW #300**

**Second Reading: Titus 3:4-7**

<sup>4</sup>When the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, <sup>5</sup>he saved us, not because of any works of righteousness that we had done, but according to his mercy, through the water of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit. <sup>6</sup>This Spirit he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, <sup>7</sup>so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**\* Gospel Acclamation**

**WOV page 31**

**Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?**

**Alleluia. You have the words of eternal life.**

**Alleluia, alleluia.**

**\* Gospel Reading: Luke 2:1-20**

P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke. C: Glory to you, O Lord.

In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be registered. <sup>2</sup> This was the first registration before Quirinius was governor of Syria. <sup>3</sup> And all went to be registered, each to his own town. <sup>4</sup> And Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the town 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 registered with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. <sup>6</sup> And while they were there, the time came for her to give birth. <sup>7</sup> And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in swaddling cloths and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn. <sup>8</sup> And in the same 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 great fear. <sup>10</sup> And the angel said to them, “Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. <sup>11</sup> For unto 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 baby 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 those 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 baby lying in a manger. <sup>17</sup> And when they saw it, they made known the saying that 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 treasured up 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.

P: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

**Sermon**

**Vicar Thomas Mosbo**

**Hymn of the Day**

**“Of the Father’s Love Begotten”**

**ELW#295**

P: With the whole church, let us confess our faith,

**C: We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation**

**he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary  
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven**

**and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and  
the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and  
glorified,**

**who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of  
sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## Prayers of Intercession

*Congregation responds to each petition with the following:*

**L:** God, in your mercy,    **C:** hear our prayer.

*We lift our prayers for*

*Lynn Lyvers, Jerry, Sheridan Brinker, Fern Harnish, Lois Paulsen, Taylor B., Denny Bergmann, Willie Kayser, Rene', Sue Kraft, Connor Stadermann, Brooke, Jon Forsythe, Diane, Randy, Brian, Deb Lindeman Harder, Paul Heller, Janet, Ryse Stone, Nicole, Meghan, John, Chuck, Joyce, Terri, Tina, Julie, Jamie, Crystal, Katie, Christian, Anna, Abby, Karla, Jacob and his family, Richard Gordon, Kay, Shanna, Kathy, Charlie, Brad, Amber, Chris, Ron, Vicki, Brenda, Abby Schick, Brenda, Jack, Gretchen, Tina, Joe, Dan Kempel, Ron Heckman, Justin Yeager, Phil, Sue, Emma, Cindy, Lamar Hail, Connie, Rachel Collins, LaVonne and Logan.*

## Meal

*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ*

## Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

*The people share a sign of peace with one another.*

## Great Thanksgiving

WOV page 36

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

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

**C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. In the wonder and mystery of the Word made flesh you have opened the eyes of faith to a new and radiant vision of your glory, that beholding the God made visible, we may be drawn to love the God whom we cannot see. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

### **Holy Holy Holy**

**WOV page 36**

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

### **Eucharistic Prayer**

**WOV page 37**

P: Holy, mighty and merciful Lord...All glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

**C: Amen**

**WOV page 38**

### **Lord's Prayer**

**WOV page 39**

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray,

**C: Our Father, who art in heaven,**

**hallowed by 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,**

**forever and ever. Amen**

## Lamb of God

WOV page 39

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
grant us peace, grant us peace.**

## Communion

P: The body of Christ given for you. *(eat the body of Christ)*

The blood of Christ shed for you. *(drink the blood of Christ)*

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you  
and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

## Sending

*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

## Blessing

P: The Lord bless you and keep you,  
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you,  
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace,  
In the name of the Father, ✠ and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

**Sending Hymn “Angels We Have Heard on High”**

**ELW#289**

## \* Dismissal

L: Go in peace. Christ the Savior is born. **C: Thanks be to God.**

## Postlude

Tena Rackow

*Attendance December 11<sup>th</sup>*

*In-person-29 Online – No video available, technical difficulties.*

*On-line attendance includes Facebook and YouTube video views from the last 7 days.*

***Poinsettia's given in memory ...***



*In memory of Joe T. Green. Given by Joe & Trina Green.*

*In memory of Bill & Laura Derr. Given by the Derr Family.*

*In memory of Ruth & Earl Watson and Lucille & Virgil Diddens. Given by the Sue and Curt Diddens family.*

*In memory of Joyce & Oscar Tessendorf and Phyllis & Cletus Martin. Given by Beth and Jerry Martin.*

*In memory of Grandma Annie, Nick, Grandpa Ray, Grandma & Grandpa Nelson, and Grandma and Grandpa Schmid. Given by Kristy, Anna and Taylor Patterson.*

*In memory Eugene and Ethel Boeger. Given by Sue Rush.*

*In memory of Catharine & Glenn Wire and Ira & Nelda Wire. Given by Eleanor Stalder.*

*In memory of loved ones by the Gullickson family.*

*In memory of loved ones by Paul and Shirley Fox and family.*

*In memory of Gene Hesselbacher and loved ones. Given by Vivian Hesselbacher.*

*In memory of Burton & Mildred Boeke and Thomas Koppean. Given by Susan Koppean.*

*In memory of parents and grandparents given by Karen Niemeier.*

*In memory of Shane Stouffer, given by the Keene Family.*

# Announcements

Please be sure that any *offering contribution* you would like credit for this year, is received prior to the end of worship **today**. Any contribution received after that time will be credited in 2023. Thank you for your cooperation. In an ongoing effort to reduce expenses, your offering envelope number for next year may change.

*It is imperative that you write your name on your envelope so that you receive proper credit.*

Your generosity and cooperation are very much appreciated. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact *Sheila* at (815)369-5101.

Thank you.

*We will collect Thankofferings during December.*

*Bible Study Group  
meets on Tuesday's  
at 11am in Fellowship Hall.*



Cub Scouts  
Meeting,

Tuesday, January 3rd  
at 6:30pm in Fellowship Hall

**Piece Corps Quilting Group  
Meets every Wednesday  
from 8am-11:30am in Fellowship Hall**