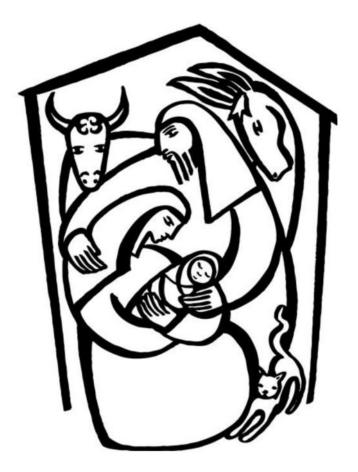
# NATIVITY OF OUR LORD DECEMBER 24, 2024



St. Luke Evangelical Lutheran Church 2695 Luther Drive | Chambersburg, Pennsylvania | 17202

"SHARING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST"

# **CHORAL PRELUDE**

Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming Michael Praetorius, Edited by Alice Parker & Robert Shaw How Great Our Joy! Traditional German Carol, arr. Craig Courtney Amen! Tell it On the Mountain Traditional African American Spiritual, arr. Mary McDonald Children, Go Where I Send Thee Traditional Africa American Spiritual, arr. Ryan Murphy

The choir is under the direction of Elizabeth Aragunde tonight.

WELCOME

| PRELUDE        | Voluntary on Two Carols | David Kidwell |
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| GATHERING HYMN | O Come, All Ye Faithful | ELW 283       |

# **APOSTOLIC GREETING**

# **DIALOG FOR CHRISTMAS**

Blessed are you, O Christ, Son of God.
you were before time began and came into the world to save us.
Blessed are you, Sun of Righteousness,
you shine with the Father's love
and illumine the whole universe.
Blessed are you, Son of Mary;
born a child, you shared our humanity.
Let heaven and earth ring out their praise.
O Mystery of the Word made flesh, with all the voices of heaven,
we celebrate your coming as our Savior.
Let all people and angels sing of your glory.
O Splendor the Father's Light,
with all the creatures on earth we sing and dance at your birth.
Praise and honor and glory to you, O Incarnate Word.

| HYMN OF PRAISE Angels We Have Heard o   | n High ELW 289                                    |  |
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| <b>PRAYER OF THE DAY</b><br>The Lord be with you. <b>And also with y</b><br>Let us pray. A brief silence is kept before the prayer. |   |  |
| FIRST READING<br>Response after the reading: Thanks be to God.  | Isaiah 9:2-7                                      |  |
| SECOND READING<br>Response after the reading: Thanks be to God.   | Titus 2:11-14                                     |  |
| <b>HYMN OF PRAISE</b> What Child is This  | ELW 296   |  |
| HOLY GOSPEL   | Luke 2:1-20                                       |  |
| The Holy Gospel according to Luke:<br>The Gospel of the Lord.   | Glory to you, O Lord.<br>Praise to you, O Christ. |  |

#### SERMON

### SILENCE FOR REFLECTION

HYMN OF THE DAY Good Christian Friends, Rejoice

ELW 288



### NICENE CREED

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 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 and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe 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

God of grace, receive our prayer.

#### SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

### OFFERING

| OFFERTORY | What Child is This | Christopher Uehlein |
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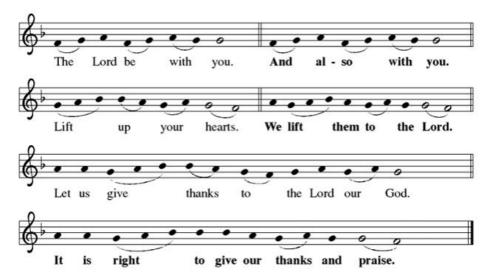
| OFFERTORY HYMN | In the Bleak Midwinter | ELW 294 |
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#### **OFFERING PRAYER**

Let us pray, God of heaven and earth, From the beginning, you have called forth life, In which you take delight. The trees, the fields, and the seas sing for joy. Bless now these gifts, received from your bounty, That we may join the chorus of creation To tell of your salvation from day to day. Amen

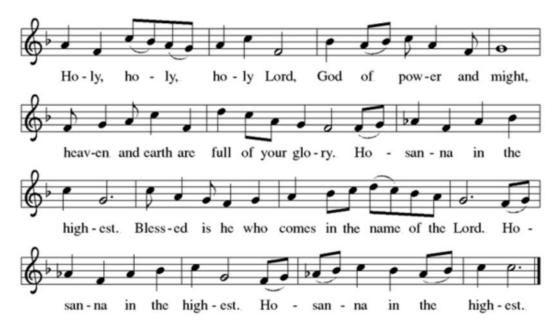


# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



The presiding minister continues: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

#### HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



### **EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

### LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:
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, forever and ever. Amen

### DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

All are welcome at the table! Please join us by coming up the center aisle and receiving the bread from the Pastor. Then you may choose to receive the wine from the common cup, or by picking up an empty cup and receiving the wine from one of the two pouring chalices. Filled cups of grape juice are available alongside the empty cups.

ELVV 269, 300, 276, 277, 282

# TABLE BLESSING

HYMN

Silent Night

ELW 281

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

BENEDICTION

**SENDING HYMN** Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

ELW 270

#### DISMISSAL

Go in peace. The Word of God dwells in you richly. **Thanks be to God.** 

#### POSTLUDE

#### Joy to the World

Robert J. Hughes

Join us on Sunday for our service of Lessons and Carols. Sunday, December 29 @ 10:00 am





Presiding Minister: C Assisting Minister: Lector: Communion Assistants:

Acolyte: Crucifer: Greeters: Altar Guild: Ushers:

Offering Counters: A/V:

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Sundays - 10:00 am Holy Communion 8:45 am Faith Formation/Christian Education Wednesdays - 11:00 am Holy Communion & Healing 7:00 pm Prayer & Share via Zoom