

2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
December 4, 2022—9:00 am



Burke Lutheran Church

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“Preach. Teach. Reach.”

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PRELUDE *During this time, everyone giggles and chats while a frustrated musician plays quiet and peaceful music to prepare us for worship.*

WELCOME

Please rise

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, who alone does wondrous things.

C **Blessed be God's name forever. Amen.**

P Beloved, now is the time to wake from sleep. Let us confront our sins, and confess them to the one who is merciful and just.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P God of new beginnings,

C **we confess that we have not welcomed your holy reign. We have strayed from your paths. We prepare for war instead of peace. We dishonor one another and your creation. Purify us with your refining fire and set us again on your way of love, that we may bear fruit worthy of repentance, and welcome your coming among us. Amen.**

P People of God, a new thing is growing in our midst, a tender branch, a living sign. By water and the Spirit you are joined to this wonder. You have put on ✝ Christ, and your sins have been washed away. Rejoice in the way of the Lord.

C **Amen.**

GATHERING SONG

On Jordan's Banks the Baptist's Cry



1 On Jor - dan's banks the Bap - tist's cry an - nounc - es
2 Then cleansed be ev - 'ry life from sin; make straight the
3 We hail you as our Sav - ior, Lord, our ref - uge
4 Stretch forth your hand, our health re - store, and make us
5 All praise to you, e - ter - nal Son, whose ad - vent



that the Lord is nigh; a - wake and hear - ken,
way for God with - in, and let us all our
and our great re - ward; with - out your grace we
rise to fall no more; oh, let your face up -
has our free - dom won, whom with the Fa - ther



for he brings glad tid - ings of the King of kings!
hearts pre - pare for Christ to come and en - ter there.
waste a - way like flow'rs that with - er and de - cay.
on us shine and fill the world with love di - vine.
we a - dore, and Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er - more.

Text: Charles Coffin, 1676–1749; tr. composite

Music: PUER NOBIS, European tune, adapt. Michael Praetorius, 1571–1621

GREETING

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.**

Please be seated.

Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah



2 Light two can-dles to watch for Mes-si - ah: let the light ban-ish dark - ness.



He shall feed the flock like a shep-herd, gent - ly lead them home-ward.

Text: Wayne L. Wold, b. 1954

Music: TIF IN VELDELE, Yiddish folk tune

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P People of peace, God desires people who hold fast to the vision of God's Kingdom where peace and justice reign.

C **Make us those peaceful people!**

P God longs for people who have courage, who examine their motives fearlessly, who won't abide intimidation or a bully.

C **Make us those peaceful people!**

P God yearns for people who resist the call to vengeance, the false solution of anger, the easy answers of hate.

C **Make us those peaceful people!**

P Let's pray together...

C **God of peace, we hear your call to live in peace with you and with our neighbors. Bring light to our path as we await your peaceable kingdom. Amen**

(Light the candle of peace.)

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel



O come, O Dayspring, co - me and cheer; O Sun of justice,



No - w draw near. Disperse the gloomy clo - uds of night



And death's dark, shadow pu - t to flight. Rejoice! Rejoice!



Em - man - u - el shall come to you, O Is - ra - el.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

C **Stir up our hearts, Lord God, to prepare the way of your only Son. By his coming nurture our growth as people of repentance and peace; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

“EMMANUEL SOON WILL APPEAR”

CHOIR

Isaiah describes the coming of a future, ideal ruler who will renew David's royal line (the stump of Jesse). Gifted by the spirit of God, this ruler will reign with perfect justice. Enmity and danger will be restored to harmony and peaceful coexistence.

R ¹A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. ²The spirit of the LORD shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD. ³His delight shall be in the fear of the LORD. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; ⁴but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. ⁵Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around his loins. ⁶The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. ⁷The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. ⁸The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. ⁹They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea. ¹⁰On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

R The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

God's promise to include Gentiles within the circle of God's blessed people has been fulfilled in Jesus Christ. Christians live out their unity by welcoming and encouraging each other just as Christ has welcomed them into God's family.

R ⁴Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. ⁵May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, ⁶so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁷Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. ⁸For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, ⁹and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, "Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles, and sing praises to your name"; ¹⁰and again he says, "Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people"; ¹¹and again, "Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him"; ¹²and again Isaiah says, "The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall hope." ¹³May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

R The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please rise.

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the

words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL VERSE

P The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 3rd chapter

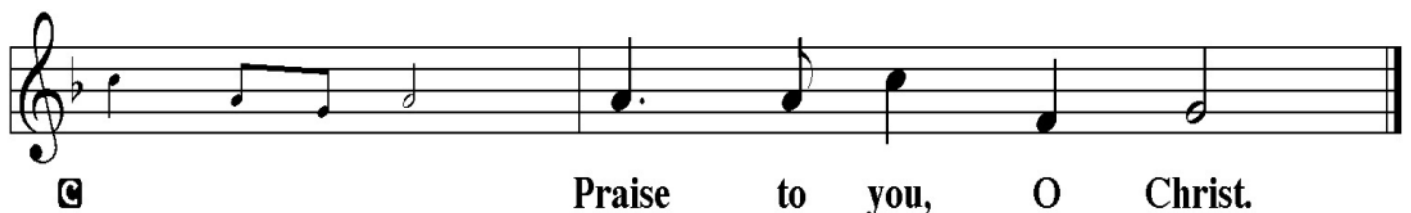
GOSPEL

Matthew 3:1-12

Just before Jesus begins his public ministry, John the Baptist appears, calling people to mend their ways and speaking of a powerful one who is to come.

P ¹In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, ²“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.” ³This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said, “The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: ‘Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.’” ⁴Now John wore clothing of camel’s hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. ⁵Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, ⁶and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. ⁷But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees

coming for baptism, he said to them, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? ⁸Bear fruit worthy of repentance. ⁹Do not presume to say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our ancestor’; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. ¹⁰Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. ¹¹“I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹²His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his



threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

Please be seated.

SERMON

Pastor Don Glanzer

Please rise.

Prepare the Royal Highway



1 Pre - pare the roy - al high - way; the King of kings is near!
2 God's peo - ple, see him com - ing: your own e - ter - nal king!
3 Then fling the gates wide o - pen to greet your prom - ised king!
4 His is no earth - ly king - dom; it comes from heav'n a - bove.



Let ev - 'ry hill and val - ley a lev - el road ap - pear!
Palm branch - es strew be - fore him! Spread gar - ments! Shout and sing!
Your king, yet ev - 'ry na - tion its trib - ute too may bring.
His rule is peace and free - dom and jus - tice, truth, and love.



Then greet the King of glo - ry, fore - told in sa - cred sto - ry:
God's prom - ise will not fail you! No more shall doubt as - sail you!
All lands will bow be - fore him; their voic - es join your sing - ing:
So let your praise be sound - ing for kind - ness so a - bound - ing:



Ho - san - na to the Lord, for he ful - fills God's Word!

Text: Frans Mikael Franzén, 1772–1847; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*, 1978
Music: BEREDEN VÄG FÖR HERRAN, Swedish folk tune, 17th cent.
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HYMN OF THE DAY

THE CREED

C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Please be seated.

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P As we prepare for the fullness of Christ's presence, let us pray for a world that yearns for new hope.

A brief silence.

R God, you renew the church in every age. We give thanks for hymn writers and theologians. Inspire teachers, writers, and musicians to delight and instruct your people. God, in your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

R You give us a vision of creation in harmony, when hurting and destruction will be no more. Teach us to be stewards of the earth and companions to its creatures. Restore to balance and wholeness what human greed has harmed. God, in your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

- R You defend the cause of all who are poor and oppressed. Raise up leaders who will govern with equity and serve the common good. Guide judges, lawmakers, and public officials to protect the rights of those who cannot advocate for themselves. God, in your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.**
- R You deliver those in need from suffering and fear. Come to the aid of any who are exploited or abused, especially children, elders, and victims of human trafficking. Provide safety and help to our neighbors without shelter, refugees, and those fleeing violence. God, in your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.**
- P You urge your people to welcome one another as you have welcomed us. Nurture ministries of hospitality and care in this and every congregation. We pray for people who are homebound, hospitalized, or separated from loved ones especially today we pray for Virginia Steward, Lisa Thompson, Mark Gehrke, Diane McFarlin, Dave Weinberger and all those we name upon our lips or in our hearts. God, in your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.**
- P God of our longing, you know our deepest needs. By your Spirit, gather our prayers and join them with the prayers of all your children. In Jesus' name we pray.
- C Amen**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C And also with you.** (*Greet one another with God's peace.*)

OFFERING/OFFERTORY (*Please bring your offering forward with you to communion.*)

OFFERING PRAYER

P Eternal God, you make the desert bloom and send springs of water to thirsty ground. Receive these simple gifts of bread, wine, and money, and make us messengers of your mercy and love for all in need of your healing and justice. We ask this through Christ our Savior.

C Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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 him thanks and praise.



P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, ...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

C 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.

☪ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming



1 Lo, how a rose e'er bloom - ing from ten - der stem hath
 2 I - sai - ah had fore - told it, the rose I have in
 3 This flow'r, whose fra - grance ten - der with sweet-ness fills the
 4 O Sav - ior, child of Mar - y, who felt our hu - man



sprung! Of Jes - se's lin - eage com - ing as
 mind; with Mar - y we be - hold it, the
 air, dis - pels with glo - rious splen - dor the
 woe; O Sav - ior, king of glo - ry, who



seers of old have sung, it came, a flow'r so bright, a -
 vir - gin moth - er kind. To show God's love a - right, she
 dark - ness ev - 'ry - where. True man, yet ver - y God, from
 dost our weak - ness know: bring us at length, we pray, to



mid the cold of win - ter, when half - spent was the night.
 bore to us a Sav - ior, when half - spent was the night.
 sin and death he saves us and light - ens ev - 'ry load.
 the bright courts of heav - en and in - to end - less day.

Text: German carol, 15th cent.; tr. Theodore Baker, 1851-1934, sts. 1-2; Harriet R. Krauth, 1845-1925, st. 3; John C. Mattes, 1876-1948, st. 4
 Music: ES IST EIN ROS, *Alte catholische geistliche Kirchengesänge*, Köln, 1599

C C/E F G G⁷ C E^b/B^b

Em-man - u - el, Em-man - u - el,

A A/C[#] Dm G⁷ G/B C

his name is called Em-man - u - el;

C/E F G G⁷ C C/B^b

God with us, re-vealed in us;

A A/C[#] Dm G⁷ F/C C

his name is called Em-man - u - el.

COMMUNION BENEDICTION

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

C **Amen.**

COMMUNION PRAYER

P Faithful God, in this meal you have remembered your mercy, bringing heaven to earth in the body and blood of Christ. As we wait for the day when all your promises will be fulfilled, sustain us and strengthen us by this holy mystery. Guide us toward your promised future, coming to birth in Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen.**

BLESSING

P God the eternal Word, who dwells with us in Jesus, and who holds us in the grace of the Holy Spirit, ✠ bless you now and forever.

C **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please rise.

All Earth Is Hopeful



1 All earth is hope - ful, the Sav - ior comes at last!
 2 Peo - ple of Is - rael, you heard the proph - et tell:
 3 Moun - tains and val - leys will have to be pre - pared;
 4 We first saw Je - sus a ba - by in a crib.



Fur - rows lie o - pen for God's cre - a - tive task: this, the
 "A vir - gin moth - er will bear Em - man - u - el"; she con -
 new high - ways o - pened, new pro - to - cols de - clared. Al - most
 This same Lord Je - sus to - day has come to live in our



la - bor of peo - ple who strug - gle to see how
 ceived him, "God with us," our broth - er, whose birth re -
 here! God is near - ing, in beau - ty and grace! All
 world; he is pres - ent, in neigh - bors we see our



God's truth and jus - tice set ev - 'ry - bod - y free.
 stores hope and cour - age to chil - dren of this earth.
 clear ev - 'ry gate - way, in haste, come out in haste!
 Je - sus is with us, and

ev - er sets us free.

Dismissal

P Go in peace. Christ is near.

C Thanks be to God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

IF YOU ARE VISITING TODAY: Thank you for joining us at Burke for worship and fellowship! Please sign a card in the pew and/or the visitor book in the narthex.

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

We teach that Jesus is truly present in the bread and the wine. All are invited to the table to share God's grace. Grape juice is available in the center of the tray for those who desire it, as well as gluten-free wafers.

Please fill out a communion card and place it in the offering plate if you are communing today.

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PRAYERS & CARES

A Nursery (Sweetie Pie Room) for children under six is located at the bottom of the stairs. Activity bags are available in the narthex for children at worship.

Our Prayer List: Contact Peri Beal with prayer concerns. Unless otherwise advised, names remain on our list for two weeks.

Virginia Steward

Lisa Thompson (daughter of Bob & Jeannette Gehrke)

Mark Gehrke (son of Bob & Jeannette Gehrke)

Diane McFarlin

Dave Weinberger

CONGREGATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Choir Rehearsal: Practice today at 10:30am.

Quilting: Every Wednesday at 9:00am. No experience necessary.

Bible Study: Tuesdays at 1:30pm. Join in any time.

Poinsettia Orders: Red or white poinsettias are available for \$16 each. Sign up sheet is in the Narthex.

Sunday School: [age 3-grade 6] Classes meet each Sunday during worship.

Christmas Pageant: Christmas Pageant is Dec. 18 during worship.

Confirmation Classes [grades 7-8]: Meeting today with Pastor Don in the Fireside Room.

CALL TO ACTION

December Food Pantry Focus: “Proteins” such as canned tuna, chicken, beans, peas nut butters, rice, etc. Please place your non-perishable goods in the ‘Donations’ basket in the Narthex & it will be delivered to the pantry.

MEN’S MINISTRY

Men’s Breakfast: Wednesday, December 14, 9am, at Gus’ Diner in Sun Prairie. All men are welcome to join anytime.

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bulletin Announcements: Bulletin deadline is noon on Wednesday. Send them to burkelutheran@att.net by email, mail to 5720 Portage Rd., Madison, WI 53718, turn in to church office or give to Peri Beal.

January Light of Life: Articles are due Monday, December 19. Send items to 5720 Portage Rd, Madison, WI 53718, burkelutheran@att.net, or turn in to the church office.

Hospitalized?: Please let the hospital staff know you are a member of Burke Lutheran Church, so we are notified you are there.

RIVER FOOD PANTRY GIFTS FOR KIDS

Once again, Burke will be participating in the Christmas gift giving for the kids of the River Food Pantry. The tree is up in the narthex and each gift tags lists the name of a child, their age and suggested ideas for the gift. They are asking that the cost of the gift(s) be no more than \$40.

Once you have selected a tag please write your name on the list corresponding to the tag number so we can keep track of who is purchasing the gifts. We have 15 children to buy gifts for this year.

DANE COUNTY JAIL MINISTRY

The jail is looking for winter coats for the inmates that will be released this holiday season. The sizes they have requested are large, X-Large, 2X-large, 3X-large and 4X-large. Coats should be for men or unisex.

If you have any coats you are willing to donate, there is a box in the Narthex. Please have the coats to the church by early December as they will be picked up mid December.

CARDS FOR INMATES

The Dane County Jail is also asking for Christmas cards to be given to inmates. These cards can be brought into the church and placed in the box in the narthex.

There are guidelines for the wording and types of cards. They can not have glitter, sequins, cardboard flaps, ribbons or wood on them. There can not say the name of our church or any identification. Do not include the envelop.

POINSETTIAS

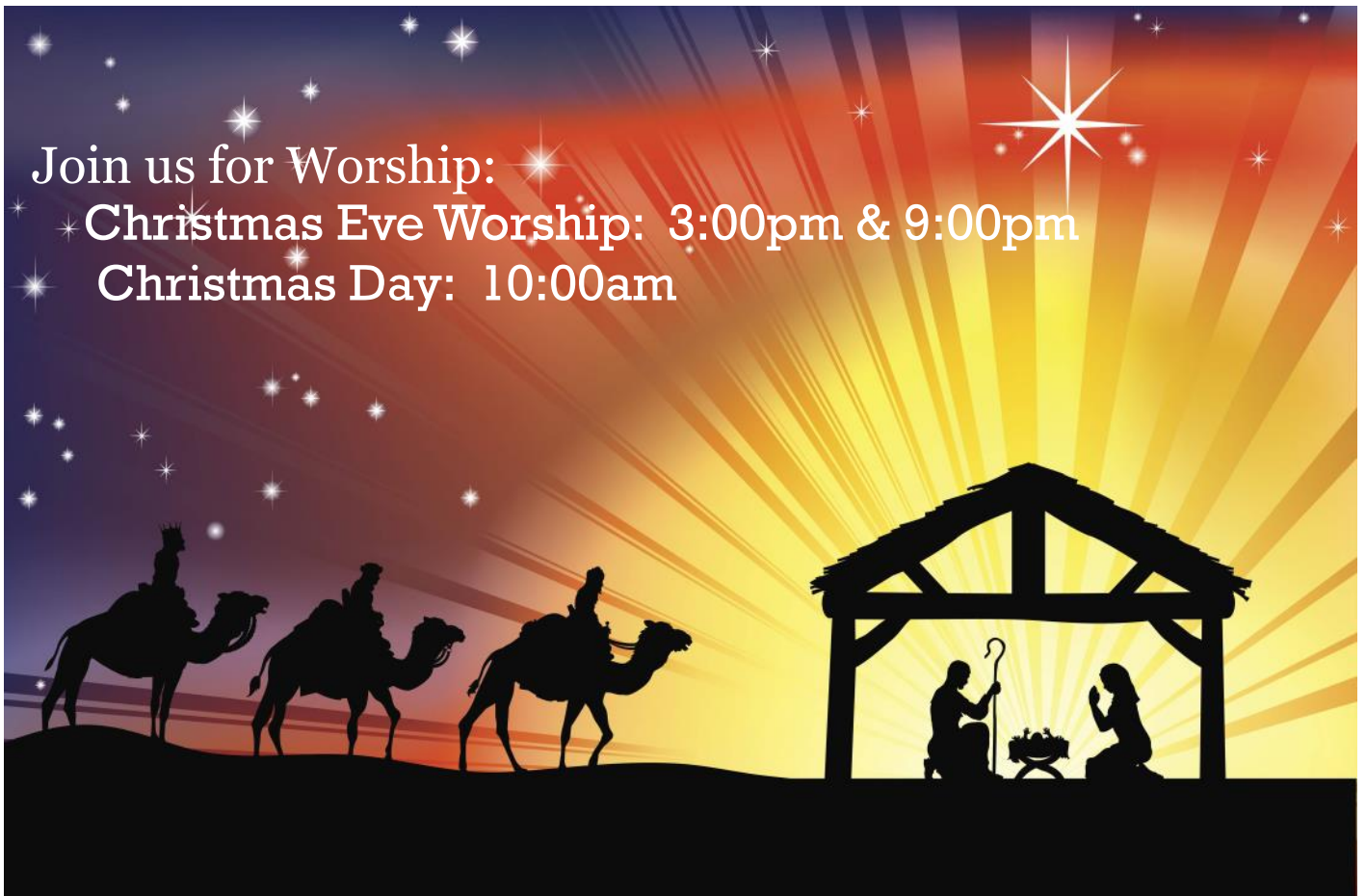
Add color to the sanctuary for the holidays! Sign up in the Narthex to purchase or sponsor a poinsettia (or two!) Red or white are \$16 each.



Join us for Worship:

Christmas Eve Worship: 3:00pm & 9:00pm

Christmas Day: 10:00am



THIS WEEK AT BURKE

Tuesday, Dec 6	Bible Study, 1:30pm	
Wednesday, Dec 7	Quilting, 9am	Confirmation Class
Sunday, Dec 11	Worship, 9am Coffee Hour 10am Choir Practice, 10:30am	

WORSHIP LEADERS

	Dec 4—9am Service	Dec 11—9am Service
Organist/Pianist	Gloria Lundquist	Susie Kittel Moore
Music Leaders	Dave Wisner Chris Grefe	Dave Wisner Chris Grefe
Communion Assistant	Barb Hennings	Gloria Lundquist
Communion Prep	Gloria Lundquist	Mary TeWinkel
Lay Reader	Deb Brown	Julie Clark
Usher Team	Bob Lenzendorf	Roger Kittleson Rick Brandon
Offering Counters	Gloria Lundquist Deb Brown	Linda Hughes Mary TeWinkel
Coffee Hour		

Christmas Eve & Christmas Day Worship Leaders Needed: We still have some open slots for all services. Sign up sheet is in the Narthex.

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

Sunday 9:00am	Total	44
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