

HOLY COMMUNION
First Sunday of Advent

November 27, 2022

8:00 am and 10:30 am

INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

The new church year begins with a wake-up call: Christ is coming soon! In today's readings both Paul and Jesus challenge us to wake from sleep, for we know neither the day nor hour of the Lord's coming. Isaiah proclaims the day when God will gather all people on the holy mountain and there will be no more war or suffering. Though we vigilantly watch for the promised day of salvation, we wait for what we already have: Christ comes among us this day as the word and meal that strengthens our faith in the promises of God.

SILENT PRAYER

PRELUDE: *Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying*

Bach

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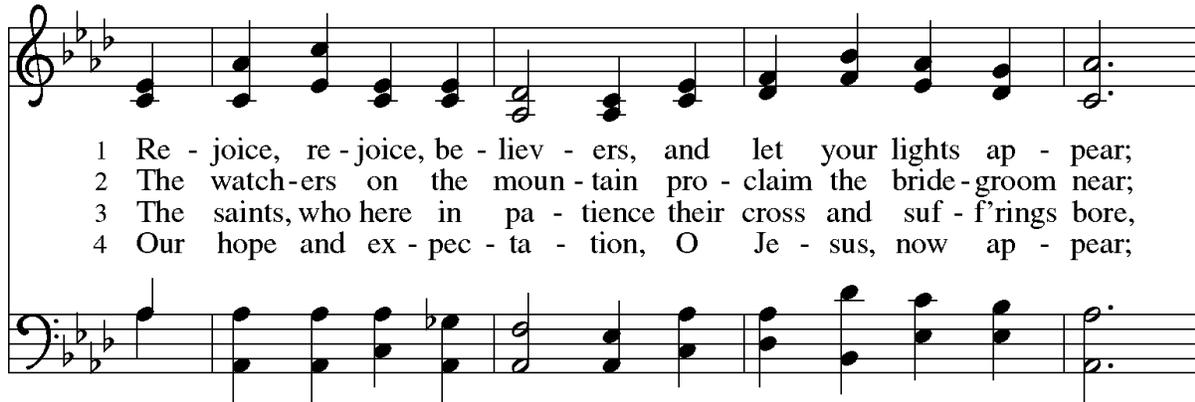
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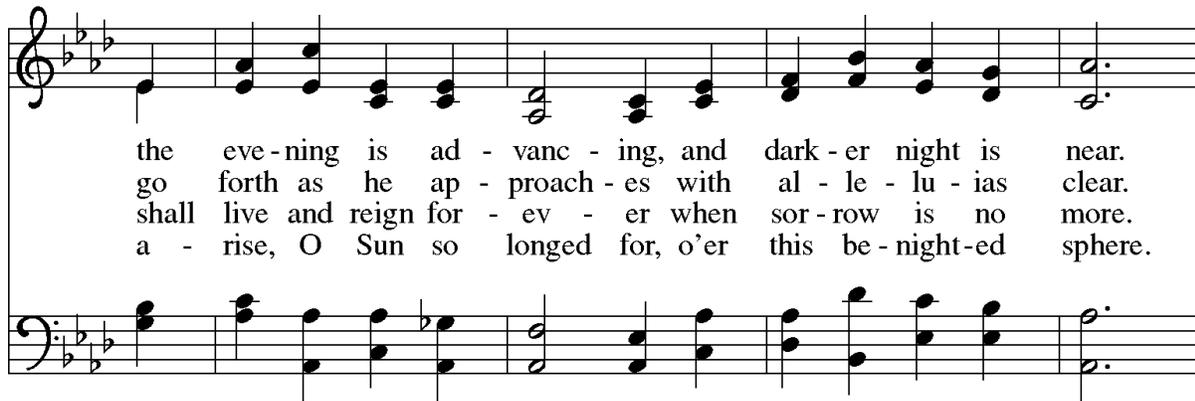
HYMN: *Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers*

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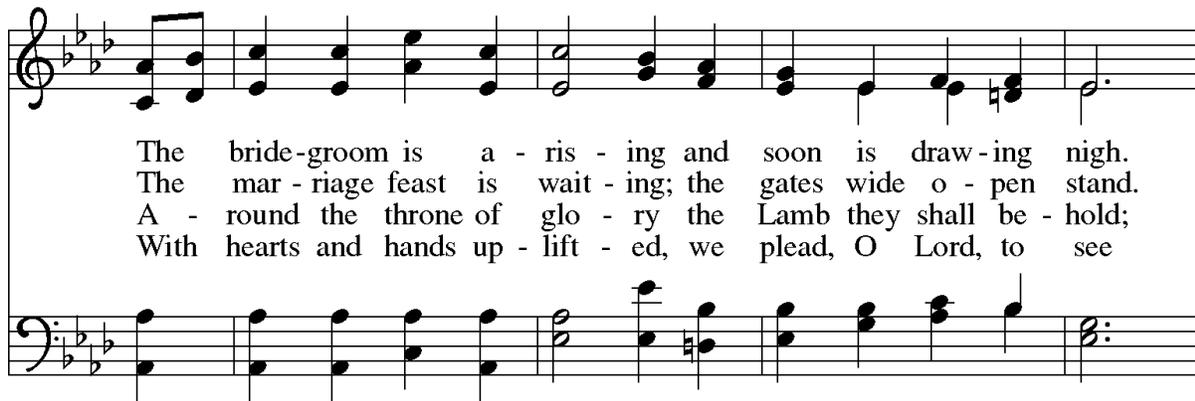
Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers



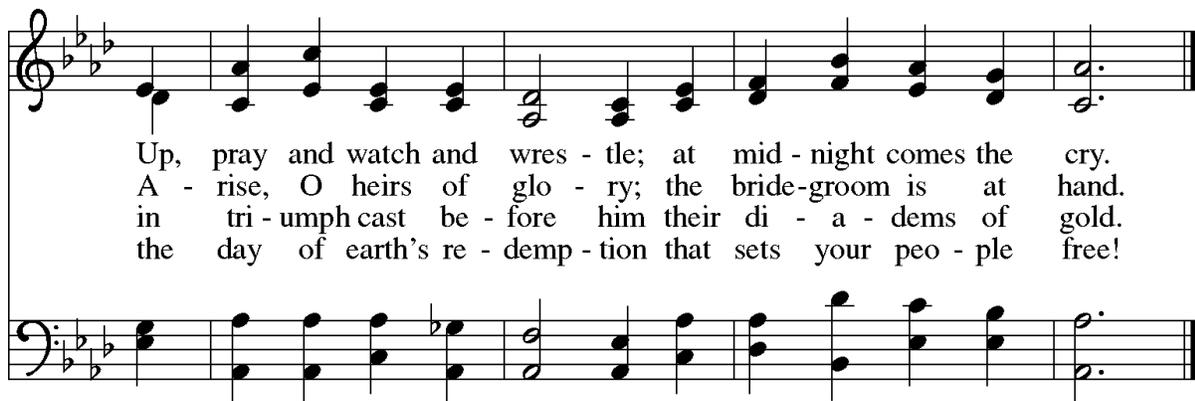
1 Re - joice, re - joice, be - liev - ers, and let your lights ap - pear;
2 The watch - ers on the moun - tain pro - claim the bride - groom near;
3 The saints, who here in pa - tience their cross and suf - f'ring bore,
4 Our hope and ex - pec - ta - tion, O Je - sus, now ap - pear;



the eve - ning is ad - vanc - ing, and dark - er night is near.
go forth as he ap - proach - es with al - le - lu - ias clear.
shall live and reign for - ev - er when sor - row is no more.
a - rise, O Sun so longed for, o'er this be - night - ed sphere.



The bride - groom is a - ris - ing and soon is draw - ing nigh.
The mar - riage feast is wait - ing; the gates wide o - pen stand.
A - round the throne of glo - ry the Lamb they shall be - hold;
With hearts and hands up - lift - ed, we plead, O Lord, to see



Up, pray and watch and wres - tle; at mid - night comes the cry.
A - rise, O heirs of glo - ry; the bride - groom is at hand.
in tri - umph cast be - fore him their di - a - dems of gold.
the day of earth's re - demp - tion that sets your peo - ple free!

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (ABSOLUTION)

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism.

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

Kneel/Stand

P Most merciful God,

C **we confess that we are captive to sin
and cannot free ourselves.**

**We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done
and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

**For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us.**

**Forgive us, renew us, and lead us,
so that we may delight in your will
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name.**

Amen.

- P** In the mercy of almighty God,
Jesus Christ was given to die for us,
and for his sake God forgives us all our sins.
As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ,
and by his authority,
I therefore declare to you
the entire forgiveness of all your sins,
in the name of the Father,
and of the ✝ Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

Stand

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.

KYRIE



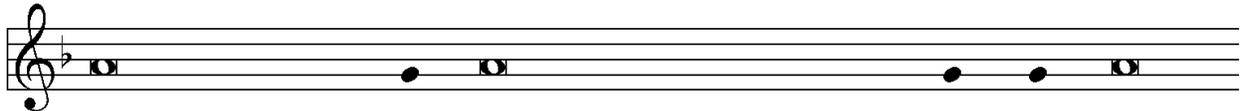
A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **G** Lord, have mer - cy.



A For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - va - tion, let us pray to the Lord.



G Lord, have mer - cy.



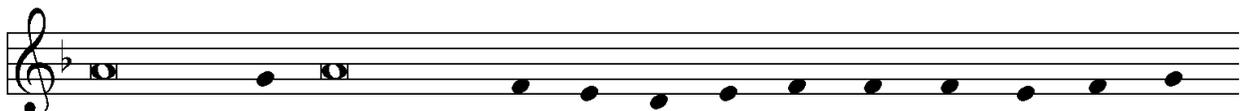
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



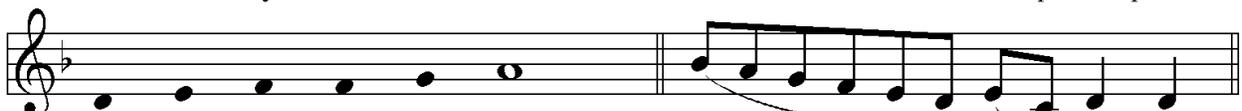
and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



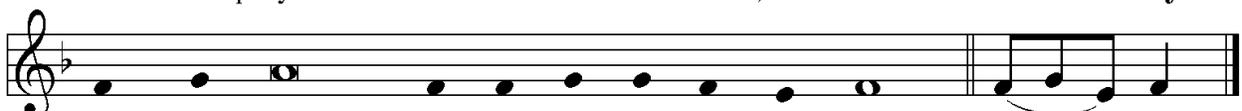
G Lord, have mer - cy.



A For this ho - ly house, and for all who of - fer here their wor - ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **G** Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord. **G** A - men

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- ☐ Let us pray.
Stir up your power, O Lord, and come. Protect us by your strength and save us from the threatening dangers of our sins, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- ☑ Amen.

Sit

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

Use this blessing when lighting the first candle.

- ☐ Blessed are you, O Lord our God, ruler of the universe.
You call all nations to walk in your light
and to seek your ways of justice and peace,
for the night is past, and the dawn of your coming is near.
Bless us as we light the first candle of this wreath.
Rouse us from sleep,
that we may be ready to greet our Lord when he comes
and welcome him into our hearts and homes,
for he is our light and our salvation.
Blessed be God forever.
- ☑ Amen.

HYMN: *Oh, Come, Oh, Come, Immanuel* (Stanza(s) 1)
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1 Oh, come, oh, come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som cap - tive
 2 Oh, come, oh, come, great Lord of might, who to your tribes on
 3 Oh, come, strong Branch of Jes - se, free your own from Sa - tan's
 4 Oh, come, blest Day - spring, come and cheer our spir - its by your
 5 Oh, come, O Key of Da - vid, come, and o - pen wide our



Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile here
 Si - nai's height in an - cient times once gave the law
 tyr - an - ny; from depths of hell your peo - ple save
 ad - vent here; dis - perse the gloom - y clouds of night,
 heav'n - ly home; make safe the way that leads on high,



un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
 in cloud, and maj - es - ty, and awe.
 and give them vic - t'ry o'er the grave. Re - joice! Re - joice!
 and death's dark shad - ows put to flight.
 and close the path to mis - er - y.



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

Later service only:

CHILDREN'S SERMON

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Sit

FIRST READING

Isaiah 2:1-5

The visionary message presented in this reading focuses on a future day when God establishes a universal reign of peace. Divine decisions will make war obsolete, and the worshiping community responds: "Let us walk in the light of that Lord now!"

A A reading from Isaiah.

²In days to come

the mountain of the LORD's house
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,
and shall be raised above the hills;
all the nations shall stream to it.

³Many peoples shall come and say,
"Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,
to the house of the God of Jacob;
that he may teach us his ways
and that we may walk in his paths."

For out of Zion shall go forth instruction,
and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

⁴He shall judge between the nations,
and shall arbitrate for many peoples;
they shall beat their swords into plowshares,
and their spears into pruning hooks;
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,
neither shall they learn war any more.

⁵O house of Jacob,
come, let us walk
in the light of the LORD!

A The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Later service only:

PSALM 122 *(The congregation's verses are printed in bold font.)*

¹I was glad when they¹ said to me,
“Let us go to the house¹ of the LORD.”

²**Now our¹ feet are standing
within your gates,¹ O Jerusalem.**

³Jerusalem is built¹ as a city
that is at unity¹ with itself;

⁴**to which the tribes go up, the tribes¹ of the LORD,
the assembly of Israel, to praise the name¹ of the LORD.**

⁵For there are the¹ thrones of judgment,
the thrones of the¹ house of David.

⁶**Pray for the peace¹ of Jerusalem:
“May they pros-¹per who love you.**

⁷Peace be with-¹ in your walls
and quietness with-¹ in your towers.

⁸**For my brethren and com-¹panions' sake,
I pray for¹ your prosperity.**

⁹Because of the house of the¹ LORD our God,
I will seek to¹ do you good.”

SECOND READING

Romans 13:11-14

Paul compares the advent of Christ to the coming of dawn. We live our lives today in light of Christ's coming in the future.

A A reading from Romans.

¹¹Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; ¹²the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; ¹³let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy.

¹⁴Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

A The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The congregation sings the Acclamation.



Al-le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The musical notation is a single staff in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. It consists of 12 measures. The melody is: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), A4-G4 (beamed eighth notes), F4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), C4 (quarter), B3 (quarter), A3 (quarter), G3 (quarter), F3 (quarter). The lyrics are placed below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables across notes.

The choir sings the Verse.



The musical notation is a single staff in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. It consists of 4 measures. The melody is: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), A4-G4 (beamed eighth notes), F4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), C4 (quarter), B3 (quarter), A3 (quarter), G3 (quarter), F3 (quarter). The lyrics are placed below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables across notes.

Show us your steadfast | love, O LORD,
and grant us | your salvation.

The congregation repeats the Acclamation.



Al-le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The musical notation is identical to the first acclamation, consisting of a single staff in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time with 12 measures and the same melody.

GOSPEL

Matthew 24:36-44

Jesus describes his second coming as a sudden, turbulent event that will bring about deep change to our normal, day-to-day lives. Therefore, he urges people to stay awake, be aware, and wait expectantly, because the Son of Man will come unannounced.

P The holy gospel according to Matthew.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said to the disciples,] ³⁶“About that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. ³⁷For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. ³⁸For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, ³⁹and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. ⁴⁰Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. ⁴¹Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. ⁴²Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. ⁴³But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁴Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.”

P The gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

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SERMON

Pastor Weleck

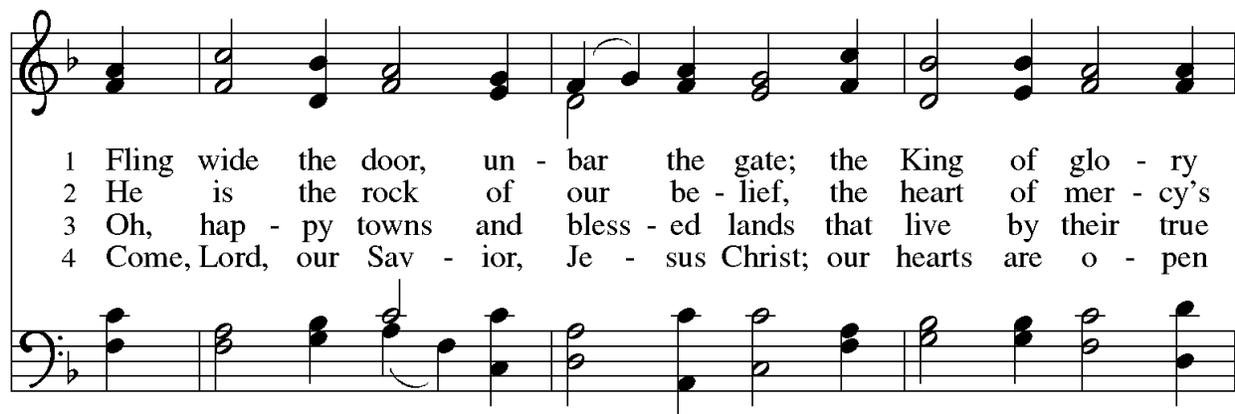
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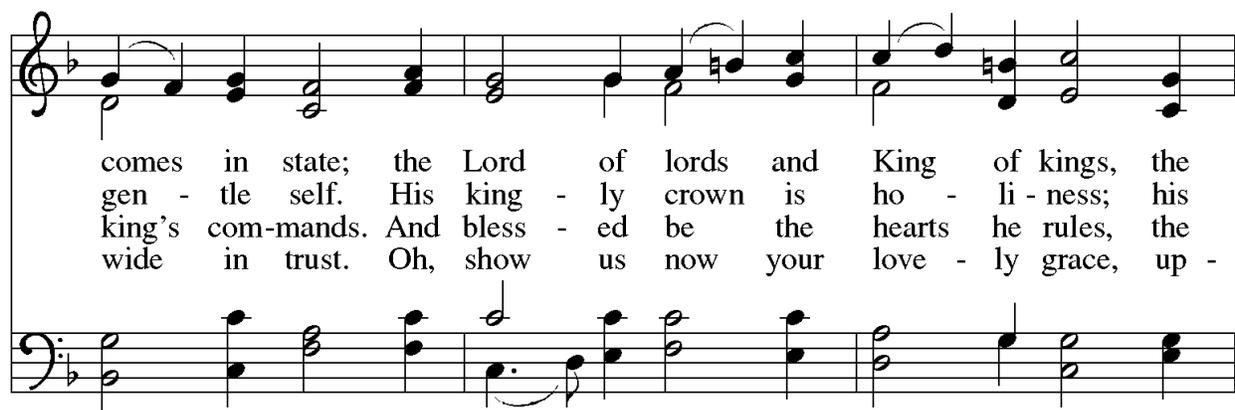
HYMN OF THE DAY: *Fling Wide the Door*

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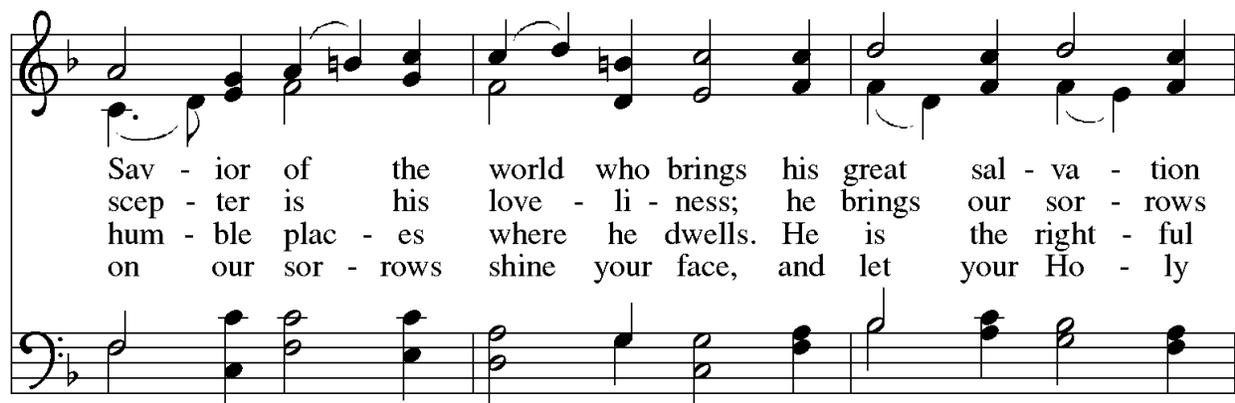
Fling Wide the Door



1 Fling wide the door, un - bar the gate; the King of glo - ry
2 He is the rock of our be - lief, the heart of mer - cy's
3 Oh, hap - py towns and bless - ed lands that live by their true
4 Come, Lord, our Sav - ior, Je - sus Christ; our hearts are o - pen



comes in state; the Lord of lords and King of kings, the
gen - tle self. His king - ly crown is ho - li - ness; his
king's com - mands. And bless - ed be the hearts he rules, the
wide in trust. Oh, show us now your love - ly grace, up -



Sav - ior of the world who brings his great sal - va - tion
scep - ter is his love - li - ness; he brings our sor - rows
hum - ble plac - es where he dwells. He is the right - ful
on our sor - rows shine your face, and let your Ho - ly

to the earth. So raise a shout of ho - ly mirth and
 to an end. Now glad - ly praise our king and friend, and
 Son of bliss who fills our lives and makes us his, cre -
 Spir - it guide our jour - ney in your grace so wide. We

praise our God and Lord, Cre - a - tor, Spir - it, Word.
 wor - ship him with song for sav - ing us from wrong.
 a - tor of the world, our on - ly strength for good.
 praise your ho - ly name, from age to age the same!

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The Nicene Creed is appropriate during Advent, Christmas, Easter, and on festival days; the Apostles' Creed during Lent and at other times.

NICENE CREED

☐ With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

☑ 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 and the Son,
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

- A** With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus,
let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.
- A** We pray for the church, for its pastors and other ministers, for the newly
baptized, for all the faithful, for this congregation here gathered, and for our
growth in grace.
Lord, in your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**
- A** We pray for all nations, for all rulers, legislators, and judges, for an increase
of justice in our lands, and for all who work for peace among nations and
among peoples.
Lord, in your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**
- A** We pray for all in any need, for the hungry and the homeless, for victims of
war and injustice, for prisoners, for all who suffer in mind, body, or spirit, for
the sick and infirm, for all with incurable illness, and for all who this day will
die. We pray especially for those we name in the silence of our hearts...
Lord, in your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**
- A** We pray for the members of our armed forces wherever they serve, and
especially when they serve in harm's way, that they might speedily complete
their mission and be safely reunited with their loved ones.
Lord, in your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**
- P** Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray,
trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.
- C** **Amen.**

PEACE

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C **And also with you.**

Worshippers do not greet one another. The service continues with the Offertory.

LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR

The Offering will be collected in the Narthex as you leave the church.

OFFERTORY



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right

spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your

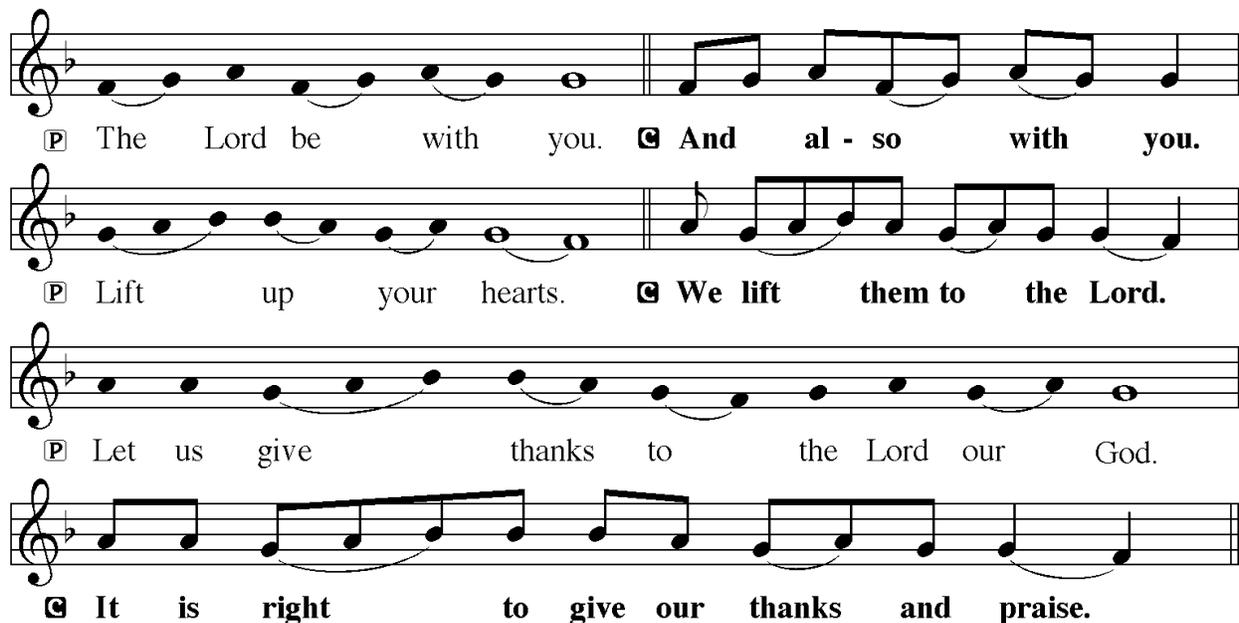
pres-ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re -

store un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,

and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The presiding minister greets the assembly and invites all present to give thanks:



¶ The Lord be with you. ☩ And al - so with you.

¶ Lift up your hearts. ☩ We lift them to the Lord.

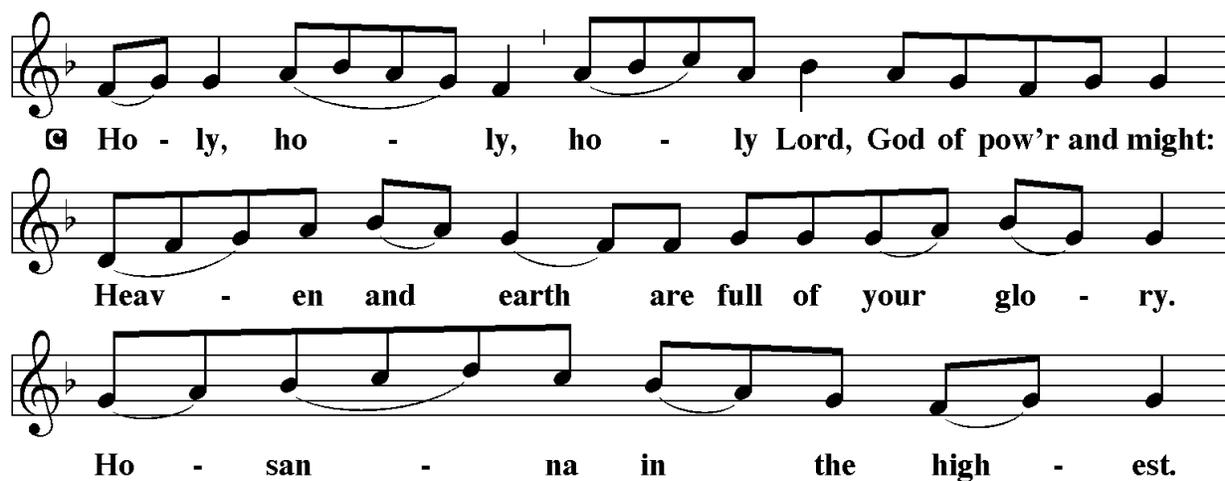
¶ Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

☩ It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The minister continues with the PROPER PREFACE:

¶ It is indeed right, our duty and our joy... *Here the minister continues with the preface for the day, concluding:* ...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

The assembly continues with the SANCTUS:



☩ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:

Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.

Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
 Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The WORDS OF INSTITUTION are sung to the music Blessed Martin Luther himself composed specifically for this purpose.

P IN THE NIGHT IN WHICH HE WAS BETRAYED,
 OUR LORD JESUS TOOK BREAD, AND GAVE THANKS;
 BROKE IT, AND GAVE IT TO HIS DISCIPLES, SAYING:
 TAKE AND EAT; THIS IS MY ✝ BODY, GIVEN FOR YOU.
 DO THIS FOR THE REMEMBRANCE OF ME.

AGAIN, AFTER SUPPER, HE TOOK THE CUP, GAVE THANKS,
 AND GAVE IT FOR ALL TO DRINK, SAYING:
 THIS CUP IS THE NEW COVENANT IN MY ✝ BLOOD,
 SHED FOR YOU AND FOR ALL PEOPLE FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SIN.
 DO THIS FOR THE REMEMBRANCE OF ME.

LORD'S PRAYER

P Lord, re-mem-ber us in your king-dom and teach us to pray.

G Our Fa ther, who art in heav en, Hal low - ed be thy Name,

Thy King-dom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in

heaven. Give us this day our dai-ly bread; And for-give us
our tres-pass-es, as we for-give those who trespass a-gainst us;
And lead us not in-to temp-ta-tion, But de-liv-er us from e - vil,
For thine is the king-dom, and the pow-er and the
glo - ry, for ev er and ev - er. A- men...

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

- P** Behold the Lamb of God,
behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.
- C** **Lord, I am not worthy
that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word
and my soul shall be healed.**

Sit

COMMUNION

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

and each person may respond

- R** Amen.

We Lutherans believe that the Body and Blood of Christ are “truly and substantially” present “in, with, and under” the forms of bread and wine. We invite to the communion all who are baptized and communing in this or another Christian denomination. We welcome children and others who are not communing to come forward for a blessing.

Music during Communion:

LAMB OF GOD (AGNUS DEI)

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. A - men

Later service only:

ANTHEM: *At Daybreak*

Lawton/Woods

Refrain: At daybreak, I will cry aloud to you.

O God, this is my prayer to you; you are listening – hear my voice!
I hold myself in readiness for you. In my waiting, I watch for you. (*Refrain*)

O God, in humble state I bow that I might come into your house,
Into your house, your house of prayer, in your goodness beyond compare. (*Refrain*)

O God, give ear unto my cry. I desire to know your ways.
I call on you, O hear my voice. In your wonders, I sing for joy. (*Refrain*)

Stand

BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

P The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ
strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A Let us pray.
We give you thanks, almighty God,
that you have refreshed us
through the healing power of this gift of life.
In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift,
in faith toward you
and in fervent love toward one another;
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING (BENEDICTION)



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.

C A - men, A - men, A - men.

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

HYMN: *Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory*

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Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory



1 Mine eyes have seen the glo - ry of the com - ing of the Lord;
 2 He has sound - ed forth the trum - pet that shall nev - er call re - treat;
 3 In the beau - ty of the lil - ies Christ was born a - cross the sea,



he is tram - pling out the vin - tage where the grapes of wrath are stored;
 he is sift - ing out the hearts of men be - fore his judg - ment seat.
 with a glo - ry in his bos - om that trans - fig - ures you and me.



he has loosed the fate - ful light - ning of his ter - ri - ble swift sword:
 Oh, be swift, my soul, to an - swer him; be ju - bi - lant, my feet!
 As he died to make men ho - ly, let us live to make men free,



his truth is march - ing on.
 Our God is march - ing on.
 while God is march - ing on.

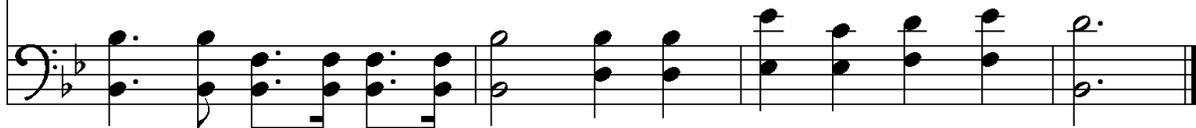
Refrain



Glo - ry, glo - ry! Hal - le - lu - jah! Glo - ry, glo - ry! Hal - le - lu - jah!



Glo - ry, glo - ry! Hal - le - lu - jah! His truth is march - ing on.



OFFERING

The offering will be collected as you leave the Church.

POSTLUDE: *Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying*

Chesterton



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The Christmas Cycle celebrates the events surrounding Christ's coming — the prophecies, his birth, his manifestation (epiphany) to the Gentiles, and his baptism — through the Advent season, the Christmas season, and the Epiphany season.

A Hymn of Praise is not appropriate during Advent because of the season's preparatory nature.

The liturgical color blue, symbolic of hope, is used for the Advent season.



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Worship Assistants

Ushers: Mike Beattie, Frank DePaul, Shane Elison, and Dick Allebach

Elevator Attendant: Mike Taylor

Lectors: 8:00 am: Laurie Mueller

10:30 am lessons: Mike Taylor 10:30 am prayers: Ruth Taylor

Communion Assistant: Gary Wessner

Altar Guild: 8:00 am: Debra Augustine and Sally Sweeney

10:30 am: Becky Quirk

Offering Tabulation: Debra Augustine, Brian O'Hara, and Chilly Lyaro

Video Production: Jim Lien, Jeannie Funk, or Jonathan Mueller

The Flowers that Adorn the Altar are given to the glory of God by John and Lois Robinson in loving memory of parents John and Milie Robinson.

The Sanctuary Candle is given to the glory of God by Nancee Clelland in honor of her children and grandchildren.

The Worship Bulletins are given to the glory of God by Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kerr in loving memory of grandparents.

SAVE THE DATE: *Our Community Christmas Concert* will be held on December 11th at 4:00 pm in the brick church. The choir will be accompanied by the Blue Line String quartet, flute, "Harp", and percussion. If you'd like to sing in the concert, please contact Laurie Mueller at Music@augustustrappe.org.

NEW FROM THE OUTREACH COMMITTEE! A Pair of Doves spiritually represent love, friendship, and peace. When two doves couple together, they enter into partnership for a lifetime. A pair of doves can signify a union of two or more people or entities with a positive outlook for the future. At Christmas, people tend to remember those that have gone before them. If you are thinking of someone special this Christmas Season, we will be offering you two free remembrance doves in memory of that person. One to keep to adorn your Christmas Tree reminding you of their presence throughout the season, and one to leave at Augustus adorning the Christmas Tree in the nave to remind you that they are with Jesus, the one we are celebrating at Christmas.

FOR THOSE WHO WE HOLD CLOSE TO OUR HEARTS AT CHRISTMAS
 a free gift and token of remembrance and hope



Advent Remembrance Doves

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Nov. 27
8:00 & 10:30 AM

OUTREACH COMMITTEE! Back by popular demand, the Outreach Committee is re-releasing boxed Christmas Cards by the famed local artist, Julia Longacre. The re-release has been remastered, enhanced, and printed on archival paper suitable for framing. The inside verse of the cards have "'Unto Us a Child is Born, Unto Us a Son is Given' Isaiah 9:6" annotated on them. A box of 8 cards will be on sale for only \$ 20.00. The cards are anticipated to sell quickly. To obtain yours, contact Brian at brian.ohara24@gmail.com.

OLD TRAPPE CHURCH CHRISTMAS CARDS
 Featuring the watercolor by local artist Julia Longacre
Remastered & Enhanced for the 2022 Release!
 Printed on archival paper suitable for framing
 Verse Inside: "Unto Us a Child is Born, Unto Us a Son is Given" Isaiah 9:6
 Available in the Muhlenberg Center in November 2022
 or contact Brian O'Hara at brian.ohara24@gmail.com

COMING SOON!
 WHILE SUPPLIES LAST!



\$ 20.00
 per box of 8

Christmas Poinsettias: Building on last year's success, the **Outreach Committee** is hard at work planning more 'surprises' for your Christmas worship experience. Various church committees, organizations, and community businesses are working to unite us all in the Spirit of Christmas. We invite you to join us! Please prayerfully consider buying at least one poinsettia from the Worship & Music committee's annual sale (order form below!). If you can, consider purchasing more than one. These beautiful plants liven up our sanctuary both in person, and for those watching from home.

If you indicate that you would like your plants distributed to others, the Outreach Committee will tag them with a message of hope and distribute them at an assisted living home to let the residents know that Augustus cares about them. We appreciate every one of your donations, and nothing will go to waste. We hope you will join the many committees at Augustus in making this holiday season truly spectacular both within and outside our church home.



2022 Christmas Poinsettia Order Form

Mail to: Karen Lachenmayer
412 Dartmoor Road
Schwenksville, Pa. 19473

Phone: 610-715-4850
E-mail: karenlachenmayer@gmail.com

ORDER DEADLINE: Sunday, December 11, 2023

NAME _____

CONTACT INFO: _____

COLOR	QUANTITY		TOTAL \$
RED	_____	@ \$11.00 ea	_____
WHITE	_____	@ \$11.00 ea	_____

Check One:

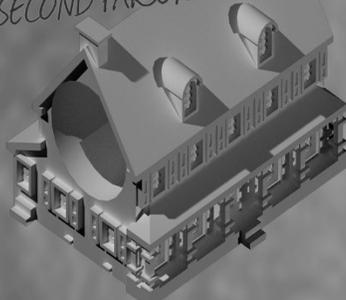
- _____ I will take my plants after the 9:00 P.M. Service 12/24.
 _____ Please distribute my plants to others.

I would like the bulletin acknowledgement to read:

TRAPPE CHARMS

CHARMING CHARMS FROM THE TINY TOWN OF TRAPPE

NEW RELEASE!!!
 COMING SOON!
 SECOND PARSONAGE CHARM!!!

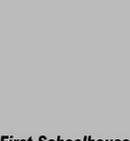
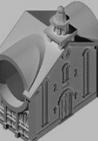


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- *STERLING SILVER
- *FITS "PANDORA" STYLE BRACELETS
- *IDENTIFICATION INSCRIBED (ON THE UNDERSIDE)
- *NOW TAKING ORDERS - (LIMITED QUANTITIES AVAILABLE ON HAND)
- *COLLECT THEM ALL! (ADDITIONAL CHARMS TO BE RELEASED AT FUTURE DATES)
- *MAKES A GREAT GIFT!
- *TO PLACE AN ORDER:
 CONTACT BRIAN O'HARA AT:
 BRIAN.OHARA24@GMAIL.COM

AUGUSTUS CHARMS

PROCEEDS BENEFIT CHURCH OUTREACH

 Old Trappe Church \$80	 Church Well	 First Schoolhouse	 First Parsonage	 First Muhlenberg House
 Brick Church \$80	 Carriagehouse	 Third Schoolhouse	 Second Parsonage \$80	 Third Muhlenberg House

WOMEN OF ELCA CHARMS

PROCEEDS BENEFIT AUGUSTUS WOMEN OF ELCA

 Women of ELCA Logo \$85	 Just Love Logo \$85			
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NEW TRAPPE "PANDORA STYLE" CHARM - Anticipated

Release Date: Sport your local pride with monuments of the local landmarks. The charms are made from sterling silver and are designed by a local artist. A new charm is currently in the design process. The charm will be the second parsonage and current parsonage of Augustus. The charms are made of sterling silver and they make a great gift. We are anticipating it to be released around Thanksgiving weekend and in time for the Christmas season. Look for additional details to come. Additional charms will be released in the future. However, you can still get any one of the charms we released in the past, such as the famous Old Trappe Church charm or the Augustus Brick Church Charm. We also have several charms designed for the Augustus Women's Ministry. A limited supply of charms is on hand at any giving time. If you are interested in purchasing a charm, please reach out to

Brian O'Hara at brian.ohara24@gmail.com or stop by Augustus Lutheran Church on Sundays for the 10:30 and ask for Brian. Proceeds benefit Augustus Outreach Ministries.

For questions about this event or to place your reservations,
contact: brian.ohara24@gmail.com

1st Annual Christmas Decorating Party

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PREPARE AUGUSTUS LUTHERAN CHURCH FOR CHRISTMAS



17
DECEMBER
SATURDAY



at
9.30
am

* Help decorate the facilities of the church, both inside and outside *

* Lunch and Christmas Treats will be provided *

* Look for the sign-up sheet in the Muhlenberg Center *

A social outing for all congregants, family, & friends of Augustus

First Annual Augustus Family Christmas Party!: Join the Augustus Family in preparing the House of the Lord for the Christmas Season. It takes many hands to get the church ready and we definitely need your help to make it happen! From decorating the tree in the nave, to hanging the garland and wreaths, there is lots to do in a short period of time. Additionally, in building off of last year's success, we will have a few more 'surprises' that we will unveil for your worship experience at this special time of the year. All of the holiday enhancements around our campus entice visitors that are looking for the 'old fashioned family Christmas'. We will also be serving lunch...because a party without food is just a meeting. Look for details in the near future and a sign-up sheet in the Muhlenberg Center. Contact Brian O'Hara or 610-489-0417 for more details. The event is sponsored by the **Outreach Committee** and is open to the entire Augustus Lutheran Church Family.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Participating youth attend
Sunday School at 9:00 AM



December 18, 2022
10:30 AM

SPECIAL GIFT
FOR ALL CHILDREN!!!



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AUGUSTUS

LUTHERAN

CHURCH

Sunday Services: 8:00 AM Communion * 9:00 AM Sunday School * 10:30 AM Communion

Sunday School Christmas Pageant! Nothing is more precious than watching a children's production at Christmas. You will not want to miss this event! The Augustus Lutheran Church Sunday School will perform their annual Christmas Pageant during the 10:30 AM service on Sunday December 18, 2022 in the Brick Church. This is a fantastic church service for both adults and children alike and enjoyed by all. Start your Christmas family tradition at Augustus!

*** ALL CHILDREN WILL RECEIVE A SPECIAL GIFT, COURTESY OF
AUGUSTUS LUTHERAN CHURCH! ***

Christmas Day Services

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LESSONS & CAROLS

December 25, 2022 9:30 AM

WELCA will accept donations in the box in the Muhlenberg Center through December 4. Thank you for your support of this wonderful ministry!



2022 Gift Wish List

Toys

- Large and medium-sized stuffed animals
- Small and medium-sized Squishmallow stuffed animals
- Games – Checkers, Chess, Jenga, Connect 4, UNO, Monopoly, Scrabble, Trouble, and Sorry are favorites
- LEGO sets
- Pokémon cards and toys
- Minecraft toys
- Superhero action figures
- LOL dolls and Rainbow High dolls
- Remote controlled vehicles
- Beyblades and Beyblades arenas
- Playing cards and card games
- Rubik's cubes
- Fidget toys – spinners, pop-its, tangles
- Dream Lites or other soft night lights
- Books for children and teens
- Wireless headphones/earbuds
- Small Bluetooth speakers
- Puzzles

Arts & Crafts

- Craft kits
- Crayola art kits
- Gel pen sets
- Crayons, markers, and colored pencils
- Fuzzy posters to color
- Coloring books and large coloring pages
- Sketch books and drawing paper – non-spiral bound
- Journals – no locks and non-spiral bound
- Origami kits and origami paper

Clothing & Personal Care

- Pajama sets for boys and girls – youth sizes M-XL and adult sizes S-L
- Hooded sweatshirts for girls and boys – youth sizes 12-18 and adult sizes S-L. Nike, Adidas, Champion, and Fila are favorite brands
- Adidas or Nike slide style sandals – youth and adult sizes
- Crocs and Crocs-style sandals – youth and adult sizes
- Adjustable baseball hats – Nike and Philly sports teams are favorites
- Athletic socks – Nike, Adidas, Champion, and Fila are favorites
- Athletic tights – youth sizes L-XL and adult sizes S-L
- Hairbrushes and combs
- Nail polish, press on nails, lip gloss, lip balm, and makeup
- Toiletry gift sets with body wash, shampoo, conditioner, & deodorant. Dove, Axe, and Bath and Body Works are favorites. Plastic bottles only
- Plastic water bottles – Contigo and Camelback brands are favorites
- Winter coats – youth & adult sizes
- Children's weighted blankets

Sports

- Footballs, basketballs, and kickballs/playground balls
- Football gloves – youth and adult sizes
- Basketball shooting sleeves – youth and adult sizes
- Football, basketball, and baseball cards and binders/books for collecting cards
- Fitness watches

During the holiday season, as well as all year long, Gemma strives to grant as many wishes as possible. Even if some of the children's wishes are not simple to fill, we work to ensure that each child feels valued, cared for, and heard. Last year, with the help of friends like you, we were able to fulfill the holiday wishes of more than 400 children and 180 families! Will you help Gemma fulfill gift requests from "our" youth and families this holiday season?

Please consider these ways you might help:

- **Make a generous financial gift** in the spirit of the holidays to support deserving children and families.
- **Suggest to friends or family members** that they make a charitable gift to Gemma in your honor.
- **Donate a gift card** to help Gemma's children and families have a bright holiday, and to also provide support throughout the year. The most useful are \$25 gift cards to ShopRite, Walmart, Amazon, Target, Five Below, Marshalls/TJ Maxx, and Wawa.
- **Provide a gift for a child.** A wish list of gifts can be found on the back of this letter or on Amazon (<https://bit.ly/GemmaNeeds>). **We ask that all gifts are new and unwrapped, please.**

been away from church?
RECONNECT!

Christmas Eve Candlelight Services

December 24th 5:00 PM, 7:00 PM, & 9:00 PM

OLD TRAPPE CHURCH

December 24, 5:00 PM **Candlelight Living Nativity**
Candlelit pathways, Lessons & Carols

December 24, 7:00 PM **Candlelight Family Service**
Candlelit pathways, Lessons & Carols

HEATED BRICK CHURCH

December 24, 9:00 PM **Candlelight, Lessons, Carols, & Communion**
Newly restored and enhanced Christmas embellishments adorning the nave

December 25, 9:30 AM **Lessons & Carols**

FREE GIFT!!!
for all attendees

Step back in time with our candlelit pathways, gas lamps wrapped in greens, and candlelight Christmas Eve Services in Historic Old Trappe Church! All services in Old Trappe Church are in a 1743 unheated and unelectrified Colonial Church.

Please dress accordingly and remember your flashlights!



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Start your Christmas Family Tradition at Augustus



Enjoy a traditional Christmas Eve Holy Communion Service in the heated Brick Church with lessons, carols, and special music

Christmas Eve Services: Start your Christmas family tradition at Augustus with our candlelit pathways, gas lamps wrapped in greens, and Candlelight Christmas Eve Services in Historic Old Trappe Church! A Living Nativity will be presented at the 5:00 PM service, a family service with carols and lessons at 7:00 PM, and a communion service in our heated Brick Church with newly restored and enhanced Christmas Embellishments adorning the nave at 9:00 PM. All services in Old Trappe Church are in a 1743 unheated and unelectrified Colonial Church. Please dress accordingly and remember your flashlights!

****ATTENDEES TO THE CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES WILL RECEIVE A SPECIAL GIFT, COURTESY OF AUGUSTUS LUTHERAN CHURCH! ****