

First Lutheran Church

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Fourth Sunday of Advent December 24, 2017 GATHERING

PRELUDE Barb Hanson

BELLS

WELCOME SONG Comfort, Comfort Now My People LBW 29

(vs 1)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS Screen

GATHERING HYMN Oh, Come, Oh, Come, Emmanuel

LBW 34

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 (please speak)

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come.

C: With your abundant grace and might, free us from the sin that would obstruct your mercy, that willingly we may bear your redeeming love to all the world, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD

FIRST READING 2Samuel 7:1-11,16

SECOND READING Romans 16:25-27
CHILDREN'S SERMON Jesus Loves Me. This I Know Pr. Carleton

ADVENT WREATH LIGHTING Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah

WOV 630

RESPONSE "Glory to you, O Lord." (please speak) LBW pg. 63

RESPONSE "Praise to you, O Christ." (please speak)

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

Savior of the Nations, Come

(vs 1-3)

LBW pg. 63

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LBW 28

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

P: Lord, in your mercy, C: hear our prayer.

MEAL

PEACE

GOSPEL

OFFERING ELCA Good Gifts Mission of the month

OFFERTORY PRAYER

P: Lord of Advent,

C: Accept the offerings we bring this day, the work of our hands, the gifts of our labor, our lives to serve you. Gladden our hearts as we watch for your coming and help us to share that gladness with all. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (please speak) Screen
EUCHARISTIC PRAYER Screen

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER (please sing) Screen

DISTRIBUTION (intinction) Congregation Response COMMUNION MUSIC Listen, God is Calling!

Screen

Luke 1:26-38

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

SENDING

BENEDICTION C: Amen

BELLS

SENDING SONG My Soul Proclaims Your Greatness WOV 730

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. The Lord is coming soon.

C: Amen. Come Lord Jesus.

POSTLUDE Barb Hanson

^{*} denotes a favorite hymn

This Week's Bible Readings				
Mon	Isaiah 62:6-12, Psalm 9, Titus 3:4-7, Luke 2:[1-7]8-20			
Tue	Psalm 148, Jeremiah 26:1-9, 12-15, Acts 6:8-15; 7:51-60			
Wed	Psalm 148, Exodus 33:18-23,1 John 1:1-9			
Thu	Psalm 148, Jeremiah 31:15-17, Matthew 2:13-18			
Fri	Psalm 148, Isaiah 49:5-15, Matthew 12:46-50			
Sat	Psalm 148, Proverbs 9:1-12, Isaiah 61:10-62:3			
Sun	Isaiah 61:10-62:3, Psalm 148, Galatians 4:4-7, Luke 2:22-40I			

Service Assistants

	This Week	Next Week
Greeters	Everyone	Everyone
Ushers	Mike & Carol Jones	Mike & Carol Jones
Acolyte	Kiera Andress	Elliot Harris
Reader	Mike Jones	Bernie Beck
Communion	Carol Jones	Bernie Beck

ANNOUNCEMENTS December 24, 2017

When emailing pastor please use the csmee001@luthersem.edu address.

Parish Christmas Day Worship 10:00 FLC.

Newsletter info – please send/give to Jan Knutson: <u>jknutsonak@arvig.net</u> or Phyllis Deer <u>phylcdeer@yahoo.com</u>

PLEASE help with the **cleaning of the church**. The sign-up sheet is in the narthex. You don't have to commit to an entire month. If you have questions, please contact someone on the maintenance committee.

November Income: \$3,636.99 November Expenses: \$4,327.14 Prayer Concerns: The family of Barb Doerring, The Pine Point School & the White Earth Indian Reservation, Angie Kunnari (Friend of Angel Rettke), Shawn Karl, David Lenander, Jan Hirsh (friend of Owen and Jan Knutson), Ted Bartel & Dolly Adams (cousins of Phyllis Deer), Carole Ann Morris, Carl & Linda Anderson, Christine Slagle (Carl Anderson's God Daughter), Shawn Andress, Austin Peet (friend of Debbie Hodapp,) Lexi Wheeler (Jim & Gloria Thomsen's granddaughter), Torey Meyer, Tad Trottier (friend of Knutsons), Shelly West (daughter of Barb Doerring), Merub Morris (friend of Synstegards), Dorothy Pohl, Tim Cooper, Shirley Davies (aunt of Peg Davies), Dennis Sweeney (brother of Linda Anderson), Futz (friend of Tom Synstegard), Dennis Lecy (friend of Peg Davies), Chad Jarman (Lorna Cooper's friend), Jennifer Lyons (Carol Jones's niece), Wayne Hruby (Dorothy Pohl's friend), Ryan Lau, Linda Husby, Hannah Gass (granddaughter of Larry Gass), Jim & Lorrie Bergquist, Annika Mae Feist (grandniece of Lorna Cooper), Joy & Tim Atwater (Carol Jones's sister & brotherin-law), Judy Gerdts (friend of Peg Davies), Jerry Johnson, (Jeanette Johnson's son), Shawn Semmler (Rachelle Krotzer's brother)

Welcome!

We are blessed by the presence of every individual as we are called together to worship God. Everyone is invited to the Lord's Table.

Opportunities This Week				
No Sunday School	9:15 AM			
Coffee Fellowship	9:30 AM			
Worship Service	10:30 AM			
Parish Christmas Worship at FLC	10:00			
AA Meeting	8:00 PM			
Pr. Carleton's office hours at FLC	9:00 - 12:00 AM			
UCAN Office	10:00 - 12:00 AM			
Men's Breakfast & Bible study – BLC	7:30 AM			
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