

# Christ Lutheran

December 27, 2020



# First Sunday After Christmas

## Welcome

### Opening Song/Hymn

"**Angels from the Realms of Glory**" LSB 367  
"**Hark the Herald Angels Sing**" LSB 380 (Online)

### Invocation, Confession, & Absolution

P: O Lord, open my lips,

**C: and my mouth will declare Your praise.**

P: Make haste, O God, to deliver me;

**C: make haste to help me, O Lord.**

P: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;

**C: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

P: O Lord, have mercy.

**C: O Christ, have mercy.**

P: O Lord, have mercy.

**C: Hear my prayer, O Lord; let my cry come to You.**

P: In the day of my trouble I will call upon You,

**C: for You answer me.**

P: Hide Your face from my sins,

**C: and blot out all my iniquities.**

P: Create in me a clean heart, O God,

**C: and renew a right spirit within me.**

P: Cast me not away from Your presence,

**C: and take not Your Holy Spirit from me.**

P: Restore to me the joy of Your salvation,

**C: and uphold me with a willing spirit.**

P: Because Your steadfast love is better than life,

**C: my lips will praise You.**

P: For You have been my help,

**C: and in the shadow of Your wings I will sing for joy.**

P: Teach me Your way, O Lord, that I may walk in Your truth;

**C: unite my heart to fear Your name.**

P: I give thanks to You, O Lord my God, with my whole heart,

**C: and I will glorify Your name forever.**

P: May all who seek You rejoice and be glad in You.

**C: May those who love Your salvation say evermore, "God is great!"**

P: Save Your people and bless Your heritage!

**C: Be their shepherd and carry them forever.**

P: Give ear, O Lord, to my prayer;

**C: listen to my plea for grace.**

P: Almighty God... in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

## **Song Of Praise**

**"Joy To The World (Unspeakable Joy)" (Praise Team)**

## **The 12 Days of Christmas Reading**

L: The reading for the Third day of Christmas, to continue our 12 Days of Christmas journey is from Isaiah 52:7-10.

"How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings good news, who publishes peace, who brings good news of happiness, who publishes salvation, who says to Zion, "Your God reigns."

The voice of your watchmen—they lift up their voice; together they sing for joy; for eye to eye they see the return of the Lord to Zion.

Break forth together into singing, you waste places of Jerusalem, for the Lord has comforted his people; he has redeemed Jerusalem.

The Lord has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all the nations, and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God."

L: This is the Word of the Lord

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **The Children's Chat**

### **The Holy Gospel**

**Luke 2:13-17, 28-32**

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying,

"Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!"

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." And they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby lying in a manger. And when they saw it, they made known the saying that had been told them concerning this child.

Likewise, just as it was in the days of Lot—they were eating and drinking, buying and selling, planting and building, but on the day when Lot went out from Sodom, fire and sulfur rained from heaven and destroyed them all—so will it be on the day when the Son of Man is revealed. On that day, let the one who is on the housetop, with his goods in the house, not come down to take them away, and likewise let the one who is in the field not turn back. Remember Lot's wife.

P: This is the Gospel of our Lord

**C: Praise to You, O Christ. Alleluia!**

## The Affirmation of Faith

## The Nicene Creed

**C:** I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## Message Song/Hymn

"**Angels We Have Heard on High**" (Praise Team)  
"**Angels We Have Heard on High**" LSB 368 (Online)

## Message

**"Go and See"**

## We Go to God in Prayer

P: Lord, in Your mercy:

**C: Hear our prayer.**

## The Lord's Prayer

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

**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.**

## The Lord's Supper

### **The Words of Institution**

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

**C: And also with you.**

P: The gifts of God for you, God's people.

**C: Amen.**

## **We Ask God's Blessings on This Holy Meal** Psalm 145:14-16

P: At Your gracious invitation we come. Lord Jesus, bless us and these Your gifts!

**C: The eyes of all look to You, O Lord, and You give them their food in due season. For You open Your hand and satisfy the desires of every living thing. Amen.**

### **DISTRIBUTION SONGS**

**"Now Sing We Now Rejoice"** LSB 386

**"Christmas Offering"** (Praise Team)

**"Infant Holy Infant Lowly"** (Praise Team)

**"Lo How a Rose Er' Blooming"** LSB 359

### **The Post Communion Prayer**

P: Almighty and everlasting God,

**C: We thank and praise You for feeding us the life-giving body and blood of Your Beloved Son, Jesus Christ.**

P: Send us Your Holy Spirit that, having with our mouths received the Holy Sacrament, we may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal.

**C: Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

### **Sending**

**All: My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God, my Savior.**

P: For he has regarded the lowliness of His handmaiden.

**C: For behold, from this day all generations will call me blessed.**

P: For the Mighty One has done great things to me, and holy is His name;

**C: and His mercy is on those who fear Him from generation to generation.**

**All: My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God, my Savior.**

P: He has shown strength with His arm; He has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

**C: He has cast down the mighty from their thrones and has exalted the lowly.**

P: He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich He has sent empty away.

**C: He has helped His servant Israel in remembrance of His mercy as He spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and his seed forever.**

P: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;

**C: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

**All: My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God, my Savior.**

P: Go in peace; serve the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ... be with you all.

**C: Amen.**

### **Closing Hymn**

**"Gentle Mary Laid Her Child"** LSB 374

**"Go Tell It on the Mountain"** LSB 388

What was my favorite part of church today?



How can I use this in my life?

Unscramble Words from the Scripture Readings

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You are a light  
unto the gentiles



blessed, light, spirit, holy  
answers: glory, adoption,

## **The Hymnal Project**

"In early 2017, a group of artists, arrangers, and liturgists, led by Peter Prochnow, were commissioned through the Michigan District, LCMS to create several new hymn arrangements, based on the original music, intended to facilitate enhanced worship in a multitude of modern musical contexts.

The spirit of the project is simple: Hymns are arranged with various instrumentations and made available free of charge, in the form of a lead sheet and reference recording, so whether you learn by reading or by hearing, you can easily implement these arrangements and modify for your context without cost.

We are grateful for the generosity of the donors, Carl and Patsy Fabry, in partnership with the Michigan District, LCMS."

**The hymn videos used during worship can be found here:**

**<https://vimeo.com/showcase/6931887>**

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