

# First Sunday in Advent

November 30, 2025

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## Liturgy: Bread of Life (WOV V)

## Gathering

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God*

### Welcome & Announcements & Land Acknowledgement

#### Baptism Hymn ELW # 732 - Borning Cry

#### Baptisms of Sammie Xiangchan Sun, Ike Yike Lui and Eva Yifan Liu

P: God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, the church, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world. Living with Christ and in the community of God's people, we grow in faith, love, and obedience to the will of God.

Mogens and Lily: I present Eva Yifan Liu / Ike Yike Liu for baptism.

Kate: I present Sammie Xiangchan Sun for baptism.

P: Ike, Eva, Sammie called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to be baptized into Christ?

Each candidate responds: I do.

P: Shanhui and Sammie, as Ike and Eva receive the gift of baptism, we entrust you with responsibilities:  
to live with them among God's faithful people,  
bring them to the word of God and the holy supper,  
teach them the Lord's Prayer, the Creed,  
and the Ten Commandments,  
place in their hands the holy scriptures,  
and nurture them in faith and prayer,  
so that they may learn to trust God,  
proclaim Christ through word and deed,  
care for others and the world God made,  
and work for justice and peace.

Do you promise to help Ike and Eva grow in the Christian faith and life?

Response: I do.

P: Mogens, Lily, and Kate, do you promise to nurture Ike, Eva, and Sammie in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help them live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

Response: I do.

P: People of God, do you promise to support Ike and Eva and Sammie, and pray for them in their new life in Christ?

C: **We do.**

P: Only by God's grace can we renounce the forces of evil and the power of sin and confess our faith in the triune God.

Ike and Eva, do you say "No" to all the things that pull you away from God?

Ike and Eva: I say "No".

P: Sammie, Do you renounce the devil and all the forces  
that defy God,  
the powers of this world that rebel against God,  
and the ways of sin that draw you from God?

Sammie: I renounce them.

P: Ike and Eva, do you say "Yes" to God who promises to love you  
always and forever?

Ike and Eva: I say "Yes".

P: Sammie, together with all the people of God present here, do you believe in God the Father?

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

P: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

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

P: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

C: **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.**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P: We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom.

At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that Ike, Eva, and Sammie who are washed here in the waters of baptism may be given new life, and know the joy of following Jesus with us and all the baptized. To you be given honour and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

P: Ike, Eva, Sammie, I baptize you in the name of the Father,  
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

**C: You belong to Christ,  
in whom you have been baptized.  
Alleluia.**

P: Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughters and sons new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life.

Sustain Ike, Eva, and Sammie with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

P: Ike, Eva, Sammie, Child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

**C: Amen.**

A: Jesus said, I am the light of the world.  
Whoever follows me  
will have the light of life.

P: Let us welcome our newly baptized brother and sisters.

**C: We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share:  
join us in giving thanks and praise to God and  
bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.**

### **You are God's Child – A Baptismal Hymn**

You are God's child most dear  
Your pray'rs God will always hear  
As long as you live  
God will love and forgive  
and bless you, O child most dear

God has chosen you.  
By water you're born anew.  
It touches your face,  
A sign of God's grace.  
Freely given to you.

All who are gathered today.  
Will guide you along the way.

Through Jesus, God's Son we are made one,  
one in Spirit, loving and serving,  
we are one fam'ly today.

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**Gathering Song ACS # 901 Now the Heavens Start to Whisper**

1 Now the heav - ens start to whis - per, as the veil is grow - ing thin.  
2 Heav - y clouds that block the moon - light now be - gin to drift a - way.  
3 Christ, e - ter - nal Sun of jus - tice, Christ, the rose of wis - dom's seed,

Earth from slum - ber wakes to lis - ten to the stir - ring, faint with - in:  
Dia - mond bril - liance through the dark - ness shines the hope of com - ing day.  
come to bless with fire and fra - grance hours of yearn - ing, hurt, and need.

seed of prom - ise, deep - ly plant - ed, child to spring from Jes - se's stem!  
Christ, the morn - ing star of splen - dor, gleams with - in a world grown dim.  
In the lone - ly, in the strang - er, in the out - cast, hid from view;

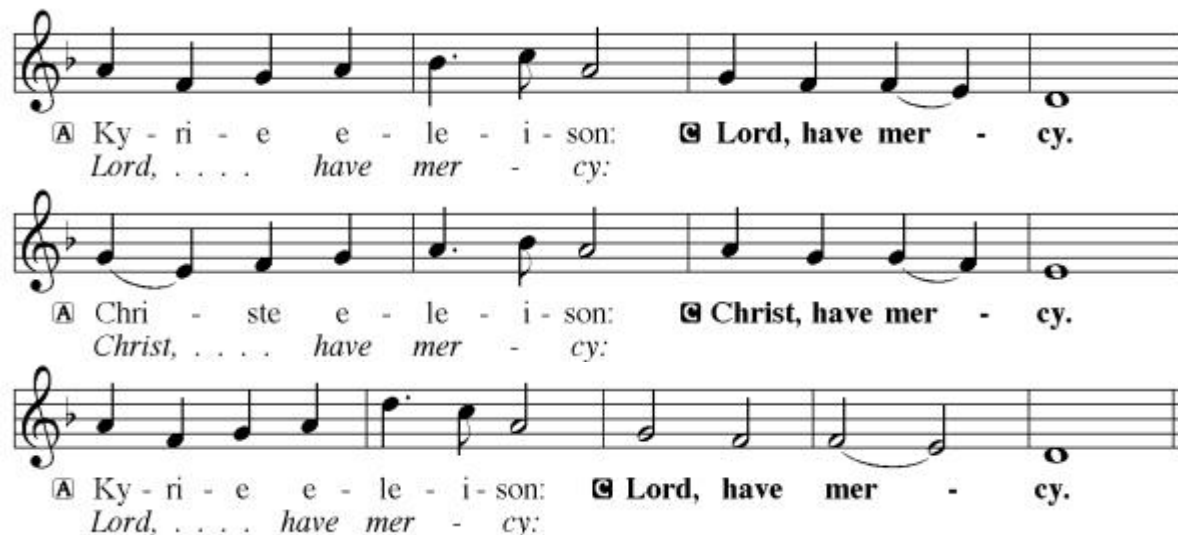
Like the soil be - neath the frost - line, hearts grow soft to wel - come him.  
Heav - en's em - ber fans to full - ness; hearts grow warm to wel - come him.  
Child who comes to grace the man - ger, teach our hearts to wel - come you.

## Greeting

L: 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 p.28



Three staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. Each staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The notes are: Staff 1: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F#4, E4, D4. Staff 2: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F#4, E4, D4. Staff 3: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F#4, E4, D4.

**A** Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **G** Lord, have mer - cy.  
Lord, . . . . have mer - cy:

**A** Chri - ste e - le - i - son: **G** Christ, have mer - cy.  
Christ, . . . . have mer - cy:

**A** Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **G** Lord, have mer - cy.  
Lord, . . . . have mer - cy:

## Glory to God p.29



Seven staves of musical notation in D major (two sharps) and 4/4 time. Each staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#). The notes are: Staff 1: D4, E4, F#4, G4, A4, B4, C#5, B4, A4, G4, F#4, E4, D4. Staff 2: D4, E4, F#4, G4, A4, B4, C#5, B4, A4, G4, F#4, E4, D4. Staff 3: D4, E4, F#4, G4, A4, B4, C#5, B4, A4, G4, F#4, E4, D4. Staff 4: D4, E4, F#4, G4, A4, B4, C#5, B4, A4, G4, F#4, E4, D4. Staff 5: D4, E4, F#4, G4, A4, B4, C#5, B4, A4, G4, F#4, E4, D4. Staff 6: D4, E4, F#4, G4, A4, B4, C#5, B4, A4, G4, F#4, E4, D4. Staff 7: D4, E4, F#4, G4, A4, B4, C#5, B4, A4, G4, F#4, E4, D4.

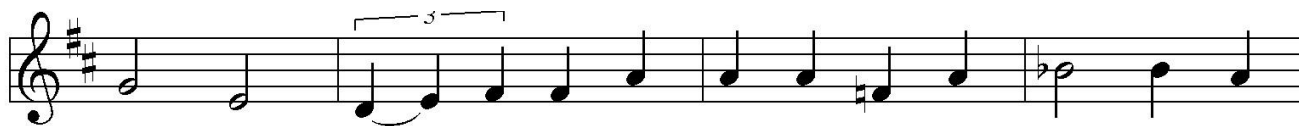
**G** Glo- ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;  
glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

**I** Lord God, heav-en - ly king, al-might- y God and Fa- ther, we  
wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

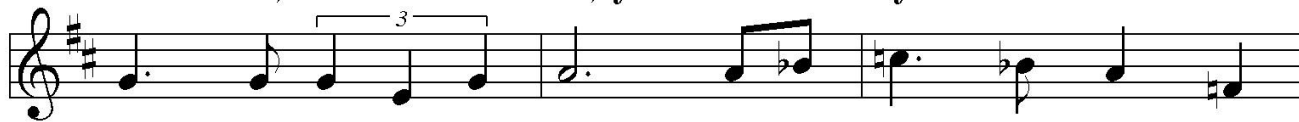
**G** Glo- ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;  
glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



II Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,



Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



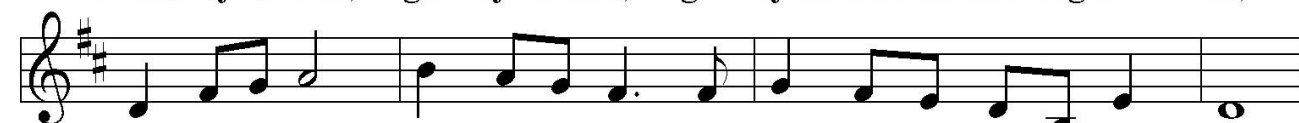
world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the



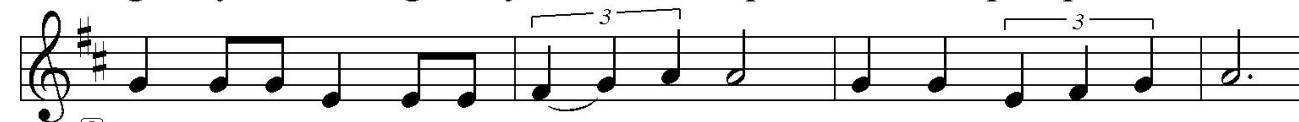
right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



☐ Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



I For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly



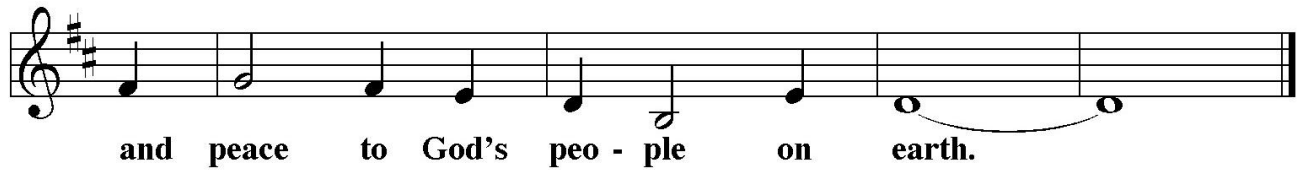
Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther, A - men.



☐ Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth,



P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

## Prayer of the Day

## Word

*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song*

## Children's Time and Lighting of the Advent Wreath ELW # 253 – He Came Down

*All sing the first verse only while the Candle is being lit.*

1 He came down that we may have love; he came down that we may have love;  
he came down that we may have love; hal-le-lu-jah for-ev-er-more.

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## 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!"*

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

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

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

P: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 122

Refrain:

Let your face shine up - on us, and we shall be saved.

L: I was glad when they said to me,  
     'Let us go to the house of the Lord!'  
 Our feet are standing  
     within your gates, O Jerusalem.

C: **Refrain**

L: Jerusalem—built as a city  
     that is bound firmly together.  
 To it the tribes go up,  
     the tribes of the Lord,  
 as was decreed for Israel,  
     to give thanks to the name of the Lord.  
 For there the thrones for judgement were set up,  
     the thrones of the house of David.

C: **Refrain**

L: Pray for the peace of Jerusalem:  
     'May they prosper who love you.  
 Peace be within your walls,  
     and security within your towers.'  
 For the sake of my relatives and friends  
     I will say, 'Peace be within you.'  
 For the sake of the house of the Lord our God,



I will seek your good.

**C: Refrain**

**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.*

Besides 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; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armour of light; let us live honourably as in the day, not in revelling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarrelling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

**L:** The word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Acclamation p.31**



**L:** The holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 24<sup>th</sup> chapter.

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

**Gospel Reading: 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.*

[Jesus said to the disciples] But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But 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. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.

**L:** The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**Sermon**

## Hymn of the Day There is a Mighty Question (Tune # 820 – O Savior, Precious Savior)

There is a mighty question we ask when nations rage:  
Just when will be Christ's coming, the ending of the age?  
Take care, said Jesus clearly, for many will appear;  
They'll claim to be Messiah, yet people should not fear.

For in the days of Noah, the people went along  
In eating and in drinking, in merriment and song —  
Then suddenly the world changed with great, surprising power;  
So too will be Christ's coming, and no one knows the hour.

So keep awake and watchful; salvation is at hand!  
Our hope is in Christ Jesus, and by God's grace we stand.  
The night is almost over, we wait for God's new day,  
And through the Holy Spirit, we follow Jesus' way.

Be ready in your living, for when you feed the poor,  
Or give to thirsty children the water they long for,  
And when you welcome strangers and help the ones in need,  
Christ says: "Receive my kingdom, for you are serving me."

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## Prayers of Intercession

*After each petition, the pastor will say "God of hope" and the congregation will respond "hear our prayer."*

## Sharing of the Peace

**L:** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C:** **And also with you.**

*All are invited to share a sign of peace with those around them, as we recognize the image of God in each other.*

## Meal

*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ*

## Offering Prayer

### Dialogue p.36

**P:** The Lord be with you.

**C:** **And also with you.**

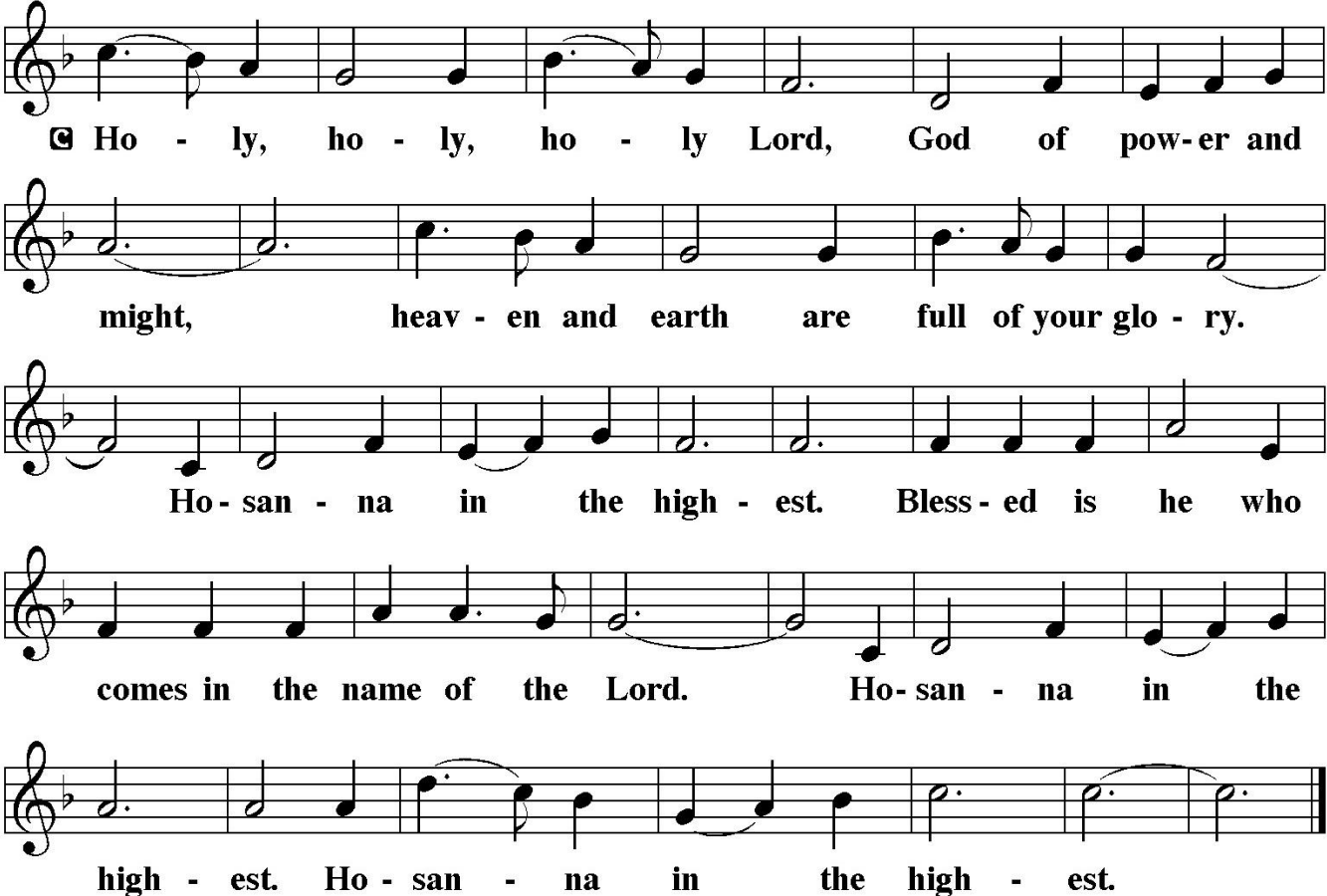
**P:** Lift up your hearts.

**C:** **We lift them to the Lord.**

**P:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C:** **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**P:** It is indeed right and salutary... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

C: 

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er 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. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## Great Thanksgiving

### Lord's Prayer

C: Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.

### Lamb of God p.39

  
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



### Communion is distributed

**Directions for Communion:** All are invited to this meal of grace, including children. At the Usher's direction, you are invited to advance to the communion rail through the centre aisle, commune in groups, and exit back to your pews through the window aisles, depositing your used wine/juice vessel in the repository tray at the head of each window aisle. Wine is located in the two outer rings of the tray and the grape juice in the centre. We also have the option of the Common Cup for wine, as well as a gluten-free option for bread. Just note your preference at the time of serving. If you would prefer to receive communion in your pew once all have come forward, please raise your hand and the servers will come to you.

### Hymns Sung during Communion

#### Waters of Life - Led by Jason Wood

##### **Verse:**

Wash me clean  
Make me new  
Come and make my life transformed and fresh in You  
Call me child  
Call me friend  
Pour on me this love that never ends

##### **1st Chorus:**

And I am forgiven  
I am blessed  
I am plunging in an ocean-depth of joy and rest  
Drown my senses  
Fill my cup  
I am safe, I am held, I am loved  
In the waters of life

##### **Verse:**

Wash me clean  
Make me new  
Come and make my life transformed and fresh in You  
Call me child  
Call me friend  
Pour on me this love that never ends

**2nd Chorus:**

'Cause I am forgiven  
I am blessed  
I am plunging in an ocean-depth of joy and rest  
Drown my senses  
Fill my cup  
I am safe, I am held, I am loved  
I am seen, I am sought, I am enough  
I am called, I am chosen, and the best is yet to come  
Won't You wash my sin, wash me in  
The waters of life

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**ELW # 453 - Baptized and Set Free**

**ELW # 477 - I Received the Living God**

**ELW # 262 - Wait for the Lord**

**Post-Communion Blessing & Prayer**

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## **Sending**

*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world*

### **Blessing**

**L:** May God who comes among us,  
Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit,  
grant you patience in waiting, peace in the darkness,  
and good news to share today and always.  
**C:** Amen.

**Sending Song ELW # 260 The King Shall Come**

### **Dismissal**

**P:** Go in peace. Keep awake.  
**C:** Thanks be to God.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

November 30, 2025

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**Flowers:** Flowers today are placed on the altar in praise of God's promise for a future with hope, in thanksgiving for the new church year, and in honour of our newest brothers and sisters in the body of Christ with whom we share these blessings.

**Welcome Sammie, Ike and Eva!** Today we celebrate and give thanks for Sammie, Ike and Eva, our newest members in the family of God, and our brothers and sisters working alongside us as the body of Christ, striving for goodness, justice and peace.

**Today: Conversations Across the Church:** National Bishop Larry Kockendorfer invites us all to join him for an hour of devotion, reflection and conversation **today from 3pm to 4 pm, Sunday, November 30**. This event will be on Zoom but registration will be required. See details on poster that follows.

**Next Sunday: Advent Sing-Along – Sunday, December 7<sup>th</sup>:** Come one! Come All! On **Sunday, December 7<sup>th</sup>** the GSW Group is hosting another Advent Sing-a-long. This year, we have invited Special Guest Jason Wood to play a few of his songs from his new album '*Always Waiting*' to help us get into a festive Advent spirit. The event is from 6:30 – 8:00 pm, and we ask, if you are able, to bring a platter of dessert finger-food to share with others. As usual, there will be a game, colouring, food & fun as we get into the 'Christmas Spirit' beginning with a spirited Advent Sing-Along. We hope to see you there! Invite a friend, as all are welcome.

**Candy Sale next Sunday:** There will be a candy sale fundraiser next **Sunday, December 7<sup>th</sup>** put on by Claire & David. **All proceeds from the sale will go to help pay off our flooring debt.** Stock up on yummy homemade candy for all your stocking-stuffer needs – all while helping the church to pay down its line of credit.

**December 2<sup>nd</sup> is 'Giving Tuesday':** This Giving Tuesday will be TWICE as big! Giving Tuesday is Dec. 2 and this year, your impact will be felt twice as far! Thanks to a generous donor, a long-time supporter of CLWR who wishes to remain anonymous, every gift made to CLWR will be matched, up to a total of \$100,000. **Visit [clwr.org/giving-tuesday](http://clwr.org/giving-tuesday) to have your gift matched.** Thank you for helping us create a better and brighter future!

**Winter Coat Drive:** GSLC is participating in the Tri-Cities Winter Coat Drive. Bins have been set up in our Narthex to receive your donations of any cold weather winter coats you may have hanging in your closets, to help the homeless in our area as our temperatures begin to drop. Donate & give someone the warmth they need this season.

### ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS RESOURCES:

- **Advent-Christmas '25-26 Devotionals – 'Humble and Holy':** Cost is \$5. Sign up to receive your copy.
- **Christmas Craft Sales:**
  - **Mount Olice Lutheran Church – DECEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup> FROM 10 AM TO 1 PM (2350 148<sup>TH</sup> STREET, SURREY, BC)**
- **Christmas Crafts in Support of Palestine:** Kat Harris, a member of Living Faith Lutheran in Sechelt is selling Palestinian crafts at a series of upcoming craft fairs. All proceeds go directly to artists in the occupied West Bank. You can find Kat at the following Craft Fairs:
  - **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup>, 2-5:30 PM at St. Andrews United in North Vancouver**
- **CLWR's Gifts from the Heart Catalogue:** Available now on the Ushers Table or click [here](#) for online orders.
- **On Eagle's Wings Advent Devotional:** Available on the Ushers Table on a first come/first serve basis.

- **Sumud: For Justice and Peace in Palestine and Israel:** The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) has prepared a series of Advent Resources that connect us with our partners in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land (ELCJHL).
- **BC Synod Advent Resources:** The BC Synod Website now includes a page of Advent Resources which is updated weekly. You can check it out here.
- **Lutherans Connect: Vigil in Hope:** Lutheran Connect invites participants to join its annual Celtic Advent devotional series, running from November 15 to December 24. To sign up please visit the devotional site here or email [lutheransconnect@gmail.com](mailto:lutheransconnect@gmail.com).
- **Christmas Around the World:** Grace Burnaby invites you to an evening of performances and Sing-Along Christmas Carols on **Friday, December 5, at 7 pm**. See the poster that follows for more details.
- **Wintersong & Requiem:** St. Paul's in Maple Ridge is hosting a concert by the Maple Ridge Choral Society featuring the Canadian premiere of Heather Sorenson's *Requiem* on **Sunday, December 21, 2025** at 2:30 pm & 7 pm. See the poster that follows for all the details.
- **Preparing for Christmas with Prayer:** Pr. Bruce Ehlert (ELCIC, Saskatchewan Synod) prepares daily prayers during Advent. You can subscribe to his prayer emails here.

**ELCJHL Appeal:** The ELCIC is launching an appeal to support the ministries of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land (ELCJHL). Our goal is to raise \$50,000. To read a letter about the appeal from National Bishop Susan Johnson, National Bishop-elect Larry Kochendorfer and Eastern Synod Bishop Carla Blakley, please click here.

**ignYte Return it Express Account:** You're invited to support our ignYte Youth Ministry with your recyclables. See the instructions on the bulletin board.



**Downstairs Daycare: Green Apple Daycare** has spaces available for ages 3 – 5 years old. Please contact us at [greenappledaycare@hotmail.com](mailto:greenappledaycare@hotmail.com) or 604 –318 –3417 for information and to set up a tour. Or visit their website.

#### **WIDER CHURCH NEWS:**

- **Sixth World Conference on Faith and Order:** The Sixth World Conference on Faith and Order of the World Council of Churches has concluded by issuing a Call to All Christians.

#### **COMPASSIONATE JUSTICE & CREATION CARE:**

- **COP30:** If you want to learn more about how faith communities have been engaged at COP30, please check-out the following: [WCC](#), [KAİROS](#), and [LWF](#).
- **Ecumenical Decade of Climate Justice Action (2025-2035):** Check out information of this World Council of Churches initiative at its website.
- **LWF Resource on reducing Carbon Emissions:** The [Lutheran World Federation](#) (LWF) published a resource titled "Advocating for Climate Justice: To access this resource click here."

### **This Week At Church (Note 1)**

This Sunday ..... Bible Study at 9:30 am (Zoom or in-person)  
*First Sunday in Advent* worship service with Holy Communion (view it here),  
Sunday School and extended Fellowship at 10:30 am as we celebrate the  
baptisms of Sammie, Ike and Eva.

Tuesday ..... *Woodworking & Crafters Group* at 10 am

Wednesday ..... *Mid-Week Bible Study* at 10:30 am followed by bagged lunch together.  
*Prayer Gathering* at 1:30 pm over Zoom  
*IgnYte* at GSLC at 7 pm

Next Sunday ..... Bible Study at 9:30 am (Zoom or in-person)  
*Second Sunday in Advent* worship service with Holy Communion at 10:30 am  
at 10:30 am (view it here)  
*Candy Fundraiser* after the service. (All proceeds to pay down flooring debt)  
*Sunday School Christmas Pageant Rehearsal* at St. Laurence at 12:30 pm  
*Confirmation* at 1 pm  
*Christmas Sing-Along & Dessert Potluck* at 6:30 pm

Note: Most events are in-person events except those noted “on Zoom” or “Online”. The links to these online events are accessible through our website [here](#). Our Sunday morning worship service is offered in-person, live-streamed and via on-line recording posted to our website shortly after the service is over, unless otherwise noted.

### **Last Week at Church**

<u><b>Financial Information for:</b></u>	<u><b>November 23<sup>rd</sup></b></u>
Total Offerings:	\$ 3,091.00
General	\$ 2,791.00
<u>Designated Gifts:</u>	
- Property Fund	\$ 100.00
- CLWR	\$ 100.00
- Administration	\$ 100.00

A gentle reminder that in consideration of those who have severe sensitivities and allergies, the church has been designated a **fragrance-free zone**. Your understanding and cooperation is greatly appreciated.



## Conversations Across the Church



# Conversations Across the Church

**Sunday, November 30, 2025**

**5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. CST**

As we enter the season of Advent, you are invited to join **National Bishop Larry Kochendorfer** for an hour of devotion, reflection and conversation.



**REGISTER HERE: [bit.ly/4otMfZB](https://bit.ly/4otMfZB)**



Join us for **Conversations Across the Church** on **Sunday, November 30, 2025** from **3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. PST** for what we hope will become a regular churchwide online gathering.

Be a part of the conversation! Make sure you complete the following question on the registration form: *If you could ask Bishop Larry one thing as he begins his new ministry as National Bishop, what would it be?* You might hear your question asked during the gathering!

We encourage you to have a candle ready to light before the start of the event. We'll take time at the beginning to light the candle together.

\*This event will be recorded. Not able to attend? Sign up so you can receive a link to the recording.

## Invitation to the Installation of Rev. Derek Solberg



*You are cordially invited to  
attend the Installation*

*of*

*Rev. Derek Solberg*

*Saturday, December 6, 2025  
11:00 am*

*Hope Lutheran Church*

*2174 Departure Bay Road  
Nanaimo, BC V9S 3V6*

*Luncheon celebration to follow*

Rostered Ministers are invited to vest.  
The liturgical color is blue.



# ***TRI-CITIES***

## ***Winter Coat Drive 2025***

Winter is coming, and many in Port Moody, Coquitlam and Port Coquitlam are facing the cold without proper gear.

You can help.

Donate your gently used or new winter coats and give someone the warmth they need this season.

**November 18 - December 16**

**Drop Off Locations:**

**477 Lakeview Street, Coquitlam  
2986 Forestridge Place Coquitlam**

Questions? Want to help spread the word?  
[tricityshomelessness@gmail.com](mailto:tricityshomelessness@gmail.com)  
[#coatsforcold2025](https://twitter.com/coatsforcold2025)





MOUNT OLIVE  
LUTHERAN CHURCH

# Craft Fair & Bake Sale

**SATURDAY**  
**DEC 6<sup>th</sup>**  
**10:00A TO 1:00P**

2350 148<sup>th</sup> Street, Surrey, BC  
(604) 536-8527



## Christmas Around the World



Featuring the all-voice  
Barbershop Chorus  
PACIFIC SPIRIT VOICES  
with special guests "Fluterrific"  
and sing-along carols

December 5, 2025 at 7 pm  
Grace Lutheran Church  
7283 Nelson Ave. Burnaby BC

Suggested \$20 donation - proceeds go to The Canadian Lutheran World  
Relief Fund to assist in restoring ecosystems in Lake Chad and Cameroon



Edette Gagné, Chorus Director

## Welcome to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

We welcome you to worship today. It is our prayer that you sense the joy that is present in Jesus Christ. God loves and values each of you without conditions attached. We bring our joys and needs before God, trusting in God's presence.

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General Office Hours				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
10:00 – 2:00	10:00 – 2:00	10:00 – 2:00	10:00 – 2:00	10:00 – 2:00

We always recommend phoning before stopping by, as posted times may change .



Good Shepherd  
Website

