Risen Savior Lutheran Church



The Lutheran Church Missouri Synod - Basehor, Kansas

Christmas Eve Service of Lessons & Hymns December 24, 2022

Welcome to the Lord's House on this blessed and holy night. The Word of the Lord Is Fulfilled in the Flesh of Jesus. The Service of Lessons and Hymns observed this evening to focus upon the fulfillment of God's promise to send us a Savior in the birth of Jesus Christ, our Lord. This Baby is the Eternal Word of God in human flesh, who came down from heaven and was Incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary in order to save you from your sins. With this promise, He signifies that salvation is by His grace alone; it is no work or achievement of fallen humanity, but the Lord's own work and free gift. He is our Emmanuel, which means "God with us," who was born to die to save you! May this Service be a celebration for you of the forgiveness, life, and salvation you have through faith in Christ. MERRY CHRISTMAS!

The angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David



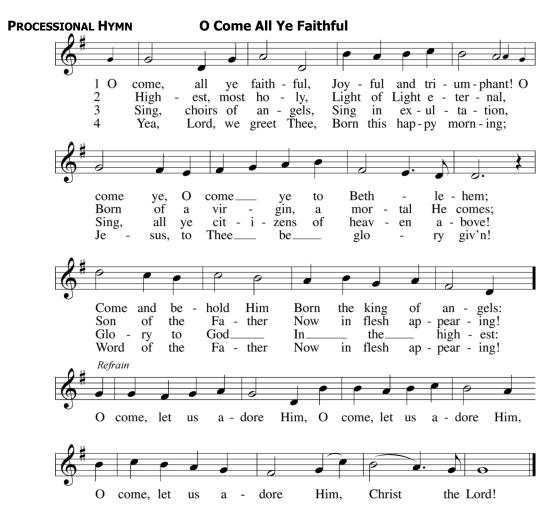
a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger." Luke 2

At the conclusion of the Bells, please stand and turn to follow the processional cross from the rear of the church. You may bow as it passes you in reverence to Christ. On this festival day, please turn and follow the cross for the Gospel as it goes to the center of the church in celebration of the Good News manifest in the midst of God's people, the Church, and out into the world.

CHRISTMAS MARTYROLOGY

In the year 5199 since the creation of the world when in the beginning God created Heaven and Earth; in the year 2957 since the Flood; in the year 2015 since the birth of Abraham; in the year 1510 from Moses and the Exodus of the people of Israel from Egypt; in the year 1032 since David was anointed King; in the 65th week of years according to the prophesy of Daniel; in the 194th Olympiad; in the year 752 from the building of Rome; in the 42nd year of the reign of Octavian Augustus, the whole world being at peace; in the sixth age of the world; Jesus Christ, eternal God and Son of the Eternal Father, desiring to sanctify the world by His gracious coming, being conceived by the Holy Spirit, and now, nine months since His conception, He is born at Bethlehem of Judea, of line of Judah, as Man, of the Virgin Mary.

C The Nativity of our Lord Jesus + Christ in the flesh!



- \mathbb{P} In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Amen.
- **P** The people walking in darkness have seen a great light.
- G The light shines in the darkness, but the darkness has not overcome it.
- P On those living in the land of the shadow of death a light has dawned.
- We have seen His glory, the glory of the one and only Son who came from the Father.

HYMN OF PREPARATION, CREEDAL CONFESSION We Praise You and Acknowledge You, O God

Prelude verse before Congregation singing



SALUTATION AND COLLECT

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And with your spirit.
- ▶ Let us pray. O God, You make this most holy night to shine with the brightness of the true Light. Grant that as we have known the mysteries of that Light on earth we may also come to The fullness of His joys in heaven; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

CHOIR Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence Setting by David Music

Let all moratal flesh keep silence And with fear and trembling stand; Ponder nothing earthy minded, For with blessing in His hand Christ our God to earth descending Comes our homage to demand.

King of kings yet born of Mary, As of old on earth He stood, Lord of lords in human vesture, In the body and the blood, He will give to all the faithful His own self for heavenly food. Rank on rank the host of heaven Spreads its vanguard on the way As the light of light descending From the realms if endless day, Comes the powers of hell to vanguish As the darkness clears a way.

At His feet the six-winged seraph, Cherubim with sleepless eye, Veil their faces to the presence As with ceaseless Voice they cry: "Alleluia alleluia! Alleluia Lord most High!"

+ The Lighting of the Advent Wreath +

FIRST LESSON

Genesis 3:12-21

The Fall. The Christ first promised to Adam and Eve after the Fall, that Satan would strike His heel (in our Lord's Passion) and He, the Christ would crush his head (our Lord's victory over Satan, sin and death by His resurrection.)



3 Bruise for me the serpent's head That, set free from doubt and dread, I may cling to You in faith, Safely kept through life and death.

SECOND LESSON

Isaiah 7:10-14

The Old Testament is filled with the promises of the Christ to come, the promise of a Savior. God proclaims that a Virgin birth will take place. SECOND CANDLE





FIFTH LESSON Matthew 1:18-25

CHRIST CANDLE

CHOIR Puer Natus in Bethlehem Medieval Latin hymn, Setting by Michael Praetorius

A Child is born in Bethlehem, Exult for joy, Jerusalem, Rejoice in God, lift up your voice, In this new year rejoice.

Stand

+ The Christmas Gospel according to Saint Luke 2:1-20 +



- P A virgin shall conceive; and His name is Immanuel, God with us.
- C repeat Festival Alleluia.
- ▶ To you is born this day; a Savior who is Christ the Lord, Christ the Lord.
- **G** repeat Festival Alleluia.
- The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the second chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

After the reading,

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ, the King who comes to save us.

Sit



SERMON

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

As the light is brought to the end of the to the aisle, and please pass the light down your pew. Keep lit candles upright; tilt un-lit candles to light it.

CHOIR Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming LSB 359

Lo, how a rose e'er blooming From tender stem hath sprung! Of Jesse's lineage coming As prophets long have sung, It came, a flow'ret bright, Amid the cold of winter, When half-spent was the night.

Isaiah 'twas foretold it, The rose I have in mind; With Mary we behold it, The virgin mother kind.

To show God's love aright, She bore to us a Savior, When half-spent was the night.

This flow'r, whose fragrance tender With sweetness fills the air, Dispels with glorious splendor

The darkness ev'rywhere. True man, yet very God, From sin and death he saves us And lightens ev'ry load. O Savior, child of Mary, Who felt our human woe; O Savior, King of glory, Who dost our weakness know: Bring us at length we pray To the bright courts of heaven, And to the endless day.

Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH AND LORD'S PRAYER



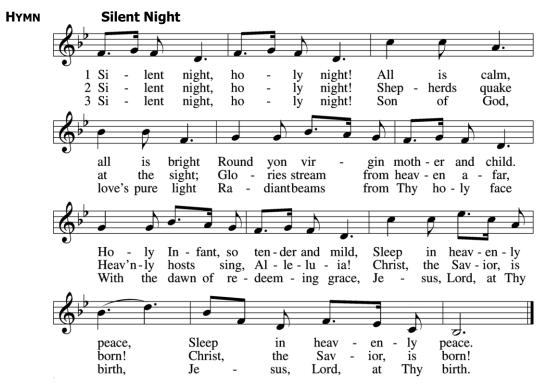
C Lord have mercy.

Concludes with,

■ ...through Jesus Christ our Lord, who taught us to pray. **Our Father...**



- **P** To us a Child is born, to us a Son is given,
- and He will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. And the increase of His kingdom and peace there will be no end.
- P Jesus Christ is the Light of the World, the Light no darkness can overcome.
- **C** Let Your light scatter the darkness and illuminate Your Church.



Stille Nacht, heilige Nacht! Alles schläft, einsam wacht Nur das traute, hochheilige Paar. Holder Knabe im lockigen Haar, Schlaf in himmlischer Ruh, Schlaf in himmlischer Ruh.

CLOSING PRAYER FOR CHRISTMAS EVE

 P O God, as You make us glad by the yearly festival of the birth of Your only-begotten Son, Jesus the Christ, grant that we, who joyfully receive Him as our Redeemer, may with sure confidence behold Him when He comes to be our Judge, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

G Amen.

BENEDICTION

- Amen. Joy to the world, the Lord is come!



Please extinguish your candle, be careful of hot wax, place them in boxes by the door.

Christmas Day Divine Service at 10:30 am Merry Christmas and a blessed New Year!

Poinsettias given in memory of: by Gary & Nancy Hobelmann by Ronnie & Teresa Miller

Cathy Hobelmann Our grandparents Mel & Ruth Anne Hauk by Mel & Katie Hauk by Michelle Cass Jean Cook by Michelle Cass by Brad & Kim Mars Morton & Neoma Balk Don Mars Leslie & Ruth Klein bý Brad & Kim Mars Jake & Henrietta Mars by Brad & Kim Mars by J.D. Cain & family Judith Cain Bob Eberth by Lloyd & Susan Martley by Lloyd & Susan Martley **Dixie Huscher Estes** by Lloyd & Susan Martley by Terry & Joyce Wade by Terry & Joyce Wade by Terry & Joyce Wade by Mel & Katie Hauk Margaret Emma Eberth Dunbar, Marjorie Wade John Wade Gage Hauk John Fritz, Patti Fritz by Terry & Joyce Wade by Walt Mack & family by Garey & Phyllis Brooks by Mary Ellen Ballard by Mary Ellen Ballard Carol Porter Mack Our parents Maj. Laurene L. Ballard Jr. C.Msgt. John Q. Adams by Mary Ellen Ballard by Tim & Janise Selbe Parent & grandparents Our parents by Gary & Nancy Hobelmann by Bob & Eleanor Lenahan Mary Simmons Our parents Our family in heaven by Steve & Marsha Albright by Ken & Suzette France-Mack by Ralph Hailey by Mel & Katie Hauk Ron & Ann Mack Linda Hailey Kenneth Oyer Don & Gertrude Dunlap Howard Kalebaugh Harmon Ray,Tim Ray Samuel Miller bý Linda Fulkerson by Esther Kalebaugh by Ronnie & Teresa Miller by Ronnie & Teresa Miller by Jodi Weinkauf Bill Lahr Gary Weinkauf Gary Weinkauf by Rev. Weinkauf Revs. Jacobsen, Staudacher by Rev. Weinkauf

In thanksgiving for:

Kevin Gleason Wayne & Cookie Doebele Lynn Gleason Our family, John & Heather Drake, Kent Swartz, and grandchildren Family and friends Grandchildren Family and friends Our fámily Risen Savior

by Ann Gleason bý Kevin & Ann Gleason bý Kevin & Ann Gleason by Ron & Carol Swartz by Forest & Karen Erickson bý Tim & Janise Selbe bý Jim and Billie Brush by the Albright family by several

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Visitors – it is a joy to have you with us. Please fill out the attendance pad in the folder in the pew rack from the center aisle and pick-up a newsletter at the brochure rack by the door.

Parents with small children. If needed, the **Nursery** has a video feed of the Service; also a restroom with changing table. A **Nursing Room** is located off the Library. The **Library** is also space for children under 3 during the Sunday School hour.

Prayer List – members:

Kay Minda (surgery), Rae Ann Evans (surgery), Mary Ann Theno (health), Phyllis Brooks (surgery), Reagan Malone (cancer), Tim & Brenda Fincham (health issues), Terry Follin (kidney issues), Mary Lingo (cancer), Erika Colacicco (cancer), David Benzel (health issues), Ron Swartz (cancer),

- family & friends:

Nelson & Judy Krueger (friend of Chris Knoernschild, health)

Paula Fincham (mother of Tim Fincham, fall recovery)

Camryn Scharnhorst (granddaughter of Scharnhorst, diabetes)

Jerry Kruse (brother-in-law of Tim Selbe, critically ill)

Kelli Scott (young mother, friend of Emily Newman, inoperable cancer)

Michelle Herbert (friend of Teri Long, cancer)

Dean Landman (father of Deb Glaum, health issues)

Maren Turner (niece of Amanda Dowdall, leukemia)

Men's Basketball begins Sundays, 8 pm, starting Jan. 8.

Epiphany, January 4, Wednesday 7:00 pm Divine Service.

LWML Christmas Party, Dec. 29, 5:30 pm at Ann Doeble's, 11200 Delaware Parkway. RSVP to Chyleen 913-515-4765.

New Member class, Adult Catechism begins Jan. 22, 5 pm. Encourage, invite family and friends.

Life Conference and March to the Capitol, Jan. 24, Tuesday, carpool leaves church at 7:15 am, back by 2:00 pm, Topeka. See January newsletter. Please let Pastor know if you are planning to go.

Risen Savior Classical Academy, 2nd Semester begins January 9. There are opportunities to be paid to teach, nursery help, be on a substitute list. Please see Pastor or Amanda Uhlmansiek.

Calendar

- Sunday Christmas Day 10:30 a Divine Service
- Saturday New Years' Eve 6:00 p Divine Service [no activities this year from 8 pm-Midnight]
- Sunday Name of Jesus, New Years Day 10:30 a Divine Service

STEWARDSHIP \$7532/wk. budget			
Date	Attendance	Offering +	Special Funds
12/18	281	\$9926	\$442
12/11	260	\$12,375	\$195

Altar Flowers: in thanksgiving for Risen Savior. See Church Calendar in the office to sign-up, \$25/1 Vase. Financial Reports are posted in Church Office. On-Line Giving. Our Vendor is: Vanco. Download the App. There is also a link on our website.

Upcoming Events

- Jan. 4 Feast of Epiphany (transferred to Weds.)
- Jan. 8 Feast of Baptism of our Lord
- Jan. 8 Installation of congregational leaders
- Jan. 22 Adult Catechism class or by arrangement
- Jan. 24 Life March in Topeka
- Feb. 10 Sun. Sch. gamenight/Parent datenight
- Feb. 12 Souper Bowl party
- Feb. 19 Feast of the Transfiguration
- Feb. 19 Next Quarterly Voter's Assembly
- Feb. 21 PfannKuchen Tag (Pancake Day)
- Feb. 22 Ash Wednesday, Lent begins
- Feb. 28 Next Blood Drive

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