

Welcome to
Grace Lutheran Church
December 22nd, 2024
100th YEAR
ANNIVERSARY



~Preservice Music:

"Noel"

"Here With Us"

~Welcome and Announcements

~Prayers of the Day

~Hymn of Praise: "We Have A Savior"

THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH AND THE CANDLE OF LOVE.

P: We light this candle as a witness to the love of the Father, who gave us His only Son!

C: We light this candle as a witness to the love of Jesus, who came among us to serve and give up His life for us!

All: Hope, Peace, Joy and Love – these are the gifts of light that we receive in Jesus! Amen

~Absolution

~Prayer:

God, with you there is no darkness. Your character has no shadows, and you are pure and good. Yet in our broken world, we see so much darkness around us. Pain, sickness and disease in our community and in many of our homes. Bring your light and restoring presence to the dark places in our lives. Bring your hope to hearts that feel defeated. Bring your love and compassion to those in pain. Give us faith to say with the psalmist, "Lord, you light my lamp; my God illuminates my darkness." May your light of hope shine in the darkness for families today. Show us glimpses of your presence with us and the comfort you bring. Amen.

O Come, let us Adore Him O Come, let us Adore Him O Come, let us Adore Him, Christ the Lord!

~Scripture Readings:

Psalm 23

John 10:1-10

~Prayer of the Day:

Lord, thou hast given us thy Word for a light to shine upon our path; grant us so to meditate on that Word, and to follow its teaching, that we may find in it the light that shines more and more until the perfect day; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (Jerome, c 342-420)

~Hymn of Praise: "Make Room"

~Sermon: "Farewell to Humbug"

~Offering

~Create in Me a Clean Heart

~Prayers

~The Lord's Prayer

~Communion

~Hymn of Praise: "Mary, Did You Know?"
"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

~Benediction

~Closing Hymn of Praise: "Mary's Little Boy Child"





Pray for Our Families

The families of Grace that we will keep in our prayers this week are: Jim & Dana DiBlasi
Ron Dietrick
Larry & Linda Dow

Remember to keep our **Grace Family** and the **CLC** in your daily prayers. Pray for This Week's Ministry: **Church Family**

Happenings This Week

December 24th - Christmas Eve Service 7pm

December 25th - Christmas!

December 27th - Friday Night Lights @ CLC 6pm

December Service Schedule

Reader: Amy Coffman Prayers: Vicki Sander

December Altar Guild: Dana DiBlasi

Amber Mays

December Counters: Jim & Stacia Roggenbaum



September 2002: Construction begins on the Community Life Center (CLC)

Thank you all for joining us today in celebrating the Good News of God our Father! Here at Grace Lutheran Church, we are excited to share God's greatest gift, Jesus Christ, with all who enter these walls. If you are interested in becoming a member or have questions, please reach out to **Pastor Barry**, **Al Dexter**, Church Council President or any one of the Deacons.

Items for the Bulletin are due to the church secretary by Noon on Wednesday of each week. Please write them out as you wish them to appear. You may drop them off at the office, email them to <a href="mailto:slick.gluones.g

Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

10am-2pm. Closed Wednesdays.

December 15th, 2024 Attendance and Giving:

Attendance: 57 Recycling:

Giving: \$3,811.00 Destinations:

Holy Communion

We believe that Holy Communion, the Lord's Supper, is a Sacrament of God, instituted by Christ Himself, giving and sealing the gift of forgiveness to those who believe and follow Him.

To help you to decide if you would like to join your brothers and sisters at the Communion table, ask yourself the following questions:

- 1.) Have I been baptized with water in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit?
- 2.) Do I believe the Good News of Jesus' victory over sin and death on the cross for me?
- 3.) Do I recognize the Body and Blood of Christ in and with the bread and wine of Communion given for me for the forgiveness of sins?

If you said 'yes' to each of these questions and desire Holy Communion, the Lord welcomes you to His Holy Supper.

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