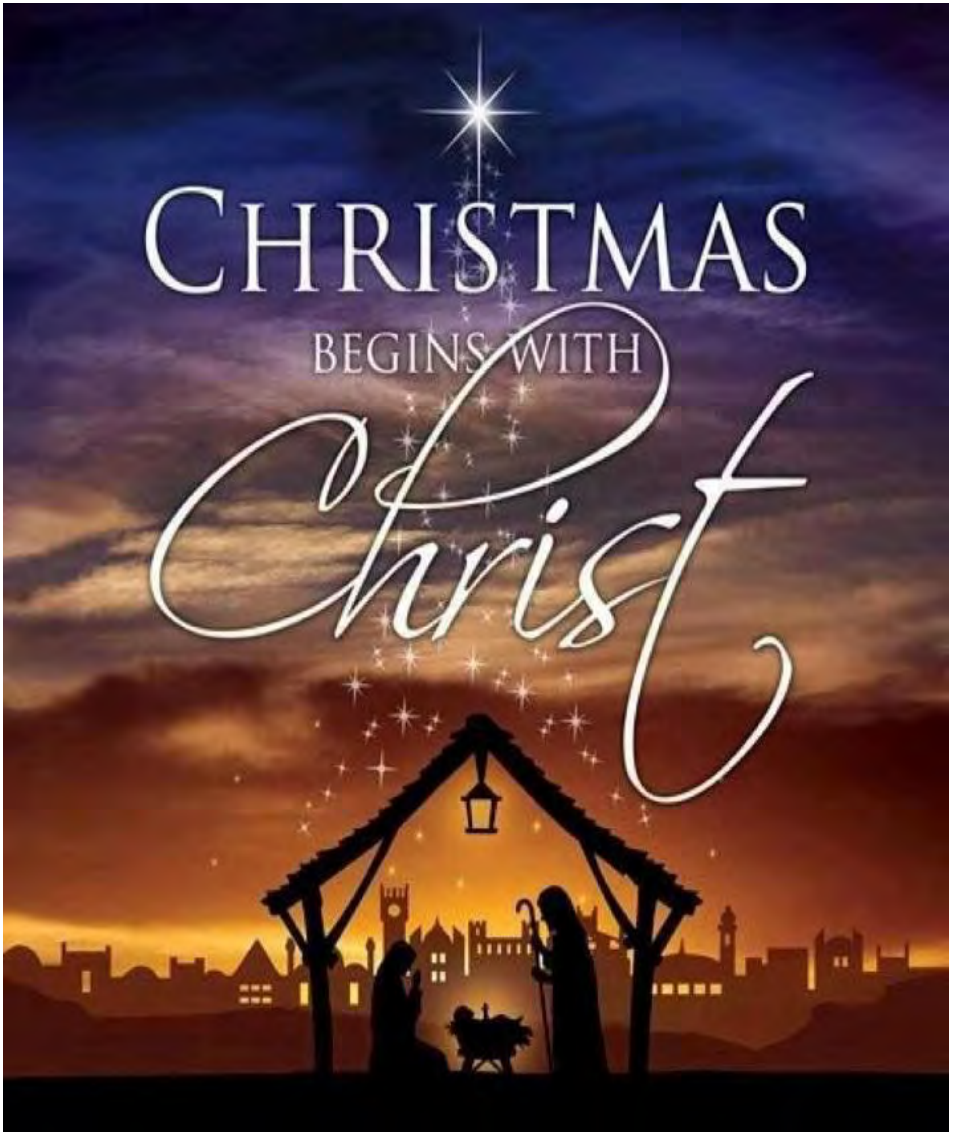




**Welcome to
Grace Lutheran Church
December 24th, 2025
Christmas Eve Service**



~Moment of Reflection:

*He, through whom time was made, was made in time;
He who made man, was made man; He was given
existence by a mother whom He brought into
existence; He was carried in hands which He formed;
He nursed at breasts which He filled; He cried like a
babe in the manger in speechless infancy – He The
Word without which human eloquence is speechless!*

-Augustine

~Preservice Music:

“Noel”

“Mary, Did You Know?”

“Make Room”

“We Have A Savior”

***“In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the
Holy Spirit. Amen”***

~Prayer of Preparation: *All: Jesus, You are the Light
that shines in the darkness of the world and in our
hearts. As You chose the lowly, the outcasts, and the
poor to receive the greatest news the world has ever
known and to be bearers of the Light, so may we
worship You in meekness of heart and bear Your light
as humble vessels. Amen.*

~Hymn of Praise: *“Oh, Come, All Ye Faithful”*

~Prayer of Confession: *Loving Father, help us
remember the birth of Jesus, that we may share in the
song of the angels, the gladness of the shepherds,
and the worship of the wise men. Close the door of*

hate and open the door of love all over the world. Let kindness come with every gift and good desires with every greeting. Deliver us from evil by the blessing which Christ brings, and teach us to be merry with clean hearts. May the Christmas morning make us happy to be Your children, and the Christmas evening bring us to our beds with grateful thoughts, forgiving and forgiven, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

~Absolution

~Hymn of Praise:

"O Little Town of Bethlehem"

~Scripture Readings:

Isaiah 9: 2-7

Titus 2:11-14

Luke 2: 1-12

~Prayer:

"Heavenly Father, with joy we enter into the contemplation of the holy mystery of Your Son's incarnation for us and our salvation. Open our minds to understand, our hearts to believe, and our mouths to proclaim the glory of Him who took our human flesh and blood in order to suffer and die in our place. Prepare our hearts to be fitting mangers to cradle Your Son that He may dwell in us and we in Him today and throughout all eternity. In Jesus name we pray, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen."

~Hymn of Praise: *“Angels We Have Heard on High”*

~Christmas Creed

~Offering

~Litany of Praise

~The Lord’s Prayer

~Communion

~Hymn of Praise: *“Hallelujah (Light Has Come)”*;
“What Child Is This”,
“It Came Upon The Midnight Clear”

Sharing the Light of Christ:

The lights in the church are dimmed. The light from the Christ candle is spread from one person to another through the entire congregation to symbolize the spread of the light of Christ through the darkness of this world.

~After the candles are lit

~Hymn of Praise: *“Silent Night”*

~Benediction

~Hymn of Praise: *“Joy to the World”*

*Blessed and Merry
Christmas to you
and those you love!*



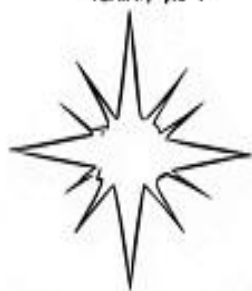


*Thank you **God** for bringing
us your Son to demonstrate
the way to live. With
compassion, charity, **joy**,
kindness, **patience**,
goodness, **faith** and most
of all **love** for others.*

*On this day we pray that
everyone will feel your **love**
and we will have **peace** on
earth this **Christmas**.*

"FOR TO US A CHILD IS BORN, TO US A SON IS GIVEN..."

ISAIAH 9:6-7





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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