

OUR SAVIOUR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Service Bulletin

Second Sunday of Advent

December 7th, 2025

P: Pastor

L: Liturgist

C: Congregation

Prelude

GATHERING

Welcome/Land Acknowledgment/Affirming Statement

Lighting Advent Wreath

L: As we continue our Advent journey, a journey that takes us to the birth of Jesus, we light this second candle. As the days grow dimmer this light is a sign of hope. May your light guide us through our loneliness and isolation so that finally we can dance with joy like a flickering candle and celebrate the gift of your presence with us. Amen

Opening Hymn ~ Worship # 240 ~ Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah
(Verse 1, 2)

APOSTOLIC GREETING

P: 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.

Hymn of Praise ~ ELW #264 ~ Prepare the Royal Highway

PRAYER OF THE DAY

C: Stir up our hearts, Lord God, to prepare the way of your only Son. By his coming nurture our growth as people of repentance and peace; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD

First Reading – Isaiah 11:1-10

Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19

- ¹ Give the king your justice, O God,
and your righteousness to the king's son;
² **that he may rule your people righteously
and the poor with justice;**
³ that the mountains may bring prosperity to the people,
and the hills, in righteousness.
⁴ **Let him defend the needy among the people,
rescue the poor, and crush the oppressor.**
⁵ May he live as long as the sun and moon endure,
from one generation to another.
⁶ **Let him come down like rain upon the mown field,
like showers that water the earth.**
⁷ In his time may the righteous flourish;
and let there be an abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.
¹⁸ **Blessed are you, Lord God, the God of Israel;
you alone do wondrous deeds!**
¹⁹ And blessed be your glorious name forever,
and may all the earth be filled with your glory. Amen. Amen.

Second Reading – Romans 15: 4-13

(All who are able, please rise.) Gospel Acclamation – *Alleluia*. Prepare the way of the Lord. All flesh shall see the salvation of God. *Alleluia*.
(Luke 3:4,6)

Gospel – Matthew 3: 1-12

SERMON

(Stand) Hymn of the Day ~ ELW #249 ~ On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry

APOSTLES' CREED – ELW pg. 105

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

INTERSESSION ~ ACS #901 ~ Now The Heavens Start to Whisper

PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Offertory Prayer

The Lord's Prayer – ELW pg. 112

SENDING

Announcements

Blessing

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favour and + give you peace.

C: Amen.

Sending Hymn ~ ELW #726 ~ Light Dawns on a Weary World

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace and Love. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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WORSHIP LEADERS	
Worship Leader	Lauren Aldred
Lector	Ven. Peter Zimmer
Musician	Joan Beek

OSLC Calendar of Events:

Worship Services

December 7, 2025, 12:30 PM – Second Sunday of Advent, worship with Lauren Aldred

December 7, 2025, 2:00 PM – Explore Art with Lauren Aldred

December 14, 2025, 12:30 PM – Third Sunday of Advent, Holy Communion Worship service with Rev. Wendy McRae

December 21, 2025, 12:30 PM - Fourth Sunday of Advent, worship with Lauren Aldred

Youth Group: Sundays, 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM - 2SLGBTQIA+ and Allies Youth Group for ages 15-29 at 2640 Goheen Street, use back basement entrance.

Food Bank: Tuesdays, 10AM- Noon, use back basement entrance

Monday December 8, 2025 - 3 PM (Zoom): Bible Study: Season of Spiritual Renewal Bible Study with Bishop Clara Plamondon. This is a four week study. Details are included below.

ADVENT BIBLE STUDY - All are Welcome

Bishop Clara Plamondon is leading an Advent Bible Study - Season of Spiritual Renewal – where you will explore the Advent lectionary readings for year A and learn basic bible Exegesis (tools to learn how to interpret scripture).

They will be held on Mondays in Advent on Zoom from 3-5 pm

December 8, 15

To register, please email as noted on the poster.

Advent 2025

Season of Spiritual Renewal Bible Study

LED BY BISHOP CLARA PLAMONDON

Explore Advent Lectionary Readings for Year A

Learn basic Bible Exegesis (tools to learn how to interpret scripture)

Excellent for Sermon Preparation and for personal growth

TERRITORY
OF THE PEOPLE

WHEN:
MONDAYS 3-5PM
NOVEMBER 24
DECEMBER
1, 8, 15
VIA ZOOM

TO REGISTER:
EMAIL THE
TERRITORY
OFFICE BY
NOVEMBER 17,
2025

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Join the
conversation as
we go deeper
into the
scriptures



REQUIRE FURTHER DETAILS?

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READINGS FOR THE DAY

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FIRST READING – Isaiah 11:1-10

¹ A shoot shall come out from
the stump of Jesse,
and a branch shall grow out
of his roots.

² The spirit of the Lord shall
rest on him,

the spirit of wisdom and
understanding,

the spirit of counsel and
might,

the spirit of knowledge and
the fear of the Lord.

³ His delight shall be in the fear
of the Lord.

He shall not judge by what his
eyes see

or decide by what his ears
hear,

⁴ but with righteousness he
shall judge for the poor

and decide with equity for
the oppressed of the earth;
he shall strike the earth with
the rod of his mouth,

and with the breath of his
lips he shall kill the wicked.

⁵ Righteousness shall be the
belt around his waist

and faithfulness the belt

around his loins.

⁶ The wolf shall live with the
lamb;

the leopard shall lie down
with the kid;

the calf and the lion will feed
together,

and a little child shall lead
them.

⁷ The cow and the bear shall
graze;

their young shall lie down
together;

and the lion shall eat straw
like the ox.

⁸ The nursing child shall play
over the hole of the asp,

and the weaned child shall
put its hand on the adder's
den.

⁹ They will not hurt or destroy
on all my holy mountain,

for the earth will be full of the
knowledge of the Lord

as the waters cover the sea.

¹⁰ On that day the root of
Jesse shall stand as a signal to
the peoples; the nations shall
inquire of him, and his
dwelling shall be glorious.

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

**SECOND READING –
Romans 15:4-13**

⁴ Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. ⁵ May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, ⁶ so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

⁷ Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. ⁸ For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the ancestors ⁹ and that the gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written,

“Therefore I will confess you among the gentiles
and sing praises to your

name”;

¹⁰ and again he says,

“Rejoice, O gentiles, with his people”;

¹¹ and again,

“Praise the Lord, all you gentiles,

and let all the peoples praise him”;

¹² and again Isaiah says,

“The root of Jesse shall come,

the one who rises to rule the gentiles;

in him the gentiles shall hope.”

¹³ May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

**GOSPEL READING –
Matthew 3:1-12**

C: Glory To You, O Lord

¹ In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, ² “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.” ³ This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said,

"The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

'Prepare the way of the Lord;

make his paths straight.' "

⁴ Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. ⁵ Then Jerusalem and all Judea and all the region around the Jordan were going out to him, ⁶ and they were baptized by him in the River Jordan, confessing their sins.

⁷ But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming for his baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath? ⁸ Therefore, bear fruit worthy of repentance, ⁹ and do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor,' for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. ¹⁰ Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; therefore every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire.

¹¹ "I baptize you with water for repentance, but the one who is coming after me is

more powerful than I, and I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹² His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

P: The gospel of the LORD.

C: Praise to you, O Christ