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2nd Sunday of Advent
Sunday, December 4, 2022
Worship 9:30 am

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Gathering

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION * BLUE pp. 10-11

SHARING OF THE PEACE *

OPENING HYMN * Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus RED #254

¹ Come, thou long expected Jesus, born to set thy people free;
from our fears and sins release us; let us find our rest in thee.
Israel's strength and consolation, hope of all the earth thou art,
dear desire of every nation, joy of every longing heart.

² Born thy people to deliver, born a child and yet a king;
born to reign in us forever, now thy gracious kingdom bring.
By thine own eternal Spirit rule in all our hearts alone;
by thine all sufficient merit raise us to thy glorious throne.

APOSTOLIC GREETING * BLUE p. 28

KYRIE * BLUE p. 28

HYMN OF PRAISE * BLUE pp. 29-30

Glory to God ...

PRAYER OF THE DAY * *See Celebrate*

BLESSING OF THE ADVENT WREATH*

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH * RED #257

CANDLE LIGHTING HYMN * *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*
(stanzas 1 & 2)

¹ O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive
Israel, that mourns in lonely exile here
until the Son of God appear.

Refrain:

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel.

² O come, O Wisdom from on high, embracing all things
far and nigh: in strength and beauty come and stay;
teach us your will and guide our way.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

(Children dismissed for Sunday School)

Word

FIRST READING (*Response: Thanks be to God*)

See Celebrate

PSALM (*Chanted responsively by whole verse.*)

See Celebrate

Psalms Tone #5

RED p. 337



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SECOND READING (*Response: Thanks be to God*)

See Celebrate

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (BLUE p. 31) & GOSPEL *

See Celebrate

(*Responses: Glory to you, O Lord. / Praise to you, O Christ.*)

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY * *Comfort, Comfort Now My People* RED #256

¹ "Comfort, comfort now my people; tell of peace!" So says our God.
"Comfort those who sit in darkness mourning under sorrow's load.
To God's people now proclaim that God's pardon waits for them!
Tell them that their war is over; God will reign in peace forever.

² For the herald's voice is crying in the desert far and near,
calling us to true repentance, since the reign of God is here.
Oh, that warning cry obey! Now prepare for God a way.
Valleys, rise to greet the Savior; hills bow down in humble favor.

³ Straight shall be what long was crooked, and the rougher places plain.

Let your hearts be true and humble, as befits God's holy reign.

For the glory of the Lord now on earth is shed abroad,

and all flesh shall see the token that God's word is never broken.

NICENE CREED *

BLUE pp. 32-33

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION*

See Celebrate

Meal

OFFERTORY VERSE *

BLUE p. 35

OFFERING

DOXOLOGY *

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

praise him, all creatures here below;

praise him above, ye heav'nly host;

praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

OFFERTORY PRAYER *

BLUE p. 35

GREAT THANKSGIVING & *HOLY, HOLY, HOLY* *

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WORDS OF INSTITUTION *

BLUE p. 37

LORD'S PRAYER *

BLUE p. 39

LAMB OF GOD *

BLUE p. 39

COMMUNION OF THE FAITHFUL

All baptized believers are welcome, including visitors, to the Table of the Lord! Wine (red) or grape juice (clear) is available.

COMMUNION BLESSING *

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POST COMMUNION CANTICLE *

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION *

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Sending

BLESSING *

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CLOSING HYMN * *Hark, the Glad Sound*

RED #239

¹ Hark, the glad sound! The Savior comes, the Savior promised long; Let every heart prepare a throne and every voice a song.

² He comes the prisoners to release, in Satan's bondage held. The gates of brass before him burst, the iron fetters yield.

³ He comes the broken heart to bind, the bleeding soul to cure, and with the treasures of his grace to enrich the humbled poor.

⁴ Our glad hosannas, Prince of peace, your welcome shall proclaim, and heaven's eternal arches ring with your beloved name.

DISMISSAL * (*Response: Thanks be to God.*)

Help us keep an updated prayer list. If you have placed an individual on our prayer list, please remember to notify the office when that individual can be removed. Thank you.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Patti Spirk (Logan family friend), Linda Fake (friend of Marilyn Hocker), Donna Miller, Bill Sheetz, Jean Lisse, Toby Drake, Hans Lang, Philip Rauh, Eva Kunz, Bessie Bethea (Otis Martin's aunt), Marcia Schreffler, Janice Mixell (Jesse Burigana's grandmother), Tara Beachtel, Fran & Kitty Kunz (family of Lauralee Kunz), Richard Berger (Sue Dearmitt's father), Tommy Weldon, Marie Koning (Anneke's sister), Scott Schneider (Herb Logan's co-worker), Joyce Hrestack (Joel Hain's ex-wife), Yolanda Barron, Linda Freed, Hennie Koning (Anneke's brother), Patrick Daugherty (friend of Flemings), Liam Brotherton, Grace Wolf (Dave's mother), David Ranck (Carol's husband), Grace MacMurtie (Hope Bowling's mother) Bob & Jean Lisse, Lauralee Kunz, Anneke Fleming, Mike Boyer (friend of Buriganas), Richard Walker (friend of Margo Whittaker), Betty Hammell, Deb Nickle (Betty Nickle's daughter-in-law), Alex Chubb, Marion Tosheff, Tom Snyder, Mary Louise Shuler, MaryPat & Aaron MacMurtie (Hope Bowling's family members), Jacqueline Neil (Brad Neil's mother), Abby & Brady Keith (Marilyn Hocker's family), Rahbiyah, Zheyen (friend of the Flemings), Bernie Kunz, Ed Seneca, Todd MacMurtie (Hope Bowling's nephew), Lisa Tosheff (Marion's daughter-in-law), Russ Kolacek (Tom Snyder's son-in-law), Tiffany Crosby, Annabelle Paul, Leroy MacMurtie (Hope Bowling's father), Ed Digon (Malane's husband), Cheryl Digon (Ed & Malane Digon's daughter-in-law), Bob Sheetz (Bill's brother), Betty Giovaninello (friend of Linda Schreier), Sondra Andrews (Bob & Jean Lisse's daughter), Barbara Hammell (Betty's daughter), Bishop Dunlop.

Pray for our military, especially Ian Bowling, Robert McCann, Jason Nunez, Maxwell Reilly, Myles Reilly, & George Schreffler, III.

Pray for our shut-ins, especially Shirley Kaltreider, Lauralee Kunz, Jean Lisse, Miriam Reinard, Ed Seneca, Alta Shadel, Tom Snyder.

MISSION STATEMENT

Our Saviour Lutheran Church, a caring congregation dedicated to the word of Christ welcomes all people to worship and grow with us as we share His love and salvation with our neighbors, our children and ourselves.

Sponsorships of Sunday bulletins

The sign-up sheets to sponsor our Sunday bulletins for the months of January, February & March in 2023 are now on the bulletin board. Future months will be placed there shortly.

Manna Food Pantry

Our "2nd Sunday" food collection is still ongoing. During this time of continuous rising food prices & heating costs, food pantries are seeing a greater demand of their services. If you would like to donate you may bring your items into the church & place them on the table in the Narthex at any time. There is a list of suggested items now on the table. If you would like to make a monetary donation, please mark your envelopes "Manna Food Pantry", and place it with your regular giving envelope.

WELCOME TO OUR SAVIOUR TODAY

- **Welcome pads are now back on the pews** at the center aisle; please sign and pass to your neighbor. Please include any changes.
- Please put your cell phones on quiet mode.

The bulletins today are sponsored by Marilyn Hocker in loving memory of her mother, Mary Mae Sholly whose birthday anniversary is today.

ASSISTING TODAY

9:30 am	Reader	Herb Logan
	Ushers	Alice & Jim Lubrecht
	Communion Assistants	Deb Flage, Anneke Fleming
	Counters	Neil/Youngblood family

NEXT WEEK, SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2022

9:30 am	Reader	Joel Hains
	Ushers	Penny & John Zimmerman
	Communion Assistants	Alice & Jim Lubrecht
	Counters	Jim Lubrecht, John Zimmerman

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Today	9:30am	Worship
Advent 2		Children Sunday School during worship
	10:45am	Adult Sunday School
Monday, December 5		Pastor out of the office
	7:00pm	Christian Ed meets via Zoom
Wednesday, December 7	6:00pm	Soup Supper &
	7:00pm	Mid-Week Advent Service @Good Shepherd
Friday, December 9		Pastor in the office
Saturday, December 10	10:00am	Christkindlmarkt's live nativity
Sunday, December 11	9:30am	Worship
Advent 3		

Congratulation!

Congratulations to Matthew & Kystin DeArmitt on the birth of their son, Orion Zyló DeArmitt, born November 25th, weighed 8lbs. 1oz. and measured 20 3/4" long. Congratulations also to Sue, a proud grandma.

Staff Holiday Gifts

Envelopes for our annual tradition of staff Christmas gifts are now in your mailbox. They must be returned to Penny Zimmerman no later than Sunday, December 11th (**Next Sunday!!**). Thank you, Penny.

Advent Gathering for Soup & Worship

This year we will be having our Advent mid-week soup suppers followed by worship at Good Shepherd on Wednesdays, December 7th, 14th & 21st. Our soup meal will start at 6pm followed by worship at 7pm. All are invited to attend.

Soup donations are needed for December 7th & 14th. A sign-up sheet is in the Narthex.

Christkindlmarkt in Linglestown

This year's *live nativity* event will be held on **THIS SATURDAY!** December 10th. Epiphany & Our Saviour will once again be providing participants in the morning during the time slot of 10-10:30am. Please stop by and see us!

Jesus Said, "Let the Little Children Come to Me." Sunday School as started!

We have successfully revived Sunday School for the children of Our Saviour. The at each session the children completed a craft and enjoyed a snack. As a reminder, children's Sunday School class will be held on the first Sunday of the month during the service. **The next class will be TODAY!!** Children will be excused for their lesson after the children's message. Please share our news with anyone you know who may be interested. We welcome every child to join us and learn.

Susquehanna Chorale to Perform Traditional *Candlelight Christmas Concerts*

The Susquehanna Chorale, a nationally acclaimed adult chamber ensemble of 40 auditioned singers, including our organist, Mitchell, will present its traditional *Candlelight Christmas* concert series with evening programs in the Harrisburg area on Friday and Saturday, December 16th

and 17th and a matinee on Sunday, December 18th. The programs will be conducted by Founder, Artistic Director, and Conductor Linda L. Tedford.

The three performances are at three different locations. The Chorale will perform December 16th at 7:30 p.m. at the Calvin and Janet High Center for Worship and Performing Arts, Messiah University in Mechanicsburg; December 17th, at 7:30 p.m. at Leffler Chapel and Performance Center, Elizabethtown College in Elizabethtown; and December 18th, at 4:00 p.m. at Market Square Presbyterian Church in Harrisburg. A pre-concert instrumental recital will be presented by the Messiah University Brass 15 minutes prior to each performance. A reception for the audience and singers is planned following each program.

Tickets may be purchased through the Susquehanna Chorale website at <https://susquehannachorale.org/performances> or by calling the Messiah University Box Office at (717) 691-6036, Option #1. Discounts are available for groups of 10 or more.

FAMILY PROMISE NEWS

Our Saviour, along with Good Shepherd, will be hosting Family Promise Sunday, January 8, 2023 through Sunday morning, January 15, 2023.

We need volunteers to make meals, drive the van, and do overnights. PLEASE, PLEASE consider volunteering in any way that you are able - I assure you that your assistance will be greatly appreciated!

Sign-up sheets have been posted in the Narthex

Perhaps you are not able to offer assistance this week, but would be available in the future. Please note that we will also be hosting Family Promise the weeks of April 30, June 25, and October 15 in 2023.

This program can only exist with the help of our volunteers. Your volunteering does make a positive impact for these families!

If you have any questions about the mission of Family Promise or would like more information on volunteering opportunities through Family Promise, please feel free to talk to me.

Thank you. Nadine Martin, (717) 497-1200,
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