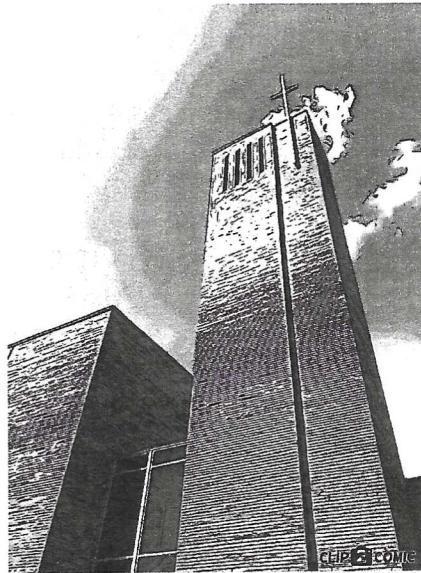


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+Order of Service+
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2nd Sunday in Advent
Divine Service Setting One
LSB 151

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Hymn **O Come, O Come, Emmanuel** LSB 357
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Nov. 27, 2022 Of Our Time: 101 Communion:

Giving: \$ 2,062.00

Thanksgiving Of Our Time: 83 Giving: \$ 3,408.00

Old Testament

Isaiah 11:1-10

There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit. (2) And the Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD. (3) And his delight shall be in the fear of the LORD. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide disputes by what his ears hear, (4) but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; and 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 of his waist, and faithfulness the belt of his loins. (6) The wolf shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the young goat, and the calf and the lion and the fattened calf 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 cobra, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the adder's den. (9) They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain; for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea. (10) In that day the root of Jesse, who shall stand as a signal for the peoples—of him shall the nations inquire, and his resting place shall be glorious.

Epistle

Romans 15:4-13

For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that through endurance and through the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. (5) May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, (6) that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. (7) Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. (8) For I tell you that Christ became a servant to the circumcised to show God's truthfulness, in order to confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, (9) and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, "Therefore I will praise you among the Gentiles, and sing to your name." (10) And again it is said, "Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people." (11) And again, "Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples extol him." (12) And again Isaiah says, "The root of Jesse will come, even he who arises to rule the Gentiles; in him will the Gentiles hope." (13) May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

Gospel

Matthew 3:1-12

In those days John the Baptist came preaching in the wilderness of Judea, (2) "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." (3) For this is he who was spoken of by the prophet Isaiah when he said, "The voice of one crying in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord; make his paths straight.'" (4) Now John wore a garment of camel's hair and a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. (5) Then Jerusalem and all Judea and all the region about 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 to his baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? (8) Bear fruit in keeping with repentance. (9) And do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our

father,' for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children for Abraham. (10) Even now the axe is laid to the root of the trees. Every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. (11) "I baptize you with water for repentance, but he who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. 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 gather his wheat into the barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

WE OFTEN FEEL our need for God's presence only when we see what it looks like when He's absent. Next week listen to Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler message: "Beauty We Can't See" (Isaiah 28:5) on the Lutheran Hour on WCCO (830): 6:05 AM, KSUM (1370): 11:00 AM. Today's message: "Paradise Restored" (Isaiah 11:1-10).

LADIES AID CHRISTMAS Luncheon will be at the China Café in Truman on Tuesday, December 6th at noon. We will be ordering off the menu and it is Dutch Treat. Everyone is invited to attend. Please let Donna Bentz (236-9247) if you are attending.

WE WILL START the poinsettia tradition again. Please let the office know the names of the persons you want in the bulletin by December 15. The names will be in the bulletin on December 18. Poinsettias can be dropped off at the office. If you have any questions, contact Dawn Halverson 507-432-8248.

St John's Antrim Church will be having their 7th annual Beef Commercial Meal TODAY we will be serving the meal in the church basement from 11-12:30 pm. To go orders will be available. Pre orders for whole homemade pies, (Apple, Pecan, Cherry, Blueberry) can be made by calling 507-236-7292. Orders for the pies are due by Wed. Nov. 30th. You can pick up the preordered pies on the day of the meal. Suggested donation for the pies is \$10. **This is a free will donation event.**

THE MARTIN LUTHER JR/SR High School Music Department invites everyone to "O Magnum Mysterium" a Christmas Concert on Saturday, December 17th at 7:00 p.m. at the Fairmont Opera House. Elementary and high school musicians in band and choir will perform under the direction of Mr. Phil Schult. Admission is a free will offering.

A BENEFIT FOR Myron Kietzer of Willow Creek is planned for Saturday, January 14th from 3-7 PM at the Amboy Snowbirds Event Center on Main Street, Amboy. Menu will include pork sandwiches, beans, chips, pickles and dessert. You can participate in a stretch raffle for some great prizes. Everyone is welcome to attend. Free Will offering. Snow date will be on Saturday, January 21st.

THE ANTIQUE AUCTION has been canceled at Martin Luther High School.

Introit

Ps. 105:4–8; antiphon: Is. 40:3b

In the wilderness prepare the way | of the LORD;*
make straight in the desert a highway | for our God.
Seek the LORD | and his strength;*
seek his presence con- | tinually!
Remember the wondrous works that | he has done,*
his miracles, and the judgments he | uttered,
O offspring of Abraham, his | servant,*
children of Jacob, his | chosen ones!
He is the | LORD our God;*
his judgments are in | all the earth.
He remembers his covenant for- | ever,*
the word that he commanded, for a thousand gener- | ations.
Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.
In the wilderness prepare the way | of the LORD;*
make straight in the desert a highway | for our God.

YOUR DAILY PRAYERS REMEMBER:

+ **Stephen Reckard, DeLaine Krenz, Dick Eckmann, Alania Jans, Norman Wiederhoeft, Pastor Fretham, Mel Breitbarth, Terry Bentele, Brandi Stohs, Cliff Dobie, Marlen Halverson, Gloria Drevlow, Marsha Miller, Carol Ritz, Bea Schultz, Richard Gottschalk, Larye Anderson, Engel Dougherty, Shari Voit**, who face prolonged illnesses. May the Lord's grace be their strength in their weakness.

+ **Our Shut-Ins: Eulalie Grunig, Jo Rusert, RoseMary Kasten, Janis Olson, June Mausling, Dallas & Wendy Becker, Mary Breitbarth.** May the Lord comfort them in their old age.

+ **Our Servicemen: Mike Hintz, Lance Halverson, Josh Rusert, Duane Cox, Andrew Reed, Cade Hotzler.** May the Lord protect them as they serve us.

THERE ARE ADVENT cards on the narthex desk. Pick up one if you would like one.

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS AT ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL


Sun.,	Dec.	4	9:00	Divine Service & Holy Communion
			10:15	Sunday School & Adult Bible Study
Tues.,	Dec.	6	10:00	Women's Bible Study
			Noon	Ladies Aid Christmas Luncheon
Wed.,	Dec.	7	10:00	Chapel
			4:30	after school Confirmation
			5:45-6:45	Supper by the Crusaders
			7:00	Advent Service
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Organists: 12/04 Sylvia 12/07 Sylvia 12/11 Chris 12/14 Chris 12/18 Heidi 12/21 Sylvia
 12/04 Scott Halverson, Randy Miller, John Matasovsky, Skip Henton, Wade Krenz, Gerald Urban, Ken Urban
 12/07 Lonnie Smith, Elliot Belgard, Randy Miller, Glenn Kubly
 12/11 Kerry Krenz, Sawyer Krenz, Cade Ekstrom, Alex Weihe, Cade Hotzler
 12/14 Larry Hintz, Jeff Hoppe, Lowell Boesch, Ken Urban
 12/18 Lonnie Smith, Elliot Belgard, Randy Miller, Glenn Kubly

Our Visitors

We welcome you to the Divine Service. May the Lord Jesus bless you through His Word preached, spoken, sung and given in the Sacraments. We believe that the Bible is the Word of God and therefore it is without error. We believe that Jesus Christ is true God, together with the Father and the Holy Spirit. Further, we believe that Jesus Christ atoned for all the world's sins and that we are saved alone by God's undeserved love. Scripture teaches that God declared the whole world to be righteous in Christ's crucifixion and resurrection. For Christ's sake He justifies those who believe in Jesus and trust in God's forgiveness in the blood of The Crucified One.

Holy Communion

LORD'S **S**  Scripture declares that in the Sacrament of the Altar each communicant receives the body and blood of Christ to eat and to drink with the mouth of their bodies. Communicants who believe this receive forgiveness of sins, those who don't eat and drink judgement unto themselves.

SUPPER **R** Communion also is a confession of oneness of the Faith we are baptized into, is preached in our pulpit, and summarized in the Small Catechism. Sadly, since these clear doctrines of The Holy Bible are not accepted by all Christian denominations, we continue the historic Christian practice of Closed Communion. **We request that anyone who is not a communicant member of the LC-MS please speak with our Pastor or an elder before the service and join our congregation in singing hymns during the distribution. Membership classes are offered.**