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(IN-PERSON & ZOOM WORSHIP SERVICE)

Lutheran Church of Our Savior
231 Jayne Avenue
Patchogue, New York 11772

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COVID ADVISORY AND CONGREGATION UPDATES

New LCOS Building Safety Guidelines voted on by the Council effective
November 8, 2021

Masks required for singing regardless of vaccination status

Unvaccinated individuals are still responsible for wearing a mask and
maintaining social distance.

(In accordance with current Federal CDC Guidelines)

Sunday, November 28, 2021
First Sunday of Advent, Year C



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WELCOME to God's House! We are happy that you are with us to Worship God together. Please remember that your safety is our utmost priority and we are following the recommendations of the CDC and state mandates. Some instructions are printed in this bulletin to help you know what to expect. Other instructions may be given throughout the service that deviate from what is printed if there is a need. The pastor and the ushers will be able to assist throughout the service. Please remain in your designated spot unless there is an emergency and you are asked to keep your mask on. If communion is being served, you will receive instructions at the appropriate time. Let us pause before the service to turn our thoughts toward God in silent prayer and meditation.

INTRODUCTION

Advent is about the "coming days." God's people have always lived in great expectation, but that expectation finds specific, repeated enunciation in the texts appointed for these four weeks. The ancients anticipated a "righteous Branch to spring up for David." The Thessalonians awaited "the coming of our Lord Jesus with all the saints." Jesus' contemporaries hoped for the time "to stand before the Son of Man." With them we eagerly await the coming days: another Christmas celebration, a second coming, and the advent of Christ in word and supper.

PRELUDE:

HOLY COMMUNION

Setting Three

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who alone does wonders,
who lifts up the lowly,
who fills the hungry with good things.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin, trusting in the tender mercy of our God.
Silence is kept for reflection.

God for whom we wait,
in the presence of one another,
we confess our sin before you.
We fail in believing that your good news is for us.
We falter in our call to tend your creation.
We find our sense of self in material wealth.
We fear those different from ourselves.
We forget that we are your children
and turn away from your love.
Forgive us, Blessed One,
and assure us again of your saving grace.
Amen.

God, in Christ Jesus, has looked with favor upon you!
Through the power of the Holy Spirit,
† your sins are forgiven.
You are children of the Most High,
inheritors of the eternal promise,
and recipients of divine mercy.
God strengthens you anew to follow the way of peace.
Amen.

MASK, MUST BE WORN WHEN SINGING IN CHURCH - REGARDLESS OF WHERE YOU ARE, SEATED OR YOUR VACCINATION STATUS. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SING - YOU MUST WEAR YOUR MASK. THANK YOU.

GATHERING HYMN

Awake! Awake and Greet the New Morn (ELW #242)

(Hymn/Music found in the RED Worship and Hymnal Book)



1 A - wake! A - wake, and greet the new morn, for
2 To us, to all in sor - row and fear, Em -
3 In dark - est night his com - ing shall be, when
4 Re - joice, re - joice, take heart in the night, though



an - gels her - ald its dawn - ing, Sing out your joy, for
man - u - el comes a - sing - ing, his hum - ble song is
all the world is de - spair - ing, as morn - ing light so
dark the win - ter and cheer - less, the ris - ing sun shall



soon he is born, be - hold! the Child of our long - ing,
qui - et and near, yet fills the earth with its ring - ing;
qui - et and free, so warm and gen - tle and car - ing,
crown you with light, be strong and lov - ing and fear - less.



Come as a ba - by weak and poor, to bring all hearts to -
muc - sic to heal the bro - ken soul and hymns of lov - ing -
Then shall the mute break forth in song, the lame shall leap in
Love be our song and love our prayer and love our end - less



geth - er, he o - pens wide the heav'n - ly door and
kind - ness, the thun - der of his an - thems roll to
won - der, the weak be raised a - bove the strong, and
sto - ry; may God fill ev - 'ry day we share and



lives now in - side us for - ev - er.
shat - ter all ha - tred and blind - ness.
weap - ons be bro - ken a - sun - der.
bring us at last in - to glo - ry.

Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950

Music: REJOICE, REJOICE, Marty Haugen

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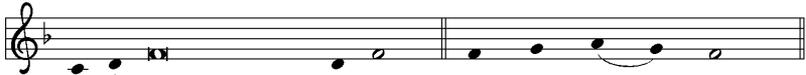
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GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

KYRIE



In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



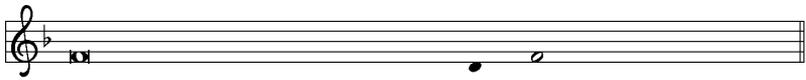
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



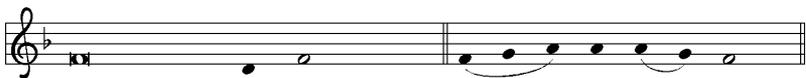
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



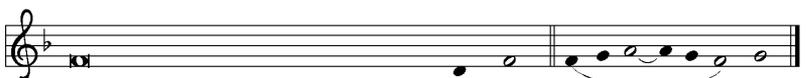
Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. **A - men.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Brief silence.

Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. By your merciful protection alert us to the threatening dangers of our sins, and redeem us for your life of justice, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

LIGHTING OF THE FIRST ADVENT CANDLE - HOPE

We praise you, O God, for this evergreen crown
that marks our days of preparation for Christ's advent.

As we light the first candle on this wreath,
rouse us from sleep, that we may be ready to greet our Lord
when he comes with all the saints and angels.

Enlighten us with your grace,
and prepare our hearts to welcome him with joy.

Grant this through Christ our Lord,
whose coming is certain and whose day draws near.

O, people of hope, come,
let us rejoice in the faithfulness of the Lord

Amen.

ADVENT WREATH LIGHTING ANTHEM

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (ELW #257 V.1)



1 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som cap - tive
 2 O come, O Wis - dom from on high, em - brac - ing all things
 3 O come, O come, O Lord of might, as to your tribes on
 4 O come, O Branch of Jes - se, free your own from Sa - tan's



Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile here
 far and nigh: in strength and beau - ty come and stay;
 Si - nai's height in an - cient times you gave the law
 tyr - an - ny; from depths of hell your peo - ple save,



un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
 teach us your will and guide our way. Re-joice! Re-joice!
 in cloud, and maj - es - ty, and awe.
 and give them vic - t'ry o'er the grave.



Em - man - u - el shall come to you, O Is - ra - el.

THE WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 33:14-16

In the Old Testament, “righteousness” often has to do with being faithful in relationship. God acts righteously both in punishing Israel for its sin and in having mercy. In today’s reading, Jerusalem’s future name—“The Lord is our righteousness”—proclaims that God is even now working salvation for Israel.

A reading from Jeremiah

¹⁴The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ¹⁵In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ¹⁶In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: “The LORD is our righteousness.”

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

Psalm 25:1-10

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul. (Ps. 25:1)

¹To ^l you, O LORD,
I lift ^l up my soul.

²**My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be ^l put to shame,
nor let my enemies triumph ^l over me.**

³Let none who look to you be ^l put to shame;
rather let those be put to shame ^l who are treacherous.

⁴**Show me your ^l ways, O LORD,
and teach ^l me your paths. R**

⁵Lead me in your ^l truth and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all ^l the
day long.

⁶**Remember, O LORD, your compas- ^l sion and love,
for they are from ^l everlasting. R**

⁷Remember not the sins of my youth and ^l my transgressions;
remember me according to your steadfast love and for the sake
of your good- ^l ness, O LORD.

⁸**You are gracious and up- ^l right, O LORD;
therefore you teach sinners ^l in your way.**

⁹You lead the low- ^l ly in justice
and teach the low- ^l ly your way.

¹⁰**All your paths, O LORD, are steadfast ^l love and faithfulness
to those who keep your covenant and your ^l testimonies. R**

SECOND READING

1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

Upon Timothy's report from the congregation at Thessalonica, Paul is exuberant with gratitude for them. In this passage from his letter, Paul voices overflowing thanks, joy, and blessings for the people of this growing church.

A reading from 1 Thessalonians

⁹How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? ¹⁰Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

¹¹Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. ¹²And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. ¹³And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia ELW Setting HC3

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL

Luke 21:25-36

God will fulfill God's purposes and, already, hidden signs of that fulfillment abound. On that great day there will be dismay, perplexity, confusion, and terror, but God's people shall be given strength to stand boldly and receive God's promised redemption.

The holy gospel according to Luke, the Twenty-First chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ²⁵“There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. ²⁶People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. ²⁷Then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in a cloud’ with power and great glory. ²⁸Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”

²⁹Then he told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree and all the

trees; ³⁰as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. ³¹So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. ³²Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. ³³Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

³⁴“Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, ³⁵like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. ³⁶Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

Sermon from Rev. John Backe

HYMN OF THE DAY

Lo! He Comes with the Clouds Descending (ELW #435)

1 Lo! he comes with clouds de - scend - ing,
 2 Now re - demp - tion, long - ex - pect - ed,
 3 Yea, a - men, let all a - dore thee,

once for our sal - va - tion slain;
 comes in sol - emn splen - dor near;
 high on thine e - ter - nal throne;

thou - sand thou - sand saints at - tend - ing
 all the saints this world re - ject - ed
 Sav - ior, take the pow'r and glo - ry,

join to sing the glad re - frain:
 thrill the trum - pet sound to hear:
 claim the king - dom as thine own.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

lu - ia! Christ the Lord re - turns to reign.
 lu - ia! See the day of God ap - pear!
 lu - ia! Thou shalt reign, and thou a - lone!

NICENE CREED

Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,*
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

In this season of watching and waiting, let us pray for all people and places that yearn for God's presence. *A brief silence.*

God of presence and peace, strengthen your church around the globe to proclaim the message of your love coming to the world. Open our hearts to recognize your face in all people and in all of creation. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of mighty redwoods and microscopic plants, fields and city parks, the wind and the waves, be a healing balm to our wounded planet. May we nurture what you have lovingly created. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of equity and compassion, bring righteousness and goodness to all peoples of the earth. Give a heart of discernment and integrity to leaders in our communities. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of comfort and care, be present with those who watch and wait. Come to all who await births, deaths, divorces, new unions, new jobs, retirements, healing, and life transitions of every kind. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of promises kept and new dreams awakened, shelter your people from destructive storms. We pray for those whose lives have been upended by natural disasters, for the work of Lutheran Disaster Response, Lutheran World Relief, and other relief organizations. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of companionship and community, we give you thanks for the saints who journeyed with us and now abide in you. Even in distress and uncertainty, make us confident that your promises endure forever. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of wisdom, in your goodness you continue to raise up faithful shepherds to serve your Church. Direct the members of our call committee as they seek to discern, on our behalf, a new leader to guide us in our mission in this place, that we may move forward together in mission. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We pray for those celebrating their birthdays this week: **Elizabeth Hannon, Richard Stewart, Anna Maddux, James Holmes and John Bachmore.** Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of new life, you come among us in the places we least expect. Receive these prayers and those of our hearts, in the name of Jesus. **Amen.**

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING

At this time, we encourage you to reflect on the gifts you have been given and how you can share them with others. If you are able to make a financial gift to LCOS, you can do so online or when the Ushers passes the Offering Plate. If you are able to give time, please speak with a council member or other leader about how you can contribute to the needs of the congregation and our community. Let us encourage one another to give generously whenever and wherever we are able, as a celebration of the abundance we have received.

OFFERING HYMN

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence (ELW #490)

(Hymn/Music found in the RED Worship and Hymnal Book)



- 1 Let all mor - tal flesh keep si - lence, and with fear and trem - bling stand;
- 2 King of kings, yet born of Mar - y, as of old on earth he stood,
- 3 Rank on rank the host of heav - en spreads its van - guard on the way;
- 4 At his feet the six - winged ser - aph, cher - u - bim with sleep - less eye,



pon - der noth - ing earth - ly - mind - ed, for with bless - ing in his hand
Lord of lords in hu - man ves - ture, in the bod - y and the blood,
as the Light of light, de - scend - ing from the realms of end - less day,
veil their fac - es to the pres - ence, as with cease - less voice they cry:



Christ our God to earth de - scend - ing comes full hom - age to de - mand.
he will give to all the faith - ful his own self for heav'n - ly food.
comes, the pow'rs of hell to van - quish, as the dark - ness clears a - way.
"Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!"

Text: Liturgy of St. James; tr. Gerard Moultrie, 1829–1885, alt.
Music: PICARDY, French folk tune, 17th cent.

OFFERTORY HYMN

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful (ELW #182)

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
 bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be
 fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u -
 nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your
 pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

TEXT: John W. Arthur, 1922-1980
 MUSIC: Richard W. Hillert, b. 1923
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OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

God of our waiting and watching,
 we offer the gifts of our hearts and our lives
 to the service of all your people.
 Prepare the way before us
 as we meet you in this simple meal,
 through Christ Jesus, our pathway and our peace.
Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

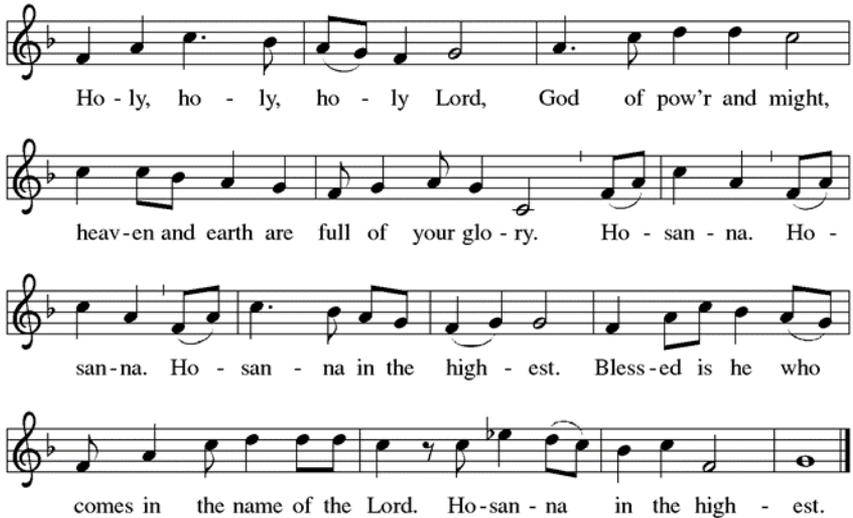
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
 Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.
 Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.
 It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,

that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ.

You comforted your people with the promise of the Redeemer,
through whom you will also make all things new
in the day when he comes to judge the world in righteousness.

And so, with all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

RESPONSE (*Sanctus*): Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God – ELW HC3



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

If you have the communion elements with you, please place in hand and remove any foil or plastic around the elements.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE/EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life:
Blessed are you for the birth of creation.
Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light.
Blessed are you for your promise to your people.
Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams.
Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will.

Blessed are you for your Son Jesus,
the Word made flesh.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

With this bread and cup
we remember your Word dwelling among us,
full of grace and truth.

We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection.

We look with hope for his coming.

Come, Lord Jesus.

Holy God, we long for your Spirit.

Come among us.

Bless this meal.

May your Word take flesh in us.

Awaken your people.

Fill us with your light.

Bring the gift of peace on earth.

Come, Holy Spirit.

All praise and glory are yours,
Holy One of Israel,
Word of God incarnate,
Power of the Most High,
one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as our Lord has taught us:

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

PRAYER OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION - *(Read by Assisting Minister)*

We invite everyone viewing this service from home to join in a prayer of Spiritual Communion.

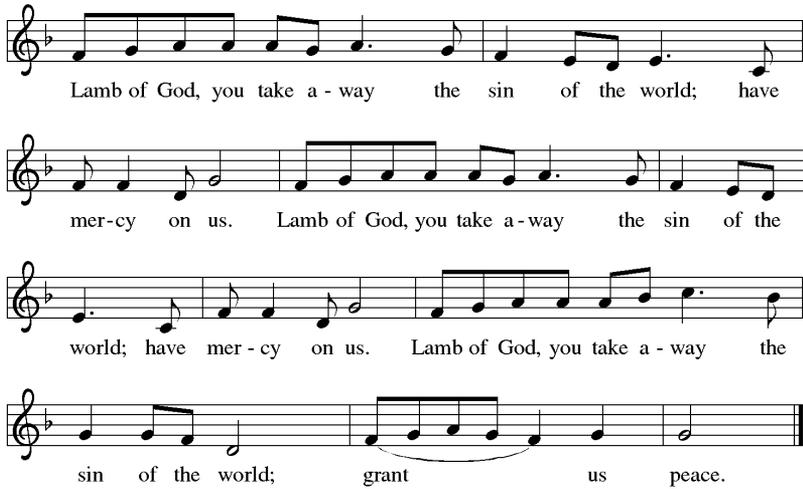
In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your church where Holy Communion is now being celebrated, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. Since I cannot receive you today in the sacrament of your body and blood, I ask you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you live in me, in this life and in the life to come. **Amen.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come to Christ's banquet.
Feast on God's gift of grace.

COMMUNION SONG (*Agnus Dei*):

O Lamb of God ELW HC3



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

After the communion song, you may partake in communion. A moment of extended silence is observed for reflection before continuing with the prayer.

COMMUNION HYMNS

(Hymn/Music found in the RED Worship and Hymnal Book)

My Lord, What a Morning (ELW #438)

Wait for the Lord (ELW #262)

Refrain

My Lord, what a morn-ing; my Lord, what a morn-ing; oh,

my Lord, what a morn-ing, when the stars be-gin to fall.

- 1 You will hear the trum-pet sound,
- 2 You will hear the sin-ner cry, to wake the na-tions un-der - ground,
- 3 You will hear the Chris-tian shout,

Refrain

look-ing to my God's right hand, when the stars be-gin to fall.

Text: African American spiritual
 Music: BURLEIGH, African American spiritual

Wait for the Lord (ELW #262)

Wait for the Lord, whose day is near.

Wait for the Lord: be strong, take heart!

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of two systems. The first system has a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The vocal line starts with a whole note chord (G4, B4, D5) followed by a quarter note (G4), then a half note (G4), and finally a whole note (G4). The piano accompaniment consists of a steady bass line of quarter notes (G2, B1, D2, G2) and a treble line of chords. The second system follows the same pattern, ending with a final whole note chord (G4, B4, D5).

Text: Taizé Community

Music: WAIT FOR THE LORD, Jacques Berthier, 1923-1994

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POST COMMUNION CANTICLE (*Nunc Dimittis*): Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise (ELW 204)

Thank-ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev-'ry-one what God has done.

Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.

Send us with your prom - is - es and lead your peo - ple forth in joy with

shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of four systems. The vocal line is a single melodic line in treble clef. The piano accompaniment consists of a steady bass line of quarter notes (G2, B1, D2, G2) and a treble line of chords. The first system has a vocal line starting with a quarter note (G4), followed by a half note (G4), and finally a whole note (G4). The piano accompaniment consists of a steady bass line of quarter notes (G2, B1, D2, G2) and a treble line of chords. The second system follows the same pattern. The third system follows the same pattern. The fourth system follows the same pattern, ending with a final whole note chord (G4, B4, D5).

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray

Most High God,

you have come among us at this table.

By the Spirit's power, form us to be bearers of your word,
sharing gifts of mercy and grace with all,
through Christ Jesus, our host and our guest.

Amen.

SENDING OF COMMUNION

God with us, you sent angels

to bring good news by day to Mary and Joseph

and to the shepherds as they watched their sheep by night.

You arranged the stars in the sky

so the wise men could find their way to the Christ child.

So guide those who will share this meal with our sisters and brothers
who are homebound, sick, or imprisoned,
so that all the ends of the earth might hear
of the good news this sacrament brings. **Amen.**

BLESSING/BENEDICTION

The God of hope

fill us with all joy and peace in believing,

so that we may abound in hope

by the power of the Holy Spirit,

through Christ Jesus for whom we wait.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN

People, Look East (ELW #248)

(Hymn/Music found in the RED Worship and Hymnal Book)

1 Peo - ple, look east. The time is near of the crown - ing
 2 Fur - rows, be glad. Though earth is bare, one more seed is
 3 Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim, one more light the
 4 An - gels an - nounce with shouts of mirth him who brings new

of the year. Make your house fair as you are a - ble,
 plant - ed there. Give up your strength the seed to nour - ish,
 bowl shall brim, shin - ing be - yond the frost - y weath - er,
 life to earth. Set ev - 'ry peak and val - ley hum - ming

trim the hearth and set the ta - ble. Peo - ple, look
 that in course the flow'r may flour - ish. Peo - ple, look
 bright as sun and moon to - geth - er. Peo - ple, look
 with the word, the Lord is com - ing. Peo - ple, look

east, and sing to - day— Love, the Guest, is on the way.
 east, and sing to - day— Love, the Rose, is on the way.
 east, and sing to - day— Love, the Star, is on the way.
 east, and sing to - day— Love, the Lord, is on the way.

Text: Eleanor Farjeon, 1881–1965

Music: BESANÇON, French carol; arr. Barry Rose, b. 1934

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DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ is near.

Thanks be to God.



ASSISTING IN TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE

Lay Assistant(s)	J.R. Lotito
Singers	J.R. and Dina Lotito
Tech Assistants	Rob Wottawa and Ellis Farmer
Tellers	Karen and Phil Mizzi
Ushers	Lois Cope and Rich Stewart

CHURCH STAFF

Pastor – VIA ZOOM & IN PERSON	Rev. John Backe
Deacons	Janet Bachmore Peggy Kurz Carol Rios
Musicians/Organist/Pianist	Dan Grable
Office Administrator	Nancy Gonzalez

MONTH OF NOVEMBER SERVICE HELPERS

Nov 2021	Lay Assistants	Tellers	Ushers
11/07/2021	Carol Rios	Karen & Phil Mizzi	Lois Cope & Rich Stewart
11/14/2021	Patricia Bergin	Kristina Farmer	Lois Cope & Rich Stewart
11/21/2021	Kathy Cirello	Fred & Peggy Kurz	Lois Cope & Rich Stewart
11/28/2021	J.R. Lotito	Karen & Phil Mizzi	Lois Cope & Rich Stewart



**THANKS FOR
VISITING**

FOR TODAY'S WORSHIP

November 28th - Pastor John Backe



FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2021

December 5th – Bishop Egensteiner – 75th Anniversary

December 12th – Pastor Harald Peeders

December 19th – Pastor Brenda Ford

December 26th – Pastor Elsa Marty



CHRISTMAS EVE – Two Worship Services

December 24th – 5pm – Pastor Elsa Marty

December 24th – 11pm – Pastor Vance Taylor



AS OF NOVEMBER 28TH WE WILL COMMENCE WITH HOLY COMMUNION PEW BY PEW WITH WINE OR JUICE AND BREAD. COMMUNION KITS WILL ALSO BE AVAILALBE FOR THOSE THAT PREFER TO REMAIN AT THEIR SEAT.



AFTER SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

Stop by and enjoy a cup and a conversation! Volunteers needed for setup and cleanup. Sign Up Sheets available in the Church Office. After Worship Coffee Hour is in need of cakes, donuts and cookies that can be used for Sunday Coffee Hour after church. Please bring donations to the church and leave on the kitchen island. Your donations are greatly appreciated.



WANT TO KNOW WHAT'S HAPPENING???????
DON'T FORGET TO CHECK OUR CHURCH CALENDAR ON
<https://lcosevents.view-events.com>
For classes, upcoming events and church happenings



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OFFICE@LCOSPATCHOGUE.ORG



Please place your orders now for beautiful poinsettias to grace our altar on Christmas Eve. See order form in this month's Sandpiper and also in the Sunday Bulletins. Poinsettias will again be offered for \$16.75 and may be placed in Thanksgiving, in Memory of, or to the Gloria of God. Deadline is December 12th. (SEE ORDER FORM INSERT)



This beautiful gold-tone ornament was created, using the artwork of our own Michael Maas and is now available for purchase for **\$19.75**. Proceeds from the sales of the ornament will help defray the costs of our yearlong celebration, including the celebratory dinner (e.g. printing, postage, tips & other caterer's fees, favors, flowers, programs, entertainment, etc.) Do you have family members or friends who were baptized/confirmed/married at Lutheran Church of Our Savior but have moved away? Why not slip an ornament very thin and light into their Christmas card? The WELCA cookbook sold out in less than two months. Don't miss this opportunity to acquire a unique personal ornament for your Christmas tree. **PURCHASE YOUR ORNAMENT TODAY!**



TO OUR 75TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Please send back your party reply as soon as possible and if you did not receive an invitation please call the office.



Mobile Food Pantry Mission

Be a part of our mission to put wheels to our food pantry outreach and join us by picking up a prefilled prepared bag of groceries from the food pantry here at LCOS and keep it in your car for when you see someone in need while your running errands or simply going to work.

**JUST LIKE THAT YOU ARE PART OF OUR MISSION
AND DOING GOD'S WORK.**



CUB SCOUTS PACK 47

Meetings will be on MONDAY'S at church 6:30pm-7:30pm

Questions? Contact Jeremy Terhune at (516) 297-3849

or send an email to Jerbear1274@yahoo.com



MORNING WORSHIP

Morning Devotions with Daily Bible Readings: Monday-Friday 9:30am



COME JOIN US ON WEDNESDAY'S AT 6PM IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL CHECK YOUR EMAILS FOR UPDATES! Here is the link to the webpage:

<http://www.lcospatchogue.org/ministry/youth-group/>

Questions? Contact Rob at RobWottawa@gmail.com



Adult Bible Study—Wednesdays 7:15pm on Zoom

Join us as we gather around Wednesday evenings on Zoom to study the minor prophets of the Old Testament. Each study is interdisciplinary in nature, incorporating music, art, history, reading and textual analysis. All are welcome! We conclude each study with a short Compline service.

Mid-Week Advent Vespers Wednesdays 8:00pm on Zoom

Join us as we gather around word and prayer each Wednesday of Advent.



Sunday School - Sundays 11:15am on Zoom #LCOSundaySchool on Instagram



Children's Sunday School on Sundays at 11:15am Sunday school classes are held on Zoom every Sunday mornings. Join us for a bible story, craft, lessons and fun times together. Bring your Spark Story Bible to read along with us.

We have exciting plans for Advent! We will be posting activity prompts, bible stories and a Jesse Tree activity every day on Instagram and Facebook. These activities should be fun for the whole family and are not limited to children. Follow LCOSParishEducation on Instagram and #LCOSundaySchool.



OUR FOOD PANTRY IS IN NEED OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS

Small Bags of Rice, Small Bags of Dried Beans, Canned Fruit (15oz Cans) Canned Vegetables (15oz Cans), Cereal Boxes (Standard Size) Tuna or Other Canned Meat (i.e.: spam), Toilet Paper, Paper Towels, Soap Bars & Other Hygiene Products



TODAY AFTER WORSHIP IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL

**JOIN US FOR FELLOWSHIP AND FUN AS WE
PREPARE FOR THE ADVENT SEASON TOGETHER.**

Come and join us as we create Individual Advent Wreaths

November 28, 2021 During Coffee Hour

Greens, Candles and Decorations will be supplied.

Free Will Offering. Sing Joyously While Kristina Plays the Piano

**We Have Extra Metal Rings if Needed for a
cost of \$5.00 Each. SIGN UP TODAY!**



Scout PROJECTS

Our Scouts will be collecting items for SAVERS.

**Below you will find a list of items they will be
collecting until Friday, December 10th. All items
will be delivered to SAVERS on Saturday, December 11th.**

**Items can be dropped off after Sunday worship
or during church office hours. They are also seeking
volunteers with help in transporting these items to SAVERS.**

**If your interesting in helping out please contact
Jeremy Terhune at 516-297-3849.**

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEORITY AND SUPPORT!

SEE SAVERS PAGE FOR ITEMS TO DONATE

<https://www.savers.com/donate>

Women ^{of the} ELCA



The LCOS **Angel Tree** is up in the Fellowship Hall and you may choose to buy a gift for someone in need. More details will follow.



WELCA will again collect winter hats and gloves for our Food Pantry families. Donation Baskets are available in the Narthex and Fellowship Hall. We are hoping to distribute them on December 2nd



Cookie Exchange

**On Saturday, December 11th at 1:00 PM,
Annual Christmas Gathering**

with lunch and a cookie exchange (2 dozen). Please bring a Christmas ornament (\$10.00) for a Yankee Swap at the holiday party. Check your email and the Net for more details as the date approaches. Please sign up in the Fellowship Hall if you are attending. Angel tree gifts will be due on that day.

CHANGES ARE COMING

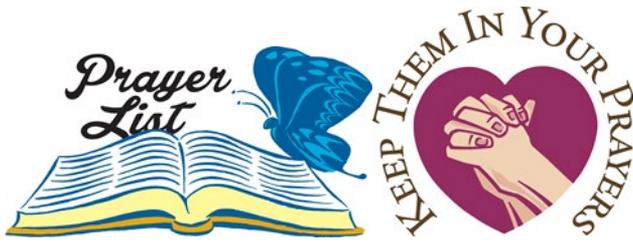
BEGINNING THIS SUNDAY NOVEMBER 28TH

Slides will no longer be shared via Zoom beginning Sunday November 28th. Instead, a PDF of the bulletin will be made available for download.

We will commence with Holy Communion pew to pew with wine or juice and bread. Communion kits will still be available for those who prefer to remain in their seats.

advent CALENDAR

<p>Perform a random act of kindness</p> <p>1</p> 	<p><i>two</i></p> <p>Donate food to a local food bank</p>	<p>Have a coloring contest</p> <p>3</p> 	<p><i>four</i></p> <p>Buy socks for a homeless shelter</p> 	<p>5</p> <p>Watch a favorite holiday movie</p>
<p>Make or buy a new Christmas ornament</p> <p>6</p> 	<p>Let someone go in front of you in line</p> <p><i>seven</i></p>	<p>8</p> <p>Clean out and donate outgrown toys</p> 	<p>Build a snowman out of cotton balls</p> <p>9</p> 	<p>Take cupcakes to your local fire department</p> <p>10</p> 
<p>Decorate a gingerbread house</p> <p><i>eleven</i></p> 	<p>Help wrap a Christmas present</p> <p>12</p> 	<p><i>thirteen</i></p> <p>Leave a happy note for someone to find</p> 	<p>Have a game night in your PJs</p> <p>14</p> 	<p>Make paper snowflakes</p> <p>15</p>
<p>Drink hot cocoa</p> <p>16</p> 	<p>17</p> <p>Make Christmas cards</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Bake Christmas cookies</p> 	<p>Sing Christmas carols</p> <p>19</p> 	<p>Take a family photo in front of the Christmas tree</p> <p><i>twenty</i></p> 
<p>Read your favorite Christmas story</p> <p>21</p> 	<p>22</p> <p>Take a car tour of your local light displays</p>	<p>Deliver Christmas cards to your neighbors</p> <p>23</p> 	<p>Watch or attend a Christmas Eve service</p> <p><i>twenty-four</i></p> 	<p>Read the Nativity story</p> <p>25</p>



<p><u>For those with Illness/Sickness</u> <u>Preparing for Surgery or</u> <u>Recuperating and for those</u> <u>who assist them:</u> Lucas Caruso – Newborn Cindy Slater Carl Struck Mary Ann Dittmeier Jeff Dittmeier</p> <p><u>At Home</u> Eileen Kuhn</p> <p><u>In Crisis/Recovery/ Needs Prayers</u></p>	<p><u>In Service</u> Jenna Vaughan Ian Kuhn</p> <p><u>Nursing Home/Rehab</u></p> <p><u>For the Families of:</u> Reverend Harald Pedders Peter Starken</p>
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WE WOULD LIKE TO PRAY FOR YOU!

Our PRAYER LIST is back please forward your prayer requests for the Homebound, Sick or Recuperating, for those in Crisis or Recovery, in a Nursing Home/Rehab or for those brave men and woman Serving in our Military.

FORWARD ALL REQUESTS TO OFFICE@LCOSPATCHOGUE.ORG



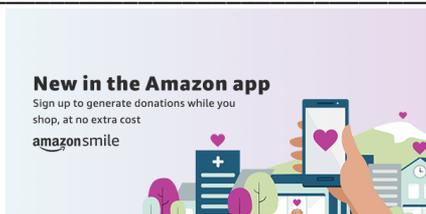


Altar Flowers

How to request flowers for the altar:

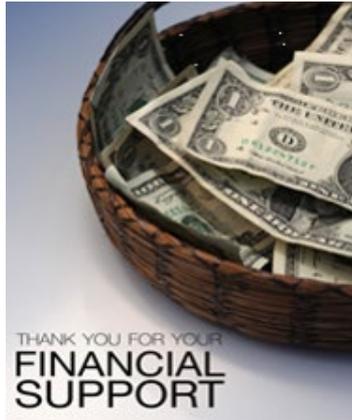
Members and friends are welcome to request flowers for the altar and dedicate them as they wish. The cost for one bouquet for the altar is \$10.00 or (2) for \$20.00.

To request flowers, use the pink "Flower Request Form". Fill the form out completely and place it in the pink "Flower Request" folder in the office mailbox (found next to the bulletin board - outside the door to the church office). When you pay for your flowers, please place your donation of \$10 per bouquet in an envelope. Clearly indicate that the donation is for Altar Flowers, include your name and place it in the offering plate. If you should have any questions, please speak to Martha Kalish. You can always contact the church office for assistance.



Want to help make a difference while you shop in the Amazon app, at no extra cost to you? Simply follow the instructions below to select "Lutheran Church of Our Savior" as your charity and activate AmazonSmile in the app. They will donate a portion of your eligible mobile app purchases to us. How it works:

- 1. Open the Amazon app on your phone**
- 2. Select the main menu (=) & tap on "AmazonSmile" within Programs & Features**
- 3. Select "Lutheran Church of Our Savior" as your charity**
- 4. Follow the on-screen instructions to activate AmazonSmile in the mobile app.**



Offering Envelopes: Can be picked up after Sunday Service or during office hours. If you do not receive offering envelopes but wish to, please contact the church office and let us know.

Faithful Donations: In addition to offering envelopes, we provide electronic means of giving to easily and faithfully make donations and give to God. Electronic giving also reduces the time needed by our volunteers to process and record donations. For additional information, use this address: <http://www.LCOSpatchogue.org/faithful-donations/>.

The Simply Giving program offers you a convenient, safe and secure way to make consistent church offerings without the need to write checks, carry cash, or prepare envelopes. Simply Giving works the same as automatic payments you might make through your checking account. The option is yours to determine the frequency (weekly on Monday or monthly on the 1st) and the amount. If this method of giving consistently is for you, you can sign up and manage your giving with a form available in the church office or simply sign-up online to create a username and login. You can change your giving at any time by submitting a new form or login with your username and change it yourself.



Welcome to Lutheran Church of Our Savior

Lutheran Church of Our Savior is a congregation with a big heart. We all know how difficult it is to be new, but we want you to know that no matter who you are or where you find yourself in life, you are invited to join us for worship and fellowship. Come to hear God's Word, share in the Sacraments and discover new ways to reach out to the world with God's peace and grace.

Everyone is a child of God. From crying babies to enthusiastic seniors, we recognize that we are all called to be one body with many members. We welcome people of all races, ethnicities, shapes and sizes of every marital status, political affiliation, sexual orientation and gender identity or expression. Those of different faith traditions, different physical, mental and emotional abilities and those in recovery or struggling with addiction are always welcome. We sincerely hope you join us in our journey toward greater love, understanding, and mutual respect for each other.

The bottom line: We welcome you! We know that no matter who you are Jesus accepts you and so do we. May our prayers, the hearing of God's Word, and God's grace and love make our burdens lighter, our hearts encouraged, and our souls refreshed.

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