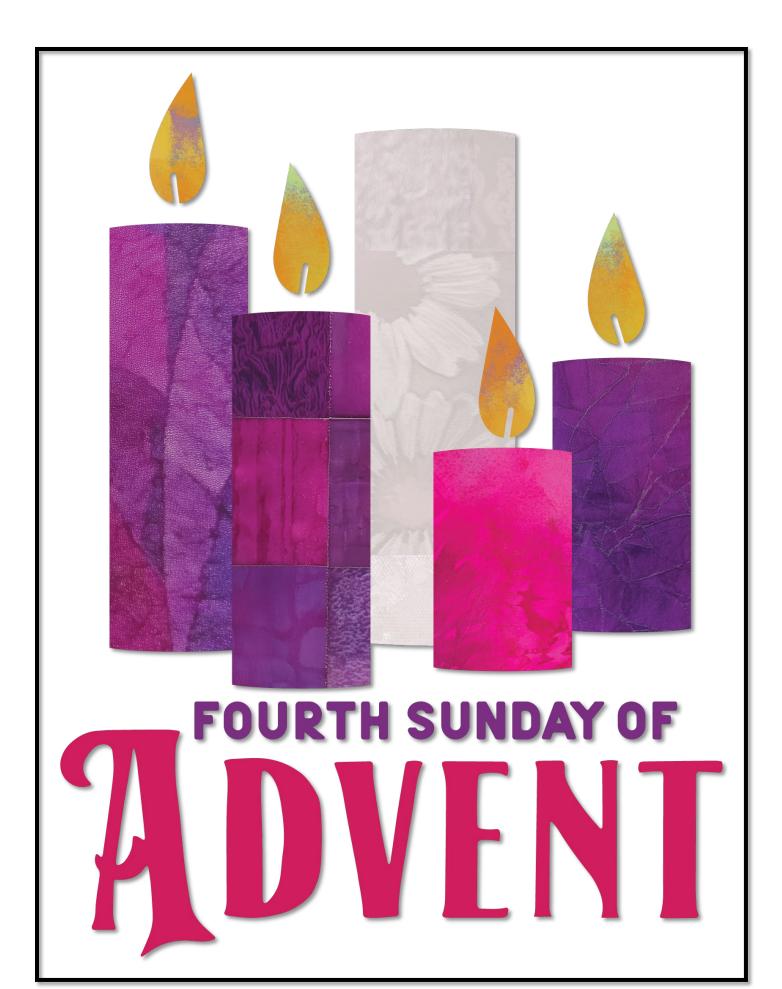


# FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT - LOVE

10:00AM SUNDAY WORSHIP
DECEMBER 21, 2025
(IN-PERSON & ZOOM WORSHIP SERVICE)

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



# Sunday, December 21, 2025 Fourth Sunday of Advent – LOVE Christmas Pageant

Rev. Claire Repsholdt - Pastor

# PLEASE TURN CELL PHONES OFF TO PREPARE YOUR HEART AND MIND FOR WORSHIP

**WELCOME** to God's House! We are happy that you are with us to Worship God together.

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, 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 are committed to embracing the work of anti-racism, social and economic justice, and environmental care. 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 are grateful to the one, holy Triune God who blessed us with this church. 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.

Let us pause before the service to turn our thoughts toward God in silent prayer and meditation.

Led by: Stephen Goldstein

### **PRELUDE**

### **CHIME CHOIR ANTHEM**

"O Come, O Come Emmanuel"

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**GATHERING** - The people rise in body or in spirit.

### WELCOME TO OUR ONLINE CONGREGATION

We are blessed to be joined each week with a faithful crew of digital worshippers. Let's take this time of gathering to offer them a warm hello!

### **CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity,  $\pm$  one God, whose home is heaven and earth, whose salvation is sure.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Long-expected God,

we confess that we look to ourselves for the peace and security only you can provide. We reach for swords and spears, reluctant to release our grip on the ways of war.

We become impatient while waiting and weary of keeping awake.

Free us from self-reliance,

and teach us to live in harmony with our neighbors.

Increase our trust in God's timing,

and awaken us to your advent among us,

that we may abound in the hope you have promised.

Amen.

God judges us not as we deserve, but according to God's own righteousness. 

You are freed and forgiven, saved by grace, and ready to welcome the Savior. Amen.



### **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.



### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. With your abundant grace and might, free us from the sin that hinders our faith, that eagerly we may receive your promises, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.** 

Children are invited to come up to help light the Advent candle.

### LIGHTING OF THE FOURTH ADVENT CANDLE – LOVE

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

As we light the candles on this wreath, open our eyes to see your presence in the lowly ones of this earth.

Enlighten us with your grace, that we may sing of your advent among us in the Word made flesh.

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

### ADVENT WREATH LIGHTING ANTHEM

Each verse is sung first by Cantor and then again by People

### Come Now, O Prince of Peace (ELW #247)



Please be seated.

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT PERFORMANCE Directed by: Kathy Cirello

The people rise in body or in spirit.

### HYMN OF THE DAY

### Away in the Manger (ELW #277)



### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Assisting Minister: Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear when we pray in the name of your Son. Therefore, in confidence and trust we pray for the Church:

Reader 1: Father, enliven the Church for its mission that we may be salt of the earth and light to the world.

Reader 1: Breathe fresh life into your people.

Give us power to reveal Christ in word and action.

Assisting Minister: We pray for the world:

Reader 2: Creator of all, lead us and every people into ways of justice and peace.

That we may respect one another in freedom and truth.

Reader 2: Awaken in us a sense of wonder for the earth and all that is in it.

Teach us to care creatively for its resources.

Assisting Minister: We pray for the community:

Reader 3: God of truth, inspire with your wisdom those whose decisions affect the lives of others that all may act with integrity and courage.

Reader 3: Give grace to all whose lives are linked with ours.

May we serve Christ in one another, and love as he loves us.

Assisting Minister: We pray for those in need:

Reader 4: God of hope, comfort and restore all who suffer in body, mind or spirit.

May they know the power of your healing love.

Reader 4: Make us willing agents of your compassion.

Strengthen us as we share in making people whole.

Assisting Minister: We remember those who have died and those who mourn:

Reader 5: We remember with thanksgiving those who have died in the faith of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone.

Father, into your hands we commend them.

Reader 5: Give comfort to those who mourn.

Bring them peace in their time of loss.

Reader 5: We praise you for all your saints who have entered your eternal glory.

May their example inspire and encourage us.

Assisting Minister: We pray for all those celebrating their birthdays this week:

Matthew Robano, Declan Oliver, and Deacon Carol Rios.

Pastor: Lord, you have called us to serve you.

Grant that we may walk in your presence: your love in our hearts, your truth in our minds, your strength in our wills; until, at the end of our journey, we know the joy of our homecoming and the welcome of your embrace, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **PEACE**

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

# The people greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace. Then the people are seated.

### **OFFERING**

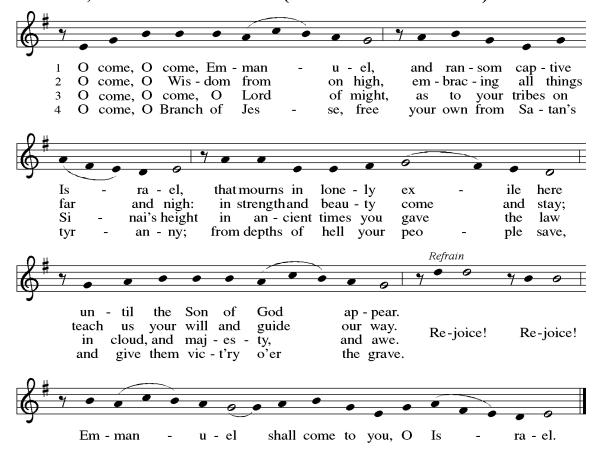
At this time, we encourage you to reflect on the gifts you have been given and how you can share them with others. If you are able to make a financial gift to LCOS, you can do so by scanning the QR Code Card in your pew, on our website or when the Ushers pass the Offering Plate. If you are able to give 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.

### OFFERTORY CHOIR ANTHEM

"Alleluia for Advent" by: Patrick Liebergen

### **OFFERING HYMN**

O Come, O Come Emmanuel (ELW #257 verses 1-3)



### The People rise in body or in spirit.

### OFFERING PRAYER

Nourishing God, you are water in the wilderness and streams in the desert. Through this meal, satisfy our parched places, that we may rejoice and be for the world signs of your kingdom come. **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.

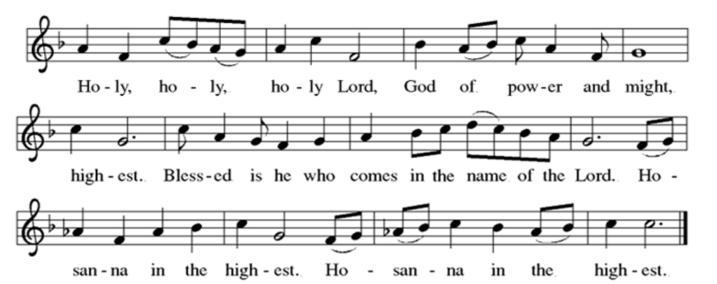
It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ.

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 – ELW HC2



### COMMUNION

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.

Holy God, We long for your Spirit now. 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.

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 sing as our Lord has taught us:



**PASTOR:** The kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

### PRAYER OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

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

In union with your faithful people at Holy Communion, O God, we offer you praise and thanksgiving. We remember your death; we proclaim your resurrection; we await your coming in glory. Since we cannot receive the sacrament of your body and blood today, we ask you to come into our hearts. Empower us with your grace, God, and let us never be separated in this life or the life to come. **Amen.** 

### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Here is life. God is with us.

Come, receive what God has promised.

### Please be seated.

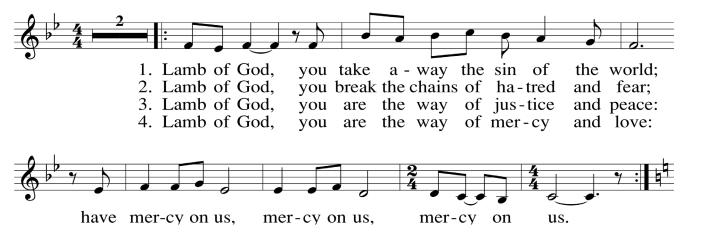
# COMMUNION: This week communion will be served continuously from the common cup in the center aisle.

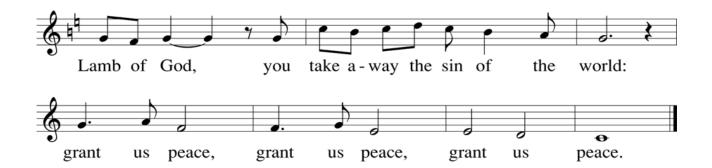
The Lord's Table is open to all wherever you are on your journey of faith. Ushers will guide you pew by pew up the center aisle. The entire organ side of the congregation will be served before the pulpit side. Please fill out a communion card from the pew rack and give it to one of the ushers to help us keep track of attendance. There is white grape juice already poured into the cups before the altar; otherwise, please pick up an empty cup for wine. There are also gluten-free and regular wafers; please let the pastor know if you are gluten intolerant.

If you are not ready to receive the Lord's Supper, you are welcome to come forward and receive God's blessing. If you are unable to come forward, please let one of the ushers know so that communion can be brought to you. After receiving the bread and wine or blessing, it is customary to say "Amen."

### COMMUNION SONG (Agnus Dei):

### Lamb of God

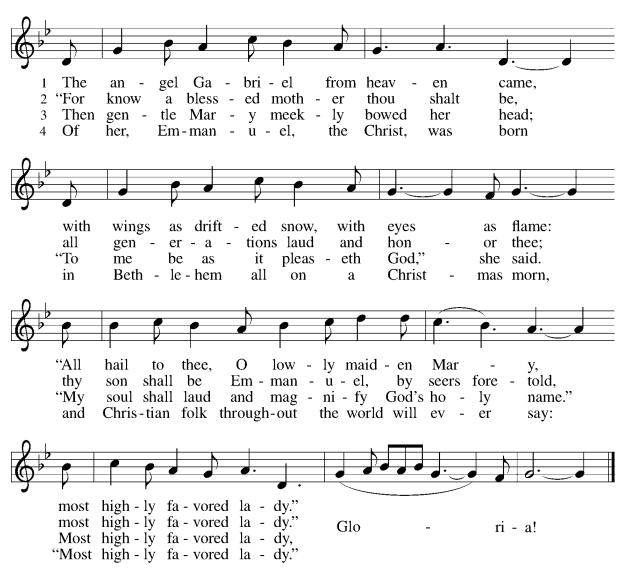




### Please be seated.

### **COMMUNION HYMNS**

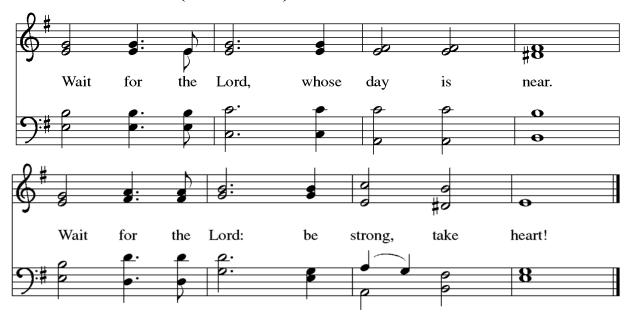
The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came (ELW #265) Lo, How a Rose Ere Blooming (ELW #272) Wait for the Lord (ELW #262)



Lo, How a Rose Ere Blooming (ELW #272)



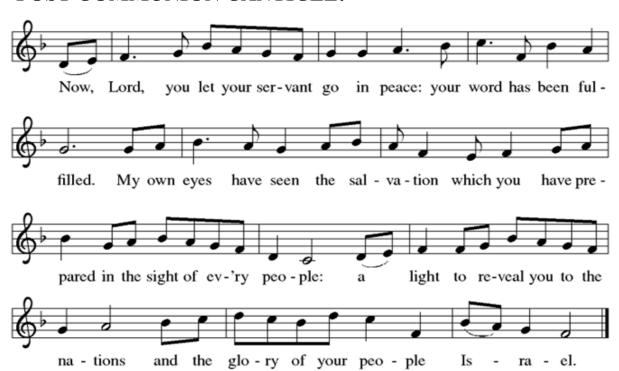
### Wait for the Lord (ELW #262)



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## **POST COMMUNION CANTICLE:**

**Now Lord** 



### POST COMMUNION PRAYER

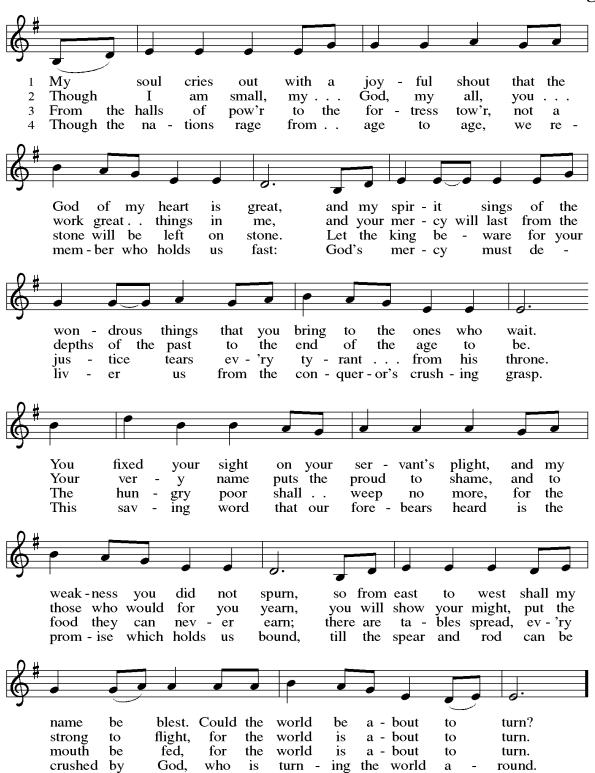
God our host, at this table you have fed us with joy and gladness. Send us forth, eager to share the feast, welcome the stranger, and bear good fruit in the name of Jesus. **Amen.** 

### BENEDICTION

May God who comes among us, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, grant you patience in waiting, peace in the darkness, and good news to share today and always. **Amen.** 

SENDING HYMN

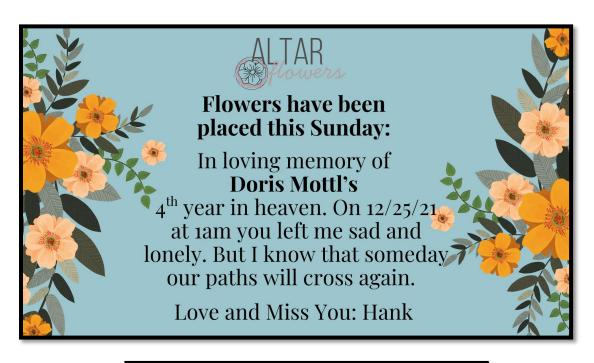
### Canticle of the Turning (ELW #723)

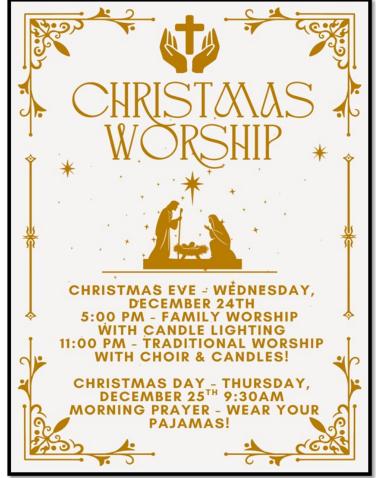


### **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Keep awake.

Thanks be to God.







# ASSISTING IN TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE

Lay Assistant	Aaron Salzano- Zeiler			
Acolyte				
Crucifer				
Lector	Matthew Salzano- Zeiler			
Cantor/Psalmist				
Children's Church Volunteers For this Sunday is BOLDED	Abigail Myers, Pete Angelica, Gena Mizzi, Karen Mizzi, Adrienne Perito and Kristen Salami			
Tech Assistants Tech for this Sunday is <b>BOLDED</b>	Matt Aleixo, Peter Angelica, Dakota Blair, Michael Johonnett, Jules Mueller and Jeremy Terhune			
Altar Guild	Linda Cook			
Tellers	Roxanne Kevlin & Hank Mottl			
Ushers	Jeremy & Sarah Terhune			
CHURCH STAFF				
Pastor	Reverend Claire Repsholdt			
Deacons	Janet Bachmore, Angela Bello, Carol Rios & Penny Liles-Clukey			
Musicians/Organist/Pianist	Stephen Goldstein			
Office Administrator	Nancy Gonzalez			

### TODAY'S ANNOUNCEMENTS: Sunday, December 21, 2025

### **TODAY:**

- CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES AT 5PM & 11PM
- CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED THURSDAY & FRIDAY
- WEEKLY:
- SUNDAY WORSHIP 10:00am
- SUNDAY SCHOOL IN PERSON EVERY OTHER SUNDAY CHECK CALENDAR
- ZOOM MORNING DEVOTIONS MON WED & FRI 9:30 AM
- LUNCH BUNCH CRAFT GROUP Tuesdays at 12pm in the fellowship hall.



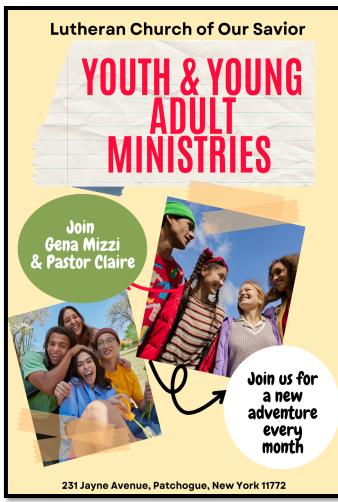




Donations of beverages, food, paper products and your help for set up and clean up for all events are always appreciated and welcomed.

ALL EVENT DETAIL FLYERS AND SIGN-UP SHEETS CAN BE FOUND IN FELLOWSHIP HALL





# Lutheran Church of Our Savior Children's Church **EVERY OTHER SUNDAY DURING WORSHIP** AFTER THE CHILDREN'S

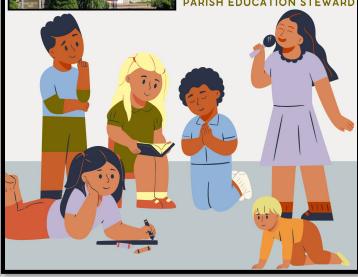


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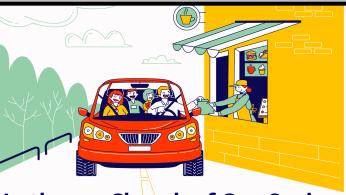
COME AND JOIN US!

ABIGAIL MYERS

PARISH EDUCATION STEWARD







**Lutheran Church of Our Savior** 

# **Drive-Thru Food Pantry**





ONE BAG PER FAMILY.

**UNA BOLSA POR FAMILIA.** 



LUTHERAN CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOR LUNCH BUNCH CRAFT GROUP

# MEETS ON TUESDAYS FROM NOON TO 2PM

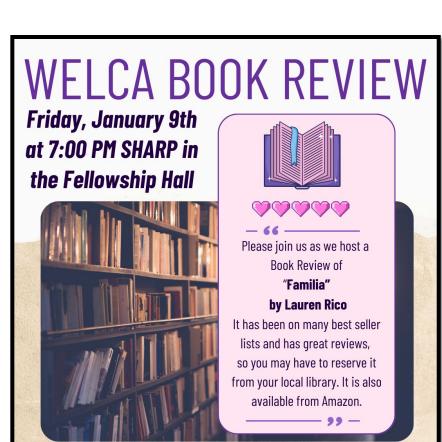
BRING YOUR LUNCH AND JOIN US IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL FOR CRAFTING AND FELLOWSHIP. ALL ARE WELCOME.

ANNUAL CRAFT FAIR
FIRST SATURDAY OF NOVEMBER
10AM-3PM















JOIN US



# STEWARDSHIP CORNER

# December 7, 2025, Donations



TELLER	SIMPLY	TOTAL	WEEKLY AMOUNT NEEDED FOR LCOS TO BE A SUSTAINING CONGREGATION: \$3,900.00
SHEET	GIVING	RECEIVED	
\$6,747.00*  *Includes \$140 from 12/3 Wed Advent Service & \$1,525 in Stewardship Contributions	\$2,794.40	\$9,541.40	WOW LCOS! Just Wow! Everything came together last week: First of the month donations, Wednesday Advent Service, Stewardship Donations, & your generosity. This is what we are capable of when we all work together for our beloved LCOS!

Thank you to all who gave!



#### IN OUR THOUGHTS & PRAYERS

For those with Illness/Sickness Preparing for Surgery or Recuperating and for those who assist them and those in need of

healing:
Alexis
Barbara
Marie
Nikki
Chuck Arcuri
Diane Baruch
Angela Bello
Amy Bergin

Hailey Bergin – Grieving Kelly Branigan

Carol Bjorklund Nate Burnett & Family Fabiola Cahill Nancy Cleary

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Kevin Rios
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Oscar Rojas
Gail Rooney
Michele Sanchez
Jimmy & Robin Schatz

James Shields Scott Rhodes Scott Simonetti Bill and Millie Slater

James Smith Irene Snyder Wilson Sosa Rob

Jim Stegemann

Myriam & Raul (Sickness) Jimmy – Recovery Luke – Infant – Surgery Donald Tucciarone

Jim Tabb

Brielle Toro Audrey Tremmel Giseli Vieira Carol Vilbig

Linda Miguel Villafane June Votava James Vogel Walter Joanne – Cancer

Cathy Walsh
Timothy Wittmann
Janeen

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Matthew Wynhurst Anthony Zeffiro

#### At Home

In Hospice

In Crisis/Recovery/ Needs Prayers

Alice Anderson - Hospice

<u>In Service</u> John Charpentier

Will Dorvilier Victor Ferrer Ian Kuhn Corey Papile Logan Putnam

#### Nursing Home/Rehab

For the Families of:

Charles Walsh Pastor Joanne Bond Susan Rusano

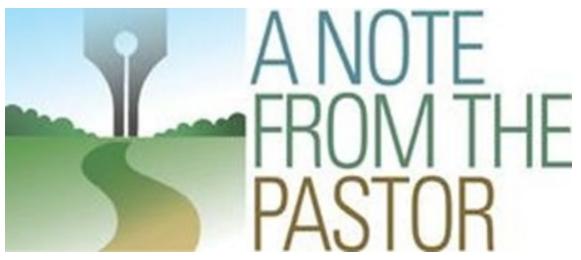
Deacon Hans Peter Wiedemann

Lachlan McReynolds Walter Kuhn Richard Boyle Kasmer Zalak Bruce Perry Rev. Ron Klose John Baum John Meyer

Thomas Bergin Mario Saravia Linda Liles

#### WE WOULD LIKE TO PRAY FOR YOU!

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. **COMPLETE A BLUE PRAYER REQUEST FORM OUTSIDE THE CHURCH OFFICE OR FORWARD AN EMAIL REQUEST TO** 



### This year we are "Acting on Faith"

This season we start to explore our growing areas and create plans for the future of the church.

### Together we ask:

How do we hope to grow in relationship to each other, our community and to God? What stories might we share and what lessons might we learn to help us grow in our faith?



# CONNECT WITH PASTOR CLAIRE rev.c.repsholdt@gmail.com

**Church Office: (631) 475-5725** 



Tuesday: 12pm-5pm Wednesday: 12pm-5pm Sunday: 12pm-5pm

Pastor Claire would love to connect with you one on one to hear your stories of life in faith. Email Pastor Claire or call the office to schedule an appointment.

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