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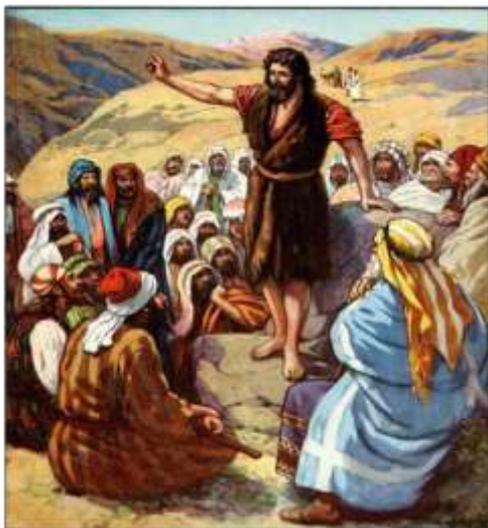
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December 5th, 2021
Second Sunday of Advent



Luke 3:2-3

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Thank you for joining our service today.

*This worship we will be using ELW Setting 3.
You may stand during worship with asterisk (*) in this bulletin*

Gathering

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

Prelude

Karen Niemeier

Welcome

Call to Worship

L: In our waking and in our sleeping, **C Come, Lord Jesus, Come.**

L: In our business and in our stillness, **C: Come, Lord Jesus, Come.**

L: Stir our hearts in your hope, **C: Come, Lord, Jesus, Come!**

***Gathering Hymn “On Jordan’s Bank the Baptist’s Cry”**

Verses 1, 2, & 5

ELW #249

***Greeting**

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***Kyrie**

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***Canticle of Praise**

“Glory to God”

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***Prayer of the Day**

Stir up our hearts, Lord God, to prepare the way of your only Son. By his coming give to all the people of the world knowledge of your salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Men’s Choir

“O Come to Set us Free”

Word

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

Children’s Message

We’ll learn about the Hope candle!

Advent Candle Hymn “O Come, O Come Emmanuel” ELW#257

Verse 5

1st Reading: Malachi 3:1-4

2nd Reading: Philippians 1:3-11

***Gospel Acclamation**

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***Gospel Reading: Luke 3:1-6**

The Holy gospel according to Luke. **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea,

and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, ²during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. ³He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, ⁴as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah, “The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: ‘Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. ⁵Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth; ⁶and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.’ ”

P: the gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

Message

Hymn of the Day “Comfort, Comfort Now My People”

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Apostles’ Creed *you will find the Apostles’ Creed on page 105.*

Prayer

L: The Lord be with you. **C: And also with you.**

Leader will lead the prayer.

Congregation may respond each petition with the following word:

L: Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

We lift our prayers for

Lynn Lyvers, Dick Johnson, Jerry, Sheridan Brinker, Fern Harnish, Lois Paulsen, Taylor B., Nina Mueller, Curt, Sharon, Denny Bergmann, Connor Stadermann, Brooke, Jon Forsythe, Diane, Randy, Brian, Deb Lindeman Harder, Paul Heller, Janet, Ryse Stone, Harry Perra Jr, Nicole, Meghan, John, Chuck, Joyce, Terri, Tina, Julie, J.T., Jamie, Crystal, Katie, Christian, Anna, Abby, Karla, Jacob and his family, Richard Gordon, Jim DeMontigny, Kay, Sue, Shanna, Kathy, Charlie, Brad, Jonathan, Cindy, Amber, Chris, Ron, Vicki, Sophia, Abby and her triplets, Brenda, Abby Schick, Brenda, Jack, Gretchen, Kay, Roger, Tina, Dan, Bryan, Shane, Joe, and legislators.

Meal

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Great Thanksgiving

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P: The Lord be with you. **C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts. **C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed....and join their unending hymn.

Holy Holy Holy

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Thanksgiving at the Table

Lord's Prayer

Lamb of God

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Communion

P: The body of Christ given for you. *(eat the body of Christ)*

The blood of Christ shed for you. *(drink the blood of Christ)*

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Announcements

Blessing and Dismissal

P: May the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. **Amen.**

P: Go in peace. Christ is near. **Thanks be to God.**

***Sending Hymn "Prepare the Royal Highway" ELW #264
Verses 1 & 4**

Postlude

Karen Niemeier

Psalm 31:24

²⁴Be strong, and let your heart take courage,
all you who wait for the LORD.

Attendance November 14th

In-person— 26 Online – 31

On-line attendance includes Facebook and YouTube video views from the last 7 days.

Please support the needs in our community!

Giving Tree

(formerly known as Angel Tree)

LBPA is setting up the Giving Tree at the Lena Mercantile. If you have any questions, contact The Mercantile at 369-9955

The Lena Area Church Cooperative will be giving gift certificates for meat and groceries to those in need this upcoming holiday season. If you would like to donate monetarily to the Lena Area Church Cooperative you can either put the money in the earmarked basket in the Fellowship Hall, or you can put it in the offering being sure to designate that it should go to the Lena Area Church Cooperative or LACC.

Advent Resources are available.

- Advent Calendars
- Daily Advent devotion
- Weekly Advent devotion from ELCA World Hunger
- Advent sermons from LWR

Please ask church office if you have any questions.

Annual Reports Are Due December 10, 2021

*Annual reports are required for each committee and organization of the congregation. These reports are assembled and made available to the congregation members prior to the meeting. The reports are the responsibility of the chairperson or offices. If possible, please type up the report and email it to **GoodShepherdLena@outlook.com** in Word format.*

What's Happening this week and beyond

- Sunday: after worship Choir practice
Confirmation class
5:00pm Chime practice
- Tuesday: 10:00am Bible Study Group
- Wednesday: 8:00am-11:30am Piece Corps Quilting Group
- Thursday: 1:00pm Friendship Club, Christmas Sing-a-long



December 12th,
Poinsettia Orders Due

You may order poinsettias in
memory or in honor of a loved one or
in celebration of the birth of Jesus!

Plants will be \$14.00
Order forms are available at the church.

Offering Notes

Please be sure that any contributions you would like credit for this year, is received prior to the end of worship on **Sunday, December 26, 2021**. Any contribution received after that will be credited in 2022. Thank you for your cooperation.

Christmas Worship Service Schedule

***Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
Friday, December 24th 7:00pm***

***Christmas Day Service
Saturday, December 25th 9:30am***

***Blue Christmas Service
Sunday, December 26th 9:30am***