St. Luke Lutheran Church

"Energized by God's Love"
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Evangelical Lutheran Worship **Setting VIII**
1st Sunday in Advent **November 29, 2026**



Dear Members & Guests - Welcome to Worship!
God has greatly blessed us with your presence today.
Thank you for responding to his invitation.

If you have a prayer request, please send it by email or voicemail to Letty in the church office.

SERVING US THIS MORNING

Ministers: All of the Members of this Congregation!

Pastor: The Rev. Daniel Tisdel **Office Manager:** Letty Lucero
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Children's Message: Pastor Dan Tisdel
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Altar Guild: Debbie Ryan, Wenchan Ma, Shirley Loo, Denise Tsang & Tim Tsang
Greeters: Doriann Shreve (Front Door), TBD (Side Door)
Sunday School: Emily Bradshaw & Brennan Dooley
Worship Team: Andy Wadsworth, Beth Stauter, Wil & Deb Mandac
Background Worship: Beth Stauter
Organist: Beth Stauter
Choir Director: Chris Frye **Bell Choir Director:** Wil Mandac
Tech Team: Andy Wadsworth, Alan Martinez, Ethan ElAmir, Ethan Tan, Jordan Mandac, Madeleine Gan, Scarlett Marquez, Tim Ambrose, Tim and Denise Tsang
Prayer Chain Coordinator: Marlene Custer

Hearing Assistance devices are available in the Library/AV Room.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC **Beth Stauter**

WELCOME **Pastor Dan Tisdel**

LIGHTING OF ADVENT WREATH/LIGHT ONE CANDLE TO WATCH FOR MESSIAH

PRELUDE ***"VENI EMMANUEL PRAELUDIUM"*** **Beth Stauter**
(Arr. By Mariyn Biery)

GATHERING HYMN ***"CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT"*** **ELW #715**

INVOCATION *(music found on page 184)*

[P] The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all

[C] And also with you.

KYRIE

[C] Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way, Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.

[A] For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the unity of all; for this holy house, for all who worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord

[C] Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way, Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.

[A] That we may live out your impassioned response to the hungry and the poor; that we may live out truth and justice and grace, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord

[C] Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way, Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.

[A] For peace in our hearts, for peace in our homes, for friends and family; for life and for love, for our work and our play, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord

[C] Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way, Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.

[A] For your Spirit to guide; that you center our lives in the water and the Word; that you nourish our souls with your body and blood, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord

[C] Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way, Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.

HYMN OF PRAISE FOR ADVENT
"CANTICLE OF THE TURNING" **ELW #723**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

[A] Let us pray…

[C] Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. By your merciful protection awaken us to the threatening dangers of our sins, and keep us blameless until the coming of your new day, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE WITH PASTOR DAN TISDEL

GOD ENCOUNTERS HIS PEOPLE THROUGH HIS WORD

1st Reading – Isaiah 64:1-9

This lament comes from a people who have had their hopes shattered. The visions of a rebuilt Jerusalem and a renewed people of God, spoken of in Isaiah 40–55, have not been realized. Instead, the people experience ruin, conflict, and famine. This lament calls God to account—to be the God who has brought deliverance in the past.

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down, so that the mountains would quake at your presence—as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil—to make your name known to your adversaries, so that the nations might tremble at your presence!

When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect, you came down; the mountains quaked at your presence. From ages past no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who works for those who wait for him. You meet those who gladly do right, those who remember you in your ways. But you were angry, and we sinned; because you hid yourself we transgressed. We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. There is no one who calls on your name or attempts to take hold of you, for you have hidden your face from us and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity. Yet, O LORD, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand. Do not be exceedingly angry, O LORD, and do not remember iniquity forever. Now consider, we are all your people.

Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19

OT => Old Testament windows (right) side of sanctuary

NT => New Testament windows (left) side of sanctuary

[NT] Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.

[OT] In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, stir up your strength and come to help us.

[NT] Restore us, O God; let your face shine upon us, and we shall be saved.

[OT] O LORD God of hosts, how long will your anger fume when your people pray?

[NT] You have fed them with the bread of tears; you have given them bowls of tears to drink.

[OT] You have made us the derision of our neighbors, and our enemies laugh us to scorn.

[NT] Restore us, O God of hosts; let your face shine upon us, and we shall be saved.

[OT] Let your hand be upon the one at your right hand, the one you have made so strong for yourself.

[NT] And so will we never turn away from you; give us life, that we may call upon your name.

[C] Restore us, O LORD God of hosts; let your face shine upon us, and we shall be saved.

CHOIR ANTHEM ***"COME ABIDE WITH US"*** **St. Luke Choir**

2nd Reading – 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

As the Christians in Corinth await the advent of Jesus, Paul reminds them how the Lord has already enriched them through spiritual gifts and will continue to strengthen them until the coming day of the Lord.

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind—just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you—so that you are not lacking in any gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful, by whom you were called into the partnership of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

[C] Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *(music found on page 188)*

Alleluia. Lord to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.
Alleluia, Alleluia. Alleluia.
Alleluia, Alleluia.

[P] This is the Holy Gospel according to Mark ...
[C] Glory to you, O Lord. (spoken)

Gospel – Mark 13:24-37 **Read by Pastor Dan Tisdel**

Jesus encourages his followers to look forward to the day when he returns in power and glory to end all suffering.

[Jesus said:] "In those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. "Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in clouds' with great power and glory. Then he will send out the angels and gather the elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

"From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not

pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

"But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven nor the Son, but only the Father. Beware, keep alert, for you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. Therefore, keep awake, for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening or at midnight or at cockcrow or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake."

[P] This is the Gospel of the Lord.
[C] Praise to you, O Christ.

MESSAGE ***"UNEXPECTED PATIENCE"*** **Pastor Dan Tisdel**

HYMN OF THE DAY ***"NOW THE HEAVENS START TO WHISPER"*** ***ACS* #901**

GATHERING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS
Prayer requests collected in the offering plates will be brought forward for the Prayers of the People.

PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS
[A] Let us pray...
[C] Gracious God, in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all. Amen.

APOSTLES' CREED
[C] I believe in God the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic* Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.
(*universal)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
[P & A] God, in your mercy,
[C] Receive our prayer.

PEACE OF CHRIST

TRANSITIONAL PRAYER
[A] Let us pray…
[C] Oh God, each time I worship and take communion, I want to recommit my life, my heart, my thoughts, my everything to You. Fill me today with Your powerful Spirit and help me grow closer to you and to my neighbor. Amen.

MEAL **Read by Pastor Dan Tisdel**

The Great Thanksgiving
[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 right, our duty and our joy . . .

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY *(music found on page 190)*
Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of pow'r and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory, full of your glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND BLESSING

THE LORD'S PRAYER
[C] 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.

"LAMB OF GOD" *(music found on page 191)*

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.
Lamb of God.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION - THE EUCHARIST (be seated)
Our Lord Jesus is the host of his table. He invites all to come to him. Everyone is welcome to commune with communion fellowship cups or by intinction with bread and your choice of wine or grape juice. If you are not communing, please receive a blessing of the day.

COMMUNION MUSIC **Beth Stauter**

POST COMMUNION BLESSING
[P] Providing God, you feed your flock like a shepherd and gather your people in your arms. We praise you for the care and sustenance you give at this meal and always. As we leave your table, carry us near your heart, and send us with confidence in the way of Jesus Christ, our Savior.
[C] Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING HYMN ***"KEEP YOUR LAMPS TRIMMED AND BURNING"*** **ACS #949**

BENEDICTION
[P] God our provider, God our feast, God our companion, ✢ bless you now and forever.
[C] Amen.

THE DISMISSAL
[A] Our worship continues; our service is just begun. Go in peace to love and serve The Lord.

[C] THANKS BE TO GOD!

POSTLUDE ***"REJOICE, REJOICE, BELIEVERS"*** **Beth Stauter**
(Arr. By Paul Manz)