

**FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**Missouri Synod**  
**4<sup>th</sup> & North Washington Street**  
**Papillion, Nebraska 68046**  
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**December 19, 2021**  
**8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.**

*“Lord, what would You do through me to accomplish Your will here at First Lutheran Church?”*

*Senior Pastor Karl P. Ziegler*

*Associate Pastor Joshua D. Mork*

*Director of Music Mr. David W. Ricke*

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*Preschool Director Mrs. Mindy Irvine*

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***Mission Statement:*** *Sharing and living a changeless Gospel with a changing world. (John 8:58, Hebrews 13:8)*



Welcome

to our house of worship! We always appreciate those of you who come to be with us when we bring honor and glory and praises to our God and Lord. If you are a visitor in our midst, please sign the registration book in the narthex and

fill in the form in the pad on the back of the pew, and please identify yourself to the pastors. We really appreciate it if you would come to worship with us again . . . and often! You are always welcome here at First Lutheran, Papillion.

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- Faithful to the Word of God in both proclamation and teaching. (Matt. 28:19-20, 2<sup>nd</sup> Tim. 2:15, Heb. 4:12)
- Intentional in caring for God’s people both locally and throughout the world. (Luke 10:25-37, 1<sup>st</sup> John 4:21, James 2:14-17)
- Responding to God’s Call to be salt and light where He has placed us. (Matt. 5:13-16)
- Supporting the Mission of God (Father, Son, and Holy Spirit) through our time, talent and treasure. (2<sup>nd</sup> Cor. 9:6-15)
- Training God’s people for lives of joyful service. (Eph. 4:11-13)

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***Our Teaching on the Lord’s Supper: The Lord’s Supper is celebrated at First Lutheran every Lord’s day and on festival days. If you are a member of an LCMS congregation you are welcome at the Lord’s Table. If you are of another confession we ask that you please speak to our Pastors or to an Elder if you wish to commune. We also ask that the following be your sincere confession and promise:***

- 1) Do I believe that I am a sinful person without hope of eternal life except for God’s mercy in Jesus?
- 2) Do I believe that Jesus is God’s Son and my personal Savior?
- 3) Do I believe that Jesus Christ is truly present in this Sacrament and that together with the bread and wine I receive His true Body and Blood?
- 4) Do I dedicate myself anew to the Lord through regular worship, the study of His Word, faithful witness, fervent prayer, and sacrificial living?

***Children who have not yet received instruction on the Lord’s Supper are encouraged to join their parents at the table for a blessing. Please register your attendance on the form located in the pew rack. Please list last name and first name of all worshipping and check the appropriate column for those partaking of the Lord’s Supper.***

***For those who would prefer a non-alcoholic option, please take the cups with the light colored grape juice. For those who have a gluten allergy and would prefer a gluten free wafer, please speak to the pastors in advance of the service.***

*For further study, see Matthew 5:23ff, 10:32ff, 18:15-35, 26:26-29, 1 Cor. 11:17-34.*

**FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT**

*“Jumping for Joy”  
December 19, 2021*



**PRELUDE** *Handbells (10:30 a.m.)*

*“O Come, O come, Emmanuel,” “To the World, Joy”  
Karen Baardson, Pianist*

**WORDS OF WELCOME**

**THE RINGING OF THE BELL**

**DIVINE SERVICE**

*Setting One p.151*

**Hymn** *“See amid the Winter’s Snow”*

*Hymn # 373*



**+ SERVICE OF PREPARATION +**

**Invocation**

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**Exhortation**

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*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

**Confession of Sins**

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**Absolution**

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**+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +**

**Introit** 1 Samuel 2:1b, 2, 5b-7; antiphon: Luke 1:46b-47

My soul magnifies the Lord,

**and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.**

My mouth derides my enemies,

**because I rejoice in your salvation.**

There is none holy like the Lord;

**there is none besides you; there is no rock like our God.**

The barren has borne seven,

**but she who has many children is forlorn.**

The Lord kills and brings to life;

**he brings down to Sheol and raises up.**

The Lord makes poor and makes rich;  
**he brings low and he exalts.**  
**Glory be to the Father and to the Son**  
**and to the Holy Spirit;**  
**as it was in the beginning,**  
**is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

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**and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.**

**Kyrie**

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**Salutation and Collect of the Day**

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**(All) Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come and help us by Your  
might, that the sins which weigh us down may be quickly lifted by  
Your grace and mercy; for You live and reign with the Father and  
the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**Old Testament Reading**

*Micah 5:2-5a*

<sup>2</sup> But you, O Bethlehem Ephrathah, who are too little to be among the clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel, whose origin is from of old, from ancient days. <sup>3</sup>Therefore he shall give them up until the time when she who is in labor has given birth; then the rest of his brothers shall return to the people of Israel. <sup>4</sup>And he shall stand and shepherd his flock in the strength of the Lord, in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God. And they shall dwell secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth. <sup>5</sup>And he shall be their peace.

A: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**Choir Anthem**      *“Come to Us Emmanuel”*

*Chancel Choir*

**Epistle Reading**

*Hebrews 10:5-10*

<sup>5</sup>When Christ came into the world, he said, “Sacrifices and offerings you have not desired, but a body have you prepared for me; <sup>6</sup>in burnt offerings and sin offerings you have taken no pleasure. <sup>7</sup>Then I said, ‘Behold, I have come to do your will, O God, as it is written of me in the scroll of the book.’” <sup>8</sup>When he said above, “You have neither desired nor taken pleasure in sacrifices and offerings and burnt offerings and sin offerings” (these are offered according to the law), <sup>9</sup>then he added, “Behold, I have come to do your will.” He abolishes the first in order to establish the second. <sup>10</sup>And by that will we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

A: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**Alleluia and Verse**

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**Holy Gospel**

*Luke 1:39-45*

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 1st chapter.

**C: Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>39</sup>In those days Mary arose and went with haste into the hill country, to a town in Judah, <sup>40</sup>and she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. <sup>41</sup>And when Elizabeth heard the greeting of Mary, the baby leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit, <sup>42</sup>and she exclaimed with a loud cry, “Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb! <sup>43</sup>And why is this granted to me that the mother of my Lord should come to me? <sup>44</sup>For behold, when the sound of your greeting came to my ears, the baby in my womb leaped for joy. <sup>45</sup>And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her from the Lord.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

**Kids’ Word**

Pastor Ziegler

**Hymn** “*Forgive Us, Lord, for Shallow Thankfulness*”

*Hymn # 788*

**Sermon** “*Jumping for Joy*” Luke 1:39-45

Pastor Mork

**The Apostle’s Creed**

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**Prayers of the Church**

**Offering**

**Offertory** “*Angel Song*”

*Chancel Choir*



**+ HOLY COMMUNION +**

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

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**Lord's Prayer**

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**The Words of our Lord**

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Social Ministry served around 150 at the Stephen Center on Monday, December 13, enjoying a meal of Hamburger Stroganoff, mixed vegetables and a variety of desserts. Thank you to all who donated baked goods for the meal and for the volunteers who helped cook and serve. The next Meal Server Monday will be January 10, 2022. If you would be willing to donate bars or cookies for January, please let Brenda Platt know, as it is much appreciated!