Old Testament

Isaiah 52:7-10

⁷How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings good news, who publishes peace, who brings good news of happiness, who publishes salvation, who says to Zion, "Your God reigns." 8The voice of your watchmenthey lift up their voice; together they sing for joy; for eye to eye they see the return of the LORD to Zion. ⁹Break forth together into singing, you waste places of Jerusalem, for the LORD has comforted his people; he has redeemed Jerusalem. ¹⁰The LORD has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all the nations, and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

Epistle Hebrews 1:1-12

¹Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, ²but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world. ³He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, 4having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

⁵For to which of the angels did God ever say, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"? Or again, "I will be to him a father, and he shall be to me a son"? 6And again, when he brings the firstborn into the world, he says, "Let all God's angels worship him."

⁷Of the angels he says, "He makes his angels winds, and his ministers a flame of fire." 8But of the Son he says, "Your throne, O God, is forever and ever, the scepter of uprightness is the scepter of your kingdom. ⁹You have loved righteousness and hated wickedness; therefore God, your God, has anointed you with the oil of gladness beyond your companions." ¹⁰And, "You, Lord, laid the foundation of the earth in the beginning, and the

heavens are the work of your hands; 11they will perish, but you remain; they will all wear out like a garment, ¹²like a robe you will roll them up, like a garment they will be changed. But you are the same, and your years will have no end."

Holy Gospel

John 1:1-18

¹In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ²He was in the beginning with God. ³All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made. 4In him was life, and the life was the light of men. ⁵The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome

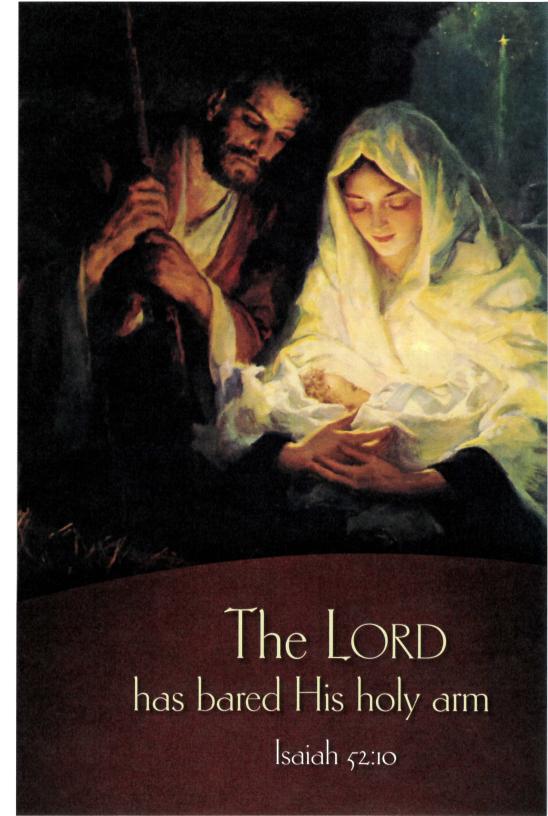
⁶There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. ⁷He came as a witness, to bear witness about the light, that all might believe through him. 8He was not the light, but came to bear witness about the light.

⁹The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. ¹⁰He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world did not know him. 11He came to his own, and his own people did not receive him. 12But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, ¹³who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.

¹⁴And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth. ¹⁵(John bore witness about him, and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks before me, because he was before me."") ¹⁶And from his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. ¹⁷For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. ¹⁸No one has ever seen God; the only God, who is at the Father's side, he has made him known.



About the Cover: In the mystery of the incarnation, God's power and might have come to us in the form of a vulnerable infant! His holy arm has worked unexpectedly and magnificently by taking on our human flesh in order to save us. For when Christ grew to adulthood, He bared His holy arm in the power of the cross—outstretched for all to see His merciful and unending love.



CHRISTMAS DAY

December 25, 2022 Sharing, Believing, Living, Caring

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Liturgy: Divine Service Setting Three p. 184

Hymns: 380, 367, 374, 379, 387

Holy Communion: Members of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod are invited to receive the Lord's Supper. Non-members are requested to speak with Pastor before worship.

THE MEASURE OF OUR LOVE

Attendance 12/14	(Wed): 37		Offering: \$666.00
Attendance 12/18	(Sun): 77	Comm.: 54	Offering: \$1,367.06
Budget Needs: \$3,594			Scrip Profit 12/18: \$48.00
S.S 9		Staff - 5	B.C. -9

KINGDOM WORK THIS WEEK

WED (12/28) No Confirmation
7:00 p.m. – Worship w/Comm.
SUN (1/1) No S.S./No B.C.
9:00 a.m. – Worship w/Comm.

IN OUR PRAYERS we remember Lillian Maas, Caden Blattner, Damian Wetzel, Wilfred Boldt, Julie Boldt, Kay Koffarnus, Jules & Carol Clausing, Lillian Maas, Sandy Haberland, Joan Zutz, Elaine Zeamer, Lori Krueger, Nancy Davidson, Terry Brandenburg, and Dallas Wenzel.

TODAY'S BULLETINS are sponsored by Rick & Terri Riemer in honor of their anniversary.

2023 FLOWER CHART & BULLETIN SPONSORSHIP – If you would like to donate flowers or sponsor bulletins for next year, please sign up on the bulletin board.

2023 CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES may be picked up from the table in the coat room. *Please do not start using them until January 1, 2023*.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED – We are in need of Sunday school teachers for this year. If interested, contact Amanda Zoellner.

USHERS & GREETERS are being sought for 2023. Sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board for both.

REMINDER: Annual Report items are due January 1, 2023. You may drop them off at the church office or email them to sblcoffice105@gmail.com. *Thank you!*

THANK YOU to the following people for providing Poinsettias for our Christmas celebration

Dave & Diane Buboltz Bill & Norma Drumm Simon & Rhonda Geiger Dallas & Sharon Wenzel Gary & Linda Streck Hank & Lori Horn Rick & Terri Riemer Gary & Alice Koerth Bob & Sue Behnke Sandy Haberland (in memory of Millie Behnke (in memory of family) & Gert VandeHey) Russell Boldt Faith Sonnabend (in memory of Carol & (in memory of Wally Sonnabend) Marcia Boldt) Bryan & Jeannine Krepline Norman Krahn (in memory of Betty, Nancy, (in memory of Bernice Meta, & Charles Krahn) Eichhorst & Nathan Krepline)