

is justified by all her children.”

(Please be seated)

Children’s Message

Baptism of Jameson Todd Koetter

Hymn of the Day “Jesus Messiah”

Today’s Message

(Please stand)

Apostles’ Creed

Prayer of the Church

Offertory

Lord’s Prayer

Benediction

Sharing of the Peace

(Please be seated)

Closing Hymn “God Of Wonders”

Postlude “Joy To The World/Unspeakable Joy”

To God Be The Glory!

Calendar of Events

Monday, December 16th

Pastor out of the office

Tuesday, December 17th

Wednesday, December 18th

11:00am..... Midweek Advent service

7:00pm... Children’s Christmas Program

Thursday, December 19th

1:30pm Hillcrest service

2:30pm..... Kinship Point service

Friday, December 20th

8:30am.....Women’s Bible study

Saturday, December 21st

Upper Fellowship Hall reservation

7:00am..... Men’s Bible Study

Sunday, December 22nd

8:00am.....Communion Worship

9:15am.....Adult Bible Study

9:15am.....Women’s Bible Study

9:15am.....Men’s Bible Study

9:15am.....Sunday School and F.I.R.E.

10:30am.....Communion Worship

Attendance Record

12/8-12/14

Sunday Early Service.....	38
Adult Bible study.....	9
Sunday School.....	15
Sunday Late Service.....	87
Morning Advent Midweek..	33
Evening Advent Midweek..	20
School of Religion.....	38
Confirmation.....	

Serving in God’s House

December 15th

Elder on duty	Harold Carlson
Organist	Charlene Pfanstiel
Audio	Paul Sellers
Greeter	Elaine Polly
Greeter	Jeff Polly
Usher	Eugene Custer
Lay Reader	Renelle Mooney
Acolyte	Hunter Kunkee
Acolyte	Will Kunkee
Powerpoint	Cathy Broz
Late Service	
Greeter	Donna Hall
Greeter	Jim Hall
Usher	Ben Schow
Lay Reader	Fred Gleason
Acolyte	Kysen Hazlitt
Acolyte	Paxton Messinger
Powerpoint	
Live Stream	Jackson Hartwell

December 22nd

Elder on duty	Fritz Hubert
Organist	Charlene Pfanstiel
Audio	Harold Carlson
Greeter	Nancy Rippen
Greeter	
Usher	Eugene Custer
Lay Reader	Jerry Calvin
Acolyte	
Acolyte	
Powerpoint	Harold Carlson
Late Service	
Greeter	Pat Penner
Greeter	
Usher	Curt Swanhorst
Lay Reader	Curt Swanhorst
Acolyte	Cale DeWester
Acolyte	Cason DeWester
Powerpoint	Gary Hunkins
Live Stream	Tina Cummins

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Worship Service Bulletin

Pastor Lonnie Felcher

December 15, 2024

The Third Sunday in Advent

Welcome! Here at Peace Lutheran Church, our mission is to share with loving concern, the true Word and gracious love of God with one another, our community, and our world.

May God bless you this morning as you worship with us.



Blended Worship

Prelude “*Hallelujah Christmas*”

Opening Hymn “*Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee*”

(Please stand)

Invocation

Confession And Absolution

Introit *Psalm 146:5–8; antiphon: Philippians 4:4*

Rejoice in the Lord always;

again I will say, Rejoice.

Blessèd is he whose help is the God of Jacob,

whose hope is in the LORD his God,

who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them,

who keeps faith forever;

who executes justice for the oppressed,

who gives food to the hungry.

The LORD sets the prisoners free; the LORD opens the eyes of the blind.

The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the righteous.

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.

Rejoice in the Lord always;

again I will say, Rejoice.

Collect Of The Day

(Please be seated)

First Reading *Zephaniah 3:14–20*

¹⁴Sing aloud, O daughter of Zion; shout, O Israel! Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter of Jerusalem!

¹⁵The LORD has taken away the judgments against you; he has cleared away your enemies. The King of Israel, the LORD, is in your midst; you shall never again fear evil.

¹⁶On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem: “Fear not, O Zion; let not your hands grow weak.

¹⁷The LORD your God is in your midst, a mighty one who will save; he will rejoice over you with gladness; he will quiet you by his love; he will exult over you with loud singing.

¹⁸I will gather those of you who mourn for the festival, so that you will no longer suffer reproach.

¹⁹Behold, at that time I will deal with all your oppressors. And I will save the lame and gather the outcast, and I will change their shame into praise and renown in all the earth.

²⁰At that time I will bring you in, at the time when I gather you

together; for I will make you renowned and praised among all the peoples of the earth, when I restore your fortunes before your eyes,” says the LORD.

Epistle

Philippians 4:4–7

⁴Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. ⁵Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; ⁶do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

(Please stand)

Alleluia “*Seek Ye First*”

Holy Gospel

Luke 7:18-35

¹⁸The disciples of John reported all these things to him. And John, ¹⁹calling two of his disciples to him, sent them to the Lord, saying, “Are you the one who is to come, or shall we look for another?” ²⁰And when the men had come to him, they said, “John the Baptist has sent us to you, saying, ‘Are you the one who is to come, or shall we look for another?’” ²¹In that hour he healed many people of diseases and plagues and evil spirits, and on many who were blind he bestowed sight. ²²And he answered them, “Go and tell John what you have seen and heard: the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, the poor have good news preached to them. ²³And blessed is the one who is not offended by me.”

²⁴When John’s messengers had gone, Jesus began to speak to the crowds concerning John: “What did you go out into the wilderness to see? A reed shaken by the wind? ²⁵What then did you go out to see? A man dressed in soft clothing? Behold, those who are dressed in splendid clothing and live in luxury are in kings’ courts. ²⁶What then did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. ²⁷This is he of whom it is written, “‘Behold, I send my messenger before your face, who will prepare your way before you.’” ²⁸I tell you, among those born of women none is greater than John. Yet the one who is least in the kingdom of God is greater than he.” ²⁹(When all the people heard this, and the tax collectors too, they declared God just, having been baptized with the baptism of John, ³⁰but the Pharisees and the lawyers rejected the purpose of God for themselves, not having been baptized by him.)

³¹“To what then shall I compare the people of this generation, and what are they like? ³²They are like children sitting in the marketplace and calling to one another, “‘We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we sang a dirge, and you did not weep.’” ³³For John the Baptist has come eating no bread and drinking no wine, and you say, ‘He has a demon.’ ³⁴The Son of Man has come eating and drinking, and you say, ‘Look at him! A glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’” ³⁵Yet wisdom