

SHEPHERD OF THE VALLEY

Rev. Lester Wolfgram, Pastor

Rev. Justin Woodside, Pastor

Third Sunday in Advent

December 11, 2022

Divine Service Setting Four **LSB 203**

Opening Hymn: “The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns”

LSB 348

Hymn of the Day: “Hark The Glad Sound” **LSB 349**

Distribution: “Lift Up Your Heads Ye Mighty Gates” **LSB 341**

Closing Hymn: “Arise, O Christian People” **LSB 354**

WELCOME!! We are glad that you have joined us this morning as we lift up our hearts and voices in response to God’s great gift of forgiveness and life in Christ Jesus. If you are a visitor, please sign our guest book and introduce yourself to Pastor Les Wolfgram and Pastor Justin Woodside.

AT SHEPHERD OF THE VALLEY LUTHERAN CHURCH, we celebrate the Lord’s Supper in the confidence that we receive, along with the bread and wine, our Savior’s true body and blood “through and in which we obtain the forgiveness of sins.” Besides individually receiving Christ’s free gift of forgiveness in this sacrament, all those who commune make a confession of the faith that we believe and teach in the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. To commune at this altar is to accept the doctrinal position of this congregation. Because of that common confession, we invite those who are members at sister Missouri Synod Churches to join us at the Lord’s Table. If you would like more information on our understanding of the Lord’s Supper, please visit with Pastor Wolfgram or Pastor Woodside.

Introit

Psalm 71:14–18; antiphon: Philippians 4:4

Rejoice in the Lord | always;*

again I will say, | Rejoice.

I will hope con- | tinually*

and will praise you yet | more and more.

My mouth will tell of your righteous acts, of your deeds of salvation | all the day,*

for their number is past my | knowledge.

With the mighty deeds of the Lord GOD | I will come;*

I will remind them of your righteousness, | yours alone.

O God, from my youth you have | taught me,*

and I still proclaim your | wondrous deeds.

So even to old age and gray hairs, O God, do not for- | sake me,*

until I proclaim your might to another generation, your power to all | those to come.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Rejoice in the Lord | always;*

again I will say, | Rejoice.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Lord Jesus Christ, we implore You to hear our prayers and to lighten the darkness of our hearts by Your gracious visitation; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.



The Board of Youth will be packing Christmas Care Bags for Wachter Middle School students in transition. It is our goal to provide packages for 30 students consisting of personal care products, hats/gloves (adult sizes), fleece blankets, games, and snacks. A display board and collection location are setup in the narthex and we will be packaging all items received Sunday December 18th after the late service. Cash will also be accepted and can be given to Laith Hintz, Justin Dever, Tamara Dallmann-Holeton, Adam Dever, or Pastor Woodside. Please consider supporting this important service project for our community!

All women of Bethel and Shepherd of the Valley are invited to a cozy night of fellowship, fun, and of course some tasty Christmas treats! Bethel's LWML would love to welcome you to their December meeting on Monday, December 12, at 6:30 p.m. at Bethel. If you have a traditional family treat that you make during the holidays, please bring a sample to share as well as the recipe. We may go home with a new family favorite!



Christmas Caroling will take place on December 11, following the



Christmas Cantata at Bethel. We will plan to meet at Shepherd of the Valley at 3:30 pm and sing Christmas carols to our shut-ins.



The human care focus for the fourth quarter will be the Joint Seminary Fund. Support students attending Concordia Theological Seminary in Fort Wayne, IN and Concordia Seminary in St. Louis, MO as they are formed and shaped to serve the Lord as pastors and deaconesses in Christ's Church. One percent of our offerings during the fourth quarter will go to support the Joint Seminary Fund.



MAIN STREET LIVING—LCMS TV Program—

Sunday Mornings @ 10 AM

KBMY Xtra / Bismarck Channel 17.3 Midco Channel 594

10:00 AM: worship service led by area pastors 10:30 AM:

“This Is The Life” program

To watch these programs at any time and see upcoming schedules go to www.mainstreetliving.com/north.

MSL North” Programs for October 2022:

Dec 11th: Rev. Philip Beyersdorf, St. Mark’s Lutheran Church, Minot, ND, presents the message: **“The Work of the Great Physician”** based on Matthew 11:2-11. *Lutheran Hours seasonal program: “Red Boots for Christmas” - A shoemaker learns the true meaning of Christmas.*

Dec 18th: Rev. Craig Fenske, Immanuel Lutheran Church, Grand Forks, ND, (message to be announced). *Lutheran Hour seasonal program: “Christmas Is” - The shepherd in a Christmas play learns the importance of Christmas.*



If you would like to sponsor poinsettias for \$10 each, order forms are in the fellowship hall. They will be used to beautify the church altar during the Christmas season and may be taken home after the Christmas service. Thank you!

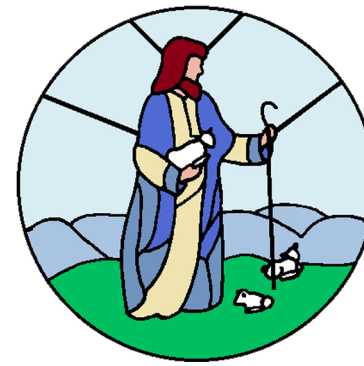
Florida Disaster Assistance. A group from North Dakota is planning a trip to Fort Meyer, FL to assist with cleanup and rebuilding following the Hurricane that devastated many homes. Kirk Rosin with the LCMS ND District Local Mercy Subcommittee is coordinating this effort. This will be coordinated through the LCMS Disaster Response organization. The tentative dates for the trip are January 20-29. There is a sign-up sheet near the display in the narthex. Pastor Wolfgram would also be happy to visit with you about his opportunity if you have any questions



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“A church family that shares, nurtures, and lives our faith in Christ”

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THE WEEKLY FYI



11 8:15am: Divine Service 9:30am: Education Hour 10:45am: Divine Service 2:00pm: Bethel Christmas Cantata 3:30pm: Christmas Caroling	12	13	14 6:00pm: Worship 6:00pm: Hand Chimes 7:00pm: Choir Rehearsal	15	16	17 8:00am: Men's Network @ SOTV
18 8:15am: Divine Service 9:30am: Education Hour 10:45am: Divine Service 1:00pm: Middle School Youth	19	20	21 6:00pm: Children's Christmas Program 6:00pm: Hand Chimes 7:00pm: Choir Rehearsal	22	23	24 6:00pm: Christmas Eve Service

THOSE SERVING TODAY

Preacher: Pastor Les Wolfgram
Liturgist: Pastor Les Wolfgram
Elder: Ken Purdy
Accompanist: Shirley Cook/Denise Wolfgram
Acolyte: 8:15am Olivia D.
 10:45am Daisy A.

Worship Times
6:00 PM Every Wednesday
8:15 am Sunday Divine Service (livestream)
9:30 am Education Hour
10:45 am Sunday Divine Service

Stewardship Thought

Isaiah 35:4 – “Say to those who have an anxious heart, ‘Be strong; fear not! Behold, your God will come with vengeance, with the recompense of God. He will come and save you.’” The return of our Lord at the Last Day is a cause of joy and anticipation for us believers. We know our Lord and His love, and we look forward to His Second Advent. Indeed, how we live our lives here and now flows from our certain hope of resurrection and eternal life.



Bethel Lutheran Church is presenting their Christmas Cantata on Wednesday, December 7, 6:00 pm and on Sunday, December 11, 2:00 pm.

The Shepherd of the Valley Children's Christmas Service will take place on Wednesday, December 21st, 6:00 PM.

Christmas Eve Service will take place at 6:00 pm on Saturday, December 24th.

Christmas Day Service will take place at 9:00 am on Sunday, December 25th.

New Year's Day Service will take place at 9:00am on Sunday, January 1st.



Sun: Is. 28:14-29; 2 John 5:1-21, 2 John 1-13, 3 John 1-15
Mon: Is. 29:1-14; Jude 1-25
Tue: Is. 29:15-30:14; Rev 1:1-20
Wed: Is. 30:15-26; Rev. 2:1-29
Thu: Is. 30:27-31:9; Rev. 3:1-22
Fri: Is. 32:1-20; Rev. 4:1-11
Sat: Is. 33:1-24; Rev. 5:1-14