



**Christmas Day**  
*December 25, 2022*  
*9:00 am*

PACIFIC  
HILLS  
LUTHERAN  
CHURCH

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**THE ORDER OF SERVICE**

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**PREACHING CHRIST  
REACHING THE LOST**

# Christmas Day

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9:00 am

**WELCOME** — We would like to extend a cordial welcome in our Lord's name to all who worship with us at Pacific Hills. We greet our guests with the love and peace of Jesus --- and pray that our sharing of God's Word will enrich your faith and life in Christ.

**PARISH INFORMATION** — Anyone who would like more information about Pacific Hills may speak to an usher, visit with a greeter in the welcome area or call the church office. You may also read about our ministries by going to our church's website. While there you can also read our weekly newsletter, "The Pacific Hills Messenger". To subscribe to our newsletter send your e-mail to: [KimKielty@PacificHillsLutheran.org](mailto:KimKielty@PacificHillsLutheran.org)

**NURSERY** — Children are always welcome in worship! If a parent or guardian needs to step out with a child, a nursery is available in Room 112.

**HEARING ASSIST UNITS** — Hearing assist units are available. Please ask an usher for assistance.

**PHONES** — We thank you for silencing your mobile device or turning it off during worship.

**WORSHIP CARDS** — We kindly ask our guests and members to please complete a Worship Card located in the hymnal rack. The cards will be received by the ushers during the worship service. You may request a prayer or lift up a name by writing in on the back of the card. First names will be read during the parish prayers.

## WELCOME TO THE TABLE OF OUR LORD

We invite those who share with us in the fellowship of faith to come to the Lord's altar and receive, in the Holy Communion, the very body and blood of Jesus. Our Lord Jesus has given us His Holy Supper so that we might receive into our very lives His body and blood, under the elements of bread and wine, for the remission of our sins and thereby know in a physical, tangible way that we are forgiven and have eternal life through faith in Him.

Each who comes to the Table of our Lord should:

- ◆ Be a Baptized Child of God;
- ◆ Have received scriptural instruction in Christ's means of meeting us in this Sacrament;
- ◆ Examine themselves by confessing their sins to God;
  - a. 1 Corinthians 11:26-29
  - b. Lutheran Service Book, p. 329
- ◆ Believe in Jesus as Savior and Lord from sin and death and who delivers us from the power of the devil;
- ◆ Desire the Holy Spirit's power to turn away from sin and live a Christ-like life;
- ◆ Recognize the Real Presence of Christ's body and blood (under the elements of bread and wine) for the forgiveness of sins.

If you are uncertain or have questions concerning your participation, please ask to speak with an elder, our pastor or an usher. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. Alcohol-removed wine is in the center of the tray. Children and adults desiring to receive a blessing should cross their arms while at the communion rail.

# WELCOME IN THE NAME OF JESUS

## Christmas Day

### *Divine Service*

### *Setting One*

#### Prelude

#### Welcome and Opening Prayer

#### *Stand*

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

#### Invocation

*Matthew 28:19b; 18:20*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

#### Exhortation

*1 John 1:8-9*

**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C** **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

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

#### Confession of Sins

**P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

#### Absolution

*[John 20:19-23]*

**P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

# Christmas Litany of Praise

**P** Christ is born!

**C** Oh, come, let us worship Him.

**P** The people who walked in darkness Have seen a great light;

**C** Those who dwelt in the land of the shadow of death, Upon them a light has shined.

**P** O, sing unto the Lord a new song;

**C** Sing unto the Lord, all the earth.

**P** Christ is born!

**C** Oh, come, let us worship Him.

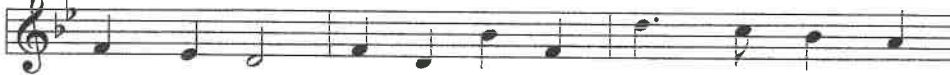
*Please remain standing as you are able.*

## Opening Hymn

*367 Angels from the Realms of Glory*



1 An - gels from the realms of glo - ry, Wing your flight o'er  
2 Shep - herds in the field a - bid - ing, Watch - ing o'er your  
3 Sa - ges, leave your con - tem - pla - tions, Bright - er vi - sions  
4 Saints be - fore the al - tar bend - ing, Watch - ing long in  
△ 5 All cre - a - tion, join in prais - ing God the Fa - ther,



all the earth; Ye who sang cre - a - tion's sto - ry,  
flocks by night, God with us is now re - sid - ing,  
beam a - far; Seek the great De - sire of na - tions,  
hope and fear, Sud - den - ly the Lord, de - scend - ing,  
Spir - it, Son, Ev - er - more your voic - es rais - ing



Now pro - claim Mes - si - ah's birth.  
Yon - der shines the In - fant Light.  
Ye have seen His na - tal star.  
In His tem - ple shall ap - pear.  
To the e - ter - nal Three in One.

*Refrain*



Come and wor - ship, come and wor - ship;



Wor - ship Christ, the new - born King.

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# Kyrie

Mark 10:47



**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



**G** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



**G** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



**G** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



**G** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra-cious Lord.



**C** A - men.

## Gloria in Excelsis

Luke 2:14; John 1:29



**A** Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His peo-ple on earth.



**C** Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa-ther:



We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.



For You a-lone are the Ho-ly One, You a-lone are the Lord,



You a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



### Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And with thy spirit.

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty God, grant that the birth of Your only-begotten Son in the flesh may set us free from the bondage of sin; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

*Sit*

### First Reading

*Isaiah 52:7–10*

<sup>7</sup>How 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.”

<sup>8</sup>The voice of your watchmen—they lift up their voice;  
together they sing for joy;  
for eye to eye they see  
the return of the LORD to Zion.

<sup>9</sup>Break forth together into singing,  
you waste places of Jerusalem,  
for the LORD has comforted his people;  
he has redeemed Jerusalem.

<sup>10</sup>The 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.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Worship Cards are collected at this time.*

# Psalm

# Psalm 2



<sup>1</sup>Why do the | nations rage\*

and the peoples | plot in vain?

<sup>2</sup>**The kings of the earth set themselves,**

**and the rulers take counsel to- | gether,\***

**against the LORD and against his anointed, | saying,**

<sup>3</sup>“Let us burst their | bonds apart\*

and cast away their | cords from us.”

<sup>4</sup>**He who sits in the | heavens laughs;\***

**the Lord holds them in de- | rision.**

<sup>5</sup>Then he will speak to them | in his wrath,\*

and terrify them in his fury, | saying,

<sup>6</sup>“**As for me, I have | set my King\***

**on Zion, my | holy hill.”**

<sup>7</sup>I will tell of | the decree:\*

The LORD said to me, “You are my Son; today I have be- | gotten you.

<sup>8</sup>**Ask of me, and I will make the nations your | heritage,\***

**and the ends of the earth your pos- | session.**

<sup>9</sup>You shall break them with a | rod of iron\*

and dash them in pieces like a potter’s | vessel.”

<sup>10</sup>**Now therefore, O | kings, be wise;\***

**be warned, O rulers | of the earth.**

<sup>11</sup>Serve the | LORD with fear,\*

and rejoice with | trembling.

<sup>12</sup>**Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and you perish in the way,**

**for his wrath is quickly | kindled.\***

**Blessèd are all who take ref- | uge in him.**

*Stand*



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.

*Sit*

## Second Reading

*Revelation 3:7*

<sup>7</sup>“And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write: ‘The words of the holy one, the true one, who has the key of David, who opens and no one will shut, who shuts and no one opens.

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

## Alleluia and Verse

*John 6:68*

**C** Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## Holy Gospel

*John 1:1–14*

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the first chapter.

**C** Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

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

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

<sup>9</sup>The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. <sup>10</sup>He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world did not know him. <sup>11</sup>He came to his own,

and his own people did not receive him. <sup>12</sup>But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, <sup>13</sup>who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.

<sup>14</sup>And 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.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



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

*Sit*

### Hymn of the Day

357 *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*



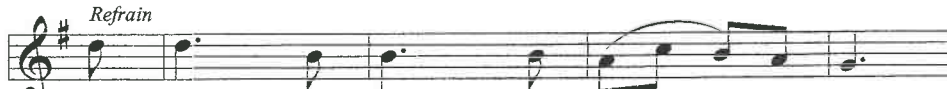
5 O come, Thou Key of Da - vid, come, And o - pen



wide our heav'n - ly home; Make safe the way that



leads on high, And close the path to mis - er - y.



Re - jice! Re - jice! Em - man - u - el



Shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!

20 (Cantor)

O Key of David and scepter of the house of Israel,

You open and no one can close,

You close and no one can | open:\*

Come and rescue the prisoners who are in darkness and the shad- | ow of death.

**Refrain**

5 O come, Thou Key of David, come,  
And open wide our heav'nly home;  
Make save the way that leads on high,  
And close the path to misery. Refrain

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Sermon

Jesus Is the Key of David  
Revelation 3:7

*Stand*

Nicene Creed

**C** I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried.  
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.  
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,

I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life  $\dagger$  of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the Church - Prayer lists are available in the narthex.

*Sit*

**Offering**

*Christmas Medley*

By Gary Lanier

Played by Nathan Storck (violin)

& Kay Storck (piano)

*Stand*

**Offertory**

*Psalm 116:12-13, 17-19*



What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to



me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will



call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-



va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my



vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the



courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

# Service of the Sacrament

## Preface

*2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136]*

**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.

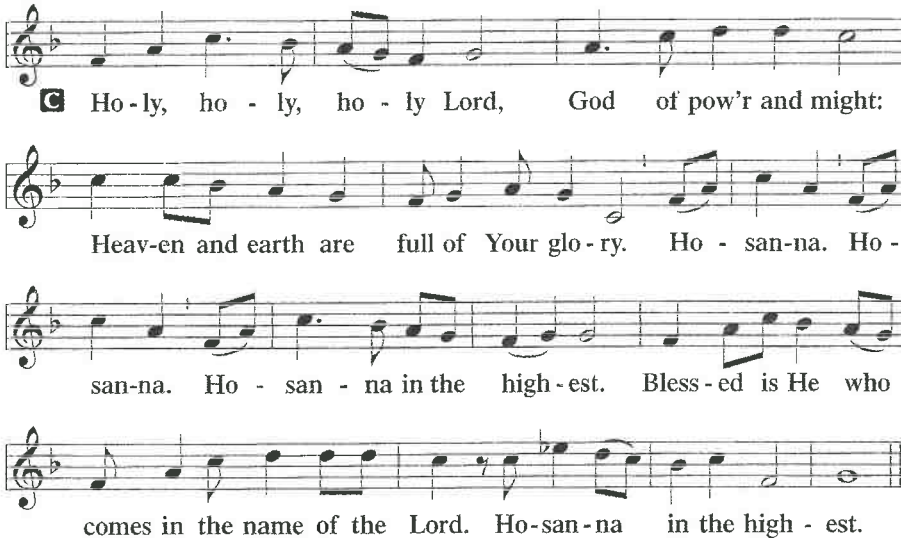
**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

## Proper Preface

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

## Sanctus

*Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:  
Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo-ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -  
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

## Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9-13

- 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.

## The Words of Our Lord

- P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My  $\text{✝}$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\text{✝}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

## Pax Domini

John 20:19

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.



**C** A - men.

## Agnus Dei

John 1:29



**C** Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the

world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace.

*Sit*

### Distribution

If you have questions about your participation in communion, please see the “Welcome to The Table of Our Lord” statement on the inside cover of this worship folder.

### Distribution Hymn

*380 Hark! The Herald Angels Sing*

1 Hark! The her - ald an - gels sing, “Glo - ry to the new - born King;  
2 Christ, by high - est heav’n a - dored, Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord,  
3 Hail, the heav’n-born Prince of Peace! Hail, the Sun of Righ-teous-ness!

Peace on earth and mer - cy mild, God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled!”  
Late in time be - hold Him come, Off - spring of a vir - gin’s womb.  
Light and life to all He brings, Ris’n with heal - ing in His wings.

Joy - ful, all ye na - tions, rise, Join the tri - umph of the skies;  
Veiled in flesh the God - head see, Hail the in - car - nate De - i - ty!  
Mild He lays His glo - ry by, Born that man no more may die,

With the an - gel - ic host pro - claim, “Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!”  
Pleased as Man with man to dwell, Je - sus, our Im - man - u - el!  
Born to raise the sons of earth, Born to give them sec - ond birth.

*Refrain*

Hark! The her - ald an - gels sing, “Glo - ry to the new - born King!”

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## Distribution Hymn

368 Angels We Have Heard on High



1 An - gels we have heard on high, Sweet-ly sing-ing o'er the plains,  
2 Shep-herds, why this ju - bi - lee? Why your joy-ous strains pro-long?  
3 Come to Beth-le - hem and see Him whose birth the an - gels sing;



And the moun-tains in re - ply, Ech - o - ing their joy - ous strains.  
What the glad-some tid - ings be Which in - spire your heav'n - ly song?  
Come, a - dore on bend - ed knee Christ the Lord, the new - born King.



Glo - ri - a



in ex - cel - sis De - o. Glo - ri - a



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*Stand*

## The Dismissal

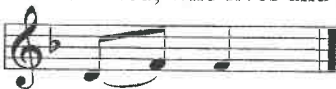
**P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ✠ in peace.

**C** Amen.

## Post-Communion Collect

**A** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.



## Benediction

Numbers 6:24-26

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and  $\text{✠}$  give you peace.



**C** A - men.

## Closing Hymn

388 Go Tell It on the Mountain



Go tell it on the moun - tain, O-ver the hills and ev - 'ry - where;



Go tell it on the moun - tain That Je - sus Christ is born!



- 1 While shep-herds kept their watch-ing O'er si - lent flocks by night,
- 2 The shep-herds feared and trem-bled When lo, a - bove the earth
- 3 Down in a lone - ly man - ger The hum-ble Christ was born;



Be - hold, through-out the heav-ens There shone a ho - ly light.  
Rang out the an-gel cho - rus That hailed our Sav - ior's birth.  
And God sent us sal - va - tion That bless - ed Christ-mas morn.

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## Postlude/Silent Prayer

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Divine Service, Setting One from Lutheran Service Book

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## *Join Us for Christmas Worship*

*New Year's Day*

*Worship with Holy Communion - 8:00 and 10:30 am*

*All of us who serve you ---  
the Professional and Administrative Staff of  
Pacific Hills Lutheran Church ---  
wish you and yours a Christ-blessed Christmas  
and a New Year filled with the Lord's blessings and peace!*

### LOOKING AHEAD TO THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

January 1, 2023 - 8:00am & 10:30 Services

#### Readings

Numbers 6:22-27

Psalms 8

Galatians 3:23-29

Luke 1:68-79

#### Hymns

LSB 896

LSB 357

LSB 642

LSB 989

#### Sermon

Jesus Is the Dayspring

Luke 1:68-79

### *This Week at Pacific Hills*

9:00 am Eucharistic Worship

Sunday

December 25

Monday  
December 26

Church Office Closed  
(Christmas Observed)

Tuesday  
December 27

7:00 pm Pray, Knit & Crochet Group (Narthex)

Sunday  
January 1

8:00 am Eucharistic Worship

9:15 am Sunday School

Education Hour with Pastor Bryan

Choir Rehearsal

10:30 am Eucharistic Worship

11:45 am Bell Choir Rehearsal

6:00 pm Adult Bible Study (Zoom)

Please join Pastor Bryan between services for a Study on the Lessons of the Day. Class meets in Acker Hall. All are welcome!

Dr. Bob Vandervort and the Bible study group are studying 1st Samuel via Zoom every Sunday evening from 6:00 - 6:45 pm. Please e-mail Bob at [rsvod@cox.net](mailto:rsvod@cox.net) or call 402-350-0872 for more information. Everyone is welcome!

For weekly announcements, please go to our website [www.PacificHillsLutheran.org](http://www.PacificHillsLutheran.org) and click "The Pacific Hills Messenger" (newsletter) in the navigation bar at the top. You may also subscribe to our e-mail list by sending your e-mail to: [KimKielty@PacificHillsLutheran.org](mailto:KimKielty@PacificHillsLutheran.org).

**Our Record of Response:**  
**Sunday, December 18**

Attendance: 102

Giving: \$7,740.00

Year to Date Giving\*: \$428,002.84

\* YTD Giving includes envelope offerings, e-offerings & capital fund contributions







## Today's Service

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Distribution Hymn	LSB 380 <i>Hark! The Herald Angels Sing</i> LSB 368 <i>Angels We Have Heard on High</i>
Closing Hymn	LSB 388 <i>Go Tell It on the Mountain</i>

## Presiding/Assisting This Day

Preaching & Presiding.....	Rev. Bryan Drebes
Organist .....	Zach Hastings
Artist.....	Michelle Steen
Head Usher .....	Bill Wagner
Head Elder.....	Mike Whealy
Lector.....	Kay Storck
Communion Steward.....	Marlene Hawver

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Today's altar flowers are given to the Glory of God by Ann & Rebecca Privitera.

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**Our Mission Statement**  
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