

**Circumcision & Naming of Jesus
January 1, 2023 - 8:00 am & 10:30 am**

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Our Mission: Share Christ † Serve Others

He was called
JESUS

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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

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

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Divine Service

Setting Two

About the Cover: From one year to the next and “from the rising of the sun to its setting, the name of the Lord is to be praised!” (Psalm 113:3). There is so much wrapped up in the name *Jesus* (“the Lord saves”). Where the Lord’s name is, there He is present to save. Praise be to the Lord, who, through His cross, eternally saves – placing the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit upon us in Holy Baptism.

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 \dagger Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

Please remain standing as you are able.

Opening Hymn

896 Now Greet the Swiftly Changing Year



1 Now greet the swift - ly chang - ing year With
 2 Re - mem - ber now the Son of God And
 3 This Je - sus came to end sin's war; This
 4 His love a - bun - dant far ex - ceeds The



joy and pen - i - tence sin - cere. Re - joice! Re-joyce! With
 how He shed His in - fant blood. Re - joice! Re-joyce! With
 Name of names for us He bore. Re - joice! Re-joyce! With
 vol - ume of a whole year's needs. Re - joice! Re-joyce! With



thanks em - brace An - oth - er year of grace.
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- 5 With Him as Lord to lead our way
 In want and in prosperity,
 What need we fear in earth or space
 In this new year of grace!
- 6 "All glory be to God on high,
 And peace on earth!" the angels cry.
 Rejoice! Rejoice! With thanks embrace
 Another year of grace.
- △ 7 God, Father, Son, and Spirit, hear!
 To all our pleas incline Your ear;
 Upon our lives rich blessing trace
 In this new year of grace.

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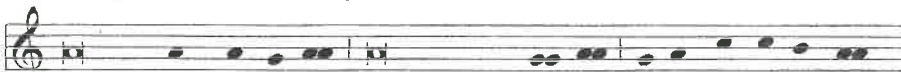
Kyrie



A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For the peace from a-bove and for our sal-va-tion let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



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



and for the uni-ty of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For this holy house and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



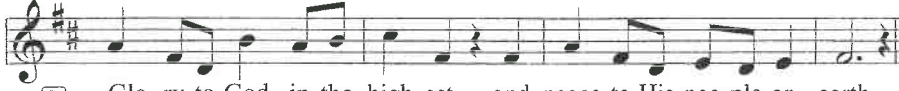
A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



C A - men.

Gloria in Excelsis

Luke 2:14; John 1:29



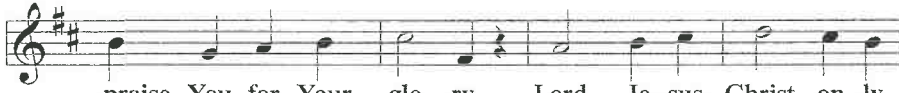
A Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to His peo-ple on earth.



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-



Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

P Let us pray.

Lord God, You made Your beloved Son, our Savior, subject to the Law and caused Him to shed His blood on our behalf. Grant us the true circumcision of the Spirit that our hearts may be made pure from all sins; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

First Reading

Numbers 6:22–27

²²The LORD spoke to Moses, saying, ²³“Speak to Aaron and his sons, saying, Thus you shall bless the people of Israel: you shall say to them,

²⁴The LORD bless you and keep you;

²⁵the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you;

²⁶the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

²⁷“So shall they put my name upon the people of Israel, and I will bless them.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Worship Cards are collected at this time.

Psalm

Psalm 8



¹O LORD, our Lord,

how majestic is your name in | all the earth!*

You have set your glory above the | heavens.

²Out of the mouth of babes and infants,
you have established strength because | of your foes,*
to still the enemy and the a- | venger.

³When I look at your heavens, the work of your | fingers,*
the moon and the stars, which you have | set in place,

⁴what is man that you are mind- | ful of him,*
and the son of man that you | care for him?

⁵Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly | beings*
and crowned him with glory and | honor.

⁶You have given him dominion over the works | of your hands;*
you have put all things under | his feet,

⁷all sheep and | oxen,*
and also the beasts | of the field,

⁸the birds of the heavens, and the fish | of the sea,*
whatever passes along the paths | of the seas.

⁹O | LORD, our Lord,*
how majestic is your name in | all the earth!

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

Galatians 3:23–29

²³Now before faith came, we were held captive under the law, imprisoned until the coming faith would be revealed. ²⁴So then, the law was our guardian until Christ came, in order that we might be justified by faith. ²⁵But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian, ²⁶for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith. ²⁷For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. ²⁸There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. ²⁹And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse

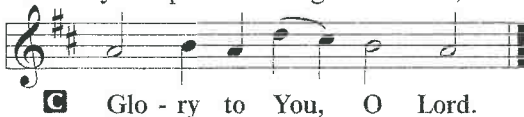
John 6:68



Holy Gospel

Luke 1:68–79; 2:21

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the first and second chapters.



⁶⁸“Blessed be the Lord God of Israel,
for he has visited and redeemed his people
⁶⁹and has raised up a horn of salvation for us
in the house of his servant David,
⁷⁰as he spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets from of old,
⁷¹that we should be saved from our enemies
and from the hand of all who hate us;
⁷²to show the mercy promised to our fathers

and to remember his holy covenant,
⁷³the oath that he swore to our father Abraham, to grant us
⁷⁴that we, being delivered from the hand of our enemies,
 might serve him without fear,
⁷⁵in holiness and righteousness before him all our days.
⁷⁶And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High;
 for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways,
⁷⁷to give knowledge of salvation to his people
 in the forgiveness of their sins,
⁷⁸because of the tender mercy of our God,
 whereby the sunrise shall visit us from on high
⁷⁹to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death,
 to guide our feet into the way of peace.”

²¹And at the end of eight days, when he was circumcised, he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



G Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

Hymn of the Day

357 *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*



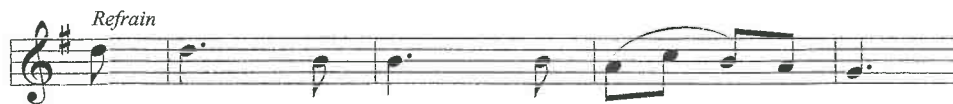
6 O come, Thou Day - spring from on high, And cheer us



by Thy draw - ing nigh; Dis - perse the gloom - y



clouds of night, And death's dark shad - ows put to flight.



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



21 (Cantor)

O Dayspring, splendor of light,
ever- | lasting.*

Come and enlighten those who sit in darkness and in the shad- | ow of death.

Refrain

6 O come, Thou Dayspring from on high,
And cheer us by Thy drawing nigh;
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
And death's dark shadows put to fight. Refrain

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Sermon

Jesus Is the Dayspring
Luke 1:68-79; Luke 2:21

Stand

Apostles' Creed

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,
and the life † everlasting. Amen.

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

Sit

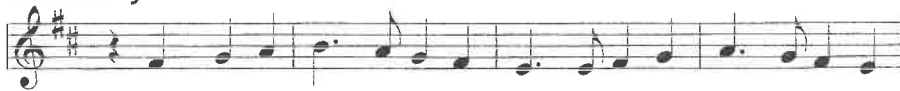
Offering

Now Sing We, Now Rejoice

Stand

Offertory

Psalm 116:12-13, 17-19



C 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, who, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. 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, Lord God of
pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is He who comes in the name

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, 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

642 *O Living Bread from Heaven*



1 O liv - ing Bread from heav - en, How well You
 2 My Lord, You here have led me To this most
 3 You gave me all I want - ed; This food can
 4 Lord, grant me then, thus strength - ened With heav'n - ly



feed Your guest! The gifts that You have giv - en
 ho - ly place And with Your - self have fed me
 death de - stroy. And You have free - ly grant - ed
 food, while here My course on earth is length - ened,



Have filled my heart with rest. Oh, won - drous food of
 The trea - sures of Your grace; For You have free - ly
 The cup of end - less joy. My Lord, I do not
 To serve with ho - ly fear. And when You call my



bless - ing, Oh, cup that heals our woes! My heart, this
 giv - en What earth could nev - er buy, The bread of
 mer - it The fa - vor You have shown, And all my
 spir - it To leave this world be - low, I en - ter,



gift pos - sess - ing, With prais - es o - ver - flows.
 life from heav - en, That now I shall not die.
 soul and spir - it Bow down be - fore Your throne.
 through Your mer - it, Where joys un - min - gled flow.

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Distribution Hymn

725 *Children of the Heavenly Father*



1 Chil - dren of the heav'n - ly Fa - ther Safe - ly
 2 God His own doth tend and nour - ish; In His
 3 Nei - ther life nor death shall ev - er From the
 4 Though He giv - eth or He tak - eth, God His

in His bos - om gath - er; Nest - ling bird nor star in
 ho - ly courts they flour - ish. From all e - vil things He
 Lord His chil - dren sev - er; Un - to them His grace He
 chil - dren ne'er for - sak - eth; His the lov - ing pur - pose

heav - en Such a ref - uge e'er was giv - en.
 spares them; In His might - y arms He bears them.
 show - eth, And their sor - rows all He know - eth.
 sole - ly To pre - serve them pure and ho - ly.

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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.

Nunc Dimittis

Luke 2:29-32

C Lord, now You let Your ser - vant go in peace; Your word has been ful -
 filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which You have pre -
 pared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: A light to re -
 veal You to the na - tions and the glo - ry of Your peo - ple Is - ra - el.
 Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;



as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.

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 ✠ give you peace.



C A - men.

Closing Hymn

898 The Ancient Law Departs



1 The an - cient Law de - parts, And all its fears re - move,
2 The Light of Light di - vine, True bright - ness un - de - filed,
3 His in - fant bod - y now Be - gins the cross to feel;
4 To - day the name is Thine At which we bend the knee.
△ 5 All praise, e - ter - nal Son, For Thy re - deem - ing love,



For Je - sus makes with faith - ful hearts A cov - e - nant of love.
He bears for us the pain of sin, A ho - ly, spot-less child.
Those pre-cious drops of blood that flow For death the vic-tim seal.
They call Thee Je - sus, child di-vine; Our Je - sus deign to be.
With Fa-ther, Spir - it, ev - er one In glo-rious might a - bove.

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Postlude/Silent Prayer

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LOOKING AHEAD TO EPIPHANY SUNDAY (OBSERVED)

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

Readings

Isaiah 60:1-6

Psalms 72

Ephesians 3:1-12

Matthew 2:1-12

Hymns

LSB 896

LSB 357

WOV 646

LSB 394

Sermon

Jesus Is King

Matthew 2:1-12

This Week at Pacific Hills

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)

Monday

January 2

Church Office Closed

(New Year's Day Observed)

Tuesday

January 3

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

Wednesday
January 4

9:30 am Eucharist (Zoom)
12:30 pm First Ladies AA Meeting (Rm 114)
6:00 pm Youth Confirmation Class
6:30 pm Wednesday Women's Group (Narthex)

Sunday
January 8

8:00 am Eucharistic Worship
9:15 am Bell Choir Rehearsal
Sunday School
Education Hour with Pastor Bryan
10:30 am Eucharistic Worship with Bell Choir
11:30 am Worship & Music Committee Meeting
CYF Board Meeting (Narthex)
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 or call 402-350-0872 for more information. Everyone is welcome!

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Our Record of Response:
Christmas Services – December 24 & 25, 2022

Attendance: Giving: \$6,641.00 Year to Date Giving: \$212,042.14
Christmas Eve, 5pm: 84
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Today's Service

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Closing Hymn	LSB 898 <i>The Ancient Law Departs</i>

Presiding/Assisting This Day

Preaching & Presiding	Rev. Bryan Drebes
Organist	Zach Hastings
Artist.....	Michelle Steen
Acolyte	8:00 am Anna Troutman 10:30 am Ade Vogel
Head Usher.....	8:00 am Kevin Wilshusen 10:30 am Bill Wagner
Head Elder.....	8:00 am Mike Whealy Bill Wagner, Assist 10:30 am Dan Irvin Bob Glissmann, Assist
Lector.....	8:00 am 10:30 am
Communion Steward.....	8:00 am Marlene Hawver 10:30 am Marlene Hawver Rhoda Storck

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Our Mission Statement
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