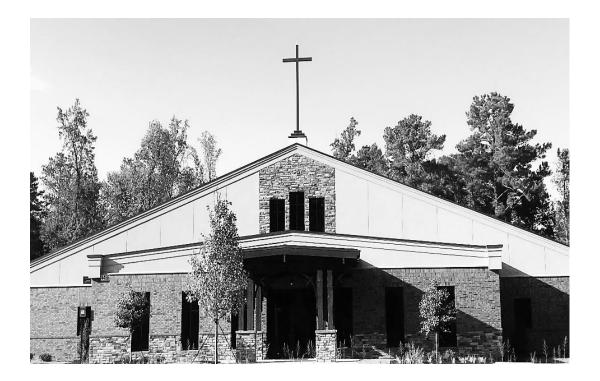
# Word of God Lutheran Church Grow • Build • Serve



Our Mission: With God's help we are called to be a multi-generational traditional church, grounded in the Bible and focused on service in the community and mission outreach.

> Second Sunday of Advent December 4, 2022

#### ORDER OF SERVICE December 4, 2022 Second Sunday of Sunday

Advent • Christmas • Epiphany • Lent • Easter • **Pentecost** *Please refer to the green Lutheran Book of Worship Hymnal for service.* 

#### **ENTRANCE RITE**

Announcements
Advent Wreath Lighting and Devotional
"Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah" WOV 630 v.1-2
Call to worship chime
* Brief Order of Confession and ForgivenessLBW 56
* Entrance Hymn "Prepare the Royal HighwayLBW 26
* GreetingLBW 57
* The Lord be with youLBW 62
* Prayer of the Day
PROCLAIMING THE WORD
First Reading Isaiah 11:1-10
Psalm ( <i>Read Responsively</i> Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19
Second Reading Romans 15:4-13
* Alleluia VerseLBW 62
* Gospel Matthew 3:1-12
Children's Sermon
Sermon
* Hymn of the Day " <b>Oh, Come, Oh, Come, Emmanuel</b> "LBW 34
Welcoming New Members
* Apostles' CreedLBW 64
* Prayers
* Share the Peace LBW 66
SHARING OF THE SACRAMENTAL MEAL
Offering
OffertoryLBW 66
* Offertory PrayerLBW 67
* Great ThanksgivingLBW 68
* Holy, Holy, HolyLBW 69 * Words of InstitutionLBW 70
* The Lord's Prayer
"Lamb of God" LBW 72
+ Communion (Hymns are listed on the screen.)
* BlessingLBW 72
* Canticle "Thank the Lord"LBW 72
* Prayer, Blessing, DismissalLBW 74
* Closing Hymn "Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying"LBW 31
* Sending

\* Please stand as able

<sup>+</sup> All who are baptized and believe that Jesus is truly present in the bread and wine are invited to receive communion and assurance of God's forgiveness. *Children who have not been instructed in the sacrament should fold their hands to receive a blessing.* 

#### <u>Isaiah 11:1-10</u>

11 There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit. <sup>2</sup> And the Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD. <sup>3</sup> And his delight shall be in the fear of the LORD. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide disputes by what his ears hear, <sup>4</sup> but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; and he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. <sup>5</sup> Righteousness shall be the belt of his waist, and faithfulness the belt of his loins. <sup>6</sup> The wolf shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the young goat, and the calf and the lion and the fattened calf together; and a little child shall lead them. <sup>7</sup> The cow and the bear shall graze; their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.<sup>8</sup> The nursing child shall play over the hole of the cobra, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the adder's den. <sup>9</sup> They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain; for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea. <sup>10</sup> In that day the root of Jesse, who shall stand as a signal for the peoples—of him shall the nations inquire, and his resting place shall be glorious.

#### Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19

72 Give the king your justice, O God, and your righteousness to the royal son!

## <sup>2</sup> May he judge your people with righteousness, and your poor with justice!

<sup>3</sup> Let the mountains bear prosperity for the people, and the hills, in righteousness!

#### <sup>4</sup> May he defend the cause of the poor of the people, give deliverance to the children of the needy, and crush the oppressor!

<sup>5</sup> May they fear you while the sun endures, and as long as the moon, throughout all generations!

#### <sup>6</sup> May he be like rain that falls on the mown grass, like showers that water the earth!

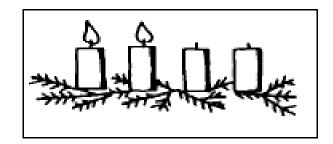
<sup>7</sup> In his days may the righteous flourish, and peace abound, till the moon be no more!

#### <sup>18</sup> Blessed be the LORD, the God of Israel, who alone does wondrous things.

<sup>19</sup> Blessed be his glorious name forever; may the whole earth be filled with his glory! Amen and Amen!

#### Romans 13:11-14

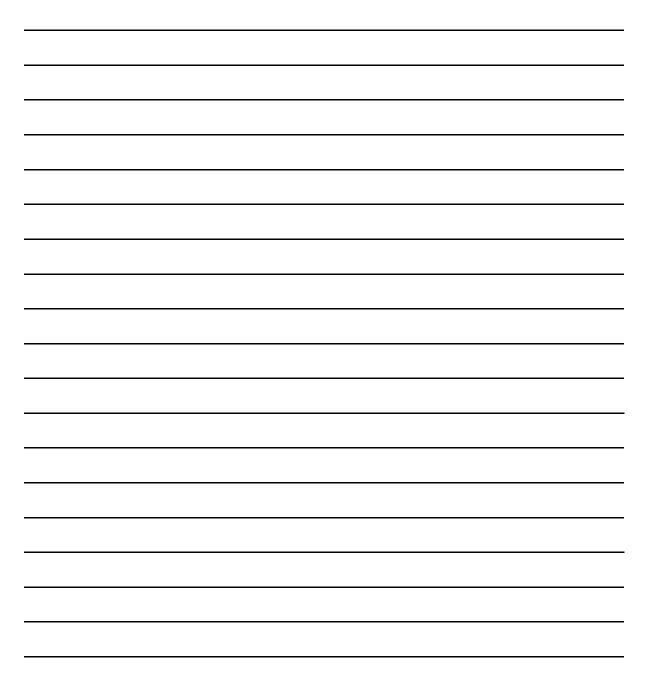
<sup>4</sup> For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that through endurance and through the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. <sup>5</sup> May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup> that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>7</sup> Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. <sup>8</sup> For I tell you that Christ became a servant to the circumcised to show God's truthfulness, in order to confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, <sup>9</sup> and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, "Therefore I will praise you among the Gentiles, and sing to your name." <sup>10</sup> And again it is said, "Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people." <sup>11</sup> And again, "Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples extol him." <sup>12</sup> And again Isaiah says, "The root of Jesse will come, even he who arises to rule the Gentiles; in him will the Gentiles hope." <sup>13</sup> May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.



#### Matthew 3:1-12

3 In those days John the Baptist came preaching in the wilderness of Judea, <sup>2</sup> "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." <sup>3</sup> For this is he who was spoken of by the prophet Isaiah when he said, "The voice of one crying in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord; make his paths straight." <sup>4</sup> Now John wore a garment of camel's hair and a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. <sup>5</sup> Then Jerusalem and all Judea and all the region about the Jordan were going out to him, <sup>6</sup> and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. <sup>7</sup> But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming to his baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? <sup>8</sup> Bear fruit in keeping with repentance. <sup>9</sup> And do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father,' for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children for Abraham. <sup>10</sup> Even now the axe is laid to the root of the trees. Every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. <sup>11</sup> "I baptize you with water for repentance, but he who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. <sup>12</sup> His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and gather his wheat into the barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

### Sermon Notes



#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- If anyone is physically unable to come to the altar, they may request the Pastor or Worship Assistant to bring them **communion** at their seat. Please let your usher know so he /she can tell the Pastor where you are seated.
- The **Angel Tree** for Southland Health and Rehab Center is returning this year. Please be an angel and take an angel. The <u>deadline</u> to return the wrapped item(s) is <u>Sunday</u>, <u>December 18</u>. For more information, please contact Jennifer Griffin at <u>jbgriffinrn@gmail.com</u>.
- Reminder, volunteers are needed to help assemble the Real Life Center Christmas Dinner Bags following service on <u>Sunday</u>, <u>December 11</u>. Many hands make light work!
- A **new member cake reception** will follow service <u>today</u>. Please take a moment to introduce yourself and grab a slice of cake.
- Service Committee nominations are now open for <u>3</u> members. Please place your nominations in the white box located in the narthex.
- **Midweek Advent Services** on <u>Wednesdays</u> at 7:00 PM. A soup supper will be held in the fellowship hall prior to service at 6:00 PM.
- Christmas Eve Candlelight Service on <u>Saturday</u>, <u>December 24</u> at 6:00 PM. The **Nativity of Our Lord** Service on <u>December 25</u> at 10:15 AM.
- The **M.O.M. team** will continue to collect new and gently used **baby clothes** for the mothers of newborns at Hospital Loma de Luz, Honduras through <u>December 18</u>. Donations can be left in the designated box in the narthex.
- Our next **RLC Warehouse** service opportunity is <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>December</u> <u>14</u>, at 9:00 AM, and the RLC Mobile Food Pantry will be <u>Thursday</u>, <u>December</u> <u>15</u>, at 9:00 AM. Please sign up on the bulletin tear-off or contact Sue Burnett at suegburnett@att.net for more information.
- The next Midwest Food Bank distribution will be <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>December 13</u> (8 AM - 12 PM & 6 PM - 8 PM); <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>December 14</u> (8 AM - 1:30 PM); and Thursday, December 15 (8 AM - 12 PM). Lunch is provided each day to all volunteers. Contact Joe Bowler at Itcbowler@gmail.com, or sign up on the bulletin tear-off.
- Unless otherwise indicated, the announcement submission deadline for the Sunday bulletin is the previous Monday at 11:00 AM. Please send all announcements to <u>wogadmin@woglutheran.org</u>.

Average Weekly Worship Attendance:	150
Monthly Giving:	\$31,453
Monthly Benevolence:	\$3,460

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#### October 2022 Report

All donations will be applied to the General, Building, Scholarship, or Fish STIX funds.

#### **Please Mark Your Calendars!**

Sunday, December 4 - 2nd Sunday of Advent - Sunday School, 9:00 AM - Worship Service, 10:15 AM - Chapel Chat, 11:30 AM - YOUTH Connect, 11:30 AM - New Member Cake Reception 11:45 - Choir Rehearsal, 11:45 AM	5 AM	
Monday, December 5 - Faithful Hands Ministry, 10:00 AM		
Wednesday, December 7 - Advent Soup Supper, 6:00 PM - Midweek Advent Service, 7:00	PM	
Thursday, December 8- Assemble Bulletins, 1:00 PM		
Sunday, December 11 - 3rd Sunday of Advent - Sunday School, 9:00 AM - Worship Service, 10:15 AM - Assemble RLC Christmas Bags, 1	.1:30 AM	
Tuesday, December 13- Midwest Food Bank Distribution, - Tuesdays with God Bible Study,		
<ul> <li>Wednesday, December 14</li> <li>Midwest Food Bank Distribution, 8:00 AM</li> <li>RLC Senior Bag Program, 9:00 AM</li> <li>Advent Soup Supper, 6:00 PM</li> <li>Midweek Advent Service, 7:00 PM</li> </ul>		
Thursday, December 15- Midwest Food Bank Distribution- RLC Mobile Food Pantry, 9:00- Assemble Bulletins, 1:00 PM- Fish STIX, 7:00 PM	•	
Sunday, December 18 - 4th Sunday of Advent - Sunday School, 9:00 AM - WoG College Students' Breakfas - Worship Service, 10:15 AM - YOUTH Connect, 11:30 AM - Choir Rehearsal, 11:45 AM	<b>t,</b> 9:00 AM	
Wednesday, December 21 - Advent Soup Supper, 6:00 PM - Midweek Advent Service, 7:00 PM		
Thursday, December 22- Assemble Bulletins, 1:00 PM		
Saturday, December 24 - Candlelight Service, 6:00 PM		
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