# Peace Lutheran Church "Peace Through Christ"

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#### **FAMILY CHRISTMAS SERVICE**

December 18, 2022



As We Gather One of the most well-known of all Advent hymns is "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel." In each of the seven stanzas of this hymn, we plead that our Savior would "come." Our Gospel reading reminds us that our Savior has come and is literally our Emmanuel, or, "God with us." At His incarnation in Mary's womb and birth at Christmas, God was with us. Today, in His Word, God is with us. At His return on the Last Day, God will be with us as our Emmanuel takes us to be with Him.

O come, O come, Emmanuel, And ransom captive Israel,

That mourns in lonely exile here Until the Son of God appear.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel Shall come to thee, O Israel! LSB 357:1

As you sing this hymn, truly rejoice in knowing that your Emmanuel has come, continues to come, and will come again!

Hearing aids and large print bulletins are available. If you would like a hearing aid or large print bulletin please see an usher.

A special welcome to those with young children. A childcare room is located in the Fellowship Hall near the church office.



## Please join us for:

## Christmas Eve Services

Contemporary Candlelight Service @ 5pm Traditional Candlelight Service @ 7pm

Christmas Day Service

(One Service) @ 10am

#### **REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

HEALTH AND HEALING: Ashley (Sandi Stepp's niece), Brandee Brand, Terry Breckinridge, Brian Derozer, Mike Elbert, Bruce Fraser, Beverly Gandy, Helen (friend of Carol Yung), Damon Hermann (friend of Greg Olewiler), John Hollenbeck (friend of Eunice Harter), Karen Johnson, Susan Klein, Mrs. Mai, (friend of Greg Olewiler), Carol Marker, Ryan Scott Morrison, Ann Marie Ramirez (friend of Carol Yung), Mike Reuter, Paul Schedler, Tim Schmidt, Don Schultz, David Stafford, Ashley Stephen, Lara Tate, Bev Toro, Dusty Urban, Sandy Williamson, Lisa (Cassidy) Wright, Carol Yung and Ele Zorkocy.

**Pray for all military men, women and their families:** Jared Bautista, Jacob Chiles, Andrew Geib, Daniel Gross, Michael Hanson, Brian Miller, Kevin Schleicher, Stephen Volpei, Lucas Wentland and Henry Andermann. Also remember their families in your prayers.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF December 18, 2022**

<u>TUESDAY WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY</u> will resume January 3<sup>rd</sup>. For more info, contact Connie at... 805-987-5116.

**MEN'S BIBLE STUDY** – will resume January 5th.

**THE LIFELIGHT BIBLE STUDY** will resume in January.

<u>THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY</u> meets @ 9:30AM in rotating homes, with a study of the "Gospel of John." If you have any questions please call Dave Schmidt at: 805-482-3867.

**PRAYER CHAIN-** If you have a prayer request please call *Sandi Stepp* at: 805-625-0479 or e-mail: footstepps@verizon.net.

THE 2023 FLOWER CHART is now posted on the white board in the Narthex outside the Cry Room. Please sign up for the Sunday(s) of your choice. Two signups are available for each Sunday. The arrangements are \$40.00 each, and the check or cash can be placed in the offering plate. If you write a check, please note on the check or on the envelope that it is designated for "Flowers". Following the service, you may take your arrangement home. If you do not wish to take the flowers home, they will be donated to one of our shut-ins.

**THE FOOD BANK-** Donations for the food pantry at St. Columba's Episcopal Church can be put in the donation box in the narthex.

ALTAR CARE VOLUNTEERS: The Altar Committee is looking for volunteers for 2023. The signup sheet is now posted on the white board in the Narthex outside the Cry Room. Please chose your favorite month and volunteer to help with this important work. You can sign up with your spouse, with a friend, or you can do it alone. If you have never done this job and are interested in volunteering, there are mentors to help you. If you have any questions about what it entails, call Linda Young at 805 236-4820.

collecting warm coats for the school children at Los Caminos Elementary School here in Camarillo. The collection will be during the month of December and possibly into January. Many children are in need of heavier coats. The school has 52% of students identified as in need, but number hovers a bit over 30% for the City of Camarillo - so needs are throughout town. A tote will be placed in the Narthex and the Fellowship Hall.

## PRELUDE

#### **WELCOME**

#### **OPENING HYMN**

#### "From Heaven Above to Earth I Come"







### **INVOCATION**

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the

Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

## **OPENING SENTENCES**

Pastor: Jesus said, "I am the Light of the world; the one who

follows Me will not walk in darkness but have the light of

life."

People: We light these candles as a sign of the coming light

of Christ.

Pastor: Then shall Your light break forth like the dawn, and Your

healing shall spring up speedily; Your righteousness shall go before You; the glory of the Lord shall be Your rear

guard. Isaiah 58: 8

People: Come, Lord Jesus, our Light and Life.

Pastor: Until that day, let us walk in the light of the Lord.

#### LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH



## **THIS WEEK AT PEACE December 18, 2022**

Today: 10:00 am ONE SERVICE- FAMILY CHRISTMAS

**PROGRAM** 

1:30 pm New Life Christian Fellowship

4:00 pm Boy Scouts (FH)

Monday: Office Closed

Tuesday: ++++++++++

Wednesday: 10:00 am Luther's Attic Volunteers

6:30 pm A.C.A. Women's Support Group

Thursday: 9:30 am Thursday Morning Bible Study

7:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal

Friday: +++++++++++++++++

Saturday: 5:00 pm Contemporary Candlelight Service

7:00 pm Traditional Service

Sunday 12/25:10:00 am ONE SERVICE-Christmas —Communion

1:30 pm New Life Christian Fellowship

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## THOSE WHO SERVE US TODAY December 18, 2022

## 10:00AM

Elder: Al Bosman & Tom Waddell

**Ushers:** Blaine Wanke

Henry Andermann

**Todd Harter** 

Altar Care: Rachael Ylizaliturri/Jane Morici

Piano: Karen Foote

## ONE SERVICE NEXT SUNDAY December 25, 2022

## 10:00AM

Elder: Al Bosman & Tom Waddell

**Ushers:** Dave Schmidt

Roy Poehler

Jim DeVries

Altar Care: Nancy Fitch and Sonja Manzer

Piano: Karen Foote

#### **HYMN DURING LIGHTING**

"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"



7 O come, Desire of nations, bind In one the hearts of all mankind; Bid Thou our sad divisions cease, And be Thyself our King of Peace. Refrain

#### **CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION**

Pastor: Let us confess our sins before God and one another.

People: Lord, by faith we know You are the Savior of the world, but we have not readily acknowledged You as the Messiah born in the manger or as the One who has overcome the world. Forgive us that we are reluctant to tell others about Jesus. Fortify our faith; inspire our speech; teach us as we sing, "where meek souls will receive Him still, the dear Christ enters in!" Lord, we believe, help our unbelief. Mark 9:24

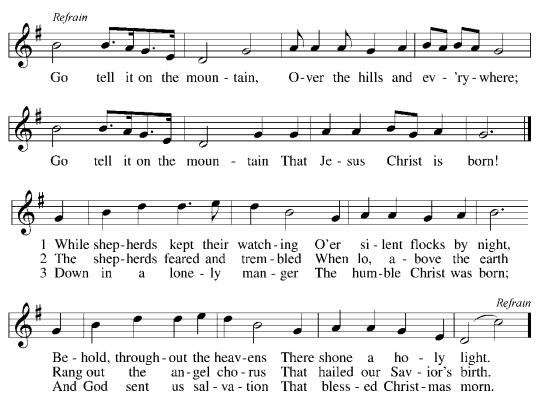
Pastor: Brothers and sisters in Christ, our Lord invites us to come and see what He has done---He has given us solid promises that guard our faith in days of sorrow, confusion, conflict, and pain. He has sent His Son to be His living Word of redemption for us in body, mind, and spirit. He truly is strong to save! By your faith in Jesus, all your sins have been forgiven. In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Thanks be to God!



#### **CLOSING HYMN**

#### "Go Tell It on the Mountain"



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## ANNOUNCEMENTS POSTLUDE

**Altar Flowers:** Given to the glory of God BY Carol Yung in memory of her husband Ron and by David Zinger in memory of his brother Richard.

**Attendance on 12/11/22**: 9:00– 11:00– Total:

Sunday School-

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

All: 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.

#### BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His

face shine on you and be gracious unto You. The Lord look upon You with favor and + give you His peace.

People: Amen.



#### **HYMN OF PRAISE**

## "Come, Your Hearts and Voices Raising"







5 Oh, the joy beyond expressing When by faith we grasp this blessing, And to You we come confessing That Your love has set us free.

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#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray.

People: Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come to help us by Your might that the sins which weigh us down may be quickly lifted by Your grace and mercy; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

#### **+THE WORD OF GOD+**



## **OFFERTORY**

## "Create in Me"



## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

#### **CONFESSION OF FAITH**

"Luther's explanation to the Second Article of the Apostles' Creed"

All: I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord, who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness,

just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity. This is most certainly true.

#### **OFFERING**

(Please sign and fill out the fellowship book and pass it down your row. When finished, pass it back down your row to the center aisle seat and the ushers will pick it up after the service.)

#### **VOLUNTARY**



#### **HYMN**

#### "What Child Is This"



Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 1<sup>st</sup> chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

(The Gospel is read.)

Pastor: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

People: Praise to You O Christ.

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**People: Praise to You O Christ.** 

#### **HYMN**

## "Angels from the Realms of Glory"



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#### **FAMILY CHRISTMAS PROGRAM**



## **HYMN**

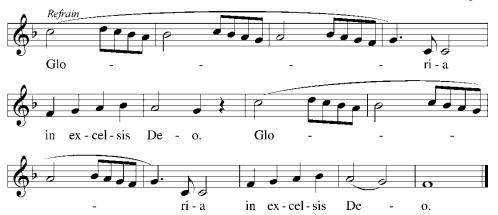
## "Angels We Have Heard on High"



- 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 Come, a - dore on bend - ed knee Christ the Lord, the new - born King.



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