

Lutheran Church of the Master

December 22, 2024 11:00 a.m.



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Announcements

- **(Bi-weekly) Midweek Communion** 10:30 am Jan. 8, 22
- **(Monthly) Church Council Meetings** - Regular meeting Jan. 9, Council workshop action items Jan. 13 1:00 pm. Garth's house
- **(Monthly) Ladies Breakfast** Sat. Jan. 18, 10 am, 525 Restaurant & Patio
- **(Weekly) Airdrie House of Prayer** - Wednesdays 12-1 pm St. Francis Anglican
- **(Weekly) Confirmation Class** - Wednesdays 4:30 on Zoom. Resuming Jan. 8

1. Stained Glass Window Dedication

The fourth stained-glass window will be unveiled today, dedicated by the Lohmann family.

2. Christmas Services

- Dec 24 - Christmas Eve Candlelight Service 5:30 pm
- Dec 25 - Christmas Day *No Service*
- Dec 29 - Regular Service 11:00 am

3. Special Congregational Meeting Jan. 12 immediately following service

To present the following motion for congregational vote:

'That Lutheran Church of the Master act as the Constituent Group to sponsor a Syrian family through CLWR.'

More information to follow about the sponsorship prior to the meeting.

4. Secret Sister Tea Jan. 25 1:30-3:30 pm

LCM Secret Sisters is a ministry lifting up a congregational sister in Christ. Join us as we wrap up our year, find out who our special sister was and have names selected for the upcoming year. All are welcome! For more information, see Debbie Kemp.

5. Upcoming LCM AGM - Feb. 23, 2025 following service

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Advent Antiphon: *Oxyrhynchus Hymn*

Opening Hymn: *O Come All Ye Faithful* #283

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Prayer of the Day

Choir Anthem: *African Advent Carol*

First Reading: Micah 5:2-5a

Second Reading: Luke 1:46b-55

Gospel Acclamation: *The Living Word*

Gospel Reading: Luke 1: 39-45

Hymn of the Day: *My Soul Proclaims Your Greatness*#251

Unveiling the Fourth Stained Glass Window

Show and Tell

Prayers

Peace

Offering

Communion Dialog

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Holy Communion at the Manger

Hymns during Communion

Love Has Come#292

That Boy Child of Mary#293

Here I am Lord.....#574

Table Blessing

Benediction

Sending Hymn: *Joy To the World*#267

Dismissal

Psalm 80:1-7

¹ Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.

² **In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, stir up your strength and come to help us. R**

³ Restore us, O God; let your face shine upon us, and we shall be saved.

⁴ **O Lord God of hosts, how long will your anger fume when your people pray?**

⁵ You have fed them with the bread of tears; you have given them bowls of tears to drink.

⁶ **You have made us the derision of our neighbors, and our enemies laugh us to scorn.**

⁷ Restore us, O God of hosts; let your face shine upon us, and we shall be saved. **R**

First Reading

Micah 5:2-5a

² But you, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah, who are one of the little clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to rule in Israel, whose origin is from of old, from ancient days.

³ Therefore he shall give them up until the time when she who is in labor has brought forth; when the rest of his kindred shall return to the people of Israel.

⁴ And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the Lord, in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God.

And they shall live secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth; ^{5a} and he shall be the one of peace.

Second Reading

Luke 1:46b-55

^{46b} My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, ⁴⁷ my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,

⁴⁸ **for you, Lord, have looked with favor on your lowly servant. From this day all generations will call me blessed:**

⁴⁹ you, the Almighty, have done great things for me and holy is your name.

⁵⁰ **You have mercy on those who fear you, from generation to generation. R**

⁵¹ You have shown strength with your arm and scattered the proud in their conceit,

⁵² **casting down the mighty from their thrones and lifting up the lowly.**

⁵³ You have filled the hungry with good things and sent the rich away empty.

⁵⁴ **You have come to the aid of your servant Israel, to remember the promise of mercy,**

⁵⁵ the promise made to our forebears, to Abraham and his children forever. **R**

Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 22, 2024

Reflecting on God's promise, the importance of humble beginnings, obedience to God's will.



Gospel

Luke 1: 39-45

³⁹ In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, ⁴⁰ where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth.

⁴¹ When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit ⁴² and exclaimed with a loud cry, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb.

⁴³ And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me?"

⁴⁴ For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leaped for joy.

⁴⁵ And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her by the Lord."