

West Prairie Free Lutheran Church

Fourth Sunday in Advent – December 18th, 2022

Prelude – Welcome – Announcements

Call to Worship

Isaiah 52:7-9

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." 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. Break forth together into singing, you waste places of Jerusalem, for the LORD has comforted his people; he has redeemed Jerusalem.

Hymn Hark! The Herald Angels Sing 20

Praises and Prayer Requests

Lighting of the Advent Candle The Kommer Family

Confession of Sin

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin! For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment.

Declaration of Grace

Worship in Song Projected

Scripture Readings Isaiah 7:10-17 Pew Bible 572
Matthew 1:18-25 Pew Bible 807

Confession of Faith Acts 17:24-28 Pew Bible 926

Special Music Still, Still, Still

Offering

Hymn Angels, from the Realms of Glory 25

Message The King of Glory Psalm 24
Pew Bible 458

Hymn It Came Upon a Midnight Clear 24

The Lord's Prayer

Benediction & Doxology Hymn 39

If you are visiting today, please sign our guest book in the church entryway. If you have any questions or needs, please call or text Pastor Ryan at 701-429-7101.

THIS WEEK at West Prairie (December 18 – December 25)

Wed 5:45 p.m. Confirmation
7:00 p.m. Youth Group Christmas Party @ Patenaudes
Sat 5:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
Sun 9:15 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship Service
5:00 p.m. Christmas Program
6:00 p.m. Soup & Sandwiches

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM is this afternoon! Come hear the Christmas message from our delightful and talented children! Soup & Sandwiches to be served afterwards.

CHRISTMAS SERVICE SCHEDULE

12/24/2022 Christmas Eve Candlelight Service 5:30 p.m.
12/25/2022 Christmas Day Communion Service 10:30 a.m.

Note: There will not be Sunday School on Christmas Day

MISSIONS TIDBIT Belete Loriso of Ethiopia spent 27 years translating the Bible into the Hadiyya language. In June of 2022, the complete Hadiyya Bible was dedicated. But Belete's work is not done. He has now enrolled in seminary so he can learn how to introduce this Bible to his people. Pray for Belete as he presses on.

CHRISTMAS FOOD BASKETS We are signed up for 8 hams and 22 dozen eggs! This food should cost less than \$200. With higher food costs, these food baskets are a bigger blessing to others as ever. Please talk to Pastor Ryan if you are willing to donate to the cause. Excess funds will go the Kindred Food Bank.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO

TODAY – Zach & Callie Lynnes
22nd – Michael & Melissa Lynnes

Wi-Fi password: Judges12:6
Reader next Sunday: Lucas Vangsness
Ushers next Sunday: Ron & Stacy Ness
Custodians for December: Nathan Solseth & Paula Woodbury

“Unlike Christmas ornaments, each baby is a unique life never to be replicated in all of history. Each life brutally snuffed out by abortion will leave the world a lesser place for it.” *Bradley Mattes, president of Life Issues Institute – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

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