

## WELCOME

We welcome you. May your worship strengthen your faith and growth in His grace. Visitors, please sign the Guest Book in the narthex.

## THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

God's presence in our midst in the wonder of the Holy Supper is cause for singing. The newness of the God in prayer, in every circumstance, is cause for rejoicing. The coming of one "more powerful" than John, even with a winnowing fork in hand, is good news, and cause for exultation for us who are being saved. Great is the tone for the third Sunday of Advent.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- John Miller received the gift of eternal life on Wed Dec 8th. Service in celebration of his life will be tomorrow Mon Dec 13 10:30am at PLC. Family visitation today 4-7pm at Porter Funeral Home in Rock Valley.
- Wreaths Across America service will follow worship next Sun 12/19. Today is last Sunday to write your check for a wreath; make checks payable to PLC, \$15, memo WreathsAcrossAmerica; place in offering plate.
- Rehearsal for SS program is at 9am this Saturday. Also note the *Schedule* for holiday information for Sunday School and Confirmation.
- The free Christmas drive-through at Rivers Bend Campground in Rock Valley continues 5:30-10:30pm nightly through Jan 2nd. Our LYO decorated Campsite #22 for "Lights Around the Bend." Let them know you were there!

## DEACONS' PRAYER LIST

Our church leadership; Mary Miller and family upon passing of John Miller; Scott Campbell; Bob Oldenkamp (Hawarden Hillcrest); Jo VanGorp (LeMars Brentwood); Evert DeBondt (Hudson Care); Arlene Miller (SC Royal Meadows); Abbie Helmers family; all who need our prayers.

## SERVING TODAY

Lector: Tim S (Steve R) Prayers: Darrell V (Terry W)  
Praise Team: Mary S, Tasha W, Ava W  
Advent worship: R Ranschau family  
A/V: Tim S, Neil R Organ: Matt L

## READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK (ESV)

Micah 5:2-5; Psalm 80:1-7; Hebrews 10:5-10

## PRAYER FOR LOCAL CONGREGATION

United Reformed Church, Pastor Jon Bushnell

## SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

Wed 12/15 7:00pm Midweek Advent Service  
Sat 12/18 9:00am Sunday School Christmas rehearsal

## Upcoming Events

Sun 12/19 10:30am Sunday School Christmas program  
11:30am Wreaths Across America service  
Fri 12/24 6:00pm Christmas Eve Service with Holy Communion  
Mon 1/10 7:00pm Council meeting  
Wed 1/26 7:00pm PLC Annual meeting

*Sunday School in recess for holidays: 11/28, 12/26, 1/2.  
Confirmation students to attend midweek Advent services  
12/8 and 12/15, off 12/22 and 12/29.*

## About Our Church



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# Peace Lutheran Church LCMC



December 12, 2021

Third Sunday of Advent

Rev. William Loefke, Pastor

Sunday Service

Faith Alive Worship 10:15 am

Youth Sunday School 9:00am

Adult Sunday School 9:15 am

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

Faith Alive Worship Hour!

Praise Team

*"Glory (Let There Be Peace)"*

*(Blue Binder #35)*

Announcements

Gathering Hymn #21

*"O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing"*

*"My tongue will speak of Your praises  
all day long." Psalm 35:28*

Confession & Forgiveness

(Front of Hymnal)

Advent Candlelighting

*Lighting of Third Advent Candle*

*Candle of Joy*

*"Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah," v1-3*

*(Blue Binder #34)*

Prayer Of The Day

Stir up the wills of Your faithful people, Lord God, and open our ears to the words of Your prophets so that, anointed by Your Spirit, we may testify to Your light; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

Children's Sermon

First Lesson

*Zephaniah 3:14-20*

Responsive Reading

*Isaiah 12:2-6*

Epistle Lesson

*Phillipians 4:4-7*

Congregation Response to Epistle Reading:

**"Thanks be to God!"**

Congregation Sings Hymn #243

*"Emmanuel"*

Announcement of the Holy Gospel

*Luke 3:7-18*

Congregation Response

**"Glory to You, O Lord"**

Congregation Response to Gospel Reading

**"Praise to You, O Christ"**

Sermon

*"Preparing for God's Reign!"*

Sermon Notes are available in the Narthex

Hymn of the Day #245

*"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"*

*translated Latin hymn*

*"The virgin will give birth to a Son, and will call*

*Him Immanuel." Isaiah 7:14*

Apostle's Creed

Sharing of God's Peace

Blessing of Tithes and Offerings

Hymn #815 *"Doxology"*

*Offering plate is in the Narthex*

Prayers Of The People

*Reader: Hear us O God,*

*Congregation: **"Your mercy is great."***

The Lord's Prayer

Benediction

Sending Hymn #754

*"Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending"*

*"They will see the Son of Man coming with  
power and great glory." Matthew 24:30*

Dismissal

Pastor: Dynamic Love! Dynamic Ministry!

God's Holy Word!

Congregation: **"Thanks be to God!"**

Postlude

December Benevolence -

*Family Crisis Center, serving Sioux County IA*

May God bless your generous gifts.