

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

Stir up Your power, and come! The psalmist's plea in Psalm 80:2 has become familiar to us in the Advent prayers. Isaiah wants God to rip the heavens open. Both cry for an apparently distant, angry God to show up, to save, to restore. When we hear Jesus describing the coming of the Son of Man with stars falling from heaven, it can sound dire and horrible, not like anything we would ever hope for. But when we really look at the suffering of people God loves, we can share the hope that God would tear open the heavens and come.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- If your child has not received an Advent calendar gift from Pastor & MaryAnne, Pastor Bill has one for each of your children.
- No Confirmation classes this Wed 12/06 or next Wed 12/13; Confirmands, please attend midweek Advent worship.
- Thank you to all who donated for the Hope Pantry SC food drive, and as always to Dave & Sandy Heuer for their delivery of goods.
- *Family* Christmas Banquet after worship today Sun Dec 3rd; the Heartland Quartet is regrettably not present due to illness in their group.
- Ceremony for Wreaths Across America will follow worship on Sun 12/17. To donate for cost of a wreath, make check payable to PLC \$17, memo WreathsAcrossAmerica; place in offering plate.
- Youth SS will present their Christmas Program on Sun Dec 17 during morning worship. Rehearsals during SS hour have started, also Wed 12/13pm, & Sat 12/16 9am followed by lunch and Chr party; see *Schedule* and follow bulletin for updates. Contact: Mike & Taylor DeRuyter 712-470-1218.

MISSION UKRAINE

Continue to pray for our sponsored Ukraine families and needs we support: Roshko family, PLC point persons Tim/Mary Schmidt 712-441-1805; and Homziakov family, PLC point persons Darrell/Gin Vermeer 712-441-1974.

DEACONS' PRAYER LIST

Our church leadership; Chari DeRuyter; Claudia Winterfeld; Luke Helmers family; Evert DeBondt, Lorene Franken, Arlene Miller, Orville Rehder, Shirley Rehder, Irene Sneller (CrPointe Estates SC); Harold Moeller (Whispering Hghts RV); all in need.

SERVING TODAY

Lector: Kevin R (Mike DR) Prayers: Cal DR (Terry W)
Praise Team off today A/V: Daniel B, Tasha W Organ: Matt L
Advent Lighting: T Rehder family (Goetz family)

Serving Midweek Advent

Lectors: Nicole L, Vicki R Prayers: Cal DR
AV: Tim S, Neil R Organ: Gin V

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK (ESV)

Isaiah 40:1-11; Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13; II Peter 3:8-15a

PRAYER FOR LOCAL CONGREGATION

Centerpointe Church, Pastors Chris Godfredsen & Jamie Dykstra

SCHEDULE

Today 12/03 11:30am *Family* Chr Banquet
Mon 12/04 10:30am PLC re-broadcast Premier Ch 12
Wed 12/06 07:00pm Midweek Advent Worship
Sun 12/10 2nd Sunday Advent
Wed 12/13 time TBD Rehearsal Youth SS Christmas
07:00pm Midweek Advent Worship
Sat 12/16 09:00am Rehearsal Youth SS Christmas
Christmas Party and Lunch to follow
Sun 12/17 10:15am 3rd Sunday Advent
Youth SS Christmas Program
11:30am Wreaths Across America, PLC Cemetery
Mon 12/18 07:00pm Council meeting
Thu 12/21 02:00pm Pastor Bill leads Bible Study at CrPointe SC
Sun 12/24 10:15am 4th Sunday Advent
12/24 06:00pm Christmas Eve worship, Holy Communion
Thu 12/28 02:00pm Pastor Bill leads worship at CrPointe SC
Sat 01/06 PLC serves noon meal at Banquet SF



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Watch Sun worship live on Facebook streaming, YouTube
or re-broadcast Mondays 10:30am Channel 12 (Premier)



Peace Lutheran Church LCMC



December 03, 2023

First Sunday of Advent

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Rev. William Loefke, Pastor

Sunday Worship

Faith Alive Service 10:15 am

Youth Sunday School 09:00am

Adult Sunday School 10:15am

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Faith Alive Worship Hour!

Prelude

A time of meditation and preparation for worship

Announcements

Call to Worship

Gathering Hymn #270

"Joy to the World!"

"Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth, for He comes."

Psalm 98:4, 9

Confession and Forgiveness

Advent Candlelighting

Lighting of first Advent Candle

Advent Prayer

"Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah," v1

(Blue Binder #34)

Prayer of the Day

Stir up Your power, Lord Christ, and come. By Your merciful protection waken us to the threatening dangers of our sins, and keep us blameless until the coming of Your new day, for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

Children's Time

"Let the Children Come...!" Luke 18:16

First Lesson

Isaiah 64:1-9

Responsive Reading

Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19

Epistle Lesson

I Corinthians 1:3-9

Congregation Response to Epistle Reading:

"Thanks be to God!"

Congregation Sings Hymn #243

"Emmanuel"

Announcement of the Holy Gospel

Mark 13:24-37

"Glory to You, O Lord"

Congregation Response to Gospel Reading

"Praise to You, O Christ"

Sermon

"Sharing the Hope!"

Sermon Notes available in Narthex

Hymn of the Day #244

"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"

*"The Lord has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted,
to proclaim freedom for the captives" Isaiah 61:1*

Nicene Creed

Sharing of God's Peace

Blessings of Tithes and Offerings

Hymn #815 *"Doxology"*

Prayers Of The People

Reader: "God, in Your mercy,"

*Congregation: "**Hear our prayer.**"*

Order of Holy Communion

Words of the Institution

"The Lord's Prayer"

(solo by Pastor Bill)

Distribution of Holy Communion

Congregation sings

"Lamb of God"

Benediction

Sending Hymn #147

"How Great Thou Art"

"You are great and do marvelous deeds:

You alone are God." Psalm 86:10

Dismissal

Pastor: "Dynamic Love!

Dynamic Ministry! God's Holy Word!"

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

Postlude

The offering plate is in the Narthex.

December Benevolence

Whispers of Love, Hope & Joy, Sioux Center IA

May God bless your generous gifts.