

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 keeps His promises made to David to give him an everlasting throne. The angel tells Mary that God will give David's throne to her Son, Jesus. She is perplexed by Gabriel's greeting and by the news of her coming pregnancy, but she is able still to say, "Count me in." We who know that Jesus is called King only as He is executed still find it a mystery hard to fathom, but with Mary we hear the news of what God is up to and say, "Count us in!"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Christmas Eve will be celebrated today at 6:00pm, with Sacrament of Holy Communion.
- Thank you to all who donated to and participated in Wreaths Across America last Sun Dec 17
- Youth SS presented their Christmas Program during worship last Sun Dec 17. Thank you to directors Mike & Taylor DeRuyter, to parents, staff, and to all who attended the service. Well done, children!
- If you are not on Lector service but would like to be in 2024, text Marlene C 949-683-5536. All are welcome.
- PLC serves at the Banquet in SF on Sat Jan 6. Volunteer needs: 4 to cook at 8:30am; additional 16 to serve at 10:30am (note time change). Text RSVP to Marlene C 949-683-5536.
- If you wish to serve on PLC Council 2024-'27, contact Jeff R 712-551-6444. Annual meeting will be 7:00pm Jan 24. Further info in Jan *Newsletter*.

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; Warren & Fonda Post, friends of PLC; 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: Jeff R (Vicki R) Prayers: Darrell V (Terry W)
Praise Team off today A/V: Steve R, Ryan R
Organ/piano: Gin V, Marlene C
Advent Lighting: DeZeeuw family

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK (ESV)

Isaiah 61:10 - 62:3; Psalm 148; Galatians 4:4-7

PRAYER FOR LOCAL CONGREGATION

Christ the King Catholic Church, Father Mauro Sanchez

SCHEDULE

Today 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
Wed 01/24 06:00pm Council meeting
07:00pm PLC Annual meeting
Fri-Sun 02/09-02/11 Marriage Retreat, Ingham Okoboji

Sunday School Holiday Recess 12/24 & 01/01
Confirmation Holiday Recess 12/20 & 12/27



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Peace Lutheran Church LCMC



December 24, 2023
Fourth Sunday of Advent
Rev. William Loeffke, Pastor

Sunday Worship
Faith Alive Service 10:15 am
Youth and Adult Sunday School
in Holiday Recess until Jan 07 2024

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Faith Alive Worship Hour!

Prelude

A time of meditation and preparation for worship

Announcements

Call to Worship

Gathering Hymn #256

"Love Has Come!"

"God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son."

John 3:16

Confession and Forgiveness

Advent Candlelighting

Lighting of fourth Advent Candle

Advent Prayer

"Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah," v1-4

(Blue Binder #34)

Prayer of the Day

Stir up Your power, Lord Christ, and come. With Your abundant grace and might, free us from the sin that would obstruct Your mercy, that willingly we may bear Your redeeming love to all the world, 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

II Samuel 7:1-11, 16

Responsive Reading

Psalms 89:1-4, 19-26

Epistle Lesson

Romans 16:25-27

Congregation Response to Epistle Reading:

"Thanks be to God!"

Congregation Sings Hymn #243

"Emmanuel"

Announcement of the Holy Gospel

Luke 1:26-38

"Glory to You, O Lord"

Congregation Response to Gospel Reading

"Praise to You, O Christ"

Sermon

"God Keeps His Promises!"

Sermon Notes available in Narthex

Hymn of the Day #251

"It Came Upon A Midnight Clear"

"An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them." Luke 2:9

Apostle's 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.**"*

Lord's Prayer

Benediction

Sending Hymn #273

"Good Christian Men, Rejoice"

"My spirit rejoices in God my Savior."

Luke 1:47

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.