### 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

Advent is about the "coming days." God's people have always lived in great expectation, but that expectation finds specific repeated enunciation in the text appointed for these four weeks. The ancient people anticipated a "righteous Branch to spring up for David." The Thessalonians awaited "the coming of our Lord Jesus with all the saints." Jesus' contemporaries hoped for the time "to stand before the Son of Man." With them we eagerly await the coming days: another Christmas celebration, a second coming, and the advent of Christ in word and supper.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- All invited to attend the Christmas Banquet this evening 06:00pm, no RSVP needed -- a family event of good food, Christmas carols, and Trivia game! Menu: pork loin, mashed potatoes/gravy, green bean casserole, salad, rolls, and desserts!.
- Sacrament of Holy Communion will be next Sun Dec 8.
- Wreaths Across America ceremony will be held after worship on Sun 12/15. If you would like to sponsor a wreath, cost is \$17; checks payable to PLC, memo Wreath.
- Rehearsals for Youth SS Chr program are in progress during SS hour; thank you to Marissa R for directing. SS program will be during worship on Sun Dec 15.
- Thank you to all who have generously donated goods for the Hope Food Pantry SC -- turn in by this afternoon. Our Thanksgiving benevolence offering was also directed to them.

### A Note of Thanks

Orville Rehder thanks all who celebrated his 90th birthday with him last Sunday. To God be the glory!

### PRAYER FOR LOCAL CONGREGATION

Faith Christian Reforemd Church, Pastor Bob Pollema

### SERVING TODAY (and next week)

Lectors: Steve R (Amanda B) Deacon: Darrell V (Tim H)
Praise Team off today A/V: Jeff R, Ryan R (Steve R, Neil R)
Acolyte: Sophie DZ (David H) Organ: Gin V (Matt L)
Advent: DeRuyter family (T Rehder family)

### **READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK (ESV)**

Malachai 3:1-4; Luke 1:68-79; Philippians 1:3-11

### SCHEDULE

Today Last day nonperishable goods collection

Hope Pantry SC

Today 06:00pm Christmas Banquet - a family event

Dinner, Sing-along, Trivia game

Mon 12/02 10:30am PLC worship re-broadcast Premier Ch 12

Wed 12/04 06:00pm Midweek Advent worship (also 12/11 and 12/18)

Confirmands to attend Advent worship, no class

Mon 12/09 07:00pm Council meeting

Sun 12/15 10:15am SS Christmas program

11:30am Wreaths Across America, PLC cemetery

06:30pm - 8:30pm. LYO Christmas party

Tue 12/24 06:00pm Christmas Eve Worship Service

Sat 02/08 PLC serves lunch at The Banguet SF

### **DEACONS' PRAYER LIST**

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



### **About Our Church**

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# Peace Lutheran Church



December 01, 2024

First Sunday of Advent Rev. William Loefke, Pastor

Faith Alive Service 10:15am Youth Sunday School 09:00am Adult Sunday School 09:15am

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

Faith Alive Worship Hour!

Prelude

A time of meditation and preparation for worship

**Announcements** 

Call to Worship

Gathering Hymn #245
"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"
"The virgin will give birth to a Son,
and will call Him Immanuel." Isaiah 7:14

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 Jeremiah 33:14-16

Responsive Reading

Psalm 25:1-10

Epistle Lesson
1 Thessalonians 3:9-13
Congregation Response to Epistle Reading:
"Thanks be to God!"

Congregation Sings Hymn #243 "Emmanuel"

Announcement of the Holy Gospel

Luke 21:25-36

"Glory to You, O Lord"

Congregation Response to Gospel Reading
"Praise to You, O Christ"

Sermon

"Living In Great Expectation" 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

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 #255
"Lo! How a Rose E'er Blooming"
"A shoot will come up from the stump of Jesse."
Isaiah 11:1

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

Beeline Wheelchairs International

Louisville, OH

May God bless your generous gifts.