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The Fourth Sunday in Advent December 19th, 2021

SERVICE: Divine Service Setting 3 LSB pg. 184 HYMNS: LSB 356, LSB 933, LSB 357, LSB 361

TEXT: Micah 5:2-5a

PSALM: 80:1-7

We welcome you to our Service of Worship and Praise this morning. We pray that the Word of God Spoken to us this morning will give us comfort, peace, joy, and the strength to face whatever the devil, the world, and our own sinful flesh may tempt us with throughout the coming week. If you are a visitor with us this morning, we ask that you kindly sign the guest register located in the back of the church and do come and worship again soon.

COLLECT OF THE DAY: Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come and help us by Your might, that the sins which weigh us down may be quickly lifted by Your grace and mercy; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Those Serving Us Today Those Serving Us Next Week

Organist: Kristin Schneider.....Yvette Erickson

Holy Communion: Close communion has been practiced since the early Christian Church. We maintain This practice. We welcome communicant members of Good Shepherd and fellow Lutherans from churches in fellowship with Lutheran Church-Canada to receive Holy Communion. All wishing to commune that are not yet communicant members are cordially invited to speak to the Pastor before the Worship Service.

This Week:

Sun: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study

10:30 a.m. Divine Service w/ Communion

12:00 p.m. Fellowship Lunch

Fri: 7:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Lessons & Carols

Sat: 10:30 a.m. Christmas Day Divine Service

Sun. Dec 26: 10:30 a.m. Divine Service

12:00 p.m. Fellowship Lunch

OFFERING: December 12, 2021

Budget: \$ 695.00 LCC: \$ 0.00 WECLO: \$ 125.00

Other: \$ 120.00

NOTES DURING CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK: Dear saints, we've all seen the news that new restrictions are on the way. It is discouraging and disheartening. Yet we place ourselves in the Lord's hands, knowing that He cares for us. We will keep an eye on any restrictions that may take place and inform you of any changes that we will have to make to our schedule and practices. At this time, it is important that we continue to observe social distancing of 2 meters and masking orders of our town and province. We will continue to use the Communion rail and ask that communicants leave space between households. You may remove your mask once you come to the rail. If you would like to receive the Lord's blood from the chalice, politely refuse the individual cup and pastor will come by with the chalice. It is requested that you keep your individual cup visible so that pastor knows you have already received the blood of Christ. Our sermons continue to be recorded and posted on our Facebook page for those who are unable to join us, or those who wish to go back and hear the sermon again. Pray for your congregation and for your pastor during this time. We rejoice in God's great mercy towards us as we gather to hear His Word online and in person. Sermon audio can be found through the church website, or on https://www.facebook.com/Good-Sheperd-Lutheran-Church-Facebook our page at 102466395763

THE LUTHERAN HOUR: "Charlie Brown Christmas Tree" (Luke 2:1-15) The drama surrounding the first airing of "The Charlie Brown Christmas Special" 56 years ago, against all odds, it gave viewers the true story of Christmas and doomed aluminum Christmas trees to near extinction. Hear this inspirational message on WDFN 1130 AM at 6:30 a.m., WRDT 560 at 7:30 a.m. & 12:00 p.m., on SiriusXM satellite radio on 131 at 10:00 a.m., and streaming audio and pod-casts at www.lutheranhour.ca.

STEWARDSHIP BLURB: Luke 1:45 – "And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her from the Lord." The Lord always fulfills what He promises. We can be certain of that, and He has proven it over and over again. This faith in the Lord's own faithfulness is what gives us the courage to follow the Lord's commands in the face of the world's anger and resistance. Mary's faith also gave her the courage to carry on in her seemingly embarrassed circumstances.

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY: There will be no Bible Study next Sunday.

ALLERGIC NOTICE: Please note that there is a child in the daycare who has a severe allergy to nuts and eggs. At this time we are asking that foods with these items not be brought in for our lunches due to cross contamination, which could cause a reaction. Thank you.

SUNDAY FELLOWSHIPS: We have resumed our fellowship after church on Sunday. All are invited for a light lunch and a time to sit and visit and catch up on what's happening in each others lives. We have safety measures in place and social distancing as you are comfortable. Come and join for a while after service each Sunday. See you there.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES: We will have our Christmas Eve Service of Lessons & Carols at 7:00 p.m. Our Christmas Day Divine Service begins at 10:30 a.m. There is a pile of invitations for our Christmas services. Members are encouraged to take a couple or a few to give to neighbours, friends, and family who do not go to church. Invite your friends and family to join us as we remember and celebrate the birth of our Saviour in Bethlehem.

PASTOR OFF: Pastor Schneider will be taking some time off next week after Christmas. He will be off following the Christmas Day service until January 1. We will be having Pastor Torgerson leading the service on December 26. Pastor Schneider is planning to be at home, so should there by any emergencies, you can contact him there.

FOOD HAMPER: Recently we had a request for a grocery store gift card from our food hamper, created at the beginning of the pandemic. This person was a contact from Karin Porter's work who is a single mother, very limited, can't read, and has a very limited budget. When the card was given to the mother, her small child was heard saying, "We have milk now!" She sent a thank you card to the church, which is placed on the table in the narthex.

Prayer List For The Week:

- 1. God's Servant: Rev. Marek Sabol of Our Saviour Lutheran Church in Ottawa, ON.
- **2. Pray for our Missionaries Around the World:** Rev. Ted & Rebecca Krey, Rev. Sergio Maita, Rev. Joel Fritsche, Danelle Putnam, Lucas Eberhart; Rev. David Preus, Jamie-Lynn Flores, Rev. Dr. Jonathan & Cheryl Nauman, Tirzah Krey, Dominican Republic; Rev. Eric & Johanna Stinnett, Ethiopia. All Haitian Pastors & people in Haiti & the Dominican Republic. Our Lutheran Church in Nicaragua, and other Missionaries who serve for us in foreign lands.
- 3. For God's People: Gary & Heidi Gagnier
- 4. For Those Who Are Celebrating: Annette Smith (22); Diane Ochs (23); Joan Hannah (24)

5. For Those In Need of Prayers:

Joan Nelson* Joe Hilger Chris Lucas
Alice Elvy* Bob & Virginia Erickson Janice & Emma Kempffer
Elizabeth Goldman* Lisa Erickson Eleanor Kempffer
Wayne Bird Jon Ochs Sloan
Eric & Johanna Stinnett Katharina Wolf Those affected with Covid-19

Those recovering from flooding & storms in BC

*INDICATES SHUT-INS

