

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH AND CHRISTIAN DAY CARE

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**Christmas Day
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SERVICE: LSB Divine Service Setting 3 pg. 184
HYMNS: LSB 370, LSB 393, LSB 387, LSB 388
TEXT: Isaiah 52:7-10
PSALM: 24

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 with us again soon!

COLLECT OF THE DAY: Almighty God, grant that the birth of Your only-begotten Son in the flesh may set us free from the bondage of sin; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

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.

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Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 52:7-10

How beautiful upon the mountains

are the feet of him who brings good news,
who publishes peace, who brings good news of happiness,
who publishes salvation,
who says to Zion, “Your God reigns.”

⁸The voice of your watchmen—they lift up their voice;
together they sing for joy;
for eye to eye they see
the return of the LORD to Zion.

⁹Break forth together into singing,
you waste places of Jerusalem,
for the LORD has comforted his people;
he has redeemed Jerusalem.

¹⁰The LORD has bared his holy arm
before the eyes of all the nations,
and all the ends of the earth shall see
the salvation of our God.

Epistle Reading: Hebrews 1:1-6

Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, ²but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world. ³He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, ⁴having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

⁵For to which of the angels did God ever say,
“You are my Son,
today I have begotten you”?

Or again,

“I will be to him a father,
and he shall be to me a son”?

⁶And again, when he brings the firstborn into the world, he says,

“Let all God's angels worship him.”

Holy Gospel Reading: John 1:1-14

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ²He was in the beginning with God. ³All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made. ⁴In him was life, and the life was the light of men. ⁵The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

⁶There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. ⁷He came as a witness, to bear witness about the light, that all might believe through him. ⁸He was not the light, but came to bear witness about the light.

⁹The true light, which gives light to everyone, was coming into the world. ¹⁰He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world did not know him. ¹¹He came to his own, and his own people did not receive him. ¹²But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, ¹³who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.

¹⁴And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.

Prayer List For The Week:

1. God's Servant: Rev. Paul Schallhorn of Peace Lutheran Church in Tillsonburg, 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: Elizabeth Goldman

4. For Those In Need of Prayers:

Joan Nelson*

Alice Elvy*

Elizabeth Goldman*

Jon Ochs

Those affected with Covid-19

Joe Hilger

Bob & Virginia Erickson

Lisa Erickson

Sloan

Those recovering from flooding & storms in BC

Chris Lucas

Janice & Emma Kempffer

Eleanor Kempffer

Katharina Wolf

*INDICATES SHUT-INS

I LOVE THAT THERE ARE
LOTS OF SHEEP IN
THE CHRISTMAS STORY!



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AND WITH SHEEP, COME **SHEPHERDS!**
KING DAVID WAS A **SHEPHERD**. JESUS
IS THE **GOOD SHEPHERD**. AND, THE
FIRST PEOPLE TO WORSHIP HIM ARE
SHEPHERDS!



I GUESS IT TAKES
**ONE TO KNOW
ONE!**



LUKE 2:1-20