



**EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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LBW - Lutheran Book of Worship  
WOV - With One Voice  
CH - Celebration Hymnal

**Christmas Day**  
December 25, 2022

**Interim Pastor: Pastor Paul Weeg**  
Lay Reader: Sheila Lundon

Organist: Charlotte Cole  
Acolyte: Aundraya Paulson

Prelude

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C: And also with you.**  
P: How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of the messenger who announces peace, who brings good news, who announces salvation, who says to Zion, “Your God reigns.” Listen! Your sentinels lift up their voices, together they sing for joy; for in plain sight they see the return of the Lord to Zion.  
**C: Break forth together into singing, you ruins of Jerusalem; for the Lord has comforted his people, he has redeemed Jerusalem. The Lord has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.**

Hymn: *Good Christian Friends, Rejoice*.....LBW # 55

Prayer of the Day: **Almighty God, you wonderfully created and yet more wonderfully restored the dignity of human nature. In your mercy, let us share the divine life of Jesus Christ who came to share our humanity, and who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen**

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 52:7-10

Psalm 98 (read responsively).....LBW p. 262

Epistle Lesson: Hebrews 1:1-4 [5-12]

Gospel Acclamation (spoken): **Alleluia. I am bringing you Good News of great joy for all people: to you is born this day in the City of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. Alleluia.**

Gospel Lesson: John 1:1-14

Hymn: *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing* .....LBW # 60

Children’s Sermon

Sermon

Hymn: *Let All Together Praise Our God*.....LBW # 47 vv. 1, 2, 3, & 7

Apostles’ Creed.....LBW p.85

The Collection of the Offering

Offertory: Create in Me.....LBW p. 96

Prayer and Lord’s Prayer .....LBW p. 97

**Benediction**

P: May the God of the angels, who heralded Christ’s birth, bring joy to your hearts this day and always. **C: Amen**

P: May Emmanuel, God with us, be with you in all your doings and all your celebrations, until he brings us into his eternal kingdom. **C: Amen**

P: Almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.  
**C: (sing the three-fold) Amen**

Announcements

Closing Hymn: *The Bells of Christmas*.....LBW # 62 vv.1, 2, 4, & 6

Chimes and Postlude

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**Thank you...** for the Christmas cards and gifts. They mean so much to me, coming from those in my home church. I miss being a part of the church and wish you the best in finding a new pastor. Merry Christmas! - Dale Schultz

## *Poinsettia Gifts*

*Given by . . .*

Clarice Bartz- In Memory of Loved Ones

Bonnie & Viri Deal- To the Glory of God

Rod & Emi Kuntz- In Memory of Loved Ones

Earl & Judy Trenhaile- In Memory of Loved Ones

Albert & Doris Ralph- In Memory of Loved Ones

Phil & Gloria Hackbart- In Memory of Loved Ones

Charlotte Cole & Family- In Memory of Loved Ones

Ardis Hanson- In Memory of Allan Hanson "from his family"

Darren & Lori Marsh & Family- In Memory of Joanne Marsh

Dean & Mardine Meyer- In Memory of Dale & Shirley Meyer

Mark Fredrickson- In Memory of Ken & LaVerne Fredrickson

Pastor and Peggy Weeg- In Memory of Jim & Beverly Erickson and  
Reverend Warren C & Rebecca Weeg

Merlin & Lisa Bartz- In Memory of Orland Bartz, Jim & Phyllis Davis,  
and Jane Buechele

Connie Rosenberg - In Memory of Harper Putz, Don Anderson, and  
Elmer & Pearl Rosenberg

Greg & Shal Zillgitt- In Memory of Fehr, Zillgitt, and Wytaske Loved Ones

Family of Laurie Nack-Bublitz- In Memory of Loved Ones and Kuper Malmin

Chris and Teresa Braun- In Memory of Everett & Chrystal Braun and Allan Hanson

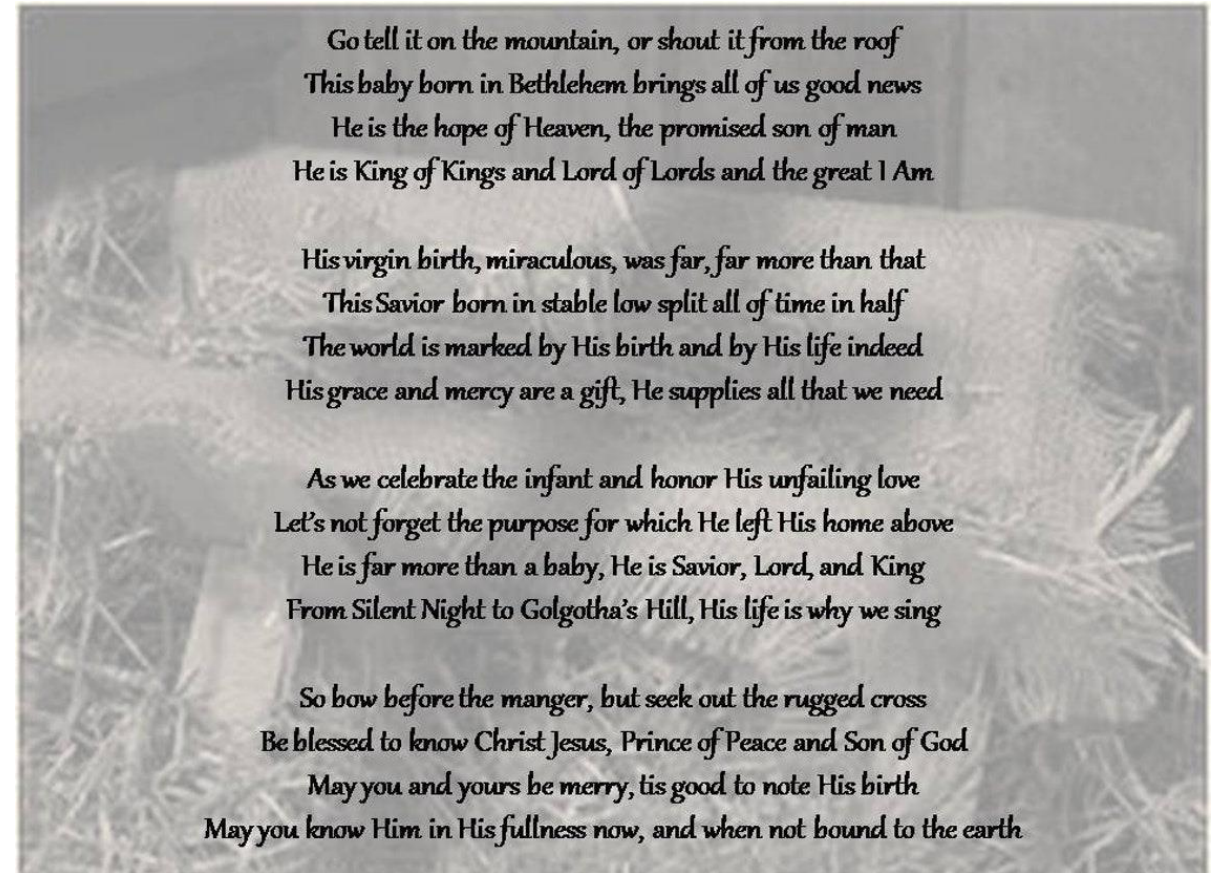


*Thank you to all who shared plants to beautify our sanctuary.  
You may take your poinsettias after Worship this morning.*

**Next Sunday... there will be worship with Holy Communion.** There will be no fellowship afterwards. There is no *fellowship* this morning- enjoy the time with family!

**2023 Offering envelopes...** will not be available until January, due to production issues. Contributions will continue to be recorded, please mark your offering in the memo line of your check, place in an envelope, or consider online giving as well.

**Contributions for 2022...**need to be made by December 30<sup>th</sup> at noon. Any given after that will be put on your 2023 statement.



*Go tell it on the mountain, or shout it from the roof  
This baby born in Bethlehem brings all of us good news  
He is the hope of Heaven, the promised son of man  
He is King of Kings and Lord of Lords and the great I Am*

*His virgin birth, miraculous, was far, far more than that  
This Savior born in stable low split all of time in half  
The world is marked by His birth and by His life indeed  
His grace and mercy are a gift, He supplies all that we need*

*As we celebrate the infant and honor His unfailing love  
Let's not forget the purpose for which He left His home above  
He is far more than a baby, He is Savior, Lord, and King  
From Silent Night to Golgotha's Hill, His life is why we sing*

*So bow before the manger, but seek out the rugged cross  
Be blessed to know Christ Jesus, Prince of Peace and Son of God  
May you and yours be merry, tis good to note His birth  
May you know Him in His fullness now, and when not bound to the earth*

**MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A BLESSED NEW YEAR!**

**Mark your calendars...**for **Mission Fest** on January 8<sup>th</sup>. Kelly Grunhovd from Prairie Ridge in Mason City will be here to share with us about the services they offer. Since this was postponed from 2022, offering in your 2022 Mission envelope or undesignated offering will be given to Prairie Ridge. 2023 Mission envelopes will be used in the Fall. Kelly will have brochures/information in the Fellowship Hall following the service as well.