

# WELCOME

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH – Muskegon, Michigan

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Welcome to this time of worship. We are especially grateful for those of you who are visitors. You make us more whole. First Lutheran is a part of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, a church body committed to the welcome of the stranger and to the questions and



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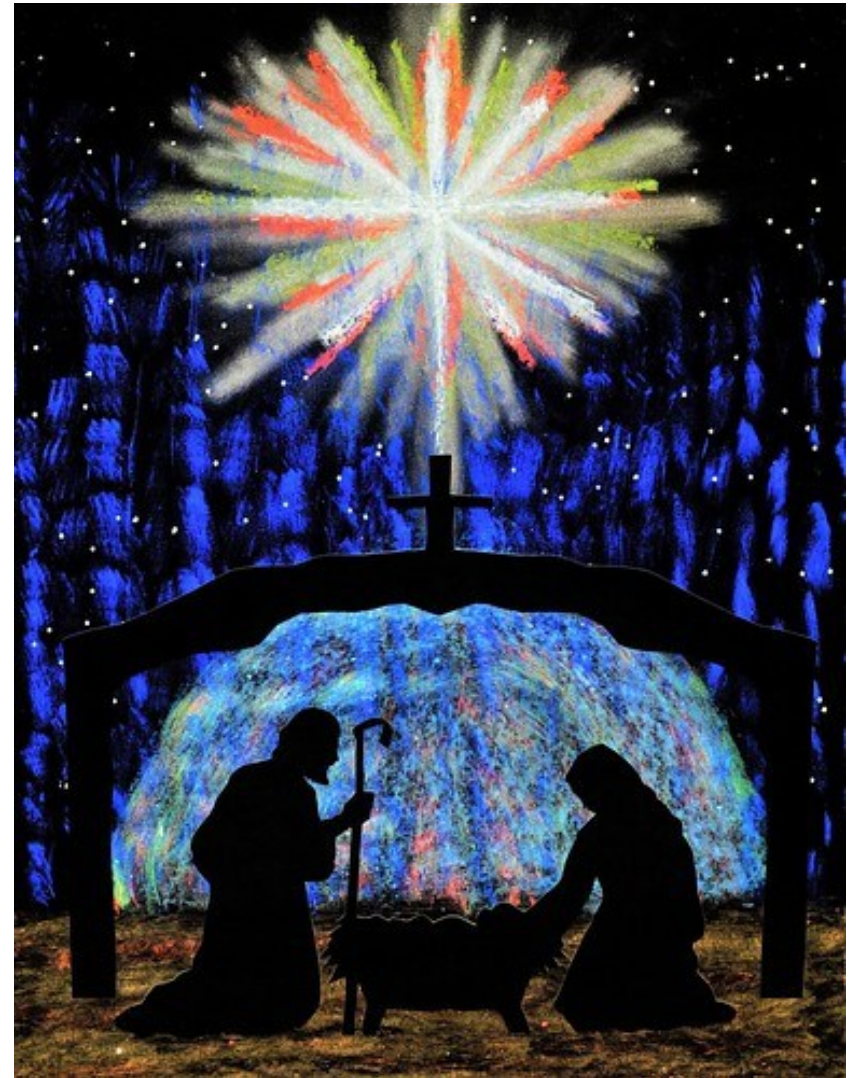
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**Christmas Eve Service**  
**Sunday, December 24th, 2024**  
**11:00 p.m.**

# Christmas Eve Service

**Pre-Service Music**  
 “O Come, O Come Emmanuel” **The Band**  
 “Do You Hear What I Hear?” **Sande Borushko**  
 “String Christmas Prelude” **Corbin & O’Connor Families**  
 “One Small Child” **Mary Schoonover, Emily Traub**  
 “O Holy Night” **Eva Backus, Joel Westerholm**  
**Organ Prelude** **Elise McDonald**

**Hymn** “O Come All Ye Faithful” **#283 (red)**  
 (vv. 1-3)  
**Opening Greeting** (screen)

**Hymn** “Hark! The Herald Angels Sing” **#270 (red)**

**Salutation/Prayer of the Day**

**Special Music** “Jus’ A Little Bit Farther” **Choir**

**First Lesson** **Isaiah 9:2-7**

**Psalm 96** (screen)

**Gospel Lesson** **Luke 2:1-7**

**Song** “The First Noel” **#300 (red) (v.1)**

**Gospel Lesson** **Luke 2:8-20**

**Sermon**

**Hymn** “Jesus, What A Wonderful Child” **#297 (red)**

**Parish Concerns**

**Prayers**

**Peace**

**Offering**

**Offertory Prayer**

## The Poinsettias are given in honor of:

- ◆ Our children, grandchildren, and great grandchild by Steve and Rhonda Smith
- ◆ Jayson, Jeny, Ryan, Taylor, Emma, Max, Avery, Jessica, Chase, and Jayden by Jerry & Robbin Dibble
- ◆ Evan, Tianna, Tristan and Lavena Dusseljee and Nathan Dusseljee and Trisha Milligan by Paula Dusseljee
- ◆ Our family by Tom and Sabina Freeman
- ◆ The Frietsch family by Elin and Jake Frietsch, Anna, Lizzy and Augie
- ◆ Annette Jack by John Jack
- ◆ Tom Mullinex by Jim and Marcy Sutton
- ◆ Our friendships, old and new by Mike and Rhonda Sweet
- ◆ Our kids and grandkids by Terry and Sara Henry
- ◆ Carol Hoffman by Phil Sielski, Bonnie Nolan, and Roy Hoffman
- ◆ Barb Pellerin and Barb Bonifield for being such wonderful second mothers to us by Dale and Deb Roest
- ◆ Martin Shields by the Shields family

*Please pick up your Poinsettias after the 11:00 p.m. service.*

### THOSE WHO SERVE 12/24

<b>Assisting Minister (11:00 p.m.)</b>	Paula Dusseljee
<b>Lector</b> 11:00 p.m.	Deb Wosinski
<b>Servers</b> 11:00 p.m.	Ed & Deb Wosinski
<b>Acolytes</b> 11:00 p.m.	Connor Simerick, Lauren Slater
<b>Ushers</b> 11:00 p.m.	Stan Daszko
<b>Song Leaders</b> 11:00 p.m.	Sande Borushko, Barb Elliott
<b>Sound System</b> 11:00 p.m.	Karl Ziemelis
<b>Information Station</b>	N/A
<b>Counters</b>	Diana Duell, Sandra Fluharty
<b>Communion Bread</b> 11:00 p.m.	Kim Westerholm
<b>Communion Set-Up</b> 11:00 p.m.	Kim Westerholm
<b>Clean-Up</b> 11:00 p.m.	Wosinski Family

## The Poinsettias are given in memory of:

- ◆ Our parents Chester and Bonnie Smith and Don and Donna Daunt by Steve and Rhonda Smith
- ◆ Morris Powers and Jo and Don Buchan by Theresa and Dave Buchan
- ◆ Milly and Bob Lindell by Dan and Jane Horton
- ◆ Bob and Bettie Schultz, Jerome and Frieda Dibble, and Carol Postmus by Jerry and Robbin Dibble
- ◆ Frank DiPiazza, Jr. by Evie, Mike, Darin, and Travis DiPiazza
- ◆ Bernie and Carol Harrell by David Harrell
- ◆ Garry D. Bradfield and Garry S. Bradfield by Marilyn Bradfield and the White family
- ◆ Ward and Virginia Crampton by the Bradfield and the White families
- ◆ Gerald and Elizabeth Sielski by Phil Sielski, Bonnie Nolan and Roy Hoffman
- ◆ Our Moms Mildred Mattson and Almeda O'Neill by Jerry and Suzette Mattson
- ◆ Evelyn and Paul Swanson by Paula Dusseljee
- ◆ Loved ones by Catherine Tolley
- ◆ Gene Tietsort by Ruthanne Tietsort
- ◆ Don and Mary Ann Henry by Terry and Sara Henry
- ◆ James Sutton, Virginia Sutton, Rosemary Mullinex, Special Friend, Don Gust, and Jenny DeLong by Jim and Marcy Sutton
- ◆ Scott Dickover by Jon and Julie Traver
- ◆ Sharon Cooke by Dave Cooke family
- ◆ Lollie Shields and Dee DeBoef by the Shields family
- ◆ Our fathers Bernie Wickstrom and George Roest and our grandparents by Dale and Deb Roest
- ◆ Our parents by Tim and Sylvia Israels
- ◆ Tara Petrick—my oldest sister on my Mom's side by Grace Sweet
- ◆ Dad and Papa Larry Frietsch by Elin and Jake Frietsch, Anna, Lizzy and Augie

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## Great Thanksgiving

Pastor: Oh, may the good Lord be with you.  
**Cong: And may the Lord be with you too.**

Pastor: Lift your hearts to Him in praise.

**Cong: To the Lord our hearts we raise.**

Pastor: Let us offer praises true.

**Cong: It is fitting so to do:**

**Gratefully, we sing**

**To the Lord, our King!**

*(to the tune of "Good Christian Friends Rejoice")*

## Holy, Holy

**Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord!**

**God of hosts, by all adored!**

**Heav'n and earth cannot contain  
all the glory of your name!**

**Hail, hosanna, God most high!**

**Blest is He who now draws nigh  
in the name of God the King!**

**Hallelujahs glad we sing:**

**Hail, hosanna! praises due  
be forever, Lord, to you!**

*(to the tune of "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing")*

## The Lord's Prayer

**sung by Pastor Bill**

### Communion

**"All Are Welcome" (screen)**

**"It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" #282 (red)**

**"What Feast of Love" #487 (red)**

**"O Little Town of Bethlehem" #279 (red)**

**"Away in a Manger" #277 (red)**

## Blessing & Post-Communion Prayer

### Closing Hymn

**"Silent Night"**

**(words on next page)**

### Benediction

### Dismissal

### Postlude

## “Silent Night”

### Verse 1

Silent night, holy night! All is calm, all is bright, round yon virgin mother and child. Holy Infant, so tender and mild, sleep in heavenly peace, sleep in heavenly peace.

### Verse 2

Silent night, holy night! Shepherds quake at the sight; glories stream from heaven afar, heav’nly hosts sing, alleluia! Christ, the Savior is born! Christ, the savior is born!

### Verse 3

Silent night, holy night! Son of God, love’s pure light, radiant beams from your holy face, with the dawn of redeeming grace, Jesus, Lord, at your birth, Jesus, Lord, at your birth.



## EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

We will **not be having Wednesday night dinners** for the next few weeks. We will resume on January 8th, 2025.

The **sign-up sheet** for hosting **coffee hour in 2025** is on the information station by the office. Please pick a date to host coffee hour.

The church **office will be closed** on December 25th for the Christmas holiday.

Our **chili cook-off** and **annual meeting** will take place on Sunday, January 26 following worship.

**There will be no Thursday night service** next Thursday, December 26th.

Our **library has many puzzles** that are free to take. If you are a puzzler, stop in and grab one or two!

**No faith formation classes** on December 29. We will reconvene on January 5.

There will be **no Thursday Bible** study this coming Thursday (December 26). Wednesday (6:10 p.m.) and Thursday (noon) studies will start up again on January 2 (Thursday) and January 8 (Wednesday.)

**Thank you** for your continued **generosity** with our **Adopt-A-Family tree**. This year we served 18 families, which meant we had 80 tags to fill, doubling our usual amount. Your kindness is overwhelming!

### Readings for Next Weekend

First Reading	1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26
Psalm	148
Second Reading	Colossians 3:12-17
Gospel Reading	Luke 2:41-52