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Acolyte	Hudson Risbrudt
Vocalists	Rhen Jacobson, Camille Nelson and Zinta Sundby
Advent Reading	Lindstrom Family
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Projection & Audio	Alan Thompson, Dale Jacobson, Karen Thompson
Communion Assistant	Dianne Beckman

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Dylan Geihlsler, Clarice Peterson, Jim Andersen, Jess Beske (friend of Gabe Lindstrom), Bryan Severson, Al Larsen (Else Andersen's brother)

**Coming Up at Sverdrup Lutheran Church**

12/19	9 am	WORSHIP SERVICES—Adult Choir Practice after services NO SS CHRISTMAS BREAK
12/20	8 am	Monday Morning Crew
12/22		NO CONFIRMATION CHRISTMAS BREAK
12/23	7 pm	AA Meeting
12/24	4:30 5:30	Outdoor Christmas Eve Services Indoor Candlelight Christmas Eve Services
12/25		<b><u>CHRISTMAS DAY!</u></b>
12/26	9 am	WORSHIP SERVICES—Lessons and Carols NO SS CHRISTMAS BREAK

**Offering and Attendance**

Week Date	Offering	Auto Giving	TOTAL	Organ Fund	Friends In Need	Sound System Fund	Attendance
12/12	\$4841	\$860	<b>\$5701</b>	\$300	\$30	\$500	?

*Visitor's, please fill out the orange card in the pews and place it in the offering plate. We thank you for joining us today and please join us for coffee and treats in the Fellowship Hall following worship.*

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# SVERDRUP LUTHERAN CHURCH



**December 19, 2021**

**Fourth Sunday of Advent**

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## GATHERING

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

### GATHERING MUSIC

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### LIGHTING OF ADVENT WREATH

*ELW #240 Vs 1-4*

### READING AND HYMN

*"Light One Candle to Watch for  
Messiah"*

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✙ one God, the Lord of Israel who comes to set us free, the mighty Savior who comes to show mercy, the Dawn from on high who guides us into peace.

**Amen.**

Let us come before God in confession.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

To you, O God, **we lift up our souls. You know us through and through; we confess our sins to you. Remember not our sins; remember us with your steadfast love. Show us your ways; teach us your paths; and lead us in justice and truth, for the sake of your goodness in Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

Children of God, come with joy and draw water from the well of salvation. Remember the gift of baptism: your sin is washed away in the name of ✙ Jesus; you belong to Christ; you are anointed to serve. Stand up and raise your heads! The reign of God is near.

**Amen.**

GATHERING SONG *"People, Look East"*

*ELW #248*

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

God fills the hungry with good things. Taste and see that the Lord is good.

*Gluten free wafer fellowship kits are available.*

### COMMUNION PRAYER

Holy One, **we give you thanks that in this bread and cup we have feasted again on your endless love. Let that love overflow more and more in our lives, that we may be messengers to prepare your way, harvesters of justice and righteousness, and bearers of your eternal Word, our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.**

## SENDING

*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

### BLESSING

May God direct your ways in peace, make you abound in love for one another and for all, and strengthen your hearts until the coming of our Lord Jesus. Almighty God, Father, ✙ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

### SENDING SONG

*"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"*

*ELW #257 Vs 1-5*

### DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ is with you.

**Thanks be to God.**

### SENDING MUSIC

**SONG OF THE DAY** "He Came Down"

ELW #253

**OFFERING PRAYER**

God of abundance, **we bring before you the precious fruits of your creation, and with them our very lives. Teach us patience and hope as we care for all those in need until the coming of your Son, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**MUSIC** "Away in A Manger"

*Performed by Rhen Jacobson*

**OFFERING**

*Accompanied by Valerie Sohl*

**THE APOSTLE'S CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**THE PRAYERS**

**THE MEAL**

*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.*

**JESUS' WORDS**

*LBW pg. 70*

**GREETING**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. **With your abundant grace and might, free us from the sin that binds us, that we may receive you in joy and serve you always, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**WORD**

*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching and song.*

**FIRST LESSON**

*Micah 5:2-5a*

<sup>2</sup>But you, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah, who are one of the little clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to rule in Israel, whose origin is from of old, from ancient days. <sup>3</sup>Therefore he shall give them up until the time when she who is in labor has brought forth; then the rest of his kindred shall return to the people of Israel. <sup>4</sup>And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the LORD, in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God. And they shall live secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth; <sup>5a</sup>and he shall be the one of peace.

**PSALM**

*Luke 1:46b-55*

<sup>46b</sup>My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, <sup>47</sup>my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,

<sup>48</sup>**for you, Lord, have looked with favor on your lowly servant. From this day all generations will call me blessed:**

<sup>49</sup>you, the Almighty, have done great things for me and holy is your name.

<sup>50</sup>**You have mercy on those who fear you, from generation to generation.**

<sup>51</sup>You have shown strength with your arm and scattered the proud in their conceit,

<sup>52</sup>**casting down the mighty from their thrones and lifting up the lowly.**

<sup>53</sup>You have filled the hungry with good things and sent the rich away empty.

<sup>54</sup>**You have come to the aid of your servant Israel, to remember the promise of mercy,**

<sup>55</sup>the promise made to our forbears, to Abraham and his children forever.

## **SECOND LESSON**

*Hebrews 10:5-10*

<sup>5</sup>Consequently, when Christ came into the world, he said, "Sacrifices and offerings you have not desired, but a body you have prepared for me; <sup>6</sup>in burnt offerings and sin offerings you have taken no pleasure. <sup>7</sup>Then I said, 'See, God, I have come to do your will, O God' (in the scroll of the book it is written of me)." <sup>8</sup>When he said above, "You have neither desired nor taken pleasure in sacrifices and offerings and burnt offerings and sin offerings" (these are offered according to the law), <sup>9</sup>then he added, "See, I have come to do your will." He abolishes the first in order to establish the second. <sup>10</sup>And it is by God's will that we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

*Pastor Tammy*

## **GOSPEL**

*Luke 1:39-55*

<sup>39</sup>In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, <sup>40</sup>where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. <sup>41</sup>When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit

<sup>42</sup>and exclaimed with a loud cry, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. <sup>43</sup>And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? <sup>44</sup>For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leaped for joy. <sup>45</sup>And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her by the Lord." <sup>46</sup>And Mary said, "My soul magnifies the Lord, <sup>47</sup>and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, <sup>48</sup>for he has looked with favor on the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed; <sup>49</sup>for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name. <sup>50</sup>His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. <sup>51</sup>He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts. <sup>52</sup>He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly; <sup>53</sup>he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty. <sup>54</sup>He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, <sup>55</sup>according to the promise he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and to his descendants forever."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## **MESSAGE**

*Pastor Tammy*