

Coming Up at Sverdrup Lutheran Church

12/26	9 am	WORSHIP SERVICES NO SUNDAY SCHOOL—CHRISTMAS BREAK
12/27	8 am	Monday Morning Crew CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
12/28		CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
12/29		NO CONFIRMATION—CHRISTMAS BREAK
12/31	7 pm	AA Meeting
1/2/2022	9 am	WORSHIP SERVICES Followed by Fellowship Coffee NO SUNDAY SCHOOL—CHRISTMAS BREAK
1/4/2022	1 pm	WELCA Afternoon Group

Offering and Attendance

Week Date	Offering	Auto Giving	TOTAL	Food Shelf—Noisy Offering	Friends In Need	Sound System Fund	Attendance
12/24/2021	To be reported next week						

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

Service of Lessons & Carols



December 26, 2021

First Sunday of Christmas

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LESSONS and CAROLS

WELCOME

DIALOGUE

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light.
The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not over come it.

Jesus, the bright Morning Star, shines light in the world.

By day and night he shines for all to see.

Jesus was born in the midst of injustice and poverty

That the world may see the justice and richness of God.

God so loved the world that God sent Jesus,

So that all who believe in him may not perish but have eternal life.

Jesus is the light of the world.

Jesus is the light of our lives.

Sing to God a new song!

A song of hope, joy, and peace around the world.

PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray. Almighty God, you have filled us with the new light of the Word who became flesh and lived among us. Let the light of our faith shine in all we do; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and Forever.

Amen.

Accompanist

Valerie Sohl

Readers

Kallyn Grove

Max Grove

Hannah Hexum

Bricker Johnsen

Gracyn Kugler

Prayers

Kevin & Lissa Johanson

Vocalists

Jenna Thompson, Camille Nelson,
Zinta Sundby, Myrna Martinson,
Betsy Miller, Jess Hammer

Acolyte

Gracyn Kugler

Ushers

Kevin & Lissa Johanson

Camera, audio and live stream

Dale Jacobson, Gary & Tereasa Link

Costumer

Laurie Bauck

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Dylan Geihlsler, Clarice Peterson, Jim Andersen,
Bryan Severson, Al Larsen (Else Andersen's brother)

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

Hear us, O God

"Your mercy is great".

SIXTH READING

"And then....."

When the shepherds saw him, they told them what the angel had said about the child. All who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said. Then, the shepherds went back to their fields, singing praises to God for all they had heard and seen.

The wisemen returned to their country by another road, since God had warned them in a dream not to go back to Herod.

An angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph and said, "Herod will be looking for the child in order to kill him. So get up, take the child and his mother and escape to Egypt, and stay there until I tell you to leave." So Joseph got up, too the child and his mother, and left during the night for Egypt, where he stayed until Herod died.

CAROL

"Joy to the World!"

ELW #267

BENEDICTION

Let us bless the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

May you be filled with the wonder of Mary, the obedience of Joseph, the joy of the angels, the eagerness of the shepherds, the determination of the magi, and the peace of the Christ child. Almighty God, Father, ✚ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen**

POSTLUDE

CAROL

*"Good Christian Friends,
Rejoice"*

ELW #288

FIRST READING

"In the Beginning"

Genesis 1:1-5

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, ²the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. ³Then God said, 'Let there be light'; and there was light. ⁴And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

CAROL

"O Come, All Ye Faithful"

ELW #283 Vs 1-4

SECOND READING

"John the Baptist"

I am the voice of one shouting in the desert:

Get the road ready for the Lord;

make a straight path for him to travel!

Every valley must be filled up,

every hill and mountain leveled off.

The winding roads must be made straight,

and the rough paths made smooth.

All mankind will see God's salvation!"

"I baptize you with water, but someone is coming who is much greater than I am. I am not good enough even to untie his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire."

CAROL

"Prepare the Royal Highway"

ELW #264 Vs 1 & 4

THIRD READING*"Jesus is Born"**Luke 1:26-35, 38*

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David.

He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

CAROL*"What Child is This"**ELW #296***FOURTH READING***"The Shepherds"*

In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night.

Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for see—I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you; you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those he favors!"

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger.

CAROL*"Hark the Harold Angels Sing"**EWL #270***FIFTH READING***"The Wise Men"*

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea: for so it has been written by the prophet." Then Herod secretly called for the wisemen and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then, he sent them to Bethlehem saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage." When they had heard the king, they set out and there ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.