

WELCOME

Visiting Today

If you are visiting today, thank you. If you wish, please fill out a "Visitor Card" located in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate.

The Worship Service

The bold "No." on the front of your bulletin are hymn numbers. The Psalm can be found by turning the hymnal to the side and looking for the stripe. The small numbers marked with a "p." are at the bottom of the page at the front of the hymnal.

Holy Communion

All are welcome. Distribution is by intinction, taking a piece of bread, dip it in the wine, and receive both elements at once. There is a gluten-free/grape juice option available near the baptismal font.

Offerings

Thank you for all who contribute and share in the work of Christ's church. Please place your offering in the offering plate.

Altar Flowers

The flowers in the sanctuary last week were given to the glory of God by Joanne Howard in memory of John. Today's flowers are given by Yo and Kraig Baumann in memory of Yo's dad, Anthoni.

Christmas Eve Traffic Plan

In order to help reduce traffic congestion on Christmas Eve, directed traffic flow is recommended by the Marathon County Sheriff's Department. Please see the map with the noted route on the Information Desk and on various bulletin boards.

"Giving Tree"

Look for "Giving Tree" displays in the Fellowship Hall to choose local to global giving options during this season of Advent - Blessings in a Backpack, hats and mittens, ELCA Good Gifts.

Do You Have SALC Photos?

If you have photos from 2019, we would like to include them in the annual meeting as a part of the year in review. If you have photos of your time at SALC over the years we would love for you to share them with us for the 40th anniversary celebration next year. All photos can be submitted through the SALC website 40th anniversary page. If you have printed copies you would like to share, please e-mail jenna@salc-wausau.org to coordinate a time to drop them off.

OWLS

The OWLS will take a winter break in January. Watch the bulletin and Network for the next activity.

Mid-Winter Retreat

Who: 3-6 Grade Students (& Parent chaperones)

What: Time at camp in God's beautiful creation to play and explore in the snow, study bible stories, sing and play games around a theme focused on faith and life.

When: *Friday, January 24* (drop off: 6:30-7:00 pm) — *Sunday, January 26* (pick up: 11:00 am)

Where: Crossways Waypost Camp in Hatley, WI

Cost: \$50 (will need to provide your own transportation.)

Register by **January 12**—online (www.salc-wausau.org) or at the Information Desk in the Narthex. Please see Jenna, Faith Formation Coordinator, with questions.

THIS WEEK AT SALC

Sunday, December 22

8:00 am **WORSHIP**
9:30 am **WORSHIP**
9:30 am Adult Bible Study

Monday, December 23

7:00 pm AA, Alanon & Alateen

Tuesday, December 24-Christmas Eve

4:00 pm **Family Christmas Worship**
6 & 8 pm **Candlelight Worship with Chancel and Handbell Choirs**

10:00 pm **Candlelight Worship**

Wednesday, December 25-Christmas Day

Church Office Closed

9:30 am **Christmas Day Worship**

Thursday, December 26

No Worship

2020 Altar Flowers

Honor a loved one or special event with altar flowers in 2020. Your flowers may be taken home to be enjoyed following the last worship service on Sunday.

"Christ In Our Home" Devotional

The 2020 first quarter of "Christ In Our Home" devotional is available in the Narthex. Please take a copy for your family.

Associate Pastor Call Process Timeline

Pr. Justin has formally accepted the call to serve as associate pastor and will soon share the news in his current context. Following Sunday, his introductory video and the announcement will be shared more broadly. Please pray for Pr. Justin and his family.



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ADVENT HYMN



Fourth Week of Advent

Come and Find the Goodness of the Lord

Verse 1

Come and find the goodness of the Lord.
Sense the newness of his coming reign.
Look in wonder for the mighty King.
Hear the shouts of glory to His name.

Verse 2

See, He comes the hillsides bend in awe;
Canyons, rivers, valleys rise to see;
Sun and moon and stars proclaim His law;
On the clouds His throne of majesty.

Verse 3

Yet, remain at peace, for Christ is King.
He will rule in love eternally;
Justice comes to earth from His bright face
He has brought the truth which makes us free.

Verse 4

Sound the trumpet! Lift your song! Rejoice!
Haste your hearts prepare in joy and love,
Make announcement of our Advent Prince
Lift the gates, behold our Savior comes!

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Pastor	Jenn Collins
Preacher	Karoline Schwantes
Pianist	Joel Freiberg
Soloist	Chris Kensmoe
Ushers	A Team
Lectors	Mary Jarvis Dan Malm
Greeters	Tom & Karen Weidmann George & Bonnie Alafouzou
Altar Guild	Joyce Schoepke, Sue McFaul, & Barb Geiger



A reading from Isaiah.

The LORD spoke to Ahaz, saying, Ask a sign of the LORD your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven. But Ahaz said, I will not ask, and I will not put the LORD to the test. Then Isaiah said: "Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary mortals, that you weary my God also? Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Look, the young woman is with child and shall bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel. He shall eat curds and honey by the time he knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good. For before the child knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good, the land before whose two kings you are in dread will be deserted."

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.



A reading from James.

Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy scriptures, the gospel concerning his Son, who was descended from David according to the flesh and was declared to be Son of God with power according to the spirit of holiness by resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith among all the Gentiles for the sake of his name, including yourselves

who are called to belong to Jesus Christ, to all God's beloved in Rome, who are called to be saints:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life.
Alleluia. Alleluia.

The gospel according to Matthew.
Glory to you, O Lord.

Now the birth of Jesus the Messiah took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been engaged to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to dismiss her quietly. But just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." All this took place to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet: "Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel," which means, "God is with us." When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took her as his wife, but had no marital relations with her until she had borne a son; and he named him Jesus.

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

ADVENT 4



*Therefore the Lord himself will
give you a sign. Look, the
young woman is with child
and shall bear a son, and shall
name him Immanuel.*

ISAIAH 7:14



**SAINT
ANDREW**
LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday
December 22, 2019
8:00 + 9:30 am

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GATHERED TO WORSHIP

GATHERING

Solo *"Magnificat"*

Confession and Forgiveness

(Inside back cover of hymnal)

Gathering Song No. 275

"Angels from the Realms of Glory"

Greeting

✕ Kyrie p. 3

Prayer of the Day

Advent Wreath Lighting and Hymn

WORD

Isaiah 7:10-16

Psalms 80:1-7, 17-19

Romans 1:1-7

✕ Gospel Verse p. 8

Gospel Matthew 1:18-25

Sermon

Hymn of the Day No. 254

"Come Thou Long Expected Jesus"

Nicene Creed p. 9

Prayers of Intercession

Peace

MEAL

Offering

✕ As the Grains of Wheat p. 10

✕ Offertory Prayer p. 11

✕ Great Thanksgiving p. 11

✕ Holy p. 11

✕ Lord's Prayer p. 13

Communion Distribution

✕ Lamb of God p. 14

Distribution Hymns vs. 1-4 No. 257

"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

No. 263

"Savior of the Nations, Come"

SENDING

Post Communion Prayer

Blessing

Sending Song No. 294

"In the Bleak Midwinter"

Dismissal

✕ Indicates Liturgy from

"Now the Feast and Celebration"

SENT TO SERVE