



**Redeemer Lutheran Church  
December 10, 2023  
The Second Sunday of Advent  
9:00 am Worship**

**Welcome to Worship!**

**What a joy it is to come together as beloved children of God!**

**God invites us. God accepts us as we are. In this spirit of acceptance, we are brought together to live and grow as companions on this journey of faith. We are joined together by the river of life flowing through each of us. In our diversity we are formed into one by the love of God in Christ. Together we gather to give thanks and praise and to walk alongside each other in love.**

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**  
Sunday, December 10, 2023  
The Second Sunday of Advent  
**Pastor:** Jack Way  
**Organist/Keyboard:** Claudine Hanson

**God's Spirit Gathers Us**

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

**Advent Candle Lighting**

Advent 2 Reading

Lighting the Candles

**Hymn – “Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah” #240 v. 1,2**

Call to Worship

Confession and Forgiveness

**\*\*Gathering Hymn “Come, Though Long Expected Jesus” #254**

Greeting

Kyrie ELW P. 147-148

Canticle of Praise **“Glory to God in the Highest”** ELW P. 148-149

Prayer of the Day

Special Music – Love Will be Born – Senior Choir

**God's Word Enlivens Us**

**Isaiah 40:1-11**

**Mark 1:1-4**

Message – The Christmas Story – *Presented by our Sprouts and their Helpers*

**Hymns: What Child Is This? - #296; Away in a Manger - #277;**

**The First Noel - #300; We Three Kings (Projected)**

**Happy Birthday, Jesus! - Sprouts**

Apostle's Creed ELW, Page 127

Prayers of Joys and Concerns

Sharing of the Peace

**Offering**

**Offering Hymn “Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers” #244, v 1,3**

Offertory Prayer

The Lord's Prayer ELW Page 154

**God's Spirit Sends Us**

Blessing

**\*\*Hymn**

**“Go Tell It on the Mountain” #290**

Dismissal

## Prayers

*Those individuals who are listed on the “immediate concerns” list will stay on the list for 2 weeks, and then be moved to the “ongoing prayers” list. Of course, if an individual situation changes, the name can always be put back on the “immediate concerns” list by contacting the office.*

**We hold in prayer this week those who have immediate concerns:** Jeff Hendrickson, Nancy Washington’s brother; Troy Walker; Kathy Johnson; Stacie Wheeler; Lisa Priske; and Kathy Schliesman.

**We continue to hold in prayer those who have requested ongoing prayer:** Grace Hinzman; Donna Schwoch, friend of Larry and Geri Gorman; Dennis Moran, Kathy Johnson’s brother; Alex Lee, friend of Bob and Helen Risgaard; Nancy Drehmel; April Landphier; Donovan Selle; Bob Adams; Janet Corning; Alfred and Barb Nelson; Bev Stankiewicz; Janet Jevens; Bob Strauss; Marissa Follman (Val and Pastor Jack’s niece); Duane Nelson; Gloria Lang; Knute Nelson, Susan Brusveen’s brother, who has prostate cancer; Max Pribbenow and Family; Sue Pulver; Brenda Vogeler, Harry Thompson’s daughter; Beth Welter, Julie Thompson’s niece; Virginia Olson; Betty Laper; Ken Wescott; and Raymond Endres.



***Today’s message presented by our Sprouts  
and their Helpers:***

**Sprouts:** *Abby Dahnke, Emma Dahnke, Cooper Husom,  
and Brynwen Moe*

**Helpers:** *Emily Laufenberg and Amelia Maynard,  
Trish McNeill, Beth Laufenberg, and Geri Gorman*

***\*\* Denotes “Please Stand”***

## **WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

**\*\* Please note \*\*** Fellowship will only be available when there are volunteers to host. If you are interested in doing so, please sign up on the sign-up sheet that is circulated each Sunday, or feel free to leave a message on the phone at the office. Thank you!

<b>Sunday, December 17</b>	Worship. No Communion. <b><i>Music Sunday</i></b>
<b>Sunday, December 24</b>	Worship with Communion. <b>Christmas Eve - 4:00 pm Candlelight Service</b>
<b>Sunday, December 31</b>	Worship. No Communion. Lessons and Carols

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