



**Redeemer Lutheran Church
December 3, 2023
The First Sunday of Advent
9:00 am Worship**

Welcome to Worship!

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ORDER OF WORSHIP
Sunday, December 3, 2023
The First Sunday of Advent
Pastor: Jack Way
Organist/Keyboard: Claudine Hanson

God's Spirit Gathers Us

Prelude
Welcome & Announcements

Advent Candle Lighting

Advent 1 Reading
Lighting of the Candles –
Hymn – “Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah” #240 v.1
Call to Worship
Confession and Forgiveness
****Gathering Hymn “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” #257**
Greeting
Kyrie – ELW P. 147-148
Canticle of Praise **“Glory to God in the Highest”** ELW p. 148-149
Prayer of the Day
Choir Anthem – Is Your Heart Prepared for a King

God's Word Enlivens Us

Jeremiah 33:14-18 Mark 8:27-29, 27
Message – Pastor Jack Way
Hymn “If You But Trust in God to Guide You” #769
Apostle's Creed ELW, Page 127
Prayers of Joys and Concerns
Sharing of the Peace

Offering

Offering Hymn “Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers” #244 v. 1&2
Offertory Prayer

God's Meal Nourishes Us

The Great Thanksgiving – ELW Page 152
Holy, Holy, Holy – ELW Page 153
Words of Institution
The Lord's Prayer ELW Page 154
Lamb of God - ELW, Page 154
Distribution
Post Communion Prayer

God's Spirit Sends Us

Blessing
****Hymn “People, Look East” #248**
Dismissal

Prayers

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You are invited to:

ANNUAL COMMUNITY CAROLING Sunday, December 3 (Today!)

***Meet at Living Gospel Church by 3:45 pm
Caroling will begin at 4:00 pm
A Soup Supper will follow caroling in the lower level
of Living Gospel Church***

***** Denotes “Please Stand”***

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

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| Sunday, December 10 | Worship. No Communion. |
| Sunday, December 17 | Worship. No Communion. <i>Music Sunday</i> |
| Sunday, December 24 | Worship with Communion. Christmas Eve - 4:00 pm Candlelight Service |
| Sunday, December 31 | Worship. No Communion. Lessons and Carols |

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The Second Sunday of Advent
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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

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***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***

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Redeemer Lutheran Church
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The Third Sunday of Advent
Music Sunday
9:00 am Worship

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Sunday, December 17, 2023

The Third Sunday of Advent

Music Sunday

Pastor: Jack Way

Organist/Keyboard: Claudine Hanson

God's Spirit Gathers Us

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Advent Candle Lighting

Advent 3 Reading

Lighting the Candles

Hymn *"Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah"* #240 v. 1,2,3

Call to Worship

****Gathering Hymn** *"Awake! Awake, and"* #242

Greeting

Prayer of the Day

Senior Choir: Advent Carol

A Celtic Silent Night **Flute:** Trish McNeill

God's Word Enlivens Us

Isaiah 61:1-4

Sprouts: Away in a Manger #277, Silent Night! Holy Night! #281

Secondary Text: Isaiah 61:8-11

Harmonica Solo: Little Drummer Boy, Rick Olson

Hymn *"Hark, the Herald Angels Sing"* #270

Apostle's Creed ELW, Page 127

Accordion Solo: Star of the East, Nancy Washington

Prayers of Joys and Concerns

Bell Choir: Good King Wenceslas;

Christmas Carol Fest (Hark, the Herald Angels, O Little Town Of
Bethlehem, What Child is This?, Angels We Have Heard on High)

Sharing of the Peace

Offering

Offering Hymn *"Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers"* #244, v 1,4

Offertory Prayer

The Lord's Prayer ELW Page 154

Senior Choir: Bethlehem Promise, Bethlehem Joy

God's Spirit Sends Us

Blessing

****Hymn**

Dismissal

"Joy to the World"

#267

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Happy 90th Birthday, Duane Nelson!

Duane will be celebrating his 90th birthday on Wednesday, December 20. If you would like to send a birthday card to Duane, his address is: Duane Nelson, c/o Columbia County Health Care, 323 W Monroe Street, Wyocena, WI 53969

Annual Meeting – January 28, 2024

The Annual Congregational Meeting is scheduled to take place on Sunday, January 28, right after worship.

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MUSIC SUNDAY PARTICIPANTS:

ORGANIST: Claudine Hanson **PIANIST:** Gayle Krueger
MUSIC DIRECTOR: Geri Gorman

BELL CHOIR:

Bonnie Pribbenow-Paddock
Stephen Gilbert
Kathy Olson
Beth Laufenberg
Kristi Fehrman
Trish McNeill
Linda Olson
Debbie Reiersen
Patti Borde
Joleen Frank
Patti Borde
Melanie Gilbert

SENIOR CHOIR:

Bob Risgaard
Kurt Johnson
Stephen Gilbert
Pastor Jack Way
Valerie Way
Trish McNeill
Nancy Washington
Debbie Reiersen
Darlene Cutsforth
Renee Miles

SPROUTS:

Emily Laufenberg
Amelia Maynard
Emma Dahnke
Abby Dahnke
Cooper Husom
Brynwen Moe

Our Beautiful Poinsettias Provided by:

- *Karen Bortz in memory of Phyllis Selle*
- *Susan Brusveen in memory of Knute & Esther Nelson and Raymond & Wilhelmenia Brusveen*
- *Delores Erstad in memory of Al and Steven Erstad*
- *Steve & Melanie Gilbert in memory of Robert & Mary Gilbert; Dorothy Sorlie; and John Sorlie*
- *Renee Miles in memory of Russell & Shirley Leistikow (Parents and Grandparents of Renee Miles, Bill & Pam Jaynes, and Allen Leistikow & families)*
- *Renee Miles in memory of Maurice Miles, Jr. (husband of Renee Miles, Dad of Michael Miles)*
- *Ron & Debbie Reiersen in memory of Jim, Merlin, and Joyce Reiersen; and Donald & JoAnne Johnson*
- *Dick and Joan Reiersen in honor of their children and grandchildren; and in memory of fond loved ones that have gone before us*
- *Bob & Helen Risgaard in honor of our Children and Grandchildren*
- *April Severson in memory of Clifford Johnson*
- *Brenda & Norman Dahl and Patti & Tyler Walker in Memory of Todd Walker, Marland Walker, and Dorothy & Cecil Hendricks*
- *Pastor Jack & Val Way in memory of our parents: Harold & Gladys Jones and Paul & Charlene Way; and our Granddaughter, Isabella Karolewicz*
- *Nancy Wescott in memory of her parents, Lloyd & Hazel Bradley*
- *Given in memory of Don and Sally Hohlstein by their daughters*



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The Fourth Sunday of Advent
Christmas Eve
4:00 pm Worship**

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Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Advent Candle Lighting

Advent 4 Reading

Lighting of the Candles –

Hymn – “Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah” #240 v.1-4

****Entrance Hymn “Oh, Come, All Ye Faithful” #283**

God's Word

Christmas Dialog

Hymn “Go, Tell It on the Mountain” #290

Greeting and Prayer

Reading Isaiah 9:2-7

Hymn “Hark! The Herald Angels Sing” #270

Reading Titus 2:11-14

Hymn “O Little Town of Bethlehem” #279

Reading Luke 2:1-7

Hymn “Away in a Manger” #277

Reading Luke 2:8-20

Hymn “Angels We Have Heard on High” #289

Message – Pastor Jack Way

Offering

Offering Hymn “What Child Is This?” #296

Offertory Prayer

The Gospel of the Incarnation

John 1:1-14

Prayers of Joys and Concerns

Sharing of the Peace

(Candles are Lit)

Hymn of Light “Silent Night, Holy Night!” #281

(Candles are extinguished)

God's Meal Nourishes Us

The Great Thanksgiving – ELW Page 152

Holy, Holy, Holy – ELW Page 153

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer ELW Page 154

Lamb of God - ELW, Page 154

Distribution
Post Communion Prayer

God's Spirit Sends Us

Blessing

****Departure Hymn**

"Joy to the World"

#281

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Remembering Sandy Skare 6-9-61 – 12-30-14

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The First Sunday of Christmas
Festival of Lessons and Carols
9:00 am Worship**

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God's Spirit Gathers Us

Prelude
Welcome & Announcements
Call to Worship
Confession and Forgiveness
****Gathering Hymn "Angels From the Realms of Glory" #275**
Greeting
Prayer of the Day
Special Music – Senior Choir – Over in Bethlehem

God's Word Enlivens Us

Lesson 1 – Isaiah 9:2, 6-7
Hymn "Come Thou Long Expected Jesus" #254
Lesson 2 – Galations 4:4-7
Hymn "I am so Glad Each Christmas Eve" #271
Lesson 3 – Matthew 1:18-25
Hymn "Infant Holy, Infant Lowly" #276
Lesson 4 – Luke 2:1-7
Hymn "What Child is This" #296
Lesson 5 – 2:8-14
Hymn "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear" #282
Lesson 6 – Matthew 2:1-12
Hymn "The First Noel" #300
Lesson 7 – Matthew 2:13-18
Hymn "In the Bleak Midwinter" #294
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Lesson 8 – Luke 2:22-35
Hymn "Good Christian Friends Rejoice" #288
Prayers of Joys and Concerns
Sharing of the Peace
Lesson 9 – Matthew 2:36-40
Hymn "O Little Town of Bethlehem" #279

Offering

Offering Hymn "Praise and Thanks and Adoration" #783
Offertory Prayer

God's Spirit Sends Us

Benediction

The Lord's Prayer

****Hymn**

Dismissal

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"Joy to the World"

#267

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| Sunday, January 7 | Worship with Communion. |
| Sunday, January 14 | Worship with Communion. |
| Sunday, January 21 | Worship – no communion. |
| Sunday, January 28 | Worship with Communion. <i>Annual Meeting to follow.</i> |

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