

### Today's Worship Servants

Pastor Cindy Cone

Charlie Skoglund, assisting minister

Marsha Burke, organist

Danita Broders and family, greeters

Warren Bennett and Greg Moen, ushers

Elizabeth Broders, lector

Louise Skoglund and Mary Weich, communion

Dean and Doris Hoffart, coffee

Nell Finkral and Louise Skoglund, offering counters

## CHRIST THE SERVANT LUTHERAN CHURCH

December 17, 2023

Third Sunday of Advent

Please bring treats and  
goodies to share during  
fellowship on Christmas Eve  
and New Year's Eve



### THIS WEEK

#### Today

9 Sunday school

10 worship

#### Monday

7pm Bible study (Facebook)

#### Wednesday

6 potluck meal, 7 worship

#### Thursday

2 Card club

6 MOPS

6:30 Council meeting

### NEXT WEEK

#### Christmas Eve

10am worship

5pm meal at Napoli's

7pm candlelight service

#### Christmas Day

10am worship

#### Monday, Dec. 26

Pastor Cindy out Dec. 26-27

Kitchen remodel begins

#### New Year's Eve

10am worship

Undecorate afterwards

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Marilyn Woolard today

Shirley Theil, Dec. 19

Don Burke, Dec. 23

### IN OUR PRAYERS

#### Health and healing

Ken Kimbrell

Gary Benson

Craig Doescher

Don Grosserode

Rod Hefti

Molly Ann Heikes

Dwight Oberle

Richard and Sandy Thorin

#### Skilled care

Mona Jean Roberts

Roger Young

#### Ongoing prayer support

Nevin and Tara Peters

Please sign up in the church  
office to sponsor altar flowers

LUTHERAN BOOK OF WORSHIP

*Setting One*

Confession and Forgiveness (pg. 56)

Hymn #29 *"Comfort, Comfort Now My People"*

Greeting and Kyrie (57-58)

Prayer of the Day: Gracious God, the Alpha and Omega, our beginning and our end, may your Spirit kindle in us patience, strength, and endurance in the face of suffering; and love and mercy toward our neighbors that reflects your own. We pray in Jesus' name, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

Advent reading: "Redemption"

Litany

R: God of our ancestors;

**C: Let your light shine, that we may be saved.**

R: Restore life to a weary people;

**C: Replenish our misplaced joy.**

R: Renew our joy in you, for you are the healer of our souls;

**C: Turn again to us, O God of Hosts.**

R: Establish your dwelling among us, Giver of all life;

**C: Hear our cries, for we call upon your holy name.**

R: We anxiously await your advent;

**C: Let your light shine, that we may be saved.**

Prayer: God of Light, as we wait through the long winter nights for the birth of Christ, help us keep watch. Teach us to tend the flame of our faith, and make us alert until your gift of joy arrives. Amen

Scripture Readings:

Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11--Old Testament pg. 691-692

Psalms 126, responsive

1 Thessalonians 5:16-24--New Testament pg. 205

Gospel Acclamation (pg. 62)

Holy Gospel

John 1:6-8, 19-28--New Testament pg. 91-92

Children's Message

Sermon Pastor Cindy

Hymn #35 *"Hark, the Glad Sound!"*

Nicene Creed (64)

Prayers of the Church

Sharing of the Peace

Offering (66-67)

Offertory

Offertory Prayer

The Lord's Supper (68-74)

The Great Thanksgiving

Preface

*"Holy, holy, holy Lord"*

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

*"Lamb of God"*

Distribution of Holy Communion

Blessing and Cantic

Prayer and Benediction

Hymn *"God, We Await Your Advent Here"* [tune LBW #492]

Announcements

Dismissal