Word of God Lutheran Church Grow • Build • Serve



Our Mission:
With God's help we are called to be a
multi-generational traditional church, grounded in
the Bible and focused on service in the community
and mission outreach.

Second Sunday of Advent December 5, 2021

ORDER OF SERVICE December 5, 2021 Second Sunday of Advent

Advent • Christmas • Epiphany • Lent • Easter • Pentecost

ENTRANCE RITE

Announcements	
Advent Wreath Lighting and Devotional	
"Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah"	WOV 630 v. 1-2
Call to worship chime	
* Brief Order of Confession and Forgiveness	page 56
* Entrance Hymn "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"	LBW 30
* Greeting and Kyrie	page 57
* Hymn of Praise "This is the Feast"	page 60
* The Lord be with you	page 62
* Prayer of the Day	
PROCLAIMING THE WORD	
First Reading	Malachi 3:1-4
Psalm (Read Responsively)	
Second Reading	Philippians 1:3-11
* Alleluia Verse	page 62
* Gospel	Luke 3:1-6
Children's Sermon	
Sermon	
* Hymn of the Day "On Jordan's Banks the Baptist's Cry"	LBW 36
* Apostles' Creed	page 65
* Prayers	page 65
* Share the Peace	
SHARING OF THE SACRAMENTAL MEAL	. 5
* Great Thanksgiving	page 68
* Holy, Holy, Holy	· -
* Words of Institution	· -
* The Lord's Prayer	page 71
"Lamb of God"	· -
† Communion	
* Blessing	page 72
* Canticle "Thank the Lord"	
* Prayer, Benediction, and Dismissal	
* Closing Hymn "Oh. Come. Oh. Come. Emmanuel"	

NOTE: Page numbers are in the front of the hymnal, followed by the Hymn numbers. *LBW* is the green *Lutheran Book of Worship. WOV* is the blue *With One Voice Hymnal*.

^{*} Please stand as able

[†] All who are baptized and believe that Jesus is truly present in the bread and wine are invited to receive communion and assurance of God's forgiveness. *Children who have not been instructed in the sacrament should fold their hands to receive a blessing from their parents.*

Malachi 3:1-4

3 "Behold, I send my messenger, and he will prepare the way before me. And the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple; and the messenger of the covenant in whom you delight, behold, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. ² But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap. ³ He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the sons of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, and they will bring offerings in righteousness to the Lord. ⁴ Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

Luke 1:68-79

⁶⁸ "Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for He has visited and redeemed His people

⁶⁹ and has raised up a horn of salvation for us in the house of His servant David,

⁷⁰ as he spoke by the mouth of His holy prophets from of old,

⁷¹ that we should be saved from our enemies and from the hand of all who hate us;

⁷² to show the mercy promised to our fathers and to remember His holy covenant,

73 the oath that He swore to our father Abraham, to grant us

⁷⁴ that we, being delivered from the hand of our enemies, might serve Him without fear,

⁷⁵ in holiness and righteousness before Him all our days.

⁷⁶ And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High; for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways,

⁷⁷ to give knowledge of salvation to His people in the forgiveness of their sins,

⁷⁸ because of the tender mercy of our God, whereby the sunrise shall visit us from on high

⁷⁹ to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace."

Philippians 1:3-11

3 I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, 4 always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, 5 because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. 6 And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ. 7 It is right for me to feel this way about you all, because I hold you in my heart, for you are all partakers with me of grace, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. 8 For God is my witness, how I yearn for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus. 9 And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment, 10 so that you may approve what is excellent, and so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, 11 filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.



Luke 3:1-6

3 In the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar, Pontius Pilate being governor of Judea, and Herod being tetrarch of Galilee, and his brother Philip tetrarch of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias tetrarch of Abilene, ² during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John the son of Zechariah in the wilderness. ³ And he went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. ⁴ As it is written in the book of the words of Isaiah the prophet, "The voice of one crying in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. ⁵ Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall become straight, and the rough places shall become level ways, ⁶ and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.""

Sermon Notes

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- For the remainder of 2021, we will be celebrating communion using only
 the individual communion kits due to Covid. Please pick up your kit from
 the ushers as you enter the sanctuary.
- The **flower** on this week's Altar is in honor of Jedediah Ross Linville, son of Dora and Justin Linville, and great grandson of Doris Dahlke. Jedediah was born on November 19, 2021.
- **Mid-week Advent Services** will continue on <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>December 8</u>, at **noon** and **7:00 PM**. The Fellowship team will host a **Soup Supper** at 6:00 PM prior to the evening service.
- Christmas Eve Candlelight services will be held <u>Friday</u>, <u>December 24</u>, at 4:00 PM and 7:00 PM. WoG's *Celebration of Christmas Day* service is Saturday, December 25 at 10:15 am.
- Volunteers are needed to help in the **nursery**. Please contact Jill Cline at <u>jill.cline21@gmail.com</u>, or sign up on the bulletin tear-off.
- The **Angel Tree** for *Southland Health and Rehab Center* has returned. The <u>deadline</u> to return the wrapped item(s) is <u>Sunday</u>, <u>December 19</u>. For more information, please contact Jennifer Griffin at jbgriffinrn@gmail.com.
- **RLC Christmas Dinner Bags** will be assembled following service next Sunday, December 12.
- **Discovery Class** begins <u>January</u> 9, 2022 at 9:00 AM in room 2.
- All children ages 12 and under are invited to participate in a children's chorus Christmas Performance on Sunday, December 26. For more information, please contact Shirley Arnold or Karyn Cummins.
- Our next RLC Warehouse service opportunity is <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>December 8</u>, at 9:00 AM, and the RLC Mobile Food Pantry will be <u>Thursday</u>, <u>December 16</u> at 9:00 AM. Please sign up on the bulletin tear-off or contact Sue Burnett at <u>suegburnett@att.net</u> for more information.
- The next Midwest Food Bank distribution will be <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>December 14</u>
 (8 AM 12 PM & 6 PM 8 PM); <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>December 15</u> (8 AM 1:30 PM); and <u>Thursday</u>, <u>December 16</u> (8 AM 12 PM). Lunch is provided each day to all volunteers. Contact Joe Bowler at <u>ltcbowler@gmail.com</u>, or sign up on the bulletin tear-off.
- Unless otherwise indicated, the announcement submission deadline for the Sunday bulletin is the previous Monday at 11:00 AM. Please send all announcements to <u>wogadmin@woglutheran.org</u>.

October 2021 Report

All donations will be applied to the General, Building, or Scholarship funds.

Average Weekly Worship Attendance: 106

Monthly Giving: \$35,260

Monthly Benevolence: \$3,879

Building for Our Future Giving to Date: \$784,204

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Visit http://woglutheran.org/online giving

Upcoming Events Please Mark Your Calendars!

Sunday, December 5 - 2nd Sunday in Advent

Sunday School, 9:00 AM
Choir Practice, 9:25 AM
Worship Service, 10:15 AM
YOUTH Connect, 11:30 AM

- Worship & Music Team Meeting, 11:30 AM

Monday, December 6 - Faithful Hands Ministry, 10:00 AM

Tuesday, December 7 - Tuesdays with God, 9:30 AM

- ROMEOs' Monthly Luncheon, 11:30 AM

Wednesday, December 8 - RLC Senior Bag Program, 9:00 AM

- Midweek Advent Service, noon

- Soup Supper, 6:00 PM

- Midweek Advent Service, 7:00 PM

Thursday, December 9 - **Assemble Bulletins**, 1:00 PM

Sunday, December 12 - 3rd Sunday in Advent

Sunday School, 9:00 AM
Choir Practice, 9:25 AM
Worship Service, 10:15 AM

- Assemble RLC Christmas Dinner Bags, 11:30 AM

Monday, December 13 - **Property Team Meeting,** 7:00 PM

Tuesday, December 14 - Tuesdays with God, 9:30 AM

Wednesday, December 15 - Midweek Advent Service, noon

- Soup Supper, 6:00 PM

- Midweek Advent Service, 7:00 PM

Thursday, December 16 - RLC Mobile Food Pantry, 9:30 AM

- Assemble Bulletins, 1:00 PM

- Service Committee Meeting, 7:00 PM

Sunday, December 19 - 4th Sunday in Advent

- Choir Practice, 9:25 AM - Worship Service, 10:15 AM

Youth Connect, noonChoir Practice, 11:45 AM

- Coweta Fayette Music Recital, 2:00 PM

Monday, December 20 - Faithful Hands Ministry, 10:00 AM

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