



Hope
Peace
Love
Joy

More, Please.

St. Andrew Lutheran Church | • Dec. 19, 9:00 & 10:30 AM



ORDER OF ONLINE WORSHIP

PRELUDE *“Angels We Have Heard on High” (arr. Bob Burroughs)*

WELCOME

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH *“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” (arr. Jason Krug)*

SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

“The Savior’s Birth”

Narration

Music *“Long Ago and Far Away” (German carol, arr. Tim Graf)*

Narration

Music *“O Little Town of Bethlehem”*

Narration

Music *“Away in a Manger”*

Narration

Music *“Hark! The Herald Angels Sing”*

Narration

Music *“Long Ago and Far Away (reprise)”*

Narration

Music *“Joy to the World”*

Narration

READING

Luke 1:46-55

And Mary said, “My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has looked with favor on the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed; for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name. His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts. He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly; he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty. He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, according to the promise he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and to his descendants forever.”

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

VIDEO

HOMILY *“Joy”*

OFFERING

OFFERING OF MUSIC *“Magnificat” (Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty, Stuart Townend)*



OFFERING PRAYER

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

BEFORE YOU GO

BENEDICTION

The God of hope
fill us with all joy and peace in believing,
so that we may abound in hope
by the power of the Holy Spirit,
through Christ Jesus for whom we wait.
Amen.

SONG

(9:00) *"Go Tell It on the Mountain"*

(10:30) *"Joy to the World (Unspeakable Joy)" (Chris Tomlin)*

SENDING

POSTLUDE

"The First Noel"

Holy Communion will be celebrated in the Chapel immediately following each service.
All are welcome.

The pastors of St. Andrew: Pastor Gail Bach, Pastor of Stewardship & Evangelism; Pastor David Lillejord, Senior Pastor; Pastor Sarah Fike, Pastor of Children, Youth, and Family; Pastor Matthew Ian Fleming, Pastor of Teacher & Young Adults; Pastor Peter Johnson, Pastor of Service & Small Groups, and Pastor Roger Schindel, Visitation Pastor

Assisting Staff: Sarah Dorr

The musicians for today's worship: Tim Graf, Worship and Music Coordinator; Linnae Stole Youth Bells Director; Esther Gilbertson; Noah Kovic; Sonja Kovic; Kate Neiss; Megan Spaulding; Peace bRingers Ring of Fire; Starlite/Sonshine Singers, and Spirit Singers

Prayers

As a community of faith we are connected through joy, sorrow, worship, and prayer. Please pray for the people listed below. Your prayers are greatly appreciated!

We ask for God's loving embrace to hold all those who mourn, especially:

- *Mike Tietz and family on the death of his father, Don
- *Andy Bergan and family on the death of his wife, Tish
- Daina and Lexi Bauman on the death of their husband and father, Burt Bauman
- The family of Nancy Wentzel on her death
- Deb Blaschko and family on the death of her mother, Barb Robach
- Dave Goble and family on this death of his brother, Ron
- Carrie & Garrett Twedt and family on the death of Garret's Grandmother, Ruth

Prayers of Mourning:

- Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord; O Lord, hear my voice. **Psalm 130:1-2**
- For I am convinced that neither death nor life... nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Romans 8:38-39**
- Jesus said to her, 'I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die'. **John 11:25-26**

As we are praying for all members of the St. Andrew community, this week we pray especially for God's comfort, healing, protection, and strength to be present with:

- *Benjamin Ellefson
- *Nancy Holte
- Christian Luken
- Marjean and Paul Skoog's friends 3 yr old granddaughter, Elizabeth
- Andy Bergan
- Bradlee Bakke
- Kirsten Hanninen brother, Peter Vedell
- Ted Marks

Long Term Prayers

- Prayers for our Haitian friends: safety and protection from COVID-19 during daily trips to the market because of no refrigeration in homes and for the struggling Haitian economy and challenged electrical grid
- Sheryl Ebert's mother, Dorothy
 - Dave & Sherri Anderson's daughter, Sarah Anderson-Jacobson
 - Rhonda Allen's sister, Mila Krause
 - Ron Wolfbauer
 - Marilynn Boorsma's son, Mark
 - Julie Bergquist's cousin, Kathy Wesley
 - Dick Smith
 - Paul & Marjean Skoog's sister-in-law, Lois
 - Marcia Lund's sister, Jenni Fick

- Seeds of Support Mission in Haiti requests you ongoing prayers for our friends in Haiti. Haiti is experiencing a political and economic crisis that is producing widespread frustration among the population. Fuel shortages, food shortages, and general hopelessness are common. Please pray for Redemption Lutheran Church of Jacmel and all our friends there. Our mission will continue in evolving and vital ways to support their ministry.
- All those in the military serving our country

General Prayers:

- Cast your cares on the Lord and he will sustain you. **Psalm 55:22a**
- Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. **Matthew 11:28**

*New this week; names will remain listed for three weeks unless otherwise requested.
To add a name to the prayer list, click the 'Prayer Request' button on the homepage of our website or contact Pastor Peter at pastorpeter@standrewlu.org.