

LOOKING AHEAD: – December 3 – December 9

Tues. 4	11:00 am	Outreach Food Sorting – Fellowship Hall
	6:00 pm	Women’s Fellowship Dinner – Fellowship Hall
Wed. 5	9:00 am	Sunday Bulletin Announcement Deadline – Including Flower Announcements
	7:00 pm	Choir Practice – Sanctuary
Thurs. 6	2:00 pm	Silvercreek Market – Fellowship Hall
Fri. 7	All Day	Cookie Walk Set-Up – Fellowship Hall
Sat. 8	9:00 am	Christmas Decorating - Sanctuary
	9:30 am	Cookie Walk – Fellowship Hall
	3:00 pm	Private Rental – Fellowship Hall
Sun. 9	8:30 am	Advent 2 – Sanctuary – Holy Communion
	10:00 am	Advent 2 – Sanctuary – Holy Communion – Sunday School
	7:00 pm	Advent Lessons and Carols Service – Sanctuary

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Wednesday - Friday
9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

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WELCOME

We welcome you to our worship today.

Hymnbooks:

Our community uses two hymnbooks.

(ELW) Evangelical Lutheran Worship has a cranberry cover.

(CP) Common Praise has a blue cover.

You will find either **(ELW)** or **(CP)** beside each hymn number to indicate which book we are singing from.

Communion: All are welcome.

Our current practice is to distribute communion in a continuous fashion. We encourage you to take the time you need when receiving both the bread and the wine. For those who desire a time of kneeling, after receiving the bread and wine, you are invited to kneel at the rail (cushions have been provided), or return to your seats and use the kneeling rails in the pews.

We make available grape juice and gluten free bread. Please inform one of the Communion Servers that you wish to have one or both of these elements during the distribution of Communion.

No Scents Makes Good Sense. Members have indicated that they suffer discomfort from perfumes, hair spray, colognes and after-shave lotion. Please help us provide a scent-free environment.

We welcome all children to our worship. We also have a child friendly space in the fellowship area at the back of the church. Drink boxes, activity bags and youth bulletins are in a basket near the entrance to the church. Please help yourself.

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
Sunday, December 2, 2018

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Prelude

Welcome / Acknowledgement of Territory

Call to Worship

Who will set us free?

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Silence

Gathering Song – # **88 CP**

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Kyrie

In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer-cy.

For the peace from above, and for our sal - va - tion, let us

pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,

and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,

let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.

Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.

A - men.

threatening dangers of our sins, and redeem us for your life of justice, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

First Reading – Jeremiah 33: 14 – 16

A reading from Jeremiah.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: “The Lord is our righteousness.”

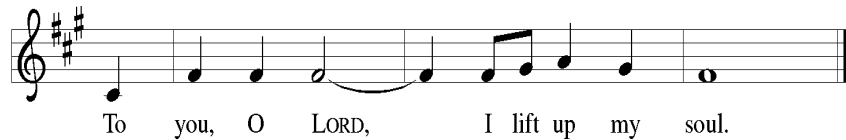
Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 25: 1 – 10

Prayer of the Day

Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. By your merciful protection alert us to the



Psalm 25:1
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- ¹To | you, O Lord,
I lift | up my soul.**
- ²My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be |
put to shame,
nor let my enemies triumph | over me.**
- ³Let none who look to you be | put to shame;
rather let those be put to shame | who are
treacherous.**
- ⁴Show me your | ways, O Lord,
and teach | me your paths. R**
- ⁵Lead me in your | truth and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation; in you
have I trusted all | the day long.**
- ⁶Remember, O Lord, your compas- | sion and
love,
for they are from | everlasting. R**
- ⁷Remember not the sins of my youth and | my
transgressions;
remember me according to your steadfast
love and for the sake of your good- | ness, O
Lord.**
- ⁸You are gracious and up- | right, O Lord;
therefore you teach sinners | in your way.**
- ⁹You lead the low- | ly in justice
and teach the low- | ly your way.**
- ¹⁰All your paths, O Lord, are steadfast | love and**

faithfulness

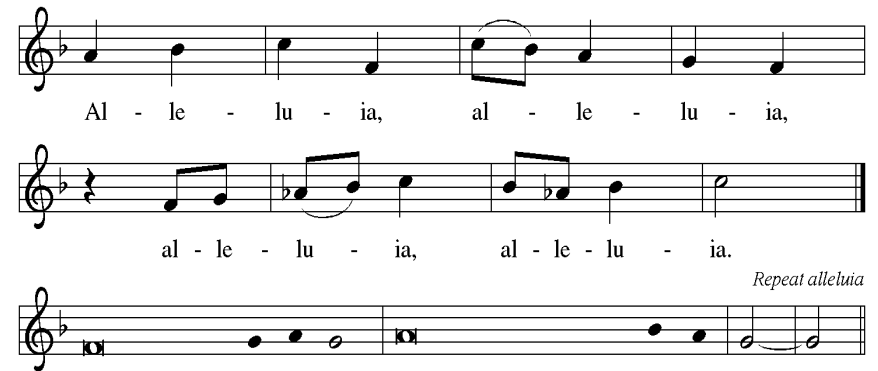
**to those who keep your covenant and your |
testimonies. R**

Psalm Prayer

Merciful God, you continually show us your ways
of forgiveness and steadfast love. Remember not
our sins, but recall your compassion to your
children, satisfy the longing of your people, and
fulfill all our hopes for eternal peace through
Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord.

Amen.

Gospel Acclamation



**Stand up and | raise your heads—*
your redemption is | drawing near.**

Gospel Reading – *Luke 21: 25 – 36*

The holy gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Or

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

[Jesus said:] “There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in a cloud’ with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.” Then he told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

“Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Or

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon

Hymn of the Day – # **368 CP**

Prayers of Intercession

God of Grace,

hear our prayer.

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, (+) one God,
who comes to wake us from sleep,
who leads us into the light of grace.

Amen.

Let us prepare the way of the Lord by confessing
our sin against God and neighbour.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

God of all time,

we confess that we have not prepared for your merciful reign among us. We ignore our neighbours in need and fail in the labour of justice and peace. In your mercy forgive us. Grant us wisdom to welcome your light and to seek the things that will endure until Christ comes again in glory. Amen.

Comfort, O comfort my people, says your God.
In (+) Jesus Christ your sins are forgiven and all things are made new. Rejoice in this good news!
Amen.

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Offering / Choir Anthem

- Lost in the Night

Offering Hymn – # **257 vs. 1 & 2** ELW

Offering Prayer

God of abundance, we bring before you the precious fruits of your creation, and with them

our very lives. Teach us patience and hope as we care for all those in need until the coming of your Son, our Saviour and Lord.

Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Preface

Holy, Holy, Holy

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
 heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the
 high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Our Fa - ther in heav - en, hal - lowed be your name,
 your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heav - en.
 Give us to - day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins as we
 for - give those who sin a - gainst us. Save us from the time of tri - al
 and de - liv - er us from e - vil. For the king - dom, the pow'r,
 and the glo - ry are yours, now and for - ev - er. A - men.

Thanksgiving at the Table

...proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

... hope for his coming.

Come, Lord Jesus.

... peace on earth.

Come, Holy Spirit.

Invitation to Communion

God fills the hungry with good things.

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

Thanks be to God.

The Lord's Prayer

Lamb of God

Amen.

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sin of the world; grant us peace.

Prayer after Communion

Holy One, we give you thanks that in this bread and cup we have feasted again on your endless love. Let that love overflow more and more in our lives, that we may be messengers to prepare your way, harvesters of justice and righteousness, and bearers of your eternal Word, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Communion Hymns

436 ELW, # 490 ELW, # 245 ELW

God Beyond All Names

John L Bell

God be-yond all names, ne-ver ful-ly known,
Mys - ter - y of mys - ter - ies,
call - ing us your own.

Table Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Blessing

Life is short and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel the way with us. So, be swift to love and make haste to be kind. And the blessings of God, Creator, Christ and Spirit go with you this day. Go in peace.

Benediction

May God direct your ways in peace, make you abound in love for one another and for all, and strengthen your hearts until the coming of our

Lord Jesus. Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

Amen.

Announcements

Sending Song - # **248 ELW**

Dismissal

Go in peace. Christ is with you.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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Announcements and Information

December Altar Guild: Kathryn Smith, Janet Weigel & Christine Morrison

Greeters: Sunday School

***We pray for:* Anglican Church of Canada – Primate, Archbishop Fred Hiltz and staff of the Primate’s Office of the Anglican Church of Canada. Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada – National Bishop Susan Johnson and national staff of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada.**

The flowers in the Chancel area are given to the Glory of God by Don and Brenda Scott in loving memory of past loved ones.

Pastor Jeff will be on short term disability for the months of November and December 2018. During this time Pastor Jeff will be unavailable so please contact Jennifer in the church office or Brian Janzen at 519-824-5469 with all pastoral emergencies, and they will forward your concern to the on call pastor.

Thank you Rev. Joan Lee for leading us in worship today while Pastor Jeff is away.

Chalmers Community Services Christmas Gift Bag Campaign needs your support please. Last year we supplied 56 bags to the less fortunate in our community. With your help we can match or surpass that number! Cloth bags and shopping lists are available in the narthex. Last day to bring bags to the church is December 9th.

Please take note of our special **All Saints Congregational / Vestry Meeting** that will be held today following the 10:00 a.m. worship service. The purpose of this meeting is to review and approve the 2019 budget. This meeting will take place downstairs in the fellowship hall over a potluck sandwich luncheon. Copies of the proposed 2019 budget are available in the Narthex.

Our **Cookie Walk** is December 8. Please think about making homemade, Christmassy cookies. If you are able to contribute some cookies there are forms on the table in the narthex for you to fill in. Remember, a unit is 5 dozen cookies (one unit would be great, but more would be fantastic). Please help make this fund raiser for the Silvercreek Community Market an even greater success than it was last year!! Questions? Speak to Penny Richards or Sue Wakefield.



Christmas Eve Services

5:00 pm – German Candlelight Service**
7:00 pm – Family Carol & Candlelight Service
9:30 pm – Candlelight Service**

****Services with Holy Communion**



Advent Lessons & Carols

7:00 pm – Sunday, December 9, 2018
All are welcome, so please invite your family, friends and neighbours.