

*Ye shall find the babe  
wrapped in swaddling clothes.*  
Luke 2:12

# St. Paul Lutheran Church & School

Bonduel, Wisconsin  
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## *The Nativity of Our Lord Christmas Eve*



*And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of a great joy that will be for all the people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.*

*Luke 2:10-11*

# Processional Hymn

*O Come, All Ye Faithful*

O come, all ye faithful, Joyful and triumphant!  
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;  
Come and behold Him Born the king of angels:  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
Christ the Lord!

Highest, most holy, Light of Light eternal,  
Born of a virgin, a mortal He comes;  
Son of the Father Now in flesh appearing!  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
Christ the Lord!

Sing, choirs of angels, Sing in exultation,  
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!  
Glory to God In the highest:  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
Christ the Lord!

## Christmas Eve Litany

In the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

**B**eloved in Christ, on this holy eve, let it be our care and delight to receive the the temporal and eternal blessings of Emmanuel – God with us. May His Word “Do not fear!” enter our hearts this night as it did for those to whom He first spoke through His angels – to Joseph, to Mary, and to the shepherds – thereby granting us peace in knowing the Lord is come.

Let us fill this house of the Lord with sounds of gladness and carols of praise, for indeed...

The promised Deliverer has come. He casts out fear.

**He comes to give to us forgiveness for our sins.**

**He comes to release us from the fear of death and hell.**

With repentant hearts, we do confess...

**We wander away from the manger.**

**We look away from His promises.**

**We chase and fret.**

**We seek fulfillment where it cannot be found.**

**We become accustomed to our idolatry.**

**Forgive us, dear Lord Jesus!**

Today in the city of David,

**A Savior is born, Who is Christ the Lord.**

And he shall be called Jesus

**Because He will save the people from their sins**

As a called and ordained servant of the Lord,

I forgive you all your sins for † Jesus' sake.

**Amen.**

For unto us a Child is born, to us a Son is given!

**And the government shall be upon His shoulder:**

And His name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, the mighty God,

**the everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.**

(Isaiah 9)

for unto you  
is born this day  
in the city of  
David  
a Savior,  
Who is Christ  
the Lord.

## Hymn

## *Angels We Have Heard on High*

Angels we have heard on high,  
Sweetly singing o'er the plains,  
And the mountains in reply,  
Echoing their joyous strains.  
Gloria in excelsis Deo.  
Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Shepherds, why this jubilee?  
Why your joyous strains prolong?  
What the gladsome tidings be  
Which inspire your heav'nly song?  
Gloria in excelsis Deo.  
Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Come to Bethlehem and see  
Him whose birth the angels sing;  
Come, adore on bended knee  
Christ the Lord, the newborn King.  
Gloria in excelsis Deo.  
Gloria in excelsis Deo.



## Christmas Prayer

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us Pray:

O God, You make us glad with the yearly remembrance of the birth of Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ. Grant that as we joyfully receive Him as our Redeemer, we may with sure confidence behold Him when He comes to be our Judge; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

**Music**    2:30pm  
              7:30pm

*Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light*  
*Mary, Did You Know*

# A Reading from the Prophet Isaiah

*Isaiah 9:2-7*

The people who walked in darkness  
have seen a great light;  
those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness,  
on them has light shined.

<sup>3</sup>You have multiplied the nation;  
you have increased its joy;  
they rejoice before you  
as with joy at the harvest,  
as they are glad when they divide the spoil.

<sup>4</sup>For the yoke of his burden,  
and the staff for his shoulder,  
the rod of his oppressor,  
you have broken as on the day of Midian.

<sup>5</sup>For every boot of the tramping warrior in battle tumult  
and every garment rolled in blood  
will be burned as fuel for the fire.

<sup>6</sup>For to us a child is born,  
to us a son is given;  
and the government shall be upon his shoulder,  
and his name shall be called  
Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,  
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

<sup>7</sup>Of the increase of his government and of peace  
there will be no end,  
on the throne of David and over his kingdom,  
to establish it and to uphold it  
with justice and with righteousness  
from this time forth and forevermore.

The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Hymn

## *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing*

Hark! The herald angels sing,  
"Glory to the newborn King;  
Peace on earth and mercy mild,  
God and sinners reconciled!"  
Joyful, all ye nations, rise,  
Join the triumph of the skies;  
With the angelic host proclaim,  
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"  
Hark! The herald angels sing,  
"Glory to the newborn King!"

Christ, by highest heav'n adored,  
Christ, the everlasting Lord,  
Late in time behold Him come,  
Offspring of a virgin's womb.  
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see,  
Hail the incarnate Deity!  
Pleased as Man with man to dwell,  
Jesus, our Immanuel!  
Hark! The herald angels sing,  
"Glory to the newborn King!"

Hail, the heav'n-born Prince of Peace!  
Hail, the Sun of Righteousness!  
Light and life to all He brings,  
Ris'n with healing in His wings.  
Mild He lays His glory by,  
Born that man no more may die,  
Born to raise the sons of earth,  
Born to give them second birth.  
Hark! The herald angels sing,  
"Glory to the newborn King!"

# The Christmas Gospel according to Saint Luke

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the second chapter:

**Glory to You, O Lord!**

**I**n those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be registered. <sup>2</sup>This was the first registration when Quirinius was governor of Syria. <sup>3</sup>And all went to be registered, each to his own town. <sup>4</sup>And Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the town of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, <sup>5</sup>to be registered with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. <sup>6</sup>And while they were there, the time came for her to give birth. <sup>7</sup>And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in swaddling cloths and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

<sup>8</sup>And in the same region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. <sup>9</sup>And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with fear. <sup>10</sup>And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of a great joy that will be for all the people. <sup>11</sup>For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. <sup>12</sup>And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger." <sup>13</sup>And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, <sup>14</sup>"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!"

<sup>15</sup>When the angels went away from them into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go over to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has made known to us." <sup>16</sup>And they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby lying in a manger. <sup>17</sup>And when they saw it, they made known the saying that had been told them concerning this child. <sup>18</sup>And all who heard it wondered at what the shepherds told them. <sup>19</sup>But Mary treasured up all these things, pondering them in her heart. <sup>20</sup>And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to You, O Christ!**

## Hymn      *Angels from the Realms of Glory*

Angels from the realms of glory,  
Wing your flight o'er all the earth;  
Ye who sang creation's story,  
Now proclaim Messiah's birth.  
Come and worship, come and worship;  
Worship Christ, the newborn King.

Shepherds in the field abiding,  
Watching o'er your flocks by night,  
God with us is now residing,  
Yonder shines the Infant Light.  
Come and worship, come and worship;  
Worship Christ, the newborn King.

All creation, join in praising  
God the Father, Spirit, Son,  
Evermore your voices raising  
To the eternal Three in One.  
Come and worship, come and worship;  
Worship Christ, the newborn King.

## Sermon      Four Words — Two Points!    Luke 2:10–11

And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of a great joy that will be for all the people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.

## Offering      *Beside Thy Manger, Here I Stand*

## Prayer

# The Lord's Prayer

Lord, remember us in Your Kingdom and teach us to pray...

## Christmas Hymns

*From Heaven Above to Earth I Come*

From heav'n above to earth I come  
To bear good news to ev'ry home;  
Glad tidings of great joy I bring,  
Whereof I now will say and sing:

To you this night is born a child  
Of Mary, chosen virgin mild;  
This little child of lowly birth  
Shall be the joy of all the earth.

This is the Christ, our God Most High,  
Who hears your sad and bitter cry;  
He will Himself your Savior be  
From all your sins to set you free.

*Come, Your Hearts and Voices Raising*

Come, your hearts and voices raising,  
Christ the Lord with gladness praising;  
Loudly sing His love amazing,  
Worthy folk of Christendom.

From the bondage that oppressed us,  
From sin's fetters that possessed us,  
From the grief that sore distressed us,  
We, the captives, now are free.

*Infant Holy, Infant Lowly*

Infant holy,  
    Infant lowly,  
For His bed a cattle stall;  
    Oxen lowing,  
    Little knowing  
Christ the child is Lord of all.  
    Swiftly winging,  
    Angels singing,  
    Bells are ringing,  
    Tidings bringing:  
Christ the child is Lord of all!  
Christ the child is Lord of all!

Flocks were sleeping,  
    Shepherds keeping  
Vigil till the morning new  
    Saw the glory,  
    Heard the story,  
Tidings of a Gospel true.  
    Thus rejoicing,  
    Free from sorrow,  
    Praises voicing,  
    Greet the morrow:  
Christ the child was born for you!  
Christ the child was born for you!



## *Joy to the World*

Joy to the world, the Lord is come!

Let earth receive her King;

Let ev'ry heart prepare Him room

And heav'n and nature sing,

And heav'n and nature sing,

And heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing.

Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns!

Let men their songs employ,

While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains

Repeat the sounding joy,

Repeat the sounding joy,

Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

He rules the world with truth and grace

And makes the nations prove

The glories of His righteousness

And wonders of His love,

And wonders of His love,

And wonders, wonders of His love.

## **Lighting of the Candles**

*(Please **tip the unlit candle** when lighting, always holding lit candles upright.)*

## **Benediction**

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine upon you

And be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and † give you peace.

**Amen.**

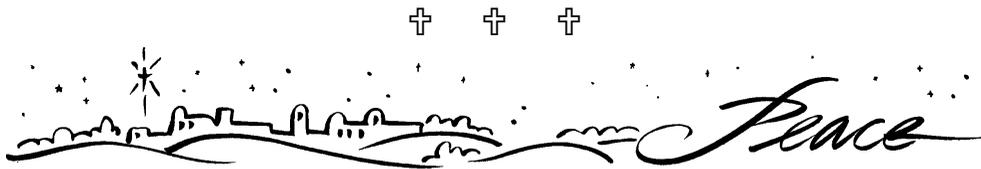
# Hymn *Silent Night, Holy Night*

Silent night, holy night!  
All is calm, all is bright  
Round yon virgin mother and child.  
Holy Infant, so tender and mild,  
Sleep in heavenly peace,  
Sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night, holy night!  
Shepherds quake at the sight;  
Glories stream from heaven afar,  
Heavenly hosts sing, Alleluia!  
Christ, the Savior, is born!  
Christ, the Savior, is born!

Silent night, holy night!  
Son of God, love's pure light  
Radiant beams from your holy face  
With the dawn of redeeming grace,  
Jesus, Lord, at your birth,  
Jesus, Lord, at your birth.

*(After the hymn, please extinguish candles and remain seated. Please wait to be ushered out.)*



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## *Serving the Lord in Worship*

<b>Liturgy</b>	Rev. Timothy J. Shoup	<b>Sermon</b>	Rev. Mark R. Palmer
<b>Organists</b>	Rhoda Lehrke	Louise Reisler	Debbie Welch
<b>Music</b>	Schmidt Family Quartet		
<b>Vocalists</b>	Jacob Falck, Ben Schmidt, Amy Rottier		
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# PRAYERS

**In Need of Healing . . .** Shirley Kieckhafer, Gregory Kopitske, Jr., Alicia Kroening, Robert Luepke, Audrey Moede, Jerry Schoepke, Brittany Slack, and Roger Wood.

*Poinsettias may be taken home following the  
Christmas Day service on December 25<sup>th</sup>.*



*POINSETTIAS 2018*



***Placed with thanksgiving to the glory of God for His Son by:***

Jeff Simon

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Ron and Amy Schmidt and Family

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<i>Henry and Eleanor Klosterman</i> .....	Klosterman Family
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<i>Kristine Reinke</i> .....	Knueppel Families
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<i>Elmer and Ruth Richter</i> .....	Greg and Pam Rank
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<i>Kristine Reinke</i> .....	David, Jeremy, Jake and Mindy Reinke, Jennifer Hartlaben and Grandchildren

<i>Charles and Doris Mueller, and John and Geraldine Reinke</i> .....	Johnny and Kris Reinke
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