

# St. Paul Lutheran Church and School

Bonduel, Wisconsin  
December 1/4, 2022

## *The Second Sunday in Advent*

### **Welcome to the House of the Lord**

*For our guests desiring the Lord's Supper...*

The Lord's Supper is a real, miraculous eating and drinking of Christ's body and blood together with the bread and wine for the forgiveness of our sins, for strength for this life, and for the assurance of everlasting life with Him. What a gift it is. It is a physical way or means together with His Word by which Jesus gives to us grace and forgiveness. The bread and wine do not symbolize or represent Christ's body and blood. He promises, "Take eat; this is my body... take, drink; this is my blood." Through the bread and wine Jesus gives to us the precious gift of His very body and blood for our strength and salvation.

The Bible also teaches that if someone does not believe our Lord's teaching, has not yet been taught, or is not repentant, that receiving the Supper would be to his or her harm. Therefore, out of love and care for you and for God's Word, if you are a guest today and not a member of an LCMS congregation, we kindly ask you to meet with one of our pastors before communing.



**Opening Hymn**

**344**

*On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry*

**Confession and Absolution**

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**Psalmody—Psalm 72:1–7**

Give the king your justice, O God,  
**and your righteousness to the royal son!**

May he judge your people with righteousness,  
**and your poor with justice!**

Let the mountains bear prosperity for the people,  
**and the hills, in righteousness!**

May he defend the cause of the poor of the people,  
**give deliverance to the children of the needy, and crush the oppressor!**  
May they fear you while the sun endures,  
**and as long as the moon, throughout all generations!**  
May he be like rain that falls on the mown grass,  
**like showers that water the earth!**  
In his days may the righteous flourish,  
**and peace abound, till the moon be no more!**  
**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;**  
**as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

**Kyrie**      **page 204**

**Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**

## **Salutation and Prayer of the Day**

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

Stir our hearts, O Lord, to make ready the way of Your only-begotten Son, that by His coming we may be enabled to serve You with pure minds; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## **Old Testament Reading — Isaiah 11:1–10**

There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit. <sup>2</sup>And the Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD. <sup>3</sup>And his delight shall be in the fear of the LORD. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide disputes by what his ears hear, <sup>4</sup>but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; and he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.

<sup>5</sup>Righteousness shall be the belt of his waist, and faithfulness the belt of his loins. <sup>6</sup>The wolf shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the young goat, and the calf and the lion and the fattened calf together; and a little child shall lead them. <sup>7</sup>The cow and the bear shall graze; their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. <sup>8</sup>The nursing child shall play over the hole of the cobra, and the

weaned child shall put his hand on the adder's den. <sup>9</sup>They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain; for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea. <sup>10</sup>In that day the root of Jesse, who shall stand as a signal for the peoples—of him shall the nations inquire, and his resting place shall be glorious.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Music**            8:00am     *A Voice Cries Out*  
                         10:15am     *Light One Candle*

### **Epistle Reading — Romans 15:4–13**

Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that through endurance and through the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. <sup>5</sup>May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup>that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>7</sup>Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. <sup>8</sup>For I tell you that Christ became a servant to the circumcised to show God's truthfulness, in order to confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, <sup>9</sup>and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, "Therefore I will praise you among the Gentiles, and sing to your name." <sup>10</sup>And again it is said, "Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people." <sup>11</sup>And again, "Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples extol him." <sup>12</sup>And again Isaiah says, "The root of Jesse will come, even he who arises to rule the Gentiles; in him will the Gentiles hope." <sup>13</sup>May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

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### **Alleluia and Verse**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**  
**These things are written that you may believe**  
**that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.**  
**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

## **The Holy Gospel**

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the third chapter.

**Glory to You, O Lord.**

In those days John the Baptist came preaching in the wilderness of Judea, <sup>2</sup>“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.” <sup>3</sup>For this is he who was spoken of by the prophet Isaiah when he said, “The voice of one crying in the wilderness: ‘Prepare the way of the Lord; make his paths straight.’” <sup>4</sup>Now John wore a garment of camel’s hair and a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. <sup>5</sup>Then Jerusalem and all Judea and all the region about the Jordan were going out to him, <sup>6</sup>and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. <sup>7</sup>But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? <sup>8</sup>Bear fruit in keeping with repentance. <sup>9</sup>And do not presume to say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our father,’ for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children for Abraham. <sup>10</sup>Even now the axe is laid to the root of the trees. Every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. <sup>11</sup>“I baptize you with water for repentance, but he who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. <sup>12</sup>His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and gather his wheat into the barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to You, O Christ.**

**Nicene Creed**      *inside back cover of hymnal*

**Hymn**      **342**      *What Hope! An Eden Prophesied*

**Sermon**      **A Little Child Shall Lead Them**      *Isaiah 11:6*

**Offering**

**Prayer of the Church**

**The Service of the Sacrament**      **page 208**

**Distribution Hymns**      **333**      **350**      **357**

**Nunc Dimittis**                      page 211

**Post-Communion Collect and Benediction**                      page 212

**Closing Hymn**                      346                      *When All the World Was Cursed*



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## *Serving the Lord in Worship*

**Pastors**                      Rev. Timothy J. Shoup                      Rev. Mark R. Palmer  
**Pianist**                      Thursday — Mrs. Debbie Welch  
**Organist**                      Sunday — Mrs. Lorraine Doell  
**Music**                      8:00am Adult Choir  
   10:15am Grades 1 & 2  
**Acolytes**                      Andrew Kolaske                      Sawyer Rank                      Jorja Reinke

## *Prayers*

**In Need of Healing . . .** *Jon Baker, Walter Blajeski, Jim Bleick, Ruby Christensen, Sandy Ebert, Brianna Hancock, Gregory Kopitske, Jr., Stephanie Krause, Judy Manthei, Sue Nohr, Joe Schmidt, Kelly Sell, Stanley Sporisky, Jerry Steif, Tracy Sundstrom, Mark Welch, and Cindy Wiseman.*



**Altar Flowers . . .** are placed to the glory of God in honor of the **50<sup>th</sup>** wedding anniversary for *Carl and Betty Kosbab* on December 2.

## *Announcements*

**Growing Strong In The LORD 9:15am Sunday Study, Gethsemane Room**

**December 4** — Digging Deeper into who is God, the great I AM, and how to share with others

**December 11** — Digging Deeper into the Old Testament backdrop for the coming Savior/Christ



## Advent Services

Sunday,	December 11, 10:15am	Christmas Program for Pre-K - Kindergarten
Thursday,	December 15, 7:00pm	A Dramatic Presentation of Luke 1
Sunday,	December 18, 9:00am	A Dramatic Presentation of Luke 1
Tuesday,	December 20, 7:00pm	Christmas Program for Grades 5-8
Thursday,	December 22, 7:00pm	Christmas Program for Grades 1-4

**Contribution Envelopes . . .** for 2023 are available in the fellowship hall.

**If you or you know of someone . . .** who would be willing and able to help manage our upcoming new website, please contact the church office or Pastor Palmer.

**Mission Report . . .** We had a very good response to the weekly door collections in October. Thank you to all who gave and especially to one family who went above and beyond. "Hope in Him" had a total of \$4,000, and the mission account had \$19,500. This was sent to Pastor Dusan Vanko and Viola Frankova.

**Christmas Poinsettias . . .** Orders are now being taken for poinsettias. Write your information on an envelope provided and enclose a check or correct cash. Place the envelope in the wooden box in the narthex. Cost is \$20 per plant. The deadline for ordering is Sunday, December 18. Checks should be made out to St. Paul Lutheran Church. Questions may be directed to Jean Hedtke at 715-758-2728.

<b><i>Attended/Communed—November 22, 24, &amp; 27, 2022</i></b>			
Wednesday	11/23	7:00pm	136
Thursday	11/24	9:00am	90
Sunday	11/27	8:00am	189
Sunday	11/27	10:15am	<u>96</u>
<b>Total</b>			<b>511</b>
<b>Livestream Views</b>			<b>125</b>

**Call for Resumes . . .** St. Paul Lutheran School is seeking to hire a 5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher and a Preschool teacher. The candidates should have a love of children, a passion for teaching, a passion for church work, LCMS preferred, and a collaborative open mindset.

**Scrip News – Kwik Trip Grocery 15% Rebate . . .** A new card has been implemented from Kwik Trip. The Grocery Only card can be used to purchase in-store merchandise. This card is not eligible to be used on fuel, tobacco, alcohol, lottery/lotto, stamps and other restricted items as defined by minimum markup regulations. Cards are available now from Scrip.

**The Lutheran Hour . . . "Beauty We Can't See" Isaiah 28:5**

We often feel our need for God's presence only when we see what it looks like when He's absent. Tune in next Sunday at 7:30am to hear Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler on WTCH/960 AM, WRVM/102.7 FM at 10:00am, or go to [www.lutheranhour.org](http://www.lutheranhour.org).

**Missing Coat . . .** After Wednesday night's Thanksgiving service, someone accidentally grabbed the wrong woman's black quilted hooded jacket. There is a similar jacket hanging on the coat rack in the entryway, but it is a smaller size and has lighter fur trim on the hood. The missing coat has black fur trim on the hood. Please exchange the coats if you accidentally took it.

**A Word from Your Wolf River Principal . . .** It is an exciting time at Wolf River as we begin preparing for the 2023–2024 school year. Our first event was last Tuesday as we had our first 8<sup>th</sup> grade parent and student welcome night. It is amazing to share our school with other families. We are also busy celebrating Christmas as we are sponsoring a free Christmas concert on December 11<sup>th</sup> for all families. The doors will open at 2:00pm for the young children to participate in crafts and activities, and the concert will begin at 4:00pm. Jennie Williamson, a Christian recording artist, will be performing. Make plans to attend the fun event. Blessings, *Mrs. Kosmerchock*

**WRLHS Christmas Extravaganza Vendor and Craft Fair . . .** Make plans to attend this shopping event on December 10 from 9:00am–3:00pm. A lunch of homemade chicken noodle soup or BBQ plate will be available for purchase. There will also be a bake sale.

**ACOLYTE SCHEDULE NEXT WEEK**

**Dec. 8**            Jadya Bahr  
**Dec. 11**        Maddie Schroeder    Brooklyn Greuel

**SCRIP SCHEDULE NEXT WEEK**

**Dec. 8**            Sandy Staszak  
**Dec. 11**        Patti Rosin            Barb Wickman

## EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

- Sunday 12/4** 8:00am Worship—Holy Communion  
9:00am Fellowship (Parish Fellowship #1)  
9:15am Sunday School  
9:15am Adult Education Hour  
10:15am Worship—Holy Communion
- Monday 12/5** 7:30am Strong Bodies  
6:00pm Board of Trustees  
6:00pm Board of Parish Fellowship
- Tuesday 12/6** 7:00am Bible Study  
8:00am Quilting  
7:00pm Board of Elders
- Wednesday 12/7** 8:15am Chapel  
5:30pm Gr. 7 & 8 Public School Confirmation  
6:00pm Gr. 5 & 6 Public School Confirmation  
6:00pm Bell Choir  
6:30pm SPYRT Youth and Youth Board Meeting  
7:05pm Choir
- Thursday 12/8** 7:00pm Worship
- Friday 12/9** 7:30am Strong Bodies
- Saturday 12/10**
- Sunday 12/11** 8:00am Worship  
9:00am Fellowship (Mission Circle)  
9:15am Sunday School  
9:15am Adult Education Hour  
10:15am **Christmas Program for Pre-K - Kindergarten**



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