



**GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**Ministers: All The People of The Congregation**

**Called by God to: Grow; Serve; Love; Care and Worship**

**Fourth Sunday in Advent. . . . . December 21, 2014**  
**9:00 a.m. Adult Choir Concert**

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**And GLORY Shone Around**

**A Christmas Cantata Celebrating Love’s Perfect Light**

**by Lloyd Larson and Douglas E. Wagner**

**Prelude**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Blessing of the Advent Wreath**

**P:** We praise you, O God, for this wheel of time that marks our days of preparation for Christ's advent. As we light the candles on this wreath, open our eyes to see your presence in the lowly ones of this earth. Enlighten us with your grace, that we may sing of your advent among us in the Word made flesh. Grant this through Christ our Lord, whose coming is certain and whose day draws near.

**C: Amen.**

**Advent Song . . . . . “Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah” . . . . . ELW 240**

**Processional Hymn “Oh Come, All Ye Faithful” ELW 283**

**Who Is This King of Glory?** Music by Douglas E. Wagner  
Lyrics adapted from **Psalm 24:7:8** and **Isaiah 40:4-5** by Charlotte Lee

**Savior of the Nations, Come** Music by **Lloyd Larson**  
*Quoting VENI EMMANUEL, French mel., 15<sup>th</sup> century, adapt. Thomas Helmore*  
Lyrics attr. to **Ambrose of Milan, 4<sup>th</sup> C., alt.**

**Blessed Are You** Music by **Douglas E. Wagner**  
*Adapted from the French Carol QUELLE EST CETTE ODEUR AGRÉABLE?*  
*and the hymn tune LOURDES*  
Lyrics by **Charlotte Lee**

**A Stable in Bethlehem** Music by **Douglas E. Wagner**  
*Adapted from the hymn tunes COVENTRY CAROL and GREENSLEEVES*  
*and a traditional Appalachian Folk Carol*  
*Lyrics attr. to Robert Croo, William C. Dix, alt., and Charlotte Lee*

**Offertory Hymn “O Little Town of Bethlehem” ELW 279**  
**Prayers of the Church**  
**The Lord’s Prayer**

**Gloria! To God Sing Gloria!** Music by **Lloyd Larson**  
*Quoting familiar hymns*  
*While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks Tune: Christmas*  
Music: arr. from **G. F. Handel** Text: **Nahum Tate**

**No Candle Was There** Music By **Douglas E. Wagner**  
*Quoting AWAY IN A MANGER*  
*by James R. Murray Lyrics by Frances M. Gostling, alt.*

**Love’s Perfect Light** Music by **Lloyd Larson**  
*QUOTING KINGS OF ORIENT*  
*by John J. Hopkins, Jr. Lyrics by William C. Dix, and John H. Hopkins, Jr.*

**The Glory of the Lord** Music by **Lloyd Larson**  
*Quoting familiar hymns*  
*And the Glory of the Lord from The Messiah by G. F. Handel*

**Benediction**  
**Sending Song “Joy to the World” ELW 267**  
**Dismissal**  
**P:** Go in peace. Prepare the way of the Lord!  
**C: Thanks be to God!**

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**Broadcast 530 Kilocycles AM Radio & Cable TV Channel 7 at 4:00 p.m. Sunday**

**Acolytes - Halle Schrader, Travis Placek**

**Caring Ministry -** If anyone is a shut-in and unable to come to church, the caring ministry team would be happy to visit and bring communion. Please call the church office at 553-3513 to let us know.

**Birthdays - Dec. 21-27** (If your birthday is not listed please contact the church office)

21-Cory Peterson      Lauryne Stern      26-Matt Stern      Kathy Ehlert  
22-Shari Winch      25-Mary Rollenhagen      27-Jerad Billings      Kim Stevermer  
24-Julie Mattick

**Annual Meeting** is Jan. 25, 2015 following the 9:00 a.m. worship service. Council recommends a by-law change to the congregation to remove the youth representative from the council.

**Attention all Ministry Teams** and other organizations of Good Shepherd. Your annual report for 2014 is due Jan. 7<sup>th</sup> to be included in the Annual reports book. Please submit them to the church office by that date. Thank you.

**The Wells Area Food Shelf** along with Wells Marketplace Foods has made it easy for you to help the food shelf out this Christmas Season. When you are grocery shopping at Wells Marketplace Foods look for the bags already filled and ready to be donated to the food shelf. Bags cost \$10.00 and are filled with \$10.00 worth of food that the food shelf is in need of. We would like to thank Wells Marketplace Foods for supporting the Wells Area Food Shelf in our campaign to feed the hungry during the holidays. For more information like the Wells Area Food Shelf Page. <http://www.facebook.com/wells-area-food-shelf>

**Cutoff for Financial giving for 2014** will be 9:00 a.m. Wed., Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>. This allows time to get the deposit to the bank for credit also. God has blessed us to be a blessing. With the support of Good Shepherd we may continue to meet our obligations as a Christian community. Thank you.

**The new “Listen System”**, hearing assistance system, has been installed and is ready for use. If you would like a listening device during the service please speak to an usher.

**Daily Scripture Readings**

**Dec 22** -Luke 1:46b-55

1 Samuel 1:1-18  
Hebrews 9:1-14

**Dec 23** -Luke 1:46b-55

1 Samuel 1:19-28  
Hebrews 8:1-13

**Dec 24** -Luke 1:46b-55

1 Samuel 2:1-10  
Mark 11:1-11

**Dec 25** -Isaiah 52:7-10

Psalms 98  
Hebrews 1:1-4 [5-12]  
John 1:1-14

**Dec 26** -Psalm 148

Jeremiah 26:1-9, 12-15  
Acts 6:8-15; 7:51-60

**Dec 27** -Psalm 148

Exodus 33:18-23  
1 John 1:1-9

**Christmas Wreaths** in memory of:

Mandy Stern, given by Lyle, Sharen & Halie Stern and Family  
Ernest & Lydia Thisius and Hilton & Irene Sauer, given by Lorraine Sauer and Family  
Jean Wetzell, given by Tom Wetzell and Family  
Bob Hanson, given by Bonnie Hanson and Family  
Gordon Lesto, given by Shirley Lesto and Family  
Gary Salisbury, given by Dylan & Cole Salisbury  
Ron Sander, given by Mike, Michele, Emma & Matthew Beyer  
Arnold & Freda Kontzelmann, Gary Kontzelmann, Arthur Lindely & Adam Stephas, given by  
Marlene Lindely  
Elmer Ziegler, given by Barb Ziegler  
Harry & Bernice Holstad, given by Barb Ziegler  
Stan Noren, Ray & Martha Selberg, given by Ruth Noren  
Gary Salisbury, given by Sara Salisbury  
Dallas Hagen, given by the Gary Hagen Family  
Chuck Christenson, given by Linda Hagen, Mike and Amy  
Willard Stern, given by Ione Stern and Family  
Loved Ones, given by Marilyn Rauenhorst and Family  
Palmer & Elaine Melby, Harold Bratz and in honor of Bev Bartz, given by the Jon, Pam Melby and Family