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## Christ the King Free Lutheran Church Pipestone, MN 56164 December 24, 2021

We want to welcome everyone worshiping with us this evening.

We pray that you will have a very Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year!

**Welcome** 

*Opening Carol	# 193 (Hymnal) O Come, All Ye Faithful
<u>The Christ Candle</u>	John 8:12; Luke 2:1-20 Justin & Brandie Hulstein; Kynslee, Calyn
* <u>Christmas Carols</u>	<ul> <li># 192 (Hymnal) Angels We Have Heard on High</li> <li># 184 (Hymnal) Hark! the Herald Angels Sing</li> <li># 178 (Hymnal) O Little Town of Bethlehem</li> </ul>
Children's Story Pastor Matthew	
OfferingO Holy Night!Matt Amdahl, Jane Smith, Janelle BrockbergOffertory# 202 (Hymnal) As with Gladness Men of Old v 3	
MessageFirst Christmas Promises The Promised FulfillmentJohn 1:14Pastor Tim	
Special Music A	dvent Lullaby CTK Choir
	OUR MISSION: CHANGED LIVES!
	To EVANGELIZE the lost
	To ESTABLISH Us in Christ

To EQUIP Us for Service!

#### \*Candle Lighting

<u>Christmas Carol</u> # 195 (Hymnal) Silent Night, Holy Night

#### **Open Prayers of Worship**

#### **Christmas Lord's Prayer**

(sung to the tune of *It Came Upon the Midnight Clear*)

Our Father, Lord on heav'ns high throne, Most holy be Your Name Your Kingdom come, Your will be done On earth - in heav'n the same. Give us this day the food we need; Forgiven may we be. Into temptation do not lead; From evil set us free.

Yours is the kingdom; unto You In grateful love we bow. And Yours the pow'r; Lord, let us view Your mighty presence now. The glory Yours; Your praise be sung By angel hosts and men. In every land, by ev'ry tongue, forever more! Amen

\*Christmas Blessing

\*<u>Closing Carol</u> # 171 (Hymnal) Joy to the World!

\*Denotes congregation to stand

Christmas Eve Offering will go to the Sioux Falls Prison Ministry

## O Come, All Ye Faithful

Verse 1 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,

Verse 2 Sing choirs of angels Sing in exultation O sing all ye citizens of heaven above Glory to God All glory in the highest O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him,

Verse 3 Yea Lord we greet Thee Born this happy morning O, Jesus to Thee be all glory given Word of the Father Now in flesh appearing O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him,

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## Luke 2:1-20 The Christ Candle

John 8:12: *"Jesus said, I am the light of the world, whoever follows Me, will not walk in dark-ness, but will have the light of life."* 

"The Christ Candle reminds us that the baby in the manger, Jesus, is the Christ, the Son of the Living God, who saves His people from their sins."

Luke 2:1-20: "In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration when Quirinius was governor of Syria. And all went to be registered, each to his own town. 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, to be registered with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. And while they were there, the time came for her to give birth. 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.

And in the same region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with great fear. And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of 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. And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!"

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." And they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby lying in a manger. And when they saw it, they made known the saying that had been told them concerning this child. And all who heard it wondered at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured up all these things, pondering them in her heart. And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them."

"All is prepared, all the Advent candles are lit and have been burned brightly, and our hearts have received the prophecy and seen the mighty hand of God bringing the Savior into the world at just the perfect time. This is truly good news for all the people. This savior is for you, and for all who will receive Him and believe in His name. In Him is eternal life. Joy to the world, the Lord is come!"

## Angels We Have Heard On High

Verse 1 Angels we have heard on high Sweetly singing o'er the plains, And the mountains in reply Echo back their joyous strains. Gloria in excelsis Deo Gloria in excelsis Deo

Verse 2 Shepherds why this jubilee? Why your joyous strains prolong? Say what may the tidings be, Which inspire your heavenly song? Gloria in excelsis Deo Gloria in excelsis Deo

Verse 3 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

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## Hark, The Herald Angels Sing

#### Verse 1

Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the new-born 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!"

#### Verse 2

Christ, by highest heaven adored. Christ, the everlasting Lord! Late in time behold Him come, Offspring of the Virgin's womb. Veiled in flesh the Godhead see, Hail the incarnate Deity! Pleased as man with men to dwell; Jesus, our Emmanuel! Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"

#### Verse 3

Hail, the heaven-born Prince of Peace!
Hail, the Son of Righteousness!
Light and life to all He brings,
Risen 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!"

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### O Little Town of Bethlehem

Verse 1

O little town of Bethlehem, How still we see thee lie! Above thy deep and dreamless sleep The silent stars go by; Yet in thy dark streets shineth The everlasting Light; The hopes and fears of all the years Are met in thee tonight.

#### Verse 2

For Christ is born of Mary, And gathered all above, While mortals sleep, the angels keep Their watch of wondering love. O morning stars, together Proclaim the holy birth! And praises sing to God, the King, And peace to men on earth.

Verse 3

How silently, how silently, The wondrous Gift is given! So God imparts to human hearts The blessings of His heaven. No ear may hear His coming, But in this world of sin, Where meek souls will receive Him still, The dear Christ enters in.

Verse 4 O holy Child of Bethlehem, Descend to us, we pray; Cast out our sin and enter in, Be born in us today. We hear the Christmas angels The great glad tidings tell Oh, come to us, abide with us, Our Lord Emmanuel!

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## As with Gladness Men of Old

#### Verse 1

As with gladness men of old Did the guiding star behold; As with joy they hailed its light, Leading onward, beaming bright, So, most gracious Lord, may we Evermore be led to Thee!

#### Verse 2

As with joyful steps they sped, To that lowly manger bed, There to bend the knee before Him whom heaven and earth adore, So, may we with willing feet Ever seek the mercy seat!

#### Verse 3

As they offered gifts most rare At that manger, rude and bare, So may we with holy joy, Pure and free from sin's alloy, All our costliest treasures bring, Christ, to Thee, our heavenly King!

#### Verses 4

Holy Jesus, every day Keep us in the narrow way; And when earthly things are past. Bring our ransomed souls at last Where they need no star to guide, Where no clouds Thy glory hide.

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## Silent Night, Holy Night!

Verses 1 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.

#### Vere 2

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!

#### Verse 3

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

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## Christmas Lord's Prayer

Our Father, Lord on heav'ns high throne, Most holy be Your name Your Kingdom come, Your will be done On earth - in heav'n the same. Give us this day the food we need; Forgiven may we be. Into temptation do not lead; From evil set us free. Yours is the kingdom; unto You In grateful love we bow. And Yours the pow'r; Lord, let us view Your mighty presence now. The glory Yours; Your praise be sung By angel hosts and men. In every land, by ev'ry tongue, forever more! Amen

## Joy to the World!

Verse 1 Joy to the world! the Lord is come: Let earth receive her King; Let every heart, prepare Him room, And heaven and nature sing, And heaven and nature sing, And heaven, and heaven and nature sing.

Verse 2 Joy to the world! 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.

Verse 3 No more let sins and sorrows grow, Nor thorns infest the ground; He comes to make His blessings flow Far as the curse is found, Far as the curse is found, Far as, far as the curse is found.

Verse 4 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.