

ST. LUKE'S EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH 10:30 a.m.

200 11th Street E.

Lemmon, SD 57638

We are affiliated with the Church of the Lutheran Confession (CLC).

Richard Kanzenbach

Pastor

2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Katie Wiechmann, Organist

December 8, 2024

ADVENT WELCOME!

"For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor, that you through His poverty might become rich."
--- 12 Corinthians 8:9

ORDER OF SERVICE: Supplement, page 12,

HYMN 56 Jesus Came—the Heavens Adoring

EPISTLE: Romans 15:4-13. Paul encourages us to carry-on patiently in this life, maintaining oneness with others in Christ. Christ Himself came for Jew and Gentile alike, outwardly two very different groups! Both are included in God's kingdom of salvation. Let us likewise receive one another, being of one mind with one another—no matter how different we may be. Let us maintain oneness in the Kingdom of God, as rooted in His Word of Salvation through Jesus!

PSALM 24, p. 25 The Earth Is the Lord's!

GOSPEL: Luke 21:25-36 As we prepare our hearts for Christmas, we rightly prepare for Christ's return at the End. Alarming events in this unraveling world need not paralyze us with fear. The thought of standing before the holy Lord need not fill us with dread. Our Savior is coming, and all is well! Our focus is NOT on earthly things, but on our Lord and Savior. Put away the distractions of the flesh and of the world. On Christmas Day, and on the Last Day, we hold our heads high in joy! Christ, our Redeemer has come!

APOSTLES' CREED, page 15.

HYMN 75 Ye Sons of Men, O Hearken [*listen*] !

SERMON: Genesis 3:8

FEAR OR PEACE AT ADVENT ?

And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden.

Offering

Prayer and Lord's Prayer:

HYMN 89 vv. 1-4 To Thee My Heart I Offer!

Benediction

HYMN 89 v. 5 To Thee My Heart I Offer!

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IN OUR PRAYERS:

Luther Kugler, of Spokane, WA, and brother of Autumn Wiechmann, has suffered a stroke and recovery is not proceeding speedily. We pray for healing, for strength of faith in Jesus the Savior, and for all the family and extended family. .

Pastor Frank Gantt, Loganville, GA. On Thursday, Pastor Gantt apparently suffered a mini-stroke. All tests for other issues have come back negative. We give thanks and pray for good health.

THE 1ST ADVENT CANDLE (VIOLET—the color of repentance): The “Prophecy Candle” begins the period of waiting. It reminds us of the Old Testament promises/prophesies of the coming of the Savior from sin. With humble hearts of repentance awaiting the Savior, we think back to the many believers before us who also waited patiently, longing for the promise of the Savior to be fulfilled.

THE 2ND ADVENT CANDLE (VIOLET—the color of repentance): The “Bethlehem Candle” reminds us that the eternal Son of God humbly came to this earth to be born of a woman at Bethlehem—true God and true man, our Savior!

CHOIR REHEARSALS: A choir for Christmas Eve is being put together. Rehearsals will be held immediately after worship the 8th (today), 15th, and 22nd. You are invited! Thank you!

MIDWEEK ADVENT SERVICES: As an aid to preparing hearts for Christmas, special Advent services are being held Wednesday evenings at 5:30. A soup and sandwich supper follows. Worship will be in the church basement.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

Today SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT

10:30 Worship 9:30 Sunday School and Bible Class
11:45 Choir Rehearsal 11:45 Lunch for Children
12:15 Children's Rehearsal

12/11 Wed. SECOND MIDWEEK ADVENT SERVICE

5:30 PM Worship in the church basement
6:30 PM Soup and Sandwich potluck meal

12/15 Sun. THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT

10:30 Worship with COMMUNION. 9:30 S.Sch. and B.Class
11:45 Choir Rehearsal after service. 11:45 Lunch for Children
12:15 Children's Rehearsal.
2:00-4:30 Caroling
5:00 Christmas Party. Potluck meal at church. All invited!

12/18 Wed. THIRD MIDWEEK ADVENT SERVICE

5:30 PM Worship in the church basement
6:30 PM Soup and Sandwich potluck meal

12/22 Sun. FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT

10:30 Worship 9:30 Sunday School and Bible Class
11:45 Choir Rehearsal 11:45 Lunch for Children
12:15 Children's Rehearsal

CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP: Tuesday, December 24, **5:00 pm.**

CHRISTMAS DAY WORSHIP: Wednesday, December 25, **10:00 am.**

CAROLING AND CHURCH CHRISTMAS PARTY:

Sunday, December 15. 2:00-4:30 Caroling 5:00 Church Christmas Party

SIGN-UP LIST FOR CHILDREN'S BAGS: If you wish to help supply items for the children's bags, please use the sign-up sheet at the guest book. Also sign if you wish to help fill the bags. Thank you!

DECEMBER CHURCH CLEANING: Thank you!

8 and 15 Katie Wiechmann 22 and 29 Kanzenbachs

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