



**GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**120 West Gano Chance Road**  
**Centralia, Missouri 65240**

**First Sunday in Advent**  
**with Holy Communion**  
**December 1, 2024**

Good Shepherd Congregation welcomes baptized Christians at its altar who accept the doctrine of the Lutheran Confessions. On the basis of the Bible, we believe that the Lord's body and blood are truly present, together with the consecrated bread and wine (Matthew 26:26-28). By faith a penitent sinner receives the forgiveness of sins and strengthening of faith (1 Corinthians 11:28,29; Hebrews 10:14, 18); that person is truly worthy who has faith in the words of Jesus, "Given and shed for you for the remission of sins," (Matthew 26:28) and our Lord would invite such a person to receive the Sacrament. Any visitors wishing to commune are kindly asked to speak to the Pastor or an Elder before the service.

**WELCOME**

**Pastor James Lanning**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**DIVINE SERVICE, SETTING THREE**  
**With Holy Communion**  
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**OPENING HYMN "The Advent of Our King"**

**LSB 331**

**CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION**

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**SERVICE OF THE WORD**

**INTROIT**

*Psalm 89:6, 14-16, 18; antiphon: Zechariah 9:9b, alt.*

Behold, your king is coming to you;  
**righteous and having salvation.**

Who in the skies can be compared to the LORD?

**Who among the heavenly beings is like the LORD?**

Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne;  
**steadfast love and faithfulness go before you.**

Blessèd are the people who know the festal shout,  
**who walk, O LORD, in the light of your face,**  
who exult in your name all the day  
**and in your righteousness are exalted.**

For our shield belongs to the LORD,  
**our king to the Holy One of Israel.**

**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.**

Behold, your king is coming to you;  
**righteous and having salvation.**

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(The Gloria In Excelsis is omitted during Advent)

**SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY****P. 189****OLD TESTAMENT READING - *Jeremiah 33:14-16*****Reader: Curt Nadler**

<sup>14</sup>“Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. <sup>15</sup>In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David, and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. <sup>16</sup>In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will dwell securely. And this is the name by which it will be called: ‘The LORD is our righteousness.’”

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

**EPISTLE – 1 THESSALONIANS 3:9-13****Reader: Curt Nadler**

<sup>9</sup>For what thanksgiving can we return to God for you, for all the joy that we feel for your sake before our God, <sup>10</sup>as we pray most earnestly night and day that we may see you face to face and supply what is lacking in your faith? <sup>11</sup>Now may our God and Father himself, and our Lord Jesus, direct our way to you, <sup>12</sup>and may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, as we do for you, <sup>13</sup>so that he may establish your hearts blameless in holiness before our God and Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

**ALLELUIA AND VERSE****P. 190****HOLY GOSPEL -*Luke 19:28-40 (ESV)***

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

All: **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

<sup>28</sup> And when he had said these things, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. <sup>29</sup> When he drew near to Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount that is called Olivet, he sent two of the disciples, <sup>30</sup> saying, “Go into the village in front of you, where on entering you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever yet sat. Untie it and bring it here. <sup>31</sup> If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ you shall say this: ‘The Lord has need of it.’” <sup>32</sup> So those who were sent went away and found it just as he had told them. <sup>33</sup> And as they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, “Why are you untying the colt?” <sup>34</sup> And they said, “The Lord has need of it.” <sup>35</sup> And they brought it to Jesus, and throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. <sup>36</sup> And as he rode along, they spread their cloaks on the road. <sup>37</sup> As he was drawing near—already on the way down the Mount of Olives—the whole multitude of his disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen, <sup>38</sup> saying, “Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!” <sup>39</sup> And some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, rebuke your disciples.” <sup>40</sup> He answered, “I tell you, if these were silent, the very stones would cry out.”

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

**NICENE CREED****P. 191****SERMON HYMN “Savior of the Nations Come”****LSB 332****MESSAGE - “Behold! He Comes”****Pastor James Lanning**

**OFFERTORY and OFFERING**

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**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

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**SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT**

**THE LORD’S SUPPER**

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**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:**

“Once He Came in Blessing” **LSB 333**  
“Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates” **LSB 341**  
“Love in Christ Is Strong and Living” **LSB 705**

**BENEDICTION**

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**CLOSING HYMN “See amid the Winter’s Snow”**

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**NEXT SUNDAY**

Sunday School 9:00 a.m. (led by Pastor Lanning)

Adult Bible Study: 9:00 a.m.

Worship Service: 10:00 a.m.

**DECEMBER EVENTS**

12.03 Elders Meeting 7 pm	12.11 Midweek Advent Service 7 pm Pastor Pierce
12.04 Midweek Advent Dinner 6 pm	12.11 ZOOM Prayer Group 8 pm
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12.04 ZOOM Prayer Group 8 pm	12.18 Worship Committee Meeting 4:30 pm
12.08 Children’s Christmas Program during Worship	12.18 Midweek Advent Dinner 6 pm
12.08 Women’s Guild Turkey Dinner following Worship	12.18 Midweek Advent Service 7 pm
12.11 Midweek Advent Dinner 6 pm	12.18 ZOOM Prayer Group
	12.24 Nativity of our Lord Service 7 pm

**BIRTHDAYS – Brittany Gorczyca – December 1; Martha Sydow – December 3; Barbara Fischer – December 5**

**ANNIVERSARY – no anniversaries this week.**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**MIDWEEK ADVENT DINNERS:**

December 04 – Lanning’s – tacos

December 11 – Hock’s – lasagna

December 18 – Seider’s – chili dogs

**The weekly host family will be in charge of asking members for additional help with the main dish.**

Those attending are asked to bring a side dish, salad, or dessert to share.

## SPECIAL OFFERING DESIGNATION

The offerings for Thanksgiving Eve, all Advent services, and Christmas Eve will go to: **LCMS Disaster Response to aid victims of Hurricane Helene and Hurricane Milton. The current areas being served are Florida, Georgia, and North Carolina.**

Other ways to give include: [lcms.org/givenow/disaster](http://lcms.org/givenow/disaster) Text LCMSDISASTERS to 41444

To give by credit/debit card Call 888-930-4438 (LCMS Donor Care Line)

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## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

**Christina DeJesus** – (daughter of Jane St. John) health issues; **Savannah and Taylor** – as they watch their daughter recover from her CDH repair; grant them patience as they wait to hold her; **Reagan Louise** – newborn recovering from surgery for repair of Congenital Diaphragmatic Hernia; **Brenda Belt** (Henry Rainey’s sister) – Stage IV Cancer; **Grace** – health issues (friend of Hannah Lanning); **Steve Buckert** – cancer treatments; **Jenni Murray**-Margaret Parker’s daughter-injured in motorcycle accident; **Ron Borgman**; **Ryan James**-cousin of Betsy Cochran–health issues; **Dick St. John**–Brenda Moss’s father–health issues; **Sherry Morse**–health issues; **Kim & Terry Decker**–health issues; **Craig**–suffering with spinal stenosis-friend of Randy Simmons; **Verda Adkisson**; **Mark Blanton**–Betsy Cochran’s cousin–waiting for liver transplant; **Ed & Ernestine Ramsey**; **Bill & Judy Mahieu**; **Kyle Lutz**–recovering from kidney/pancreas transplant; **Bonnie Berthelsen**; **Mark Ramsey**; **Calvin Stemme**–treatment for cancer; **Julia Rainey**; **Jane St. John**; **Dennis & Jackie Nadler**; **Susan Harris**; **Wayne Nolan**–stepfather of Jeff Jaeger; **Michelle Smith**–daughter of Jane St John; **Arla Benskin**–daughter of Mary Brechler.

**Missionaries - Pastor Tim Schulte** and wife **Erin**

**Community Prayers: Father Mike Coleman**; **Evie Ross**–infant needs heart transplant; **Dylan Dick**-health issues; **David**–health issues; **Fran Schnarre**–health issues.

**ARMED FORCES: Christopher Thompson**, U. S. Navy – cousin of Hannah Lanning; **Brandon and Jesse Lowery**, U.S. Navy–brothers of Rachel Rojas; **Donevin Leonard**, U.S. Marine Corps–grandson of Russell & Jacki Stelzer; **Chris Chism**, U.S. Navy–son of Vickie & Eric Chism; grandson of Barbara Fischer; **Brittany Macklin**–great-niece of Ernestine Ramsey; **Zachary Warden**–grandson of Betty Warden; Community: **Ray Finlay**, U.S. Army

## Welcome and Prayer Request Cards

Please place any prayer request cards in the offering plate when it comes around. The ushers will give them to the pastor. Please complete the welcome card and leave it at the end of your pew. Thank you.

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