

✧ Called to be Christ's Community of Truth and Mercy ✧
 ✧ Saved by Grace - Solid in the Word - Here to Serve ✧

Welcome!

"Therefore let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, and thus let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe, for our God is a consuming fire." Hebrews 12: 28



Holy Communion

Today we celebrate the Sacrament of our Lord Jesus Christ's true body and true blood. Reception of the Lord's Supper expresses not only fellowship with the Lord, but also fellowship and agreement with the teaching of the pastor and congregation. We want to express our sincere welcome to our guests and assure them that out of care for each person and a desire to be faithful to God's Word we follow the biblical practice of closed communion. **All guests are kindly asked to please speak with Pastor Gaunt before communing at our altar.** Normally, people from churches in fellowship with the LCMS, are welcome to partake. Those not communing, who so desire, may come to the altar to receive a blessing. So that the pastor knows you desire a blessing please cross your arms over your chest. Please pray with us that we might all be truly united in the teaching of our Lord's precious word. (For further study: 1 Cor. 11:17-34; Matt. 5:23ff; 10:32ff; 18:15-35; 6:26-29.)

Prayers of the Church

Circuit Congregation Calvary, Rosemont **Health Issues** + Duane Hoegren (Katie Hoin's Father) + June Rose + Lisa Novak + Kellie Boutin + Linda Parsons + Don Nissen + Kara Nissen + John Parsons + Dee Janssen **Missions** Wellspring Pregnancy Health Center, David Preus Family, Heartland Lutheran, Zion Classical Academy **Military** + Ross Peters + Gary Thompson

In His Service

Presiding Minister: Rev. Micah R. Gaunt
 Organist: Dr. Phil Hesterman Cantor: Mr. David Witt
 Altar Guild: December Tonda Wolfe
 Elders: Dick LeBeau, Derek Zeisler, Dustin Russell
 Acolyte: Isaac Russell

Gifts of Time and Treasure

For more Financial Information see monthly newsletter.
 A complete accounting of all financials are provided at each Quarterly Voters' Meeting. Questions? Jerry Blazer, Treasurer 402-303-0932

The Lord's Week

Sunday	Dec. 3	8:30am	Pre-Service Prayer (<i>West wing</i>)
		9:00am	Divine Service
		10:15am	Sunday School, Bible Study-opening
		12:00pm	Ladies Christmas Luncheon
Monday-Friday	4-8	8:30am	Prayer Service
Tuesday	Dec. 5	9:30am	Bible Study
Wednesday	Dec. 6	5:30pm	Meal -Education-Trustees
		6:00pm	Choir
		7:00pm	Advent Worship I
Saturday	Dec. 9	8:00am	Mens' Prayer Group
		9:00am	Breakfast w/St. Nicholas
		11:00am	Children's Program Practice
Sunday	Dec. 10	8:30am	Pre-Service Prayer (<i>West wing</i>)
		9:00am	Divine Service
		10:15am	Sunday School, Bible Study-opening

The Lord Jesus Comes in Humility to Redeem Us

The new Church Year begins by focusing on the humble coming of our Lord. "Behold, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey" (Matt. 21:5). Even as He was born in a lowly manger, so Jesus rides into Jerusalem on a beast of burden. For He bears the sin of the world. He is the Son of David riding to His enthronement on the cross, where He shows Himself to be "The LORD is our Righteousness" (Jer. 23:5-6). Our Lord still comes in great humility to deliver His righteousness to us in the Word and Sacraments. Before receiving Christ's body and blood, we also sing, "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!" (Matt. 21:9) And as we receive the Sacrament, we set our hearts on His return in glory, for "our salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed" (Rom. 13:11).



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C: Thanks Be To God!	

News and Notes of Interest

Divine Service: Sunday, Divine Service 9:00 A.M.
10:15 A.M. Sunday School, Bible Study-opening

Welcome New Members!

As you are able, please welcome our new members!
Bob and Miriam Grafe and Deb Frazier

Savior of the Nations, Come (LSB # 332) is the Hymn of the Season during December. You can watch Dr. Hesterman give us a brief background and teaching about the hymn on our YouTube channel. Just type in "Peace Lutheran Church Hastings Nebraska - YouTube". When you get there look for "Hymn of the Month".

Daily Prayer. During the season of Advent, Pr. Gaunt will be leading a prayer service Monday - Friday at 8:30 am. This is an informal service, though we will use one of the prayer offices from the hymnal. The intent is to watch and pray as we wait for Christ's appearing - lifting our hearts to God on behalf of our families, the church, and the world. We hope that if you can't join us in presence, you can join us in spirit.

Cookies for Shut-in's to Peace by Sunday, December 10th. Thanks!

Birthdays 12/04 Lisa Novak, Whitney Reutzl
12/05 Kobyn Morgan **12/07** Sandy Nissen
12/09 Kayla Carllson **Baptismal 12/07** Mike Carroll,
Emily Nissen **12/08** Daniel Klein Wedding Anniversary
12/07 Gary & Marge Ockinga

Abendmusik at Zion Wanda today the bus will leave Peace at **5:15 p.m. today, Sunday December 3rd** in the evening and pick up members at Zion Lutheran, Hastings. Please be on time or early. Thanks, Susan Thompson and Bus Driver, Gary Ockinga

Lifequote "In view of God's display of love in Advent and Christmas, we gladly unite to praise Him. Christmas brings out that unity as we join with Mary and Joseph and shepherds and angels to glorify our Savior as one united family. For this reason, we pray as Paul did, 'May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him.'" • lutheransforlife.org

Breakfast with St. Nicholas Saturday, December 9, 2023 from 9:00am-11:00am. Again this year we will have the Nickels for Nicholas drive. The money raised will be used to help families in need this holiday season. To ensure we have enough food and craft items, please call the church office for reservations, 402-462-9023.

Christmas Prayer Habit (December 1st - 31st)

Preliminaries

Set aside time for prayer. When will you pray each day? Where will you pray? Where will you keep your bible, hymnal, bulletin, etc.? Guard this time against the devil, the world, and your flesh, but not against the needs of your neighbor.

Fundamental Practice - Pray Scripture

Pray Psalm 27 out loud every day.

Pray from the Divine Service. *What did you hear in Sunday's readings, sermon, liturgy, or hymns? Pray about it all week long. Is there something to **thank** God for? **confess**? **ask** for?*

Read a chapter of Proverbs each day. (There are 31 chapters.) *What verse(s) stood out? Is there a verse worth memorizing? Talk to God about what you hear. As you have time throughout the day, re-read the verse, ponder, and pray.*

Looking for more?

Sing/Pray/Memorize

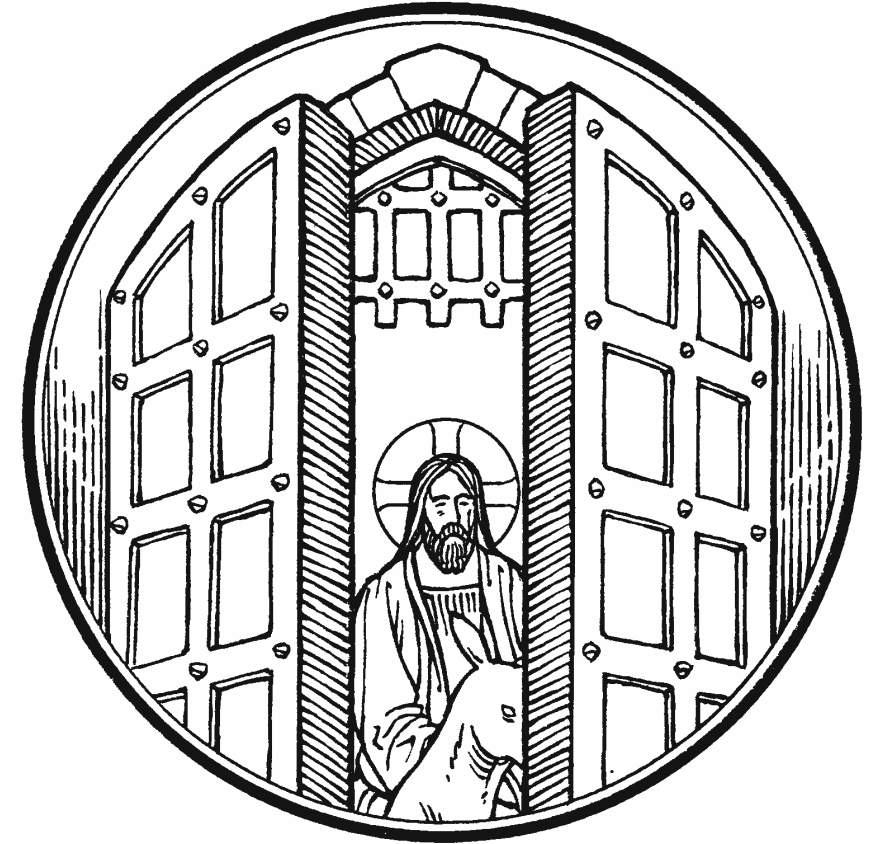
Hymn #332 *Savior of the Nations Come.*

Pray the 10 Commandments, Creed, and Lord's Prayer while remembering the needs of your neighbor.

Next Week's Readings: Malachi 4:1-6, Romans 15:4-13, Luke 21:25-36.

First Sunday in Advent
Divine Service Setting 3

December 3rd
9:00am



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