

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Poinsettia sponsorship:** We again are offering the sponsorship of a poinsettia plant for Christmas. If you are interested in sponsoring a plant in memory or in honor of someone there are forms available in the narthex. Please return the form and your donation of \$30 to the office by the 21<sup>st</sup> of December.

**Offering Books for 2026:** Offering books will be put out the week of the 22<sup>nd</sup> of December. If you are getting one and want to be removed from the list or if you want to be added to the list, please let Margaret know in the office by the 17<sup>th</sup>.

**Christmas Program Practice:** All Sunday School kids are asked to be at the church at 9am for music practice Sundays in December. The program is December 21<sup>st</sup>.

**Advent At Home Materials are available.** If you would like materials to use at home this season in lieu of midweek services, please take a devotional booklet and materials for an Advent wreath. For families with kids, a color as you go nativity scene is also available.

**Caroling will be December 21<sup>st</sup> at 4pm.**

**Blue Christmas Service will be December 21<sup>st</sup> at 7pm.**

### THIS WEEK

**Wednesday**  
4pm Connect  
7:30pm Council

**Thursday**  
6pm Food Pantry

**Next Sunday**  
10am Worship

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### TODAY'S ASSISTANTS

Greeters: Sidney B.  
Usher: Jon & Shannon M.  
Communion: Brian & Kim L.  
Reader: Jon M.  
Song Leader: Kelli & Keegan S.

## OUR SAVIOUR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

PARK RIVER, ND



**ADVENT 2**  
DECEMBER 7, 2025

**PRESIDER**

PASTOR KAYLA HILL

## Welcome to Worship!

### Welcome & Announcements

**"On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry"**

**ELW 249**

### Lighting of the Advent Candle:

**Candle Lighting Song: "Come, Now, O God" vs 2 insert Confession & Forgiveness**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☸ one God, whose home is heaven and earth, whose salvation is sure. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Long-expected God, **we confess that we look to ourselves for the peace and security only you can provide. We reach for swords and spears, reluctant to release our grip on the ways of war. We become impatient while waiting and weary of keeping awake. Free us from self-reliance, and teach us to live in harmony with our neighbors. Increase our trust in God's timing, and awaken us to your advent among us, that we may abound in the hope you have promised.** Amen.

God judges us not as we deserve, but according to God's own righteousness. ☸ You are freed and forgiven, saved by grace, and ready to welcome the Savior. **Amen.**

## Kyrie & Glory Be to God

green sheet

## Prayer of the Day

*Stir up our hearts, Lord God, to prepare the way of your only Son. By his coming nurture our growth as people of repentance and peace; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen*

## Joyful Noise: "Give Me Oil in My Lamp"

## Readings

### Isaiah 11:1-10

Word of God, Word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19 (found in hymnal)

Leader reads odd verses, congregation reads even numbered verses.

### Romans 15: 4-13

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## Gospel Acclamation

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### Gospel Reading: Matthew 3: 1-12

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

This is the Gospel of our Lord. **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## Sermon

"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"

ELW 254

## Apostle's Creed

page 105

## Prayers of the Church

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

## "Praise and Thanksgiving" vs 1 &2

ELW 689

## Offering Prayer

Nourishing God, you are water in the wilderness and streams in the desert. Through this meal, satisfy our parched places, that we may rejoice and be for the world signs of your kingdom come. **Amen.**

## Great Thanksgiving

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Holy, Holy, Holy

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Communion Hymns

Lamb of God

green sheet

ELW 264, 257

## Prayer After Communion

God our host, at this table you have fed us with joy and gladness. Send us forth, eager to share the feast, welcome the stranger, and bear good fruit in the name of Jesus. **Amen.**

## Blessing

May God who comes among us, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, grant you patience in waiting, peace in the darkness, and good news to share today and always. **Amen**

## "He Came Down"

ELW 253

## Dismissal

Go in peace. Keep awake. **Thanks be to God.**

## IN OUR PRAYERS

John H.

Gary & Lyla P.

Jean F.

Barb C.

Janice E.

To add or update a prayer request, fill out a card on our prayer wall or call the church office. Prayers will be on the list for one month, unless requested longer.