

**Christ the King**  
*The Last Sunday of the Church Year*

**November 26, 2023**



**Gloria Dei**  
Lutheran Church  
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# Welcome to Gloria Dei!

The name *Gloria Dei* is a Latin phrase meaning *God's glory*. We pray that here you will find his glory and love chiefly revealed in our Savior Jesus. May your time in worship be edifying and enable you to focus on Jesus as the solution to your sin and as the certainty of eternal life in heaven.

Should you need a **restroom** during the service, you will find them in the Fellowship Hall directly beneath the sanctuary. Exit the sanctuary by the main doors, turn right and head down the stairs, turn right at the bottom of the stairs and enter the first door.

If you need anything during the service, please speak to one of the ushers.

## To Those Visiting with Children

The members of Gloria Dei believe that families should be able to worship together. It is clear that some amount of noise will come with children being in worship. Any noise children make in worship is the sound of families doing what God has told them to do: bringing their children to sit at Jesus' feet. Should your family need a few moments away from the sanctuary, the Fellowship Hall located directly beneath the sanctuary is open and equipped with a closed circuit TV of the service.

## The Theme of Today's Worship

We have come to the last Sunday of the church year. Our focus is on Jesus' triumph over sin, death, and hell in our place. Our King Jesus shepherds us and provides for us now and will bring us to the eternal home he has provided for us when he returns.

## Serving in Worship

**Presiding Minister & Preacher** .....Pastor Timothy Shrimpton  
**Organ Assistant** .....Alex Shrimpton  
**Ushers**.....Steve Powers and Tim Mann  
**Sunday School Teacher** .....Janet Powers  
**Coffee Hour Host** .....Janet Powers

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# Morning Prayer

Matins

## Opening Hymn

489 *The King Will Come at Age's End*



1 The King will come at age - 's end, the  
2 The Book of Life will name its names, each  
3 All - glo - rious on his gleam - ing throne, the  
4 And nights of tears, though late and long, will  
5 A - men, a - men! Lord Je - sus, come! My



trum - pets trill, the heav - ens rend, un - veil - ing  
bought by cross - 's bit - ter pain, each inked in  
King will claim his saints, his own, and with them  
dis - ap - pear in splen - did dawn, and deeps of  
Sav - ior fair, come bear me home, for you are



new Je - ru - sa - lem. Al - le - lu - ia!  
blood and sealed in flame. Al - le - lu - ia!  
dwell and make a home. Al - le - lu - ia!  
death will all be gone. Al - le - lu - ia!  
King of kings a - lone! Al - le - lu - ia!

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Please stand



O Lord, o - pen my lips,



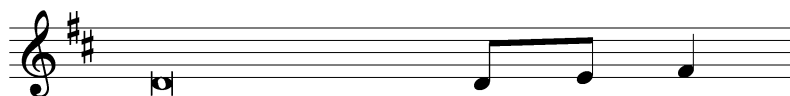
and my mouth shall de - clare your praise.



Has - ten to save me, O God;



O Lord, come quick - ly to help me.



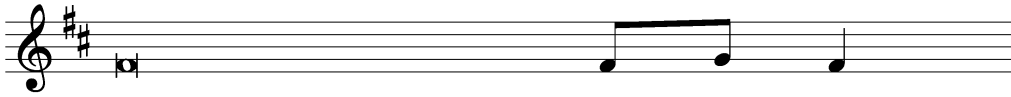
*Pentecost* The Spirit of the Lord fills the world:



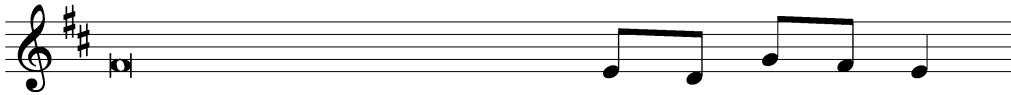
praise and thanks to God!

# O Come, Let Us Sing to the Lord

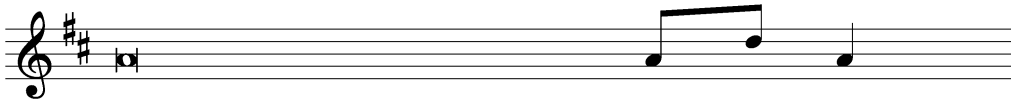
*Venite\**



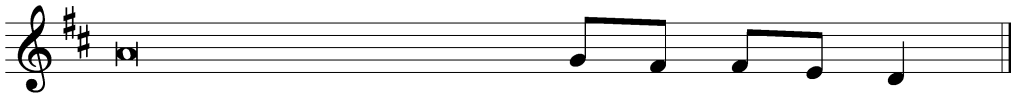
- 1 O come, let us sing to the Lord,
- 2 For the Lord is a great God
- 3 The sea is his, for he made it,



- 1 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal - va - tion.
- 2 and a great king a - bove all gods.
- 3 and his hand formed the dry land.



- 1 Let us come into his presence with thanks - giv - ing,
- 2 The deep places of the earth are in his hand;
- 3 O come, let us worship and bow down,
- 4 For he is our God,



- 1 let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise.
- 2 the heights of the hills are al - so his.
- 3 let us kneel before the Lord our mak - er.
- 4 and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.

*Be seated*

\* This song of praise uses the words of **Psalm 95** to praise our Maker, the one who make the heavens and the earth. The traditional name of this song, *Venite*, is the first word of the song in Latin meaning *Come*.

## First Reading

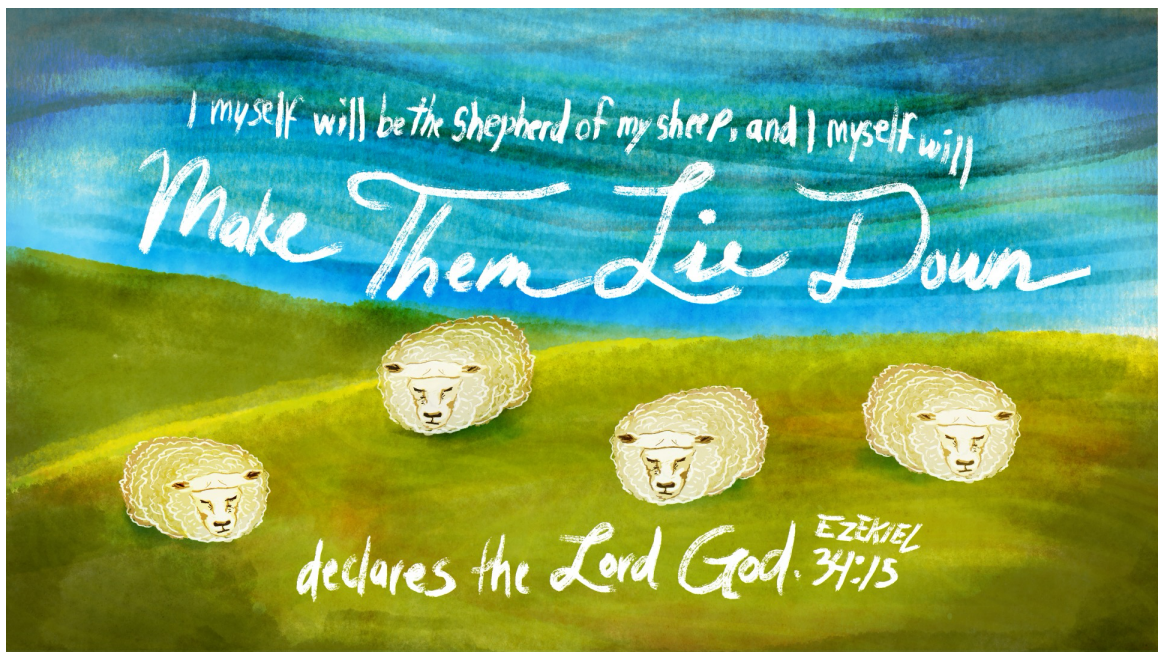
Ezekiel 34:11-16, 23-24

For this is what the LORD God says. Here I am. I myself will seek the welfare of my flock and carefully search for them. <sup>12</sup>As a shepherd searches for his flock when his sheep that were with him have been scattered, so I will search for my flock and rescue them from all the places where they were scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. <sup>13</sup>I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries and bring them to their own soil. I will shepherd them on the mountains of Israel, in the valleys, and in all the settlements of the land. <sup>14</sup>I will lead them into good pasture, and their grazing land will be on the high mountains of Israel. There they will lie down in good grazing land, and they will pasture on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. <sup>15</sup>I myself will shepherd my flock. I myself will let them lie down, declares the LORD God. <sup>16</sup>I will seek the lost. I will bring back the strays. I will bind up the injured. I will strengthen the weak. I will destroy the fat and the strong, and I will shepherd them with justice.

<sup>23</sup>Then I will raise up over them one shepherd, and he will tend them. My servant David will tend them, and he will be their shepherd. <sup>24</sup>I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David will be the prince among them. I, the LORD, have spoken.

The Word of the Lord.

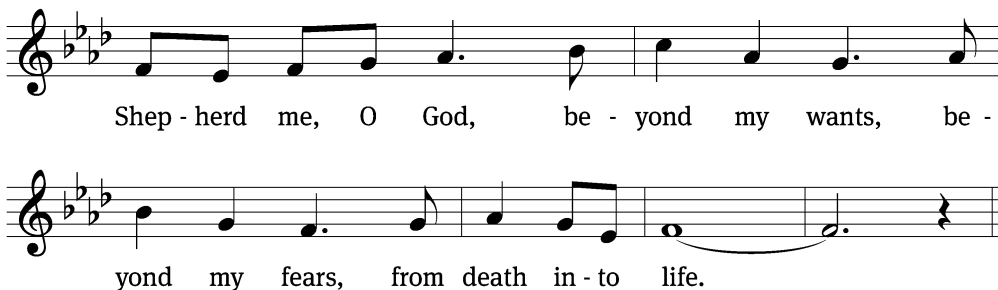
**Thanks be to God.**



# Psalm of the Day

Psalm 23B

## Refrain



Shep - herd me, O God, be - yond my wants, be -  
yond my fears, from death in - to life.

## Verse



1 God is my shep-herd, so noth-ing shall I want, I  
rest in the mead-ows of faith - ful - ness and love, I  
walk by the qui - et wa - ters of peace. *Refrain*

## Verse



2 Gent - ly you raise me and heal my wea - ry soul, you  
lead me by path-ways of right-eous-ness and truth, my  
spir - it shall sing the mu - sic of your name. *Refrain*

Verse



3 Though I should wan - der the val - ley of death, I  
fear no e - vil, for you are at my side, your  
rod and your staff, my com - fort and my hope. *Refrain*

Verse



4 You have set me a ban - quet of love in the face of ha - tred,  
crown - ing me with love be - yond my pow'r to hold. *Refrain*

Verse



5 Sure - ly your kind - ness and mer - cy fol - low me  
all the days of my life; I will dwell in the house of my  
God for - ev - er - more. *Refrain*

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## Second Reading

1 Corinthians 15:20–28

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. <sup>21</sup>For since death came by a man, the resurrection of the dead also is going to come by a man. <sup>22</sup>For as in Adam they all die, so also in Christ they all will be made alive. <sup>23</sup>But each in his own order: Christ as the firstfruits and then Christ's people, at his coming. <sup>24</sup>Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has done away with every other ruler and every other authority and power. <sup>25</sup>For he must reign "until he has put all his enemies under his feet." <sup>26</sup>Death is the last enemy to be done away with. <sup>27</sup>Certainly, "he has put all things in subjection under his feet." Now when it says that all things have been put in subjection, obviously that does not include the one who subjected all things to him. <sup>28</sup>But when all things have been subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to the one who subjected all things to him, in order that God may be all in all.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand\**

## Gospel

Matthew 27:27–31

Then the governor's soldiers took Jesus into the Praetorium and gathered the whole cohort of soldiers around him. <sup>28</sup>They stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him. <sup>29</sup>They twisted together a crown of thorns and put it on his head. They put a staff in his right hand, knelt in front of him, and mocked him by saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!" <sup>30</sup>They spit on him, took the staff, and hit him repeatedly on his head.

<sup>31</sup>After they had mocked him, they took off the robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him away to crucify him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise be to you, O Christ!**

*Be seated*

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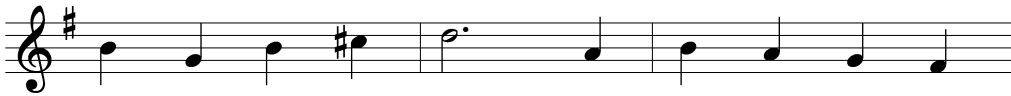
\* We stand in respect for the words and life of Jesus, our King.

## Hymn of the Day

531 *The Head That Once Was Crowned with Thorns*



1 The head that once was crowned with thorns is  
2 The high - est place that heav'n af - fords is  
3 The joy of all who dwell a - bove, the  
4 To them the cross, with all its shame, with



crowned with glo - ry now; a roy - al di - a -  
his, is his by right, the King of kings and  
joy of all be - low to whom he man - i -  
all its grace, is giv'n; their name, an ev - er -



dem a - dorns the might - y vic - tor's brow.  
Lord of lords and heav'n's e - ter - nal light;  
fests his love and grants his name to know.  
last - ing name, their joy, the joy of heav'n.

5 They suffer with their Lord below,  
they reign with him above,  
their profit and their joy to know  
the myst'ry of his love.

6 The cross he bore is life and health,  
though shame and death to him:  
his people's hope, his people's wealth,  
their everlasting theme.

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## Sermon

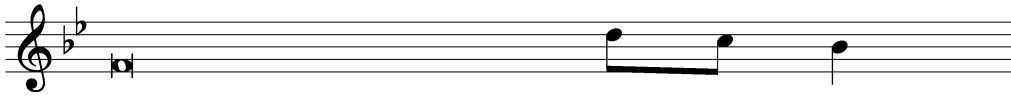
## Your King Is Triumphant

*1 Corinthians 15:20–28*

Please stand

## We Praise You, O God

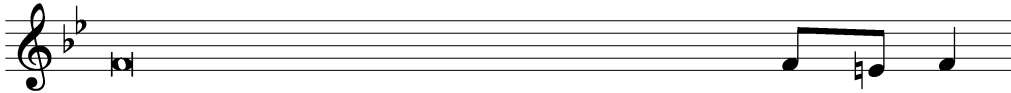
*Te Deum Laudamus\**



- 1 We praise you, O God, we acclaim you as Lord;
- 2 Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of heav'n - ly hosts,
- 3 The white-robed army of martyrs praise \_\_\_\_ you.



- 1 all creation worships you, Fa - ther ev - er - last - ing.
- 2 heaven and earth are full \_\_\_\_ of your glo - ry.
- 3 Throughout the world the ho - ly Church ac - claims you:



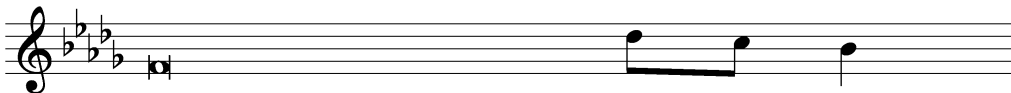
- 1 To you all angels, all the pow'rs of heav'n,
- 2 The glorious company of apostles praise \_\_\_\_ you.
- 3 Father of majesty unbounded; your glorious, true, and on - ly Son;



- 1 cherubim and seraphim, sing in end - less praise:
- 2 The noble fellowship of proph - ets praise \_\_\_\_ you.
- 3 and the Holy Spirit, ad - vo - cate and guide.



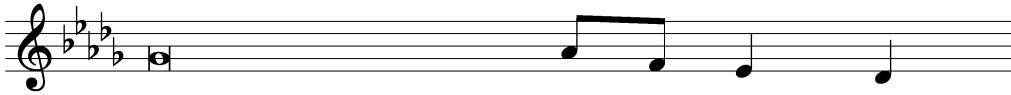
- 4 You, Christ, are the King of glo - ry, the eternal Son of the Fa - ther.



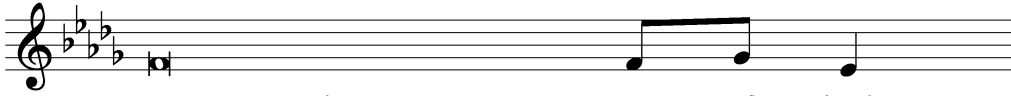
- 5 When you became man to set us free,
- 6 You sit at the right hand of God

\* This song serves as the congregation's confession of faith in the service of Morning Prayer. This ancient canticle is a joyful response to the message of forgiveness proclaimed in the Lessons and Sermon. The traditional name of the song, *Te Deum Laudamus*, is the first phrase of the song in Latin, *We Praise You, God*.

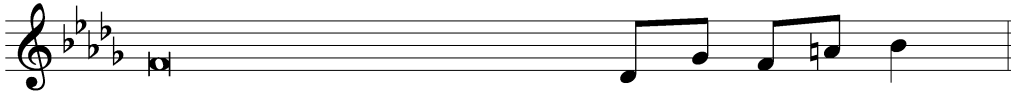




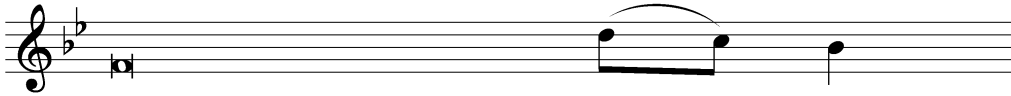
5 you humbled yourself to be born of a vir - gin.  
6 in the glory of the Fa - ther.



5 You overcame the sting of death  
6 We believe that you will come



5 and opened the kingdom of heaven to all be - liev - ers.  
6 to be our judge.



7 Come then, Lord, and help your peo - ple,



7 bought with the price of your own blood,



7 and bring us with your saints to glory ev - er - last - ing.

*Be seated*

## Offering

The members of Gloria Dei give their offerings out of thanks to God for his unending love. These offerings are used to support our work locally and around the world. Our guests may give, but should not feel compelled to do so. If you wish to give a gift electronically, please visit [www.gdluth.org/giving](http://www.gdluth.org/giving) or scan the code to the right.



If you are a guest with us today, please fill out the “Connection Card” in the racks at the end of each pew and leave the card with an usher, in the offering plate, or with the pastor.

As the offering plates are brought forward, please stand for prayer.

## Lord, Have Mercy

Kyrie\*



Hear my voice when I call, O Lord; be merciful and answer me.



Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

## Prayers

Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, by your victory you have broken the power of the evil one. Fill our hearts with joy and peace as we look with hope to that day when every creature in heaven and earth will acclaim you King of kings and Lord of lords to your unending praise and glory; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, you have brought us safely to this new day. Defend us with your mighty power, and grant that this day we neither

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\* This closing prayer section of Morning Prayer begins with a final plea to God to hear and answer our prayers (“Lord, Have Mercy”). The first prayer is the Prayer of the Day, reflecting the focus of this morning’s worship. Other appropriate prayers may be inserted. The section closes with the model prayer that Jesus taught to his disciples, the Lord’s Prayer.

fall into sin nor run into any kind of danger. And in all we do, direct us to what is right in your sight; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

**Amen.**

## Lord's Prayer\*

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

## Blessing



Let us praise the Lord.



Thanks be to God.



The grace of our Lord + Je - sus Christ and the love of God



and the fellowship of the Holy Spir - it be with you all.



A - men.

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\* When [Jesus] finished [praying], one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, just as John also taught his disciples." He said to them, "When you pray, say, 'Our Father in heaven...'" (Luke 11:1-2).

# Closing Hymn

*Crown Him with Many Crowns*  
*Christian Worship: A Lutheran Hymnal (1993, #341)*

4 Crown him the Lord of heav'n, En - throned in worlds a -

1 Crown him with man - y crowns, The Lamb up - on his  
2 Crown him the Lord of love — Be - hold his hands and  
3 Crown him the Lord of life, Who tri - umphed o'er the  
4 Crown him the Lord of heav'n, En - throned in worlds a -

bove; Crown him the King to whom is giv'n The

throne; Hark how the heav'n - ly an - them drowns All  
side, Rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, In  
grave And rose vic - to - rious in the strife For  
bove; Crown him the King to whom is giv'n The

won - drous name of Love. Crown him with man - y

mu - sic but its own. A - wake, my soul, and  
beau - ty glo - ri - fied. No an - gel in the  
those he came to save. His glo - ries now we  
won - drous name of Love. Crown him with man - y

crowns As thrones be - fore him fall; Crown him, ye  
sing Of him who died for thee, And hail him  
sky Can ful - ly bear that sight, But down - ward  
sing Who died and rose on high, Who died e -  
crowns As thrones be - fore him fall; Crown him, ye

kings, with man - y crowns For he is King of all.  
as thy match - less King Through all e - ter - ni - ty.  
bends his won - d'ring eye At mys - ter - ies so bright.  
ter - nal life to bring And lives that death may die.  
kings, with man - y crowns For he is King of all.

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# Calendar & Announcements

## Sunday

Sunday School [Grades PreK-5th] and Bible Class [Life of Abraham] .....9:15 am  
Worship .....10:30 am  
Coffee Hour .....11:30 am

**No Catechism Class**

## Tuesday

In-Person Midweek Bible Class [Luke] .....10:30 am  
Bible Information Class .....4:30 pm  
Online Midweek Bible Class [Luke] .....7:30 pm

## Thursday

Evangelism Committee Meeting .....7:00 pm

## Friday

Women’s Advent by Candlelight .....6:00 pm

## Next Sunday

Sunday School [Grades PreK-5th] and Bible Class [Life of Abraham] .....9:15 am  
Worship .....10:30 am  
Coffee Hour .....11:30 am  
Church Decorating .....12:00 pm  
Catechism Class .....12:00 pm

## Women’s Advent by Candlelight

*Friday, December 1 at 6pm*

Join us for an evening of food, fellowship, and a lovely program to prepare our hearts and minds for the coming of our Savior. All women and girls are invited; and bring a friend! Save the date and more details to come. Reach out to Sarah Gerrish with any questions: [ilessr@gmail.com](mailto:ilessr@gmail.com)

## Hosting Coffee Hour

It has been a true joy to have more people able to worship with us regularly and to join together in fellowship at coffee hour on Sundays after worship. We would love to be able to spread out the joy of hosting coffee hour moving forward. This doesn’t need to be an elaborate, fancy

spread of things; the goal is to facilitate fellowship time with our brothers and sisters over some coffee and a snack. If you have any questions or would be interested in helping out, please speak with Donna DaSanBiagio or Pastor Shrimpton. Thank you!

## **Upcoming Holiday Schedule**

As we make our way through the holiday season, here's an upcoming schedules of events to put on your calendars:

- **Friday, December 1, 6pm:** Women's Advent by Candlelight
- **Sunday, December 3, 12pm:** Church Decorating
- **Saturday, December 9, 1-3:30pm:** Christmas for Kids
- **Sunday, December 24, 10:30am:** Normal Sunday Worship (4th Sunday in Advent)
- **Sunday, December 24, 6pm:** Christmas Eve Worship
- **Monday, December 25, 10:30am:** Christmas Day Worship



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