



PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod

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DIVINE SERVICES

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.; Sunday: 8:00, 9:20, & 10:30 a.m.

The Rev. Dr. Jon C. Furgeson, Senior Pastor, 314-601-1039

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Burnell L. Hackman, Director of Music Ministry

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NEW YEAR'S WORSHIP

JANUARY 1, 2023

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Divine Service, Setting Three

CHRIST'S BODY AND BLOOD, for the forgiveness of sins, are truly present in, with, and under the bread and wine in the Sacrament of the Altar. Due to theological differences among Christians regarding beliefs about this Supper, only confirmed members of an LCMS church are invited to the Lord's table. Ask a pastor if you have questions or concerns. Please register your taking of communion on your attendance card.

P = Pastor

* = Stand

C = Congregation

Opening Voluntary

*Opening Hymn

LSB 726 Evening and Morning



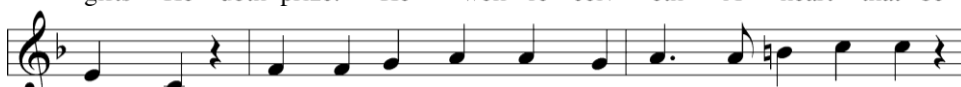
1 Eve - ning and morn - ing, Sun - set and dawn - ing, Wealth, peace, and
2 Fa - ther, O hear me, Par - don and spare me; Calm all my
3 Ills that still grieve me Soon are to leave me; Though bil - lows
4 To God in heav - en All praise be giv - en! Come, let us



glad - ness, Com - fort in sad - ness: These are Thy works; all the
ter - rors, Blot out my er - rors That by Thine eyes they may
tow - er, And winds gain pow - er, Af - ter the storm the fair
of - fer And glad - ly prof - fer To the Cre - a - tor the



glo - ry be Thine! Times with - out num - ber, A - wake or in
no more be scanned. Or - der my go - ings, Di - rect all my
sun shows its face. Joys e'er in - creas - ing And peace nev - er
gifts He doth prize. He well re - ceiv - eth A heart that be -



slum - ber, Thine eye ob - serves us, From dan - ger pre - serves us,
do - ings; As it may please Thee, Re - tain or re - lease me;
ceas - ing: These shall I trea - sure And share in full mea - sure
liev - eth; Hymns that a - dore Him Are pre - cious be - fore Him

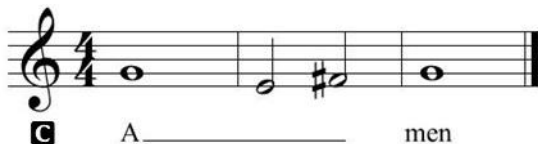


Caus - ing Thy mer - cy up - on us to shine.
All I com - mit to Thy fa - ther - ly hand.
When in His man - sions God grants me a place.
And to His throne like sweet in - cense a - rise.

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

***Invocation**

[P] In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.



***Confession and Absolution**

[P] Our help is in the name of the Lord,

[C] **Who made heaven and earth.**

[P] If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

[C] **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and self-examination.

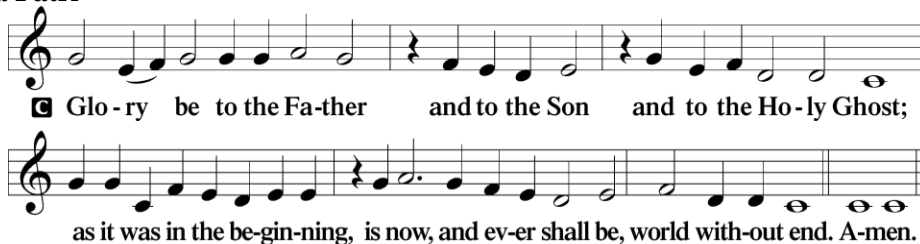
[P] Merciful Father, we have squandered and abused Your gift of time. We have used Your gift for evil, failed to live as a people set apart, and demonstrated more fear than trust to those around us.

[C] **I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.**

[P] Almighty God has had mercy upon you and has given His only Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

[C] **Amen.**

***Gloria Patri**



*Kyrie

C Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

*Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spir - it.

P Let us pray. . .

C A - men.

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 30:15–17

¹⁵For thus said the Lord GOD, the Holy One of Israel, “In returning and rest you shall be saved; in quietness and in trust shall be your strength.” But you were unwilling, ¹⁶and you said, “No! We will flee upon horses”; therefore you shall flee away; and, “We will ride upon swift steeds”; therefore your pursuers shall be swift. ¹⁷A thousand shall flee at the threat of one; at the threat of five you shall flee, till you are left like a flagstaff on the top of a mountain, like a signal on a hill.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

Romans 8:31b–39

³¹If God is for us, who can be against us? ³²He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? ³³Who shall bring any charge against God’s elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. ³⁵Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? ³⁶As it is written, “For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered.” ³⁷No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor

according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life ✝ of the world to come. Amen.

Hymn of The Day

LSB 733 O God, Our Help in Ages Past



1 O God, our help in a - ges past, Our hope for years to come,
2 Un - der the shad - ow of Thy throne Thy saints have dwelt se - cure;
3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood Or earth re - ceived her frame,
4 A thou - sand a - ges in Thy sight Are like an eve - ning gone,



Our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, And our e - ter - nal home:
Suf - fi - cient is Thine arm a - lone, And our de - fense is sure.
From ev - er - last - ing Thou art God, To end - less years the same.
Short as the watch that ends the night Be - fore the ris - ing sun.

- 5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream, Soon bears us all away;
We fly forgotten as a dream Dies at the op'ning day.
- 6 O God, our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come,
Be Thou our guard while troubles last And our eternal home!

Sermon

“Redeeming the Time”

(Luke 12:37 & 40)

Gathering of the Offering

Please fill out an attendance card and place in the offering plate

*Offertory



■ Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -

new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
 way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
 from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
 tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

*Prayer of the Church

*Lord's Prayer

C Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

*Preface

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spir - it.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them up un - to the Lord.

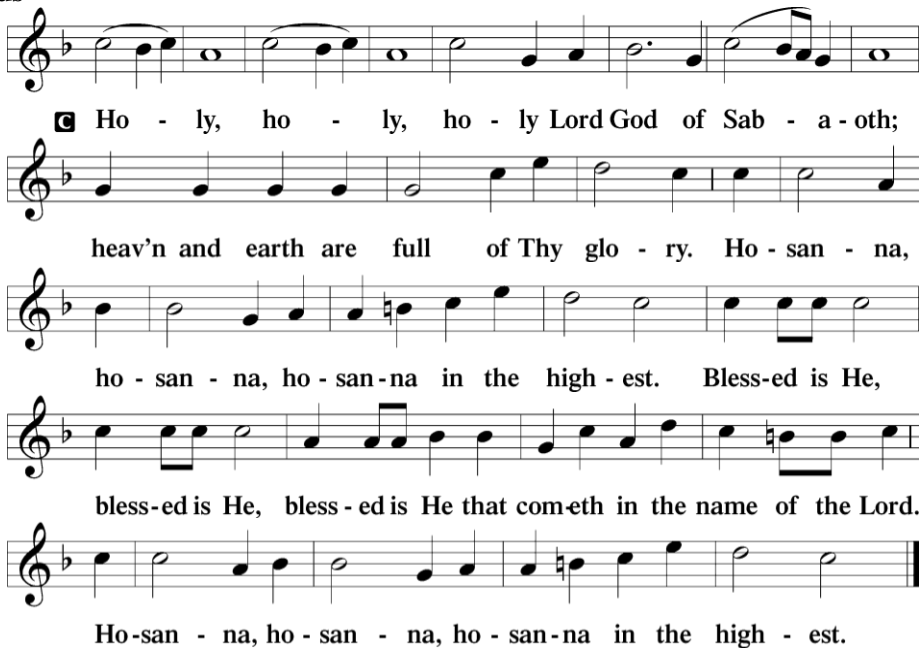
P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

C It is meet and right so to do.

*Proper Preface

P We should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for in the mystery of the Word made flesh You have given us a new revelation of Your glory that, seeing You in the person of Your Son, we may know and love those things which are not seen. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

*Sanctus




C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,
ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,
bless-ed is He, bless - ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.
Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

*The Words of Our Lord


*Pax Domini

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.



C A - men.

*Agnus Dei



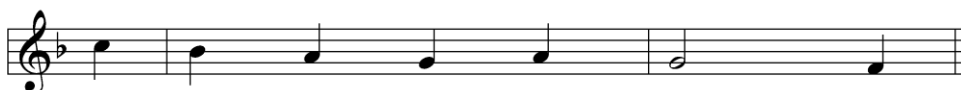
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the

world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that
 tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.
 O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the
 world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

Distribution Hymn

LSB 760 What God Ordains Is Always Good

1 What God or - dains is al - ways good: His will is
 2 What God or - dains is al - ways good: He nev - er
 3 What God or - dains is al - ways good: His lov - ing
 4 What God or - dains is al - ways good: He is my
 just and ho - ly. As He di - rects my life for me,
 will de - ceive me; He leads me in His righ - teous way,
 thought at - tends me; No poi - son can be in the cup
 friend and Fa - ther; He suf - fers naught to do me harm
 I fol - low meek and low - ly. My God in - deed
 And nev - er will He leave me. I take con - tent
 That my phy - si - cian sends me. My God is true;
 Though man - y storms may gath - er. Now I may know
 In ev - 'ry need Knows well how He will shield me;
 What He has sent; His hand that sends me sad - ness
 Each morn - ing new I trust His grace un - end - ing,
 Both joy and woe; Some - day I shall see clear - ly →



To Him, then, I will yield me.
 Will turn my tears to glad - ness.
 My life to Him com - mend - ing.
 That He has loved me dear - ly.

5 What God ordains is always good: Though I the cup am drinking
 Which savors now of bitterness, I take it without shrinking.
 For after grief God gives relief, My heart with comfort filling
 And all my sorrow stilling.

6 What God ordains is always good: This truth remains unshaken.
 Though sorrow, need, or death be mine, I shall not be forsaken.
 I fear no harm, For with His arm He shall embrace and shield me;
 So to my God I yield me.

Distribution Hymn

LSB 818 In Thee Is Gladness



1 In Thee is glad - ness A - mid all sad - ness, Je - sus,
 2 Since He is ours, _____ We fear no pow - ers, Not of



sun - shine of my heart. By Thee are giv - en The gifts of
 earth nor sin nor death. He sees and bless - es In worst dis -



heav - en, Thou the true Re - deem - er art. Our souls Thou
 tress - es; He can change them with a breath. Where - fore the



wak - est, Our bonds Thou break - est; Who trusts Thee sure - ly Has built se -
 sto - ry Tell of His glo - ry With hearts and voic - es; All heav'n re -



cure - ly; He stands for - ev - er: Al - le - lu - ia! Our hearts are
 joic - es In Him for - ev - er: Al - le - lu - ia! We shout for



pin - ing To see Thy shin - ing, Dy - ing or liv - ing
 glad - ness, Tri - umph o'er sad - ness, Love Him and praise Him

To Thee are cleav - ing; Naught can us sev - er: Al - le - lu - ia!
 And still shall raise Him Glad hymns for - ev - er: Al - le - lu - ia!

Distribution Hymn

LSB 619 Thy Body, Given for Me, O Savior

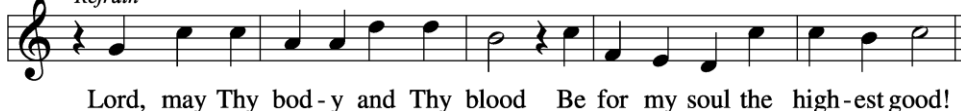


1 Thy bod - y, giv'n for me, O Sav - ior, Thy blood which
 2 With Thee, Lord, I am now u - nit - ed; I live in
 3 Who can con - demn me now? For sure - ly The Lord is
 4 Though death may threat - en with dis - as - ter, It can - not
 5 My heart has now be - come Thy dwell - ing, O bless - ed,

Thou for me didst shed, These are my life and
 Thee and Thou in me. No sor - row fills my
 nigh, who jus - ti - fies. No hell I fear, and
 rob me of my cheer; For He who is of
 ho - ly Trin - i - ty. With an - gels I, Thy

strength for - ev - er, By them my hun - gry soul is fed.
 soul, de - light - ed It finds its on - ly joy in Thee.
 thus se - cure - ly With Je - sus I to heav - en rise.
 death the mas - ter With aid and com - fort e'er is near.
 prais - es tell - ing, Shall live in joy e - ter - nal - ly.

Refrain



Lord, may Thy bod - y and Thy blood Be for my soul the high - est good!

Distribution Hymn

LSB 366 It Came upon the Midnight Clear



1 It came up-on the mid-night clear, That glo - rious song of old,
 2 Still through the clo - ven skies they come With peace-ful wings un - furled,
 3 All you, be - neath your heav - y load, By care and guilt bent low,
 4 For lo, the days have come to pass By proph-ets seen of old,



From an - gels bend - ing near the earth To touch their harps of gold:
 And still their heav'n-ly mu - sic floats O'er all the wea - ry world.
 Who toil a - long a drea - ry way With pain - ful steps and slow:
 When down in - to the cir - cling years Came Christ as was fore - told.



"Peace on the earth, good-will to all, From heav'n's all - gra - cious king."
 A - bove its sad and low-ly plains They bend on hov - 'ring wing,
 Look up, for gold - en is the hour, Come swift - ly on the wing,
 His word of peace shall to the earth God's an - cient prom - ise bring,



The world in sol - emn still - ness lay To hear the an - gels sing.
 And ev - er o'er its ba - bel sounds The bless - ed an - gels sing.
 The Prince was born to bring you peace; Of Him the an - gels sing.
 And all who take this gift will hear The song the an - gels sing.

*Nunc Dimittis



Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -



cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,



which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,



a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy

peo-ple Is - ra-el. Glo - ry be to the Father and
to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

*Thanksgiving

P O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

C and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

P Let us pray. . .

C A - men.

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spir - it.

*Benedicamus

P Bless we the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

*Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C A - men, a - men, a - men.

*Hymn to Depart

LSB 924 Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing

1 Lord, dis - miss us with Your bless - ing, Fill our hearts with
2 Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion For Your Gos - pel's
3 Sav - ior, when Your love shall call us From our strug - gling
joy and peace; Let us each, Your love pos - sess - ing,
joy - ful sound. May the fruits of Your sal - va - tion
pil - grim way, Let not fear of death ap - pall us,
Tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace. O re - fresh us;
In our hearts and lives a - bound. Ev - er faith - ful,
Glad Your sum - mons to o - bey. May we ev - er,
O re - fresh us, Trav - 'ling through this wil - der - ness.
ev - er faith - ful To Your truth may we be found.
may we ev - er Reign with You in end - less day.

*Silent Prayer

Closing Voluntary

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SERVING IN OUR WORSHIP:

Preacher: Pastor Dennis Kastens
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Organist: 5:00 & 9:20: Alice Kastens; 8:00 & 10:30: Burnell Hackman, DMM
KFUO AM 850 Announcer/Audio Engineer/Video Engineer: D. Seyfert/T. Hutton/L. Palma
Elders: 5:00: Stephen Kienstra, Mark Maloy; 8:00: John Rastorfer, Greg Wirtel;
9:20: Bob Uthoff, Ken Werkmeister; 10:30: Steve Shawcross, Rob Uthoff
Ushers: 5:00: Greg Wirtel, Jakob Beutelmann, Greg Hard, Brett Santiago, Stephen Schultz, Todd Wessling, Ralph Wolters; 8:00: Barry Hammon, Aidan Furgeson, Ian Furgeson, Alex Jeffcott, Jack Jeffcott, Chuck Neff, Michael Suda; 9:20: John Wiesehan, Mark Dowell, Rick Horn, Jim Huettenmeyer, Jim Johnson, Jason Rainey, Jacob Schweiss; 10:30: Darrell Ewald, Jeremiah Andrews, Kurt Andrews, David Carlson, Joseph Kreitler, Mark Maloy, Mike Yaeger
Greeters: 8:00: Mary Suda; 9:20: Sara Hopfer; 10:30: Scott & Lisa Saberton
Altar Comm: Jeanette Mattingly and Diane Woehr

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY, JANUARY 1, 2023

NORTHWEST AREA OF CAMPUS FLOODED On Christmas evening, Peace had a pipe burst in our fire sprinkler system, resulting in thousands of gallons of water flooding the gym and the basement rooms below the gym. We are in the damage assessment phase at this time. We do not fully know the extent of the damage or have any timeline yet on the restoration process. We appreciate your prayers, your flexibility, and your support as we navigate the restoration process. Peace is a strong community of Christ, and this is a setback from which we will come back even stronger than we were before. Thanks to our many volunteers who have offered their help. Keep an eye out for more volunteer opportunities as we move forward.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS now adorn our Sanctuary. A list of those who purchased poinsettias is displayed in the Commons. Please note, poinsettias may be picked up from the Commons next weekend.

REVELATION CLASS begins this Wednesday, January 4, at 7:00 p.m. Join us as we walk through this enigmatic book of the Bible!

USHERS NEEDED We are looking for men who are willing to serve on an usher team – one of the easiest ways to serve the congregation. You will typically serve only one Saturday/Sunday per month with the exception of months with special services (e.g., Lent, Advent, Christmas, etc.) A signup sheet is on the Commons counter with the usher needs by service time. For more information, please contact Barry Hammon at barry.hammon@wwt.com.

NEW MEMBER CLASSES begin next Sunday, January 8, from noon to 1:30 p.m. in Sanctuary Hall and continue for six weeks. Sign up is available on our website and on the bulletin board in the commons. A light lunch will be provided each week. For more information, please contact the church office.

2ND QUARTER DEVOTIONAL MATERIALS are on the Commons Counter if interested.
FINANCIAL PEACE CLASS BEGINS JANUARY 15 If you've ever felt like you just can't get in control of your money, you're not alone. You'd be surprised how many people you know are struggling just like you. But it's time for your struggle to end and learn how you can pay off debt, save more money, and build wealth. Peace is hosting a 9-week, Financial Peace University Class, beginning Sunday, January 15, from 9:15-10:15 a.m. in the Kitchen Meeting Room. The class will be led by Pastor Brown and Grant Ellis. To register, please type fpu.com/1157305 into your web browser. Please contact the church office for more information.

THANK YOU from Social Ministry for the wonderful response to the Adopt-a-Family program. We had 31 families adopted this year totaling 100 people! Jesus said in Matthew 25:40, "Whatever you do for the least of these, you do it for me." Merry Christmas and God's Blessings in 2023.

NEW BAPTISM CLASS OFFERED ON JANUARY 8 If you are planning to have your baby/child baptized, we are offering a one-time class for parents and/or caregivers. This class will cover the basics of baptism, along with the logistics of baptisms at Peace. The first time the class will be offered is next Sunday, January 8, from 9:15-10:15 a.m. in the Commons Conference Room. To register, go online to our Peace website, www.peacelutheranstl.org.

YOUNG ADULT CHRISTMAS POTLUCK is next Saturday, January 7, at 6:30 p.m. in Sanctuary Hall. Please bring a nice hors d'oeuvre or a dessert to share. Also bring a "white elephant" gift (\$10-\$15 value) for our gift exchange. Questions? Ask Sarah Baese.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 1, 2023

Monday, January 2: CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

7:00pm – Bells of Peace Rehearsal

Tuesday, January 3: 9:00am – Quilters

9:00am – Plastic Mat Making

1:30pm – Evangelism Team Meeting

7:00pm – Orchestra of Peace Rehearsal

Wednesday, January 4: 9:30am – Banner Committee

4:00pm – Junior Confirmation

7:00pm – Wednesday Evening Bible Study

Thursday, January 5: 6:00am – Men's Morning Bible Study

9:00am – Mary/Martha Bible Study

7:00pm – Chancel Choir Rehearsal

7:00pm – Boy Scout Troop 584

Friday, January 6: 7:00pm – Epiphany Service with Holy Communion

Saturday, January 7: 6:30pm – Young Adult Christmas Potluck

Sunday, January 8: 9:15am – Baptism Class

11:30am – Youth Board Meeting

11:30am – Life Ministry Book Club

12:00pm – New Member Class