Welcome to All Saints Lutheran Church

Our mission is....

"to bring people the good news of God's love in Jesus Christ."

Christmas Day

December 25th, 2022 † 10:00am †

Merry Christmas



* (Denotes when congregation is invited to stand.)

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Welcome & Announcements

CHIMES AND CHRISTMAS PROCLAMATION

Hebrews 1:1-3

(BOLD PRINT: ALL will respond.)

Long ago, God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets

But in these last days has spoken to us through his Son.

He is the one through whom God created the universe,

The one whom God has chosen to possess all things in the end.

He is the reflection of God's glory

And the exact imprint of God's very being.

And he sustains all things with his powerful word.

Amen.

* Entrance Hymn: # 275

ANGELS FROM THE REALMS OF GLORY

Angels, from the realms of glory, wing your flight o'er all the earth; once you sang creation's story, now proclaim Messiah's birth:

Refrain: Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the new-born king.

Shepherds, in the fields abiding, watching o'er your flocks by night, God with us is now residing, yonder shines the infant light. *Refrain*

Sages, leave your contemplations, brighter visions beam afar; seek the great Desire of nations, you have seen his natal star. Refrain

All creation, join in praising God, the Father, Spirit, Son, evermore your voices raising to the eternal Three in One. Refrain Public Domain.

* Prayer of the Day

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Let us pray together.

All-powerful and unseen God, the coming of your light into our world has brightened weary hearts with peace. Call us out of darkness, and empower us to proclaim the birth of your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

THE WORD

Lesson Titus 3:4-7

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God!

Hymn # 300

THE FIRST NOEL, vs. 1, 2

The first Noel the angel did say was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay; in fields where they lay, keeping their sheep, on a cold winter's night that was so deep.

Refrain: Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel! Born is the King of Israel.

They looked up and saw a star shining in the east beyond them far; and to the earth it gave great light, and so it continued both day and night. Refrain.

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* THE HOLY GOSPEL

The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 2nd chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

The Gospel is read

Luke 2:1-7

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

"GRACE UPON GRACE"

PASTOR KRISTIN RICE

* HYMN OF THE DAY: # 295

OF THE FATHER'S LOVE BEGOTTEN, VS 1-4

Of the Father's love begotten ere the worlds began to be, he is Alpha and Omega, he the source, the ending he, of the things that are, that have been, and that future years shall see, evermore and evermore.

Oh, that birth forever blessed, when the Virgin, full of grace, by the Holy Ghost conceiving, bore the Savior of our race, and the babe, the world's Redeemer, first revealed his sacred face, evermore and evermore.

This is he whom seers in old time chanted of with one accord, whom the voices of the prophets promised in their faithful word; now he shines, the long-expected; let creation praise its Lord evermore and evermore.

Let the heights of heav'n adore him; angel hosts, his praises sing; pow'rs, dominions, bow before him and extol our God and King; let no tongue on earth be silent, ev'ry voice in concert ring evermore and evermore.

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* THE NICENE CREED

People of God, what do you believe?

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Send forth your light . . . (all sing) and let your mercy shine upon us.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always. And also with you.

THE MEAL

OFFERING SOLO

MIKE KRZYSTON

* RESPONSE HYMN # 290

GO TELL IT ON THE MOUNTAIN

Refrain: Go tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere, Go tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ Is born!

While shepherds kept their watching o'er silent flocks by night, behold, throughout the heavens there shone a holy light. Refrain

The shepherds feared and trembled, when lo, above the earth rang out the angel chorus that hailed our Savior's birth. Refrain

Down in a lowly manger the humble Christ was born; and God sent us salvation that blessed Christmas morn. Refrain

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* OFFERING PRAYER

God of abundance, receive and bless these gifts we have offered. Join our hearts with the song of the angels, and gather us at your table of celebration. Strengthen us to share with all the world the abundance of your grace upon grace, poured out in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. **Amen**

* Great Thanksgiving

Front of Worship book, p. 129

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. In the wonder and mystery of the Word made flesh, you have opened the eyes of faith to a new and radiant vision of your glory, that beholding the God made visible, we may be drawn to love the God whom we cannot see. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

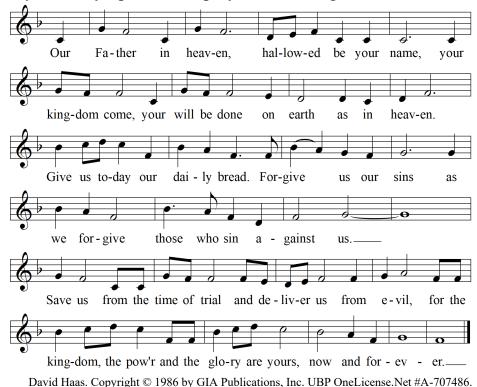
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest!

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: "Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

Again, after supper, he took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:



HOLY COMMUNION

Hymn # 276

INFANT HOLY, INFANT LOWLY

Infant holy, infant lowly, for his bed a cattle stall; oxen lowing, little knowing Christ the child is Lord of all. Swiftly winging, angels singing, bells are ringing, tidings bringing: Christ the child is Lord of all! Christ the child is Lord of all!

Flocks were sleeping, shepherds keeping vigil till the morning new saw the glory, heard the story, tidings of a gospel true.

Thus rejoicing, free from sorrow, praises voicing, greet the morrow: Christ the child was born for you! Christ the child was born for you.

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Your little ones, dear Lord, are we, and come your lowly bed to see; enlighten ev'ry soul and mind, that we the way to you may find. With songs we hasten you to greet, and kiss the ground before your feet. Oh, blessed hour, oh, sweetest night That gave you birth, our soul's delight. Oh, draw us wholly to you, Lord, and to us your grace accord; true faith and love to us impart, that we may hold you in our heart. Until at last we too proclaim, with all your saints, your glorious name; in paradise our songs renew, and praise you as the angels do.

* TABLE BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. Amen.

God our redeemer, you have fed us at this table with gifts of grace, truth, and life. As you have gathered us in joy, send us forth as messengers of your peace. Make us shine with the good news of your glory, born to us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

THE SENDING

* BENEDICTION

God bless you and keep you, (+) Jesus grant you grace and truth, and the Spirit send peace upon your hearts, now and forever. **Amen.**

* **SENDING HYMN # 288**

GOOD CHRISTIAN FRIENDS, REJOICE

Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart and soul and voice; give ye heed to what we say: Jesus Christ is born today; ox and ass before him bow, and he is in the manger now.

Christ is born today! Christ is born today!

Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart and soul and voice; now ye hear of endless bliss: Jesus Christ was born for this! He has opened heaven's door, and we are blest forevermore. Christ was born for this! Christ was born for this!

Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart and soul and voice; now ye need not fear the grave; Jesus Christ was born to save! Calls you one and calls you all to gain the everlasting hall.

Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!

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* DISMISSAL

Christ the Savior is born!
Go in peace. Proclaim this good news.

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POSTLUDE

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Christ, to thee, with God the Father, and, O Holy Ghost, to thee hymn and chant and high thanksgiving and unending praises be, honor, glory, and dominion and eternal victory evermore and evermore.

Members, Friends & Guests please sign the burgundy welcome pad and pass it to those sitting next to you. When all have signed please pass it back and welcome guests after worship.

First time guests please fill out a Welcome Card and place in the offering plate.

New Years Day

There will only be one Sunday service at 10:00am. At 9:00am coffee and donuts will be available in the Fellowship Hall.

The office will be closed.

Sunday School / Confirmation /
High School & Beyond Bible Study
Faith formation classes are taking
a break for the holidays and will
resume on Sunday January 8th.

Organ Stop Pizza Friday, January 13th

Sign-ups now available for the Senior Ministry and MOPS Annual Field Trip. Enjoy the Mighty Wurlitzer Organ, good pizza, and lots of fun.

Price: 10 yrs. and older \$20.00; Children 3 to 9 yrs. \$14.50 Under 2 yrs. are free

Celebrating 20 Years of Stephen Ministry

On January 8, 2023 please, join us during both services and between services in Fellowship Hall to celebrate this awesome milestone of our ministry. Let's give thanks to the Stephen Ministry Team for all their hard work here at All Saints and in the community!

Worship Attendance December 18, 2022	
9:00am	192
11:00am	78
YouTube	38
Facebook	53
Total	361

FOOD OFFERING
SUNDAY
JANUARY 1ST
& JANUARY 8TH

Community Music Café

Has been postponed, more information will be available when we have a more specific date.



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