

# Welcome to All Saints Lutheran Church

*Our mission is....*

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

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## Epiphany of Our Lord

January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025

9:00am † 11:00am



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The nursery is open for care of children 6 months to 3 years old during the 9am service.  
Busy Bags are available in the sanctuary for children attending service.

*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.**

*\* (Denotes when congregation is invited to stand.)*

**(BOLD PRINT: ALL will respond.)**

## GATHERING

PRELUDE+

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**\* CALL TO WORSHIP**

Come! Look upon the baby Jesus, cradled in the arms of his mother.

**Seeing this wondrous sight, may our hearts be comforted  
and our spirits filled with peace.**

Come! Listen to choirs of angels announcing good news to all people.

**Hearing this marvelous song, may we too sing: Glory to God in the highest!**

Come! Receive this ancient story in your heart, not as history but as a gift.

**Opening our hearts to this great mystery, may Christ be born in us today.**

**\* GATHERING HYMN: # 302**

**AS WITH GLADNESS, MEN OF OLD**

**As with gladness men of old did the guiding star behold;  
as with joy they hailed its light, leading onward, beaming bright;  
so, most gracious Lord, may we evermore be led by thee.**

**As with joyful steps they sped, Savior, to thy lowly bed,  
there to bend the knee before Thee, whom heav'n and earth adore;  
so may we with willing feet ever seek thy mercy seat.**

**As they offend gifts most rare at thy cradle, rude and bare,  
So may we with holy joy, pure and free from sin's alloy,  
All our costliest treasures bring, Christ, to thee our heav'nly king.**

**Holy Jesus, ev'ry day keep us in the narrow way;  
and when earthly things are past, bring our ransomed souls at last  
where they need no star to guide, where no clouds thy glory hide.**

**In the heav'nly country bright need they no created light;  
Thou its light, its joy, its crown, Thou its sun which goes not down;  
there forever may we sing alleluias to our king.**

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**\* 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. Everlasting God, the radiance of all faithful people, you brought the nations to the brightness of your rising. Fill the world with your glory, and show yourself to all the world through him who is the true light and the bright morning star, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

# THE WORD

LESSON

ISAIAH 60:1-6

Word of God. Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 72**



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**\* HOLY GOSPEL**

MATTHEW 2:1-12

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 2<sup>nd</sup> chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*The Gospel is read.*

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

**“BY A DIFFERENT ROAD”**

PASTOR DANIEL VOLKMANN

**\* HYMN OF THE DAY: # 303**

**BRIGHTEST AND BEST OF THE STARS**

**Brightest and best of the stars of the morning, dawn on our darkness and lend us your aid.**

**Star of the east, the horizon adorning, guide where our infant redeemer is laid.**

**Cold on his cradle the dew-drops are shining; low lies his head with the beasts of the stall;  
angels adore him in slumber reclining, maker and monarch and savior of all.**

**What shall we give him, in costly devotion? Shall we bring incense and off'rings divine,  
gems of the mountain and pearls of the ocean, myrrh from the forest or gold from the mine?**

**Vainly we offer each ample oblation, vainly with gifts would his favor secure;  
richer by far is the heart's adoration, dearer to God are the prayers of the poor.**

**Brightest and best of the sons of the morning, dawn on our darkness and lend us your aid.**

**Star of the east, the horizon adorning, guide where our infant redeemer is laid.**

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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.**

**\* SHARING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And also with you.**

**PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

Hear us, O God . . . (sing) **Your grace abounds.**

## **THE MEAL**

**OFFERING**

We now gather an offering to support our mission of bringing people the Good News of God's love in Jesus Christ.

**WE THREE KINGS**

**VERSES: JIM LAHEY, DANE CHAVERS, OWEN SWENSON; REFRAINS: ALL**

**O, star of wonder, star of night, star with royal beauty bright;  
Westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to thy perfect light!**

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**\* RESPONSE HYMN: # 692**

**WE ARE AN OFFERING**

**We lift our voices, we lift our hands,  
we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering.  
Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands,  
Lord, use our lives, they are yours: we are an offering.  
All that we have, all that we are,  
all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you.  
We lift our voices, we lift our hands,  
we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering; we are an offering.**

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**\* OFFERING PRAYER**

God of heaven and earth, from the beginning, you have called forth life, in which you take delight. The trees, the fields, and the seas sing for joy. Bless now these gifts, received from your bounty, that we may join the chorus of creation to tell of your salvation from day to day.  
**Amen.**

**\* GREAT THANKSGIVING**

**FRONT OF HYMNAL, P. 190**

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:

**(p. 190) Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory, full of your glory,  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest!  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!  
Hosanna, hosanna, 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:

**(sing) 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.  
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil,  
for the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever.**

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INVITATION TO COMMUNION: ALL ARE WELCOME

*The bread is gluten free, and non-alcoholic juice is available.*



**LAMB OF GOD**

FRONT OF HYMNAL, P. 191

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
Grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.**

VOCAL SOLO: ANN KELLEY

ALL IS WELL

**HYMN # 815**

**I WANT TO WALK AS A CHILD OF THE LIGHT**

**I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to follow Jesus.  
God set the stars to give light to the world. The star of my life is Jesus.**

**Refrain: In him there is no darkness at all. The night and the day are both alike.  
The Lamb is the light of the city of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.**

**I want to see the brightness of God. I want to look at Jesus.  
Clear sun of righteousness, shine on my path, and show me the way to the Father. Refrain**

**I'm looking for the coming of Christ. I want to be with Jesus.  
When we have run with patience the race, we shall know the joy of Jesus. Refrain**

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**\* TABLE BLESSING**

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

Merciful God, we thank you for Jesus, who is our heavenly food. Strengthened by this goodness, send us forth to announce your peace, comfort the afflicted, and share the good news of great joy. **Amen.**

## **THE SENDING**

**\* BENEDICTION**

God of love, Father, (+) Son, and Holy Spirit, lavish you with grace, illuminate your path, and increase your joy, today and always. **Amen.**

**\* SENDING HYMN: # 665**

**RISE, SHINE, YOU PEOPLE!**

**Rise, shine, you people! Christ the Lord has entered  
Our human story; God in him is centered.  
He comes to us by death and sin surrounded, with grace unbounded.  
See how he sends the pow'rs of evil reeling,  
He brings us freedom, light and life and healing.  
All men and women who by guilt are driven, now are forgiven.  
Come, celebrate; your banners high unfurling,  
Your songs and prayers against the darkness hurling.  
To all the world go out and tell the story of Jesus' glory.  
Tell how the Father sent the Son to save us.  
Tell of the Son, who life and freedom gave us.  
Tell how the Spirit calls from ev'ry nation God's new creation!**

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**\* DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. The Word of God dwells in you richly.  
**Thanks be to God!**

**POSTLUDE**

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO TALK OR PRAY WITH A STEPHEN MINISTER AFTER WORSHIP,  
LOOK FOR THEM ON CAMPUS. (THEY WEAR A BLUE NAME BADGE)**

**ALTAR FLOWERS: BARBARA ROCKOW  
IN MEMORY OF RALPH ROCKOW**



## Sign-Up to be a Worship Volunteer

Dates through **February 2025**

**now available!**

Trained volunteers can now visit [allsaintsphoenix.org/volunteer](https://allsaintsphoenix.org/volunteer) to sign-up as a worship volunteer. Please contact the office with any questions or to schedule training.



## Book Club

Tuesday, January 14<sup>th</sup>  
at 9:30am in Room 201

This months selection:  
***The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store***  
by James McBride

## What Do Stephen Ministers Do? Expressing Christ's Care for Others

Stephen Ministers bring distinctively Christian care to those in need. They express Christ's care for others by listening and comforting, calling on their training and employing the tools of faith.

**If this description interests you, consider joining  
our next training class starting January 23, 2025.**

Register in the Narthex today or Sun. Jan. 12 or contact Leaders: Scott Hagen, Diane Lensch, Tammy Follensbee, Pastor Dan or the church office to learn more.



Thank you to all of our volunteers who  
made our Christmas Eve worship such a  
success!

Your dedication and support are  
vital to our church ministry.

### Worship Attendance

Christmas Eve  
December 24, 2023

3:00pm	224
5:00pm	373
7:00pm	287
9:00pm	86
YouTube	73
Facebook	55
Total	1098



## BLOOD DRIVE

Sunday, January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025—8:00am—12:00pm

Sign up in the Narthex today and January 12 or VISIT <http://www.donors.vitalant.org>—(Sponsor Code: allsaints) or call 602-866-9191.

**FOOD  
OFFERING  
TODAY  
JANUARY 5<sup>TH</sup>**

### All Saints Budget Through November 30, 2024

	Budgeted	Actual
Income	\$ 1,033,366	\$ 976,853
Expenses	\$ 1,098,365	\$ 1,038,067
Deficit	\$ 64,999	\$ 61,214

### Worship Attendance

December 29, 2024

9:00am	145	YouTube	66
11:00am	64	Facebook	52
Total:		327	

## Upcoming Ways to Get Involved

We are currently looking for nominees to join the church Council, the Endowment Committee and to represent All Saints at the 2025 Synod Assembly in Las Vegas, NV.

Interested? Do you want to nominate a fellow member?

Or do you want to know more about council before deciding?

Please contact the church office at 602-866-9191 for more information.

## THIS WEEK AT ALL SAINTS

SUNDAY, January 5

9:00/11:00am  
12:00pm

**Epiphany of Our Lord**  
**Food Offering**  
**Holy Communion Worship**  
Christmas Clean-Up

MONDAY, January 6

TUESDAY, January 7

8:00am  
8:30am  
9:30am  
6:00pm

Tai Chi - Level 2  
Tai Chi  
Joy Circle Bible Study  
Executive Council

WEDNESDAY, January 8

7:00am  
9:00am  
5:45pm  
6:30pm

Men's Breakfast/Bible Study  
Cut-Ups  
Bell Choir Rehearsal  
COW (6-8<sup>th</sup> Graders)  
@ Our Savior's Lutheran

THURSDAY, January 9

8:30am  
9:15am  
7:00pm

Tai Chi  
MomCo  
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

FRIDAY, January 10

Office Closed  
Friday Friendly/MomCo Outing  
Buses leave for Organ Stop Pizza @ 9:45am

SATURDAY, January 11

SUNDAY, January 12

9:00/11:00am  
9:00am  
10:10am  
10:15am  
10:15am  
12:15pm

**Baptism of Our Lord**  
**Holy Communion Worship**  
Sunday School (3yrs-5<sup>th</sup> Grade)  
Culinary Meeting  
Confirmation (6-8<sup>th</sup> Grade)  
High School & Beyond Hang Out  
Arts Camp Leaders Meeting

## ALTAR FLOWERS & ETERNAL LIGHT

Honor a special occasion or remember a loved one by sponsoring the sanctuary altar flowers or eternal light. Sign up and pay in the church office.

## JOY CIRCLE WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY: Women of the Old Testament

The Joy Circle Bible Study meets on **Tuesday, January 7<sup>th</sup>, from 9:30 - 11:00am** in Room 201 to continue our study of Old Testament Women.

This month's bible study takes us to the period of the Judges when Israel had no King. Our lesson centers on the Judge Deborah and the Warrior Jael (Judges 2:10-19 and 4:1-24).

The Joy Circle is led by Pastor Pat Reed. Contact her through the church office if you have any questions.



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