

Traditional Worship  
December 15, 2024

9:00 am | Worship Leader: Candy Tingstad

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Gathering Music, Jinshil Yi  
Greetings and News of the Church Alive

*Lighting of the Advent Candle*

**\*“Doxology” No 625**

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Prelude, Jinshil Yi

*\*Call to Worship: Psalm 104*

Leader: Praise the LORD, O my soul. O LORD my God,

**People: You are very great; you are clothed with splendor and majesty.**

Leader: He wraps himself in light as with a garment; he stretches out the heavens like a tent

**People: And lays the beams of his upper chambers on their waters. He makes the clouds his chariot**

Leader: And rides on the wings of the wind. He makes the winds his messengers, flames of fire his servants.

**People: He set the earth on its foundations; it can never be moved.**

Leader: You set a boundary they cannot cross;

**People: Never again will they cover the earth.**

Leader: He makes springs pour water into the ravines; it flows between the mountains.

**People: They give water to all the beasts of the field; the wild donkeys quench their thirst. The birds of the air nest by the waters; they sing among the branches.**

Leader: He waters the mountains from his upper chambers;

**People: The earth is satisfied by the fruit of his work.**

**\*Hymn of Praise No. 137 *What Child Is This?***

*\*Prayer of Confession (Please remain standing)*

**People: O God, we can never do enough to deserve your love and your grace. Instead, we dishonor the purity of your love. We are not always truthful. At times we embrace oppression at the expense of grace and mercy. We settle for less than our best to others and to you.**

**Forgive us. Change us and make us new, we pray. Hear now our silent prayers of confession...**

*Assurance of Pardon:*

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

**People: And also with you**

***Passing of the Peace (Greet Your Neighbor)***

**\*Response, “Gloria Patri,” No. 623**

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: as it was in the beginning, is now and Ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.*

**Special Music**

*Amen, Go Tell It!*

Arranged by Donald Moore

**Scripture Lesson | Luke 1: 26-40**

**The Message | Pastor James Kim | *The Most Blessed Mary***

**Offering and Pastoral Prayer**

**The Lord’s Prayer**

**\*Hymn of Commitment No. 131 *Angels, from the Realms of Glory***

**\*Benediction**

Postlude, Jinshil Yi

*\*Please stand if you are able*

**Calendar for the week of December 15, 2024**

*Be sure to check out the full event calendar at [www.lakewoodlcp.com/events](http://www.lakewoodlcp.com/events)*

<b>Monday, Dec. 16</b>	11:15 am	Toddler Play Time in the Conference Room
<b>Tuesday, Dec. 17</b>	5:00 pm	Finance
	6:30	Session
<b>Wednesday, Dec. 18</b>	5:30 pm	Student Ministries
<b>Thursday, Dec. 19</b>	5:30 pm	Kids' Dance Class
	6:15 pm	Prairie Handbells
<b>Friday, Dec. 20</b>	<i>Office Closed</i> <i>No Events Scheduled</i>	
<b>Saturday, Dec. 21</b>	11:30 am	Cindy Amundsen's Memorial Service
<b>Sunday, Dec. 22</b>	10:00 am	Combined Worship Service – Family Christmas Celebration
	11:00 am	Fellowship in Prairie Hall

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**NEXT WEEK’S SERMON**

Next week will be our Family Christmas Celebration. Come and enjoy a wonderful pageant put on by our Children’s Ministry

**CHRISTMAS OFFICE CLOSURE**

The office will be closed from December 23 – January 3. Staff will be checking their emails and voicemail. If you have a pastoral emergency, please contact Pastor Brad at [brad.lcop@gmail.com](mailto:brad.lcop@gmail.com) or 253-279-5120.

**COMBINED WORSHIP SERVICES**

On December 22 and December 29, our worship service will be combined with Lakewoodgrace. Please plan to worship at 10:00 am on those Sundays.

**DECEMBER 22 – SPECIAL FELLOWSHIP HOUR**

Please join us after the combined worship on December 22<sup>nd</sup> for special refreshments to honor members who are 90 year-old or better.

**MORE CARING FOR KIDS LAUNDRY**

Caring for Kids has brought more clothing to be laundered. Please grab a bag, wash the clothing, and return to the office by December 18th. No need to fold!

**Greeters: Lizza Lockett & Terry Hudson | Usher: Doug Berglund**

**Prayer Requests**

- For **Shelly Shellabarger** and all the friends and family of **Cindy Amundsen**. Cindy Passed away on November 29<sup>th</sup>. Her memorial will be on December 21<sup>st</sup> at 11:30 am.
- For the family of **Carol Masters**. Carol passed away on November 19<sup>th</sup>.
- For **Tim Gary** who has stomach cancer.
- For **Cathy and Rick Norberg’s** brother-in-law, **Garrison Coverdale**, who is experiencing unusual back pain after back surgery.
- Prayers for **Sandy Noreen’s** husband, **Mike** who is receiving cancer treatment for AML.
- For **Carolyn Lee’s** son-in-law **Duncan** whose melanoma has spread to his lymph nodes. Prayers also for Carolyn’s daughter **Hilary** as she cares for Duncan.
- For **Peter Sloan’s** sister, **Amy Bettesworth**, who is in treatment for pancreatic cancer.
- Praise for Jennifer **Stafford’s** friend **Larry** and his successful cancer treatment. The tumor is now “barely detectable” and seems to be inactive. He is done with chemo and can focus on healing his soul.
- For **Ruthie Faris** as she receives treatment for neuroendocrine cancer.

Continued prayers for those needing overall health, healing, and peace:

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| • Colleen Smart     | • Cindy Nelson’s brother, Richard Rogers | • Tal Edman                               |
| • Jerry Williams    | • Lori Ward’s cousin, Leland             | • Deanna Price                            |
| • Martha Kelley     | • Phyllis & Rudy Horst                   | • Barbara Riggs                           |
| • Rosemary Kennedy  | • Floyd Collins                          | • Bev Conover                             |
| • Bill Edwards      | • Lisa Semon                             | • Steve George                            |
| • Joan Jackson      |  | • Inge Conner                             |
| • Bridget Upton     |  | • JoEthel Smith                           |
| • Jim & Alyce Olsen |  | • Gordon Neu                              |
| • Jim Pledger       |  | • Heather & Taylor (Lee and Terry Hudson) |

Prayers for happy healthy preschoolers; for the victims of gun violence; for the people of Ukraine, Israel, and Palestine; for our church music ministries; for our healthcare providers, long-term caregivers, and first responders; for the homebound; for our student ministries – that God will help our youth ministry to thrive. Prayers for our weekend services, that God will sustain, strengthen, and equip our members, and that God’s impact and influence will increase through our weekend services.

**MISSION AND OUTREACH IS CURRENTLY IN NEED OF COLD WEATHER ITEMS**

We are now accepting gently used heavy coats and clothing for men and women, sleeping bags, blankets, and tarps for our friends at The Rescue Mission. Donations may be dropped off at the church office. The office is open Monday – Thursday 8:30 – 3:30.

**IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF PAUL TRIP**

There is still room for you to join us in 2025 for our Footsteps of Paul trip to Greece! Please pick up a brochure in the lobby and contact Pastor James with questions.

**GIVING TREE THANK YOU**

The Deacons and Wishing Well Foundation thanks each one who generously gave from the Giving Tree tags. The gifts were delivered on Thursday. There is just one day left before Giving Tree gifts go to LASA. If you still have gifts to deliver, they can be dropped at the church or delivered directly to LASA. Thank you to all who participated this year!

**DO YOU HAVE AN M&M CANISTER?**

Our Mission and Outreach committee is hoping you still have some of the M&M canisters they distributed for the Laundromat Takeovers. If you do, can you please bring them to the office (we'd love for them to be full!), or give them to Jane Macpherson.

**DON'T FORGET THE LITTLE FREE PANTRIES**

As you grocery shop for the week, don't forget about the Little Free Pantry donation boxes we have at both campuses. These pantries are kiosks filled with food for those in need and are located in neighborhoods throughout Lakewood. As Christmas nears, many families will work hard to keep food on the table, and these pantries are a blessing to many.

**SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP AND COFFEE HOUR**

Please join us in Prairie Hall for fellowship immediately following today's service. It's a wonderful opportunity to connect and enjoy time with each other.



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