

Traditional Worship

December 1, 2024

9:00 am | Worship Leader: Alice Amblad

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 103

Leader: Bless the LORD, O my soul;

People: All my inmost being, praise his holy name.

Leader: Praise the LORD, O my soul and forget not all his benefits.

People: He forgives all my sins and heals all my diseases;

Leader: He redeems my life from the pit and crowns me with love and compassion.

People: He satisfies my desires with good things, so that my youth is renewed like the eagle's.

Leader: The LORD is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love.

People: He will not always accuse, nor will he harbor his anger forever;

Leader: He does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities,

People: For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him;

Leader: As far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us.

People: As a father has compassion on his children, so the LORD has compassion on those who fear him.

***Hymn of Praise No. 118** *Of the Father's Love Begotten*

**Prayer of Confession (Please remain standing)*

People: God, we confess that we color the world according to our own limited vision. We are unjust in our judgments and faithless in our

relationships. We have sins we have not confessed. Hear us as we confess our sins to your forgiving care. Help us to let go of our transgressions, to renew our covenant with you, and to live with one another that honors you. We pray these things in the name of Jesus Christ, whose coming among us we await with great expectation. 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 *Our Lord Emmanuel* arranged by Tom Fettke

Scripture Lesson | Mark 15:40-16:9

The Message | Pastor James Kim | *Mary Magdalene*

The Apostles' Creed *Please see the insert*

The Sacrament of Communion

Invitation and prayer of Thanksgiving
Institution and Serving of the People
(We partake individually of the bread and hold the cup, drinking together).

Offering and Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

***Hymn of Commitment No. 124** *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*

***Benediction**

Postlude, Jinshil Yi

**Please stand if you are able*

Calendar for the week of December 1, 2024

Be sure to check out the full event calendar at www.lakewoodlcp.com/events

Monday, Dec. 2	11:15 am Toddler Play Time in the Conference Room 12:30 pm Preschool Committee Meeting in the Office 7:00 pm Small Group 1 (Ward)
Tuesday, Dec. 3	1:00 pm Small Group 2 (Huber) in the Library 6:00 pm Small Group 3 (Sloan) 7:00 pm Mission and Outreach Committee
Wednesday, Dec. 4	11:45 am PW Christmas Gathering in Prairie Hall 1:00 pm Choir in the Elgin Room 1:00 pm Acts Class in the Conference Room 3:00 pm Small Group 4 (Brockhoff) in the Library 5:30 pm Student Ministries 6:00 pm Pastor Brad’s Dad Group at the Ram 6:00 pm Prayer and Praise in the Sanctuary
Thursday, Dec. 5	10:00 am Small Group 6 (Teevin and Rich) in the Conference Room 5:30 pm Kids’ Dance Class 6:00 pm Small Group 7 (Macpherson & George) 6:15 pm Prairie Handbells
Friday, Dec. 6	<i>Office Closed</i> <i>No Events Scheduled</i>
Saturday, Dec. 7	2:00 pm Neiditz Memorial
Sunday, Dec. 8	9:00 am Traditional worship service at LCOP <i>Join us for fellowship and coffee after the service in Prairie Hall</i> 11:00 am Contemporary Worship at Lakewoodgrace 12:30 pm Deacons

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEXT WEEK’S SERMON

Next week, the sermon will be on Mary of Bethany. We will be preaching from Luke 7:36-50.

SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP AND COFFEE HOUR

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

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN CHRISTMAS GATHERING

Wednesday, December 4th at 11:45 a.m. in Prairie Hall

Please join us for a festive Christmas event. Molly Crane will provide a special music program and Martha Circle will provide lunch and dessert for us. Our shower and mission recipients are LASA and NOURISH Pierce County. This is also a great time to visit and share with each other. Please bring a friend, we would love to have them. And in case you are in the Christmas shopping mood, Dorcas Circle will have quilts and other handmade items available for purchase starting at 11:30.

Greeters: Scott and Mary Mannering | Usher: Doug Berglund

Prayer Requests

- For the family of **Carol Masters**. Carol passed away on November 19th.
- For **Tim Gary** who has stomach cancer.
- For **Jean Rich** whose sister, **Paula Loveless**, passed away.
- For **Terry Hudson’s** cousin, **Kathy Seck**, who is now in hospice for pancreatic 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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| • Cindy Amundsen | • Cindy Nelson’s | • Tal Edman |
| • Colleen Smart | brother, Richard | • Deanna Price |
| • Jerry Williams | Rogers | • Barbara Riggs |
| • Martha Kelcy | • Jim Olsen | • Bev Conover |
| • Rosemary Kennedy | • Lori Ward’s cousin, | • Steve George |
| • Bill Edwards | Leland | • Inge Conner |
| • Joan Jackson | • Phyllis & Rudy | • JoEthel Smith |
| • Bridget Upton | Horst | • Gordon Neu |
| • Alyce Olsen | • Floyd Collins | • Heather & Taylor (Lee |
| • Jim Pledger | • Lisa Semon | 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.

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.

HELP OUR CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Our Children's Ministry needs canning rings – no lids, no jars – just the rings from a standard-size jar (not wide mouth). Please bring them by the office or give them to Lori Ward.

CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE! GIFTS DUE DECEMBER 11TH

The Christmas giving trees are up and the Deacons have chosen LASA and The Wishing Well as this year's recipients of your generosity. LASA supports the homeless community, and The Wishing Well supports foster children. Tags can be removed from the tree, and please put unwrapped gifts in the boxes provided.

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.

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, or give them to Jane Macpherson?

FRIENDLY REMINDER

In consideration of those with allergies or sensitivities, we kindly ask that you refrain from wearing strong-smelling colognes or perfumes to church services. This small gesture helps make our gatherings comfortable and welcoming for everyone. Thank you for your understanding!

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS! BOOMER/BUILDER CHRISTMAS PARTY
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11 AT NOON**

Once again, we are hosting a Boomer/Builder Christmas party on Wednesday, December 11, at noon. We will have a White Elephant gift exchange (\$20 limit, please). Please invite friends!

RSVPs are required by December 8th to the office.



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