

First Sunday after Christmas



The Minor Festival of the Circumcision and Name of Jesus



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"I rejoiced with those who said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the LORD.'" Psalm 122:1



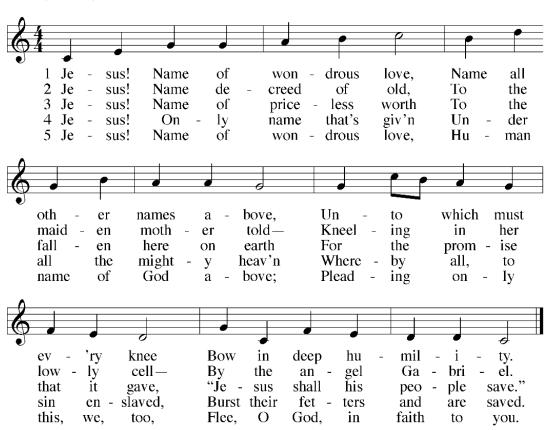
Today's 8:00 service will be recorded including the Service of the Sacrament. Individuals taking communion will not be visible in the recording.

Lord of Love Lutheran Church January 1, 2023

DIVINE SERVICE II

HYMN (CW 76)

Jesus! Name of Wondrous Love



Text: William W. How, 1823-97, abr., alt.

Tune: GOTT SEI DANK DURCH ALLE WELT (77 77) Freylinghausen, Geist-reiches Gesang-Buch, Halle, 1704, alt.



CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

STAND

INVOCATION

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

CONFESSION

M: Dear friends, let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

C: Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin.

For faithless worrying and selfish pride,
For sins of habit and sins of choice,
For the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do,
You should cast me away from your presence forever.
O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me, for Jesus' sake.

ABSOLUTION

M: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. In his great mercy, God made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in our sins. Hear the word of Christ through his called servant:

I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

LORD, HAVE MERCY

Mark 10:47

Kyrie

M: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

For the well-being of all people everywhere, that they may receive from you all they need to sustain body and life, hear our prayer, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: For the spread of your life-giving gospel throughout the world, that all who are lost in sin may be brought to faith in you, hear our prayer, O Christ.

C: Christ, have mercy.

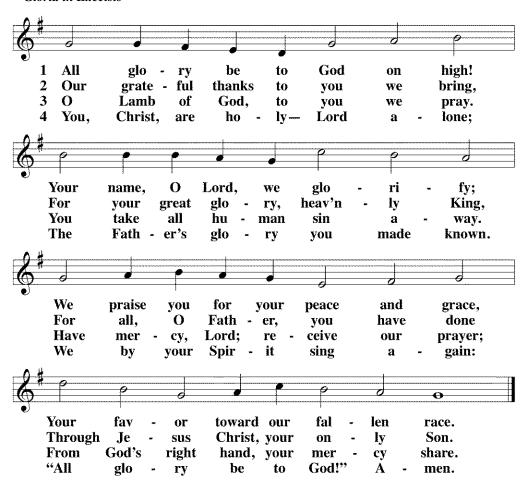
M: For patience and perseverance in this life, that we may not lose the hope of heaven as we await your return, hear our prayer, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: Lord of life, live in us that we may live for you.

C: Amen.

Gloria in Excelsis





THE WORD

SALUTATION

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

Eternal Son of God, on this day you were called Jesus, a name that proclaims you to be the Savior of all people. Give us strength in the new year to live each day to the honor of your name; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

FIRST LESSON Numbers 6:22-27

²² The LORD told Moses ²³ to speak to Aaron and to his sons and to tell them to bless the Israelites with these words:

²⁴ The LORD bless you and keep you.

²⁵ The LORD make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

²⁶ The LORD look on you with favor and give you peace.

²⁷ In this way they will put my name on the Israelites, and I will bless them.



I will praise your name for - ev-er, my King and my God.



O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in <u>all</u> the earth!* You have set your glory above the <u>heavens</u>.

When I consider your <u>heavens</u>,* the work of your <u>fingers</u>,

what is man that you are mind<u>ful</u> of him,* the Son of Man that you <u>care</u> for him?

Refrain

You made him a little lower than the heavenly <u>beings</u>* and crowned him with glory and <u>hon</u>or.

You made him ruler over the works of your hands;* you put everything under his feet.

Glory be to the Father and <u>to</u> the Son* and to the Holy <u>Spir</u>it, as it was in the beg<u>in</u>ning,* is now, and will be forever. <u>A</u>men.

Refrain

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SECOND LESSON Galatians 3:23-29

²³ But before this faith came, we were held in custody under the law, imprisoned until the coming faith was revealed. ²⁴ So the law was our chaperone until Christ, so that we might be justified by faith. ²⁵ But now that this faith has come, we are no longer under a chaperone.

²⁶ In fact, you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus. ²⁷ Indeed, as many of you as were baptized into Christ have been clothed with Christ. ²⁸ There is not Jew or Greek, slave or free, male or female, for you are all one and the same in Christ Jesus. ²⁹ And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's descendants and heirs according to the promise.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

M: Alleluia. She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins. Alleluia.

HYMN (CW 358)

How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds (see page 10)

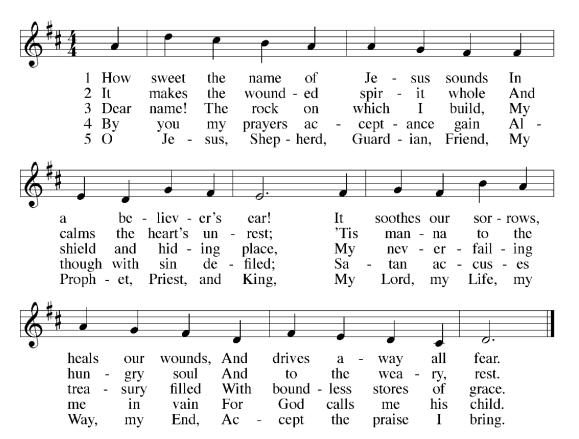
SERMON Luke 2:21

Eight-Day-Old Jesus Shed His Blood for Us

(After the sermon, the service continues on p.11 with the Apostles' Creed.)

²¹ After eight days passed, when the child was circumcised, he was named Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

358 How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds



- 6 I praise in weakness from afar— How cold my warmest thought! But when I see you as you are, I'll praise you as I ought.
- 7 Till then I would your love proclaim With ev'ry fleeting breath; And may the music of your name Refresh my soul in death.

Text: John Newton, 1725-1807, alt.

Tune: ST. PETER (CM) Alexander R. Reinagle, 1799–1877.

STAND

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,

maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

GATHERING OF THE THANK-OFFERING

While the offering is being collected, please sign, pass, and return the Friendship Register. Thank you!

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth. The heavens are the work of your fingers, yet you willed to save us in the most humble and sacrificial of ways. Already eight days after being born of the virgin Mary, your Son was at work for our salvation by fulfilling your Law and shedding his blood. Receive our heartfelt thanks for the righteousness and forgiveness of sins we have obtained through Jesus' life, death and resurrection. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O God, you declare that in Christ Jesus there is neither Jew nor Greek, slave nor free, male nor female, for we are all one in him. Preserve us from all ungodly prejudice, yet instill in us a deep appreciation of our distinctive callings. Grant that we would not resent what you have called us to be and to do, but rejoice to serve as you have ordained. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Blessed Lord, you have shown your power by establishing governments and leaders to serve your people in your name. Grant to our president, governor, Congress, legislators, judges and magistrates the wisdom and courage to act with integrity on behalf of all people, especially those least able to defend themselves. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Father in heaven, bless and keep us by your grace. Remember those in need who cry out to you [especially ______]. According to your will and wisdom, lift up your countenance upon them and give them peace. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Holy God, you invite your children to the table of your Son. Give us your Holy Spirit, that we would discern Christ's body and blood in this Sacrament and come with joyful and repentant hearts to receive the foretaste of the eternal feast. Strengthen us by this blessed communion, that we would love you above all and love one another in your name. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious Father, today a new year begins. In your name we begin this new year, and to the glory of your name we sanctify and consecrate this new year. May your name be for us in 2023 a strong tower, to which we may always run and be safe. **Amen.**



THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

M: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is good and right so to do.

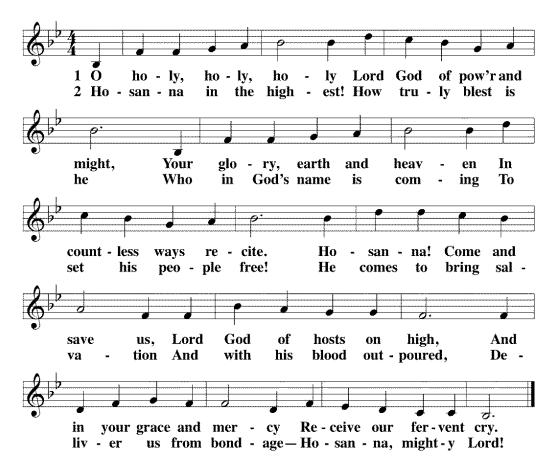
M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who by his wondrous birth became our Brother, taking on human flesh to live in righteousness before God and to become obedient even to death on a cross.

Therefore with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Sanctus

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9 Tune: VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBER



PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

M: Blessed are you, O Lord of heaven and earth. We praise and thank you for sending your Son, Jesus Christ, and we remember the great acts of love through which he has ransomed us from sin, death, and the devil's power.

By his incarnation, he became one with us.

By his perfect life, he fulfilled your holy will.

By his innocent death, he overcame hell.

By his rising from the grave, he opened heaven.

Invited by your grace and instructed by your Word, we approach your table with repentant and joyful hearts. Strengthen us through Christ's body and blood, and preserve us in the true faith until we feast with him and all his ransomed people in glory everlasting.

C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER Matthew 6:9-13

C: 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Matthew 26:26-28 1 Corinthians 11:24.25

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my (+) body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my (+) blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

M: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.



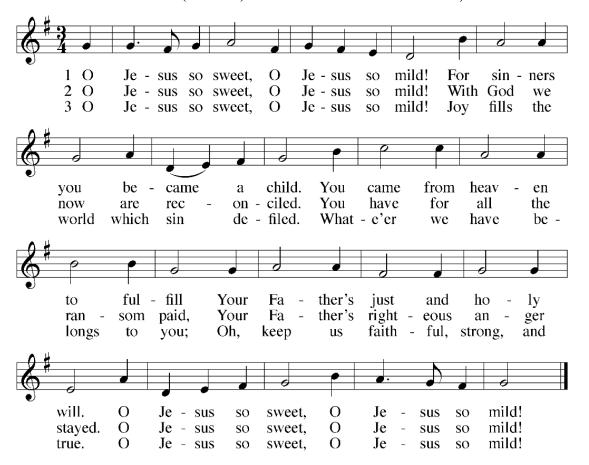
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DISTRIBUTION

In accordance with the Scriptural practice of closed Communion, we invite to the Sacrament of Christ's body and blood the communicant members of this congregation. We invite also the communicant members of our sister congregations in our fellowship (the WELS and the ELS) who have made their intention known to one of our pastors. We ask other guests in attendance to refrain from taking the Sacrament with us today, and we invite you to speak with a pastor about how you may join our fellowship and commune with us in the future.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN (CW 366)

O Jesus So Sweet, O Jesus So Mild



Text: Valentin Thilo, 1607-62, abr.; tr. Frieda Pietsch, alt.

Tune: O JESULEIN SUSS (10 8 88 10) Ausserlesene, Catholische, Geistliche Kirchengesäng, Köln, 1623, alt.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN (CW 70)

Help Us, O Lord, for Now We Enter



Text: Johann Rist, 1607–67, abr., adapt.; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt. Tune: ICH STERBE TÄGLICH (98 98 88) *Emskirchner Choralbuch*, Leipzig, 1756, alt.



M: We give you thanks, O Lord, for the foretaste of the heavenly banquet that you have given us to eat and to drink in this sacrament. Through this gift you have fed our faith, nourished our hope, and strengthened our love. By your Spirit help us to live as your holy people until that day when you will receive us as your guests at the wedding supper of the Lamb, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BLESSING Numbers 6:24-26

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.

C: Amen.

BE SEATED

CLOSING HYMN (CW 441:1, 4-6)

O God, Our Help in Ages Past (see page 21)

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O God, Our Help in Ages Past



6 O God, our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come, Still be our guard while troubles last And our eternal home!

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674-1748, abr., alt.

Tune: St. Anne (CM) William Croft, 1678-1727, alt.



Personal Prayer Before Communion:

Lord, I am not worthy to be a guest at your holy table. But you are the friend of sinners, and you will not cast me out. This bread is your body, which bore my sins upon the tree. This wine is your blood, which purifies me from all guilt. At your invitation, I come rejoicing. Receive me, my Savior.

Personal Prayer After Communion:

Thank you, Lord Jesus Christ, for nourishing me in this sacrament with your body and blood. You have given me forgiveness, life, and salvation. Let me always remain in you as a branch remains in the vine. Send me out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

O living Bread from heaven, how richly you have fed your guest! The gifts you now have given have filled my heart with joy and rest. Lord, grant me that thus strengthened with heavenly food, while here my course on earth is lengthened, I serve with holy fear. And when you call my spirit to leave this world below, I enter through your merit where joys unmingled flow.

Looking Ahead:

- January 1: Food Drive begins to support the DeForest/Windsor Food Pantry
- **January 7:** Take down Christmas trees, 9:00 am
- **January 19, 2023:** Red Cross Blood Drive at Lord of Love, 12:00 5:00 pm

Sunday January 1: First Sunday after Christmas Worship Services at 8:00 & 10:30 with Holy Communion

- Pastor Joel Jenswold
- Pianist: Kristin Huebner
- Councilmen: Joe Hornbeck (8:00) and Mitch Myhre (10:30)
- Ushers 8:00 am: Lynn Biwer and Roger LaGrange
- Ushers 10:30 am: Joshua Hodkiewicz and Greg Zeman
- Counters: Roger LaGrange and Greg Zeman
- Altar Guild: Sandy Heath/Sally Kaalberg A/V & Recording: Devin Anderson

Sunday January 8: Baptism of our Lord Worship Services at 8:00 & 10:30 with Holy Communion 9:15 am: Adult Bible study, Teen Group and Sunday School

- Pastor Joel Jenswold
- Pianist: Kristin Huebner
- Councilmen: Ryan Jaeger (8:00) and Jim Miller (10:30)
- Ushers 8:00 am: Bob Degnan and Gene Freund
- Ushers 10:30 am: The Heath Family
- Counters: Kim Bauer and Mike Wilson
- Refreshments: Volunteers needed
- Altar Guild: Sandy Heath/Sally Kaalberg A/V & Recording: RaeLyn Parker

Belated Happy Birthday: We wish God's blessings to Kathy Zech (12/27) and Marianne Ketelhohn (12/30) who celebrated their birthdays last week.

Happy Birthday: We wish God's blessings to Dar Raether (1/1), Mike Wilson (1/1), Sharon Freund (1/2), Linda Dobbins (1/3), Christian Rimmert (1/4), Gary Ruplinger (1/5), Brooklynn Tutaj (1/5), Heather Hurth (1/6) and Angela Bakken (1/7) as they celebrate their birthdays this week.

In Our Prayers: Fred Bakken, Joyce Hamburg (sister-in-law of Karen Tobison), Wyatt Kingsland, Roger LaGrange, Peter Leege, Marilyn Lund, Rose Lund and Peg Schroeder who are experiencing difficulties.

A special prayer for all our men & women who are serving in the Armed Forces. Among them are Shannon & Matthew Garrett, Sara Goss and John J. Schueman (son of Bonnie & John Schueman).

Offerings December 11 – 17:

• General Fund: \$16,359

Mortgage Reduction Fund: \$10

• Building Expansion Fund: \$330

• Carpet Installation (Wish List): \$118.50

• AV Projectors - Sanctuary (Wish List): \$618.50

Weekly amount to meet budgeted General Fund expenses: \$7,997



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(December 11 - 17, 2022: In the totals listed above, \$2,153 was given through Vanco to the general fund and \$50 to the building expansion fund.)