

PLYMOUTH LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Praise Music

Fourth Sunday in Advent December 19th, 2021

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|  Hymn: "As Each Happy Christmas" | | 43 |
| Announcements | | |
| Advent Candle Lighting | | The Dahlmeiers |
| Invocation | | |
| Scripture Reading: | MICAH 5:2-5a HEBREWS 10:5-10 | |
| Confession of Sin and Absolution | | |
| Pastoral Prayer | | |
| Offertory Prayer | | |
| The Pulpit Hymn: "Once in Royal David's City" | | 41 |
|  Sermon Text: | LUKE 1:39-56 | |
| The Sermon: | "Special Delivery" | Pr. Joel Baker |
| Nicene Creed | | |
| The Order of Holy Communion | | |
| | The Words of Institution | |
| | The Lord's Prayer | |
| | Hymn: "Lamb of God" | 166 |
| | Communion Hymns: 45, 44, 38 | |
| The Post-Communion Prayer | | |
|  Hymn: "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" | | 666 |
| The Benediction | | |
| Hymn: "O Come, Little Children" | | 37 |
| Postlude | | |



The Congregation stands

Please turn off cell phones during the service – thank you

ON OUR PRAYER LIST THIS WEEK (Please leave a note in the office of any additions or changes)

- ❖ **For Missionaries:** David & Sharon Matti, Lynton & Iona Silva, Daniel, Denisa & Luna Harcar, Phil, Cindy, Megan & Sarah Read, Trevor Rubenstein, David Gunderson, Bill Rogers, ALC Foreign Missions, Outpost Ministries.
- ❖ **MILITARY/POLICE OFFICERS—Pray for those Serving Our Communities & Country—**Jesse Maunu, John Saari, Gregg Johnson, Jason Leonard, Dominic Anspach, Ryan Pelkola, Jeff Ritter, Tim Miller, James O’Neill, Caleb Hendrickson, Ben Jenkins, Brandon Hietala, Zach B, Rose Stamp, Corey Anderson and Christopher Anderson
- ❖ **The family of:** Lil Mindermann (1/21)(Bette Hietala’s Sister), Eugene(Gene) Cordes (2/21), James Sunnarborg (Lulu Puumala’s brother)(2/21), Don Matti (2/21), Dale Maikkula (3/21), Duane Haataja (Jennie Haataja’s son)(4/21), Pr Orval Wirkkala (4/21), Cameron Besonen (4/21), Rodell Riemersma (Rich’s mom)(5/21), Aila Foltz (6/21)(pray for Pr Foltz & their family), Joan O’Brien (6/21), Barb Briggs (8/21)(pray for her family & Lorn Hilman), Elaine Krumholz Spika(8/21) (Bill Krumholz’ mom), Carol Besonen (9/21)(Lorraine’s sister-in-law), Louise Erva(10/21) (Jennifer’s mother), Marvin Barhorst(12/21)
- ❖ **Sharon Emery** – Healing and strength from severe arthritis and pinched spinal nerves.
- ❖ **Dan Puumala**- Blood supply to right eye/miraculous healing/infection/strength; healing of chronic extreme dry eye
- ❖ **Sara Graf** – Relief and healing from Crohn’s Disease and hormonal imbalance
- ❖ **Clayton Matti** – For physical, mental and spiritual healing of multiple disabilities, correct medication, continued signs of improvement
- ❖ **Pastor Charles Bergstedt** – Continued healing
- ❖ **Leann Bergstedt** - Prayers for treatment & healing of breast cancer
- ❖ **Roger Larson** – Healing
- ❖ **Ed Puumala** – inactive lymphoma
- ❖ **Cheryl Puumala** - only on immunotherapy; Pray for continued healing
- ❖ **Ed Pahkala** (Marlene’s brother)-In remission
- ❖ **Bonnie Rentz** (Marlene’s Sister)-heal stroke in eye & benign tumor in frontal lobe of brain.
- ❖ **Marlene Walters** – Prayers for healing & treatment of returned cancer
- ❖ **Mark Fredrickson**-(Lorraine’s Son-in-law) pray for physical & speech Therapy
- ❖ **Reuben Aho** – Praise for hearing in one ear; hearing for right ear
- ❖ **Anita Aho** – God’s healing, comfort, strength and protection for Reuben and Anita
- ❖ **Marc Geiselhart** – Recovery & healing from Stroke; return home
- ❖ **Lorrie (Mike) Kandoll (Ryan’s Mom)** – Healing
- ❖ **Earl Rokala** – Prayers for healing
- ❖ **Sally Roebke** – Healing from seizures; peace; Doctors wisdom
- ❖ **Terri Bloomquist** – Praise for Healing from cellulitis; pray for continued healing of skin.
- ❖ **Myrna Maikkula** – Pray that Myrna would be a bold witness of God’s love to all she will meet on this second cancer journey and also for her family.
- ❖ **Connie Liverett** – treatment for a disease; health
- ❖ **Karen Christopherson** – Drs Wisdom & healing, praise for God’s hand in all planning
- ❖ **Jeff & Anne Bodin-(Niece to Jack Bergstedt)** Jeff surgery for lung cancer, healing & comfort
- ❖ **Pr Foltz** – healing
- ❖ **Audrey Krutzig** – healing; Praise that she is home
- ❖ **Carmen Kandoll** – Healthy pregnancy
- ❖ **Pray for Pastor of the Week – Pastor Andy Whitten**
- ❖ **Pray for our Country;** Peace of Jerusalem (Psalm 122:6-7)/For the Unreached People Groups/Persecuted Church (Heb 13:3), ALC Balm of Gilead, Nigerian Church, Sharon
- ❖ Silent Prayer

PRAYER UPON ENTERING CHURCH

¹ I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the LORD."

Psalm 122:1



Meditation Scriptures for this Week: Luke 1

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father

Confession:

Dear Heavenly Father, we bow before You to confess that we have sinned against You in our words, actions and our thoughts. We come to ask Your forgiveness and to seek Your great mercy. We come to You in the merits of Jesus Christ, not our own. Look not upon our sins, or our iniquity, but wash us in the blood of Jesus Christ so that we may be clean before You. This we pray in His Name, Amen.

Absolution

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us. The promise of Scripture is that whoever confesses his sins to the Lord will receive forgiveness through the faithfulness and righteousness of Christ. God grant that this may be the experience of us all. On the other hand, I declare to the impenitent and unbelieving, that so long as they continue in their impenitence, God has not forgiven their sins, and will assuredly visit their iniquities upon them, if they do not turn from their evil ways, and come to true repentance and faith in Christ, before the day of grace ends

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, Begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very God, Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By whom all things were made: Who for us, and for our salvation, came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the virgin Mary, And was made man; And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures, And ascended into heaven, And is seated on the right hand of the Father. And He shall come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead: Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, The Lord and Giver of Life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spoke by the Prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for remission of sins. And I look for the Resurrection of the dead, And the Life of the world to come. Amen.



WE WELCOME TO HOLY COMMUNION

all who believe in Jesus Christ as personal Savior and who believe that at the Lord's table we receive His true Body and Blood for the forgiveness of sins. If you will not be communing but desire a blessing, please indicate the same to those serving Holy Communion. Grape juice is also available upon request.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Dec 22nd & 29th – No Morning or evening Bible Studies

Dec 24th – Christmas Eve Service @ 3:00pm

Dec 26 & Jan 2 – No Sunday School or Bible study

Jan 3rd – Nominations meeting

Jan 9th – Movie afternoon @ 12:15pm “The Chosen”

Jan 22nd – Annual Meeting @ 1:00pm

Upcoming:

Coffee Serving:

Dec 19 – Janis Saari

Dec 26 – Susan Baker

Jan 2 – Susan Baker

Jan 9 – Volunteer

Nursery Schedule:

Dec 19 – Volunteer

Dec 26 – Volunteer

Jan 2 – Volunteer

Jan 9 - Volunteer

Call Committee Request:

As we begin our formal search for a new senior pastor to lead our congregation we ask that anyone with a potential candidate referral please reach out to a member of the call committee. A full list of pastoral duties can be found in the church bylaws. (Copies on the Narthex desk)

Call committee members are: Brad Aho, Stacey Wempen, Steve Dahlmeier, Noel Walters, Roy Saari, Scott Maikkula and Larry Wahala.

Wednesday Evening Bible Study @ the church:



Wednesday's 6:30-7:30pm (In-person)

Dec 22 & 29– No Bible study

Jan 5 - “What Jesus Demands from the World”

see Pr Joel with questions.



Nicole Bartell is returning to the mission field with YWAM in

December. If you would like to support her, make your donation out to the church and make a note that it's for **Mexico-Nicole Bartell.**

Friday, December 24th

3:00pm Christmas Eve Candle Light Service



SafeFlame Flameless Hand Held LED Flickering Amber Battery Candles will be used this year



Advent Readers Needed

If your family is interested in participating in the Advent candle lighting, a volunteer is needed for Christmas Eve: **Dec 24th**
There is a sign-up sheet on the Desk in the Narthex.

Christmas Eve Service Readers Needed

If you are interested in participating in the Christmas Eve Service, please contact Pr. Joel or just sign-up.



1 Volunteer is needed.

There is a sign-up sheet on the Desk in the Narthex.

BUDGETARY INPUT NEEDED

In preparation for our budget meetings, The Board of Trustees is asking input regarding any specific items you believe should be included in our 2022 Budget. Specific requests, comments, and ideas should be given in writing to the following individuals: For Mission and Evangelism suggestions: contact Ryan Kandoll. For Building and Grounds: contact Noel Walters. For Christian Ed: contact Earl Christopherson. For all other General Budgetary suggestions: contact Larry Walters.

Nomination Meeting

Please note that the Board Nominations Meeting is on January 2nd, 2022 following the worship service. If you are unable to attend this meeting but would like to make a nomination please speak with a member of the board in advance of the meeting. Board Members up for re-election are: Ryan Kandoll, Larry Walters, & Scott Maikkula.

Thank You. – The Board of Trustees

Annual Meeting

Saturday, January 22nd at 1:00pm in the Sanctuary

Please plan on attending.

- Annual Meeting Reports are due on January 2nd
- **Reports can be submitted to the secretary by email:**
secretary@plymouthapostolic.org.
- The Board encourages members to provide input before January 2nd on any items they would like addressed at the Annual Meeting.
- Please place any agenda suggestions in Kevin Wempen's box in the office



POINSETTIAS

In Loving Memory of:

- Jana, Jill & Jack – Joyce Tibbs
- Rebekka & Luuk Wahala – Larry & Sharon Wahala
- Dee Walters Salguero & Joshua Salguero – Larry & Evy Walters
- Jenny & Aale Pesola, Elaine & George Krumholz – Bill & Phyllis Krumholz
- Edwin Puumala – Lulu Puumala
- Albert Saari & Calvin Nausko – Janis Saari
- Jack & Rick Hurula – Brad & Bev Aho
- Don & Lil – Bette Hietala
- Melissa & Our Parents: Ed, Ellen & Louis – Marilyn & Steve Dahlmeier

In Honor of:

- Our Grandchildren – Pastor Joel & Susan
- Our Children & Grandchildren – Noel & Kris Walters
- Our Family and Loved Ones – Rueben & Anita Aho
- Loved Ones – Judy McDonald
- Mother Annette, Children & Grandchildren: John, Lisa & Audrey, Jason, Toni, Grace, Mercy, Justice, Jubilee & Glory – Marilyn & Steve Dahlmeier

The white poinsettia on the altar is in memory and honor of loved ones who have passed away



POINSETTIAS



There is a signup sheet for those wishing to donate one of the beautiful poinsettias on the Altar for Christmas in honor or memory of a loved one.

The cost is \$12.00.

Please write "Flower Fund" in the memo line.



*Have a Joyous Christmas 2021
And
Blessed New Year 2022,*

*Filled With the Happiness and the Peace of Christ
To All Our P.L.C. Members and Friends
From the Following Persons:*

Pr. Joel & Susan Baker

Pam Bielinski

Bill & Phyllis Krumholz

Roy Saari

Joyce Tibbs & Stewart Lee

Noel & Kris Walters and Family

"With Love, wishing you a Blessed Christmas and New Year."

-Brad & Bev Aho

Merry Christmas Dear Friends -Kevin & MaryKay Myrnel

*Have a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year – God Bless
You!*

-Lloyd & Marlene Walters and Family



Christmas Card Greeting Fund

Please make a note with how you would like your name to appear and place it in the collection plate with your offering.

Please write "Greeting Fund" in the memo line.

NEW PRAYER CHAIN – plcprayerchain2021@gmail.com

Church E-MAIL - secretary@plymouthapostolic.org

WEBSITE - www.plymouthapostolic.org

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY

Ushers:

Larry Walters Noel Walters

Brian Bartell Volunteer

Counters:

Erik & Cynthia Aho

Kris Walters / Volunteer

Sound Technician: Roy Saari

Coffee fellowship: Janis Saari

Nursery:

Volunteer

Greeters:

Volunteer

Van Driver:

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE NEXT SUNDAY

Ushers:

Larry Walters Noel Walters

Brian Bartell Volunteer

Counters:

Larry Walters/ Judy McDonald

Kris Walters / Volunteer

Sound Technician: Roy Saari

Coffee fellowship: Susan Baker

Nursery:

Volunteer

Greeters:

Volunteer

Van Driver:

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

TODAY (12/19)

9:15am Sunday School\ Bible Study

10:30am Worship Service with Communion
in person, on YouTube &
Facebook

11:30am Coffee Fellowship

WEDNESDAY (12/22) No Ladies Bible Study

No Bible Study

FRIDAY (12/24)

3:00pm Christmas Eve Service

SATURDAY (12/25) CHRISTMAS DAY

NEXT SUNDAY (12/26) 10:30am Worship Service with in person,
on YouTube & Facebook

11:30am Abbreviated Communion

11:30am Coffee Fellowship

