



Sunday, December 7, 2025
9:30 AM Worship Service

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Opening Song:

On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry
- LSB 344 (1-5)

Dedication of the Advent Candelabra

Almighty Father, Bless the Word - LSB 923 (3)

Lighting of the Advent Candle, Advent Verse

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel - LSB 357 (2)

Confession and Absolution

Share Grace

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 11:1-3a, 6-10 (pg. 683, ESV)

("There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse.")

Epistle Reading: Romans 15:8-13 (pg. 1128, ESV)

("May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing.")

Gospel Reading: Matthew 3:4-12 (pg. 960, ESV)

("The voice of one crying in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord.'")

Message Song: God Is Good

Message: "Even If... Life Makes No Sense"

- Pastor Doug Widger

Apostles' Creed

Connection Points

Offering/Handbell Quartet: The Lord Bless You and Keep You

Communion

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus - LSB 338 (1-2)

Hark the Glad Sound - LSB 349 (1-4)

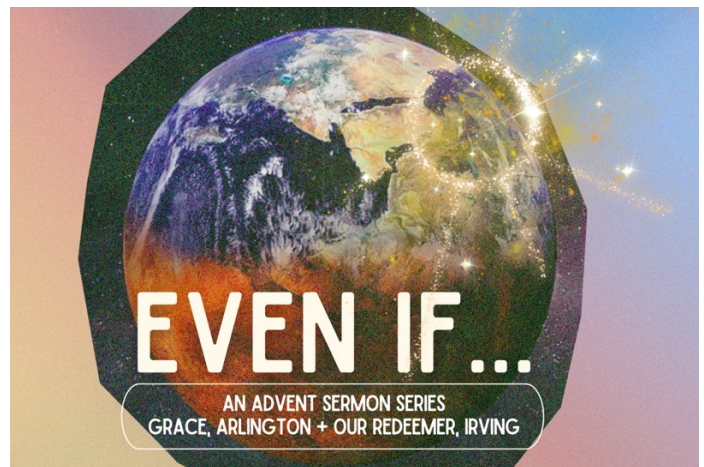
Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming - LSB 359 (1-4)

Prayers of the Church / Lord's Prayer

Ways to Follow Jesus

Benediction

Sending Song: Prepare the Royal Highway - LSB 343 (1-4)



Altar Flowers given by:

Walt Baumann,
In honor and
in memory
of his wife,
Diane



**In
Loving
MEMORY**

**The new
Advent Candelabra
is a gift from the
Cook Family
in remembrance of
Sid, our beloved
husband, father,
and G'Dad.**



**The Sign Up Sheet
is posted
on the Narthex
hallway bulletin board
to honor or remember
a loved one.
Each plant is \$11.**

~ Sundays @ 10:45 a.m. ~

- ♦ Pastor Widger's Bible Class: Colossians - MR2
- ♦ Jim Runzheimer's Bible Class:
"Wonder-Fully Made"- Meeting Room 1
- ♦ Young Adults Class: "Mere Christianity" study
- Conference Room
- ♦ Biblical Parenting Group - GLEE Wing
- ♦ Grace Youth (Grades 9 - 12) - Youth Shed
- ♦ Confirmation (Grades 5 - 8) - Meeting Room 4
- ♦ Grace Kids (Preschool 4's/Kinder, Grades 1-4)
- Preschool Wing Classrooms
- ♦ Babies - 3 year olds - Nursery
(throughout the morning)
Comfort & Nursing Rooms are available.

* Classes in RED: in Christmas Program rehearsal 12/7/25

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Sunday, December 7, 2025

- 8:45 AM Joybells Rehearsal - Sanctuary
- 9:30 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
- 10:45 AM Christmas Program Dress Rehearsal - Sanctuary
- 10:45 AM Bible Classes for all ages (Youth/Kids in Dress Rehearsal)
- 12:00 PM Spanish Worship Service - Sanctuary
- 1:30 PM Catechesis - Hispanic Ministry office

Tuesday, December 9, 2025

- 6:00 PM Board of Directors Meeting - Conference Room
- 6:30 PM Women's Choir Rehearsal - Music Room
- 7:00 PM Strat Op's Meeting - will meet via Zoom
- 7:30 PM Coed Community Basketball - Gym

Wednesday, December 10, 2025

- 6:30 PM Advent Service - Sanctuary
- 6:30 PM Grace Kids (Elementary) - Meeting Room 4
- 6:30 PM Grace Youth - Youth Shed
- 6:30 PM ESL Classes
- 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal - Music Room

Thursday, December 11, 2025

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Thursday, December 11th,

12:00 PM in Meeting Room 2: Ugly Christmas Sweaters, White Elephant gift exchange, & lunch! *Bring a \$5-10 gift.*
Contact Lisa Woolsten for more information.



Friday, December 12, 2025

- 6:00 PM Spanish Bible Study - Conference Room

Saturday, December 13, 2025

- 9:00 AM Altar Guild
- 10:00 AM Bible Journaling will meet via Zoom.
Karen Widger will lead a Bible study on Hannah. For additional information, contact Karen Widger, Jessica Nieves or Allison Roth.
- 6:00 PM **Posada Navideña**

Sunday, December 14, 2025

- 8:45 AM Joybells Rehearsal - Sanctuary
- 9:30 AM Worship Service, **with the Children's Christmas Program: "The Forgotten Gift"** - Sanctuary
- 10:45 AM Bible Classes for all ages
- 12:00 PM Spanish Worship Service - Sanctuary
- 5:30 PM Grace Youth Christmas Party (grades 5-12) - The Nieves's home



Jim Runzheimer's Sunday morning Bible Class will meet in Meeting Room 1 until further notice.



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Pastor Steve Roth, Community Care
Dr. Serena Pace, DCE, Director of Ministries
Mr. William Land, Worship Director
Mrs. Laura Scott, Director of Early Education
Rev. Dr. Russell Hildebrandt, Pastor Emeritus

PLEASE CHECK IN!

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Scan the QR code or type the link above to check in, submit prayer



Posada Navideña

Christmas carols | Procession | Piñatas | Special dinner

An evening for the whole family, filled with faith, hope, and Christmas spirit.

December 13, 2025
Starting at 6:00 p.m.

Grace Youth CHRISTMAS PARTY

FOOD · HOT COCOA · COOKIE DECORATING · & MORE

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14 | 5:30PM

GRADES 5-12

THE NIEVES HOME

CONTACT SERENA FOR ADDRESS & QUESTIONS

ELDERS AND THEIR ASSIGNED MEMBERS

Joe Masterson	A-B
Hank Jacobs	C-E
Keith Mangels	F-H
Mike Kennedy	I-L
Mike Curtis	M-O
Ernie Owens	P-R
Brian Bassett	S
Ernie Owens	T-Z
Head Elder: Joe Masterson	