

HAINESVILLE LUTHERAN CHURCH

an ELCA Congregation



Sunday, November 27th, 2022
First Sunday of Advent
"The Little Church with a Big Heart"

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP at HAINESVILLE LUTHERAN CHURCH. *We're glad you're here. If you are visiting with us, please sign a visitor card and place it in the offering plate. We thank you for joining us in worship and pray that our time together is a blessing to you. And.... please join us for our weekly fellowship brunch after worship. There's always plenty and you are always invited. If you are looking for a faith community, we would be pleased to have you call HVLC your "church home".*

PRELUDE AND RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME AND STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

FAMILY ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING (Reese Sund and family)

HYMN *"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"* **ELW 257, verse 1**

**O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel,
that mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel.**

R At every beginning there is a yearning for the one who is coming.
 O Emmanuel,

C **Wake us up to your coming.**

R We gather together to expect the unexpected and imagine the unimaginable.
 O Emmanuel,

C **Wake us up to your coming.**

R We wait for the day when God will recycle tanks into tractors
 and transform minefields into soccer fields. O Emmanuel,

C **Wake us up to your coming.**

R We stay awake by telling stories that offer a glimmer of a future
 and agitate dormant hope within us. O Emmanuel,

C **Wake us up to your coming.**

R Jesus, we welcome your presence now with the lighting of this candle,
 whose flame brings warmth to winter and fills this place with the glow of hope.

C **Amen.**

Light the first candle.

HYMN *"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"* **ELW 257, verse 3**

**O come, O come, O Lord of might, as to your tribes on Sinai's height
in ancient times you gave the law in cloud, and majesty, and awe.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel.**

CHILDREN'S CHAT AND NOISY OFFERING FOR WORLD HUNGER

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS *(please remain seated)*

P Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, who alone does wondrous things.

C **Blessed be God's name forever. Amen.**

P Beloved, now is the time to wake from sleep. Let us confront our sins, and confess them to the one who is merciful and just.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P God of new beginnings,

C **we confess that we have not welcomed your holy reign. We have strayed from your paths. We prepare for war instead of peace. We dishonor one another and your creation. Purify us with your refining fire and set us again on your way of love, that we may bear fruit worthy of repentance, and welcome your coming among us. Amen.**

P People of God, a new thing is growing in our midst, a tender branch, a living sign. By water and the Spirit you are joined to this wonder. You have put on ✝ Christ, and your sins have been washed away. Rejoice in the way of the Lord.

C **Amen.**

GREETING *(please stand as you are able)*

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

KYRIE

HYMN #157

The musical notation is presented on two staves. The top staff is labeled 'Leader' and the bottom staff is labeled 'Assembly'. Both staves are in the key of G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The Leader's part begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp, and a 4/4 time signature. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes, with a final quarter rest. The Assembly's part begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp, and a 4/4 time signature. It consists of a single quarter note followed by a half note, then a quarter note, and finally a quarter note.

Leader
In peace, in peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Assembly
Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have

For the reign of God, and for
mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

peace through-out the world, for the u-ni-ty of all, let us pray to the

Lord. For your
Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

peo - ple here who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your

word, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have

Help, save, and de - fend us, O God.
mer - cy. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

A Let us pray. Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come.

C **By your merciful protection save us from the threatening dangers of our sins, and enlighten our walk in the way of your salvation, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

(you may be seated)

FIRST READING: Isaiah 2:1-5

¹The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

²In days to come the mountain of the LORD's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains,

and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it.³ Many peoples shall come and say,

"Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths."

For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

⁴He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

⁵O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the LORD!

R The Word of the Lord **C** **Thanks be to God**

PSALM: Psalm 122 *(read responsively)*

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

²**Now our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem.**

³Jerusalem is built as a city that is at unity with itself;

⁴**to which the tribes go up, the tribes of the LORD, the assembly of Israel, to praise the name of the LORD.**

⁵For there are the thrones of judgment, the thrones of the house of David.

⁶**Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: "May they prosper who love you.**

⁷Peace be within your walls and quietness within your towers.

⁸**For the sake of my kindred and companions, I pray for your prosperity.**

⁹Because of the house of the LORD our God, I will seek to do you good."

SECOND READING: Romans 13:11-14

¹¹Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; ¹²the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; ¹³let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. ¹⁴Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

R Word of God, Word of Life C Thanks be to God

GOSPEL: Matthew 24:36-44 *(please stand as you are able)*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 24th chapter

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said to the disciples,] ³⁶“About that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. ³⁷For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. ³⁸For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, ³⁹and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. ⁴⁰Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. ⁴¹Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. ⁴²Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. ⁴³But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁴Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.”

P The Gospel of the Lord C Praise to you O Christ.

GOD’S WORD FOR TODAY

Pastor Mary Lou Plummer

HYMN OF THE DAY “*Awake, Awake, and Greet the New Morn*” **HYMN #242**
(please stand as you are able)

APOSTLES CREED

P Let us confess our faith in the words of the Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

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

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was

buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,

the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.** *(please share Christ's peace with one another)*
(you may be seated)

OFFERING

OFFERTORY *(please stand as you are able)* *"Create in Me"*

HYMN #186

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit with me. Cast

me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.

Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.

OFFERING PRAYER

P God our provider, we bring nothing into this world and we can take nothing out of it. Accept the gifts you have first given us, which we bring to your table, and with them the offering of our lives. Nourish us now with the life that really is life, revealed to us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen.**

PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

P Keeping awake as we watch for Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

RESPONSE TO PRAYER

P

God, in your mercy

C

Hear our prayer

Hannah (Alberts), Rusty (Allen), Lindsay (A), Tom (Angermeier), Devin (Bartos), Karen & Del (Brewer), Sharon (Burr), Eugene (Clark), Danielle (Davis), Carol (Dennis), Emery (Freiberg), Ruth (Grainger), Ellen (Groenwoldt), Mathilde &

Richard (Hannemann), Vicki (Hannemann), Shari (Krueger), Ellie (Krull), Linda (M), Larry (Mallien), Joe (May), Francine (Meyer), Ken (Overland), Jodi (P), Matthew (Rocque), Alice (Rocque-Angermeier), Hans (Sawitzki), Eric (Thorson), Kari (Uetz), Jim (Vogel), Nick (Vogel), Jeanine, Joe, and the family of Troy Schiesser.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

C **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen**

SENDING HYMN

“Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers”

HYMN #244

THE BENEDICTION AND SENDING FORTH

P May God, who gathers us in love, lead you in pathways of righteousness and justice. May God, who knows us more deeply than we know ourselves, lead you in pathways of forgiveness and freedom. May God, who fills us with good things, lead you in pathways of equity and abundance. The blessing of the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, be upon you and remain with you forever.

C **Amen.**

P Go in peace. Prepare your hearts for the coming of Christ.

C **THANKS BE TO GOD.... AND WE WILL!**

POSTLUDE

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*In the event of weather related closings at church—
please listen to WDOR for cancellation notices and check our Facebook page*

Stewardship Opportunities

Nov 27th—Dec 4th

Today the fellowship meal is being provided by people whose last name begins with A-K. Next Sunday there will be a chicken dinner provided. *Visitors and members alike are welcome to share in our fellowship meals. Come on down.... And get to know your neighbors and friends.*

Week at a Glance Nov 27th—Dec 4th

Tuesday 9 AM

Quilting "CCC" - a great time to help those less fortunate and enjoy the company of church family

Wednesday 8 AM

Men's Bible study & breakfast

Friday 9 AM– Noon

Office hours for Lana

Saturday 9:30 HELP DECORATE THE CHURCH

Attendance last week: 41

Birthdays for December

Dec 1st Hans Sawitzki
Dec 4th Kimberly Heindl

Serving in worship today (November 27th)

Presiding minister: Pastor Mary Lou Plummer
Liturgist: Jim Hanstad
Reader: Gloria LaPlante
Ushers: Gloria & Gene LaPlante
Advent Candle: Reese Sund
Keyboard: Heidi Hintz

Serving in worship next Sunday (December 4th)

Presiding minister: Pastor David Raben
Liturgist: Jim Hanstad
Reader: Marie Weber
Ushers: John Breider & John Melland
Advent Candle: Delany Wilke
Keyboard: Peggy Odegaard

Reading for next week December 4th (2nd Sunday in Advent)

Isaiah 2:1-5 Weapons of war transformed into instruments of peace

Psalm 122 I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the LORD." (Ps. 122:1)

Romans 13:11-14 Salvation is near; time to wake from sleep

Matthew 24:36-44 The sudden coming of the Son of Man

Dec 6th	Ellie Fawcett
Dec 7th	Sandy Swagel
Dec 11th	Daylia Sund
Dec 12th	Jeff Gutschow
	David Grunwald
	Emily Hanson
Dec 13th	Bill Nusbaum
Dec 15th	Jeff Espe
Dec 16th	Lyle Berndt
	Becca Larson
Dec 18th	Bob Larson
Dec 20th	Colleen Melland
Dec 21st	Dave Freier
Dec 22nd	Bill Albert
Dec 27th	Rick Hannemann
Dec 31st	William Markham

Anniversaries for December

Dec 3rd MarJean & Jerry Gutschow

Bake Sale Dec 18 here at church.

Plan on buying your Christmas goodies in time for the holidays.

SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The church council is calling a special congregational meeting to be held directly following worship on December 4, 2022. The purpose of this meeting will be to vote on a new Part-Time Pastor. This vote will be the only thing that will be discussed at this time. Please plan on being here to take part in an important next step in the life of our congregation.

SECRET SANTA

SHHHHH It is that time of the year again when we think about those less fortunate than ourselves. We are again adopting a family in the community to help make the Christmas of those children more bright. There are donation boxes in the basement or you can simply put a check in the offering plate with Secret Santa on the memo line and we will see that it goes to the correct place. Thank you so much in advance for your generosity. Donations must be in by December 4th.

**DECORATE THE SANTUARY SAT
DECEMBER 3RD AT 9:30 am**

CHRISTMAS LUNCH CELEBRATION

The WELCA is hosting a Christmas Celebration on December 13th at noon. There will be lunch, fellowship, and bring a \$10.00 or less gift for exchange. Food Sign-up sheet in the basement.

Salvation Army bell-ringing in Sturgeon Bay area begins soon

The Thanksgiving and Christmas seasons will be upon us soon! With them comes the sound of The Salvation Army ringing bell! Let's help our neighbors in need by volunteering to ring! Door County families needing emergency assistance and shoes for children returning to school benefit from the proceeds from local bell-ringing, and your help is needed! Volunteer to ring at one of many locations in Door County. It's fun and rewarding! Ringing starts Friday, November 18th and runs through December 24th. Early ringers are especially needed. Sign up to ring on line at registertoring.com or contact Nancy Kexel-Calabresa 920-883-7886 or nakc1@icloud.com for questions and to sign up.

The public is invited to attend Jean Watson in concert Sunday, November 27 at Friends Community Church (204 W. Maple, Sturgeon Bay). It's a great way to kick off the Advent season—with Jean's beautiful singing, masterful instrumentals and powerful storytelling. The concert is at 3:00pm. Plan to come early to secure your seat!

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	Oct	Budget	Variance	YTD	Budget	Variance
Offerings	4,070	5,889	(1,819)	55,725	58,890	(3,165)
Total Income	7,726	6,572	1,154	73,446	65,717	7,729
Total Expenses	3,740	6,572	(2,832)	62,700	65,720	(3,020)

**Additional Income for Stain Glass Windows and Water Softener System