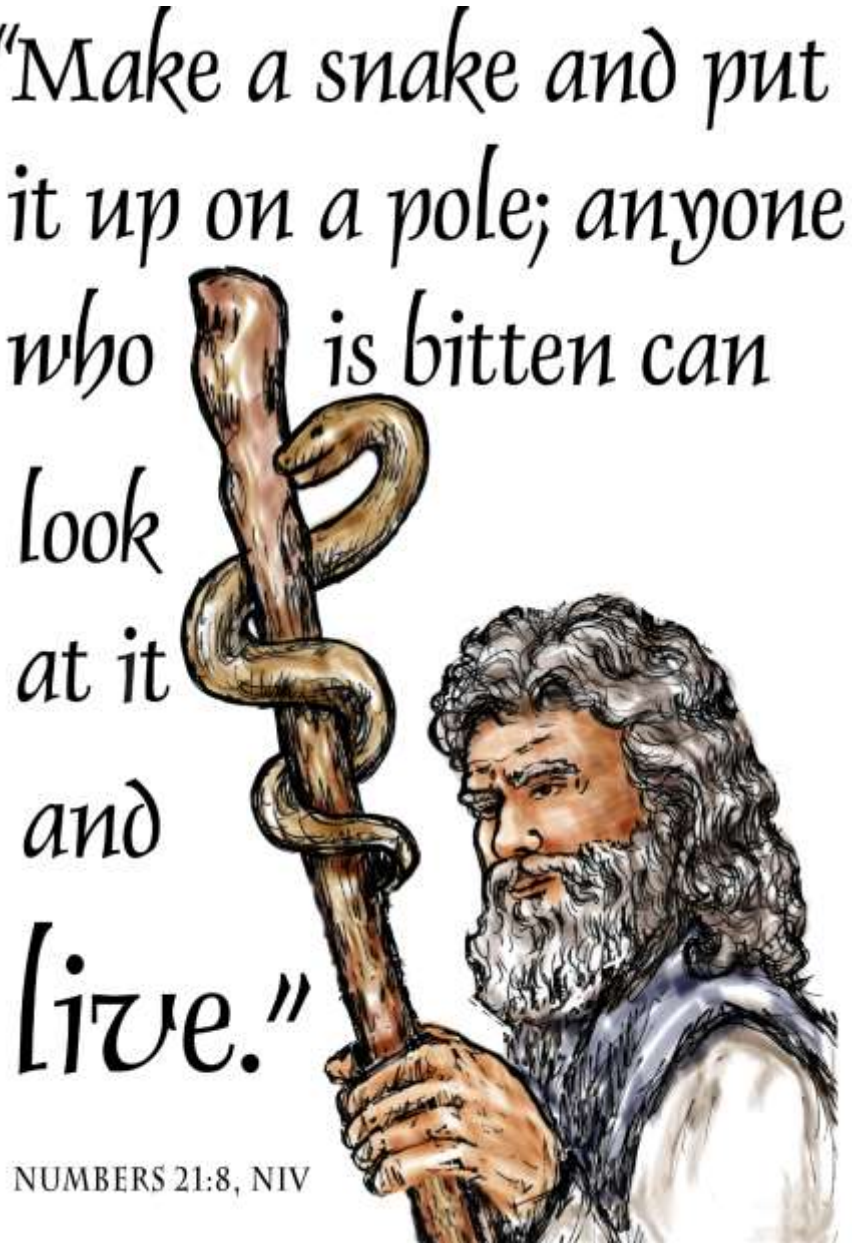


ADVENT ONE

Luther Memorial Church. . . . . November 29, 2026

LUTHER MEMORIAL CHURCH

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Divine Worship 10am
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ADVENT ONE

November 29, 2026

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP:

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PRAYERS: 45 (Pg. 106); **51** (Pg. 107).
HYMNS: 62 91:1-4 91:6-9 90

OPENING PRAYER

OPENING HYMN: 62 - *"Oh, Come, Oh, Come, Emmanuel"*

A SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT (WS Pg. 12)

Pastor: In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Congregation: Amen.

Pastor: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve Him as His dear children. But we have disobeyed Him and deserve only His wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to Him and plead for His mercy.

Congregation: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against You and do not deserve to be called Your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to Your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

P: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, He has removed your guilt forever. You are His own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to His will.
C: Amen.

C: ♫ Lord, have mercy on us.
Christ, have mercy on us.
Lord, have mercy on us.

C: ♫ Glory to God, we give You thanks and praise;
Of heav'nly joy and peace on earth we sing.
We worship You, to You our hearts we raise,
Lord God, almighty Father, heav'nly King.

♫ Lord Jesus Christ, the Father's only Son,
You bore for us the load of this world's sin.
O Lamb of God, Your glorious vict'ry won,
Receive our prayer, grant us Your peace within.

♫ Alone, O Christ, You only are the Lord,
At God's right hand in majesty most high:
Who, with the Spirit worshiped and adored,
With all the heav'n-ly host we glorify.

Pastor: Let us pray...
"...through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever." **"Amen."**

ADVENT CANDLE: PROPHECY CANDLE

HYMN: 91:1-4 - *"Let the Earth Now Praise the Lord"*

OT LESSON: ISAIAH 62:10-12

10 Go through, go through the gates; prepare the way for the people; build up, build up the highway; clear it of stones; lift up a signal over the peoples. **11** Behold, the Lord has proclaimed to the end of the earth: Say to the daughter of Zion, "Behold, your salvation comes; behold, his reward is with him, and his recompense before him." **12** And they shall be called The Holy People, The Redeemed of the Lord; and you shall be called Sought Out, A City Not Forsaken. *

EPISTLE LESSON: ROMANS 13:11-14

11 Besides this you know the time, that the hour has come for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed. **12** The night is far gone; the day is at hand. So then let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light.

[13] Let us walk properly as in the daytime, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and sensuality, not in quarreling and jealousy. [14] But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires. *

GOSPEL LESSON: JOHN 18:36-37

[36] Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not of this world. If my kingdom were of this world, my servants would have been fighting, that I might not be delivered over to the Jews. But my kingdom is not from the world." [37] Then Pilate said to him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this purpose I was born and for this purpose I have come into the world—to bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth listens to my voice." *

THE ALLELUIA:

Pastor: Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it.

Congregation:

♫ **Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! These words are written that we may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

CONFESSION OF FAITH: 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.

HYMN: 91:6-9 - *"Let the Earth Now Praise the Lord"*

THE SERMON: **NUMBERS 21:4-9**

4 Then they journeyed from Mount Hor by the Way of the Red Sea,
to go around the land of Edom; and the soul of the people became
very discouraged on the way. 5 And the people spoke against God
and against Moses: "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to
die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and our
soul loathes this worthless bread." 6 So the LORD sent fiery serpents
among the people, and they bit the people; and many of the people
of Israel died. 7 Therefore the people came to Moses, and said, "We
have sinned, for we have spoken against the LORD and against you;
pray to the LORD that He take away the serpents from us." So Moses
prayed for the people. 8 Then the LORD said to Moses, "Make a fiery
serpent, and set it on a pole; and it shall be that everyone who is
bitten, when he looks at it, shall live." 9 So Moses made a bronze
serpent, and put it on a pole; and so it was, if a serpent had bitten
anyone, when he looked at the bronze serpent, he lived. **

ADVENT ANIMALS…THE SERPENT

THE OFFERTORY

♫ **Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence. Take not Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation. Uphold with Your Spirit free.**

THE OFFERINGS OF THANKFUL HEARTS

We express our thanksgiving for what the Savior Jesus has done for us by supporting His Work with our time, talents and gifts. Should you wish to leave a gift, there are offering plates in the rear of the sanctuary. As our gifts are brought forward to His Altar, we sing His Praise.

THE OFFERING HYMN (TLH 441:1-2)

♫ **We give Thee but Thine own, Whate'er the gift may be;**
All that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.

♫ **May we Thy bounties thus As stewards true receive**
And gladly, as Thou blessest us, To Thee our first-fruits give!

PRAYER(S) THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE BENEDICTION: (Pastor) **CONGREGATION: "Amen."**

CLOSING HYMN: 90 - *"Come, Your Hearts and Voices Raising"*

Welcome to all of our guests and visitors this morning in Jesus' name. We are glad that you have come to worship with us this morning, and hope that you will return and join us again. If you have any questions about our church or are interested in learning more about the Scriptures, please either speak with the pastor or with an usher on the way out.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

November 29, 2026

THIS MORNING

Sanctuary Church Decoration: Those who are able are asked to remain this morning after worship and decorate the church sanctuary.

THIS WEEK

Wednesday: Midweek Advent Worship 6pm
Thursday: LH Confirmation 3:30pm; LH Advent Worship 6pm
Sunday: LM Christmas Practice 9am; LM Worship 10am;
Fellowship Hour hosted by the Stubbs
LH Worship 12:30pm; Advent by Candlelight 3pm.

UPCOMING EVENTS

The Mission Committee is planning the following events for 2026-27:

- ✓ ***Christmas Decorating –*** *Sunday November 29th after Worship*
- ✓ ***Christmas Caroling –*** *Sunday December 20th 2:15pm*
- ✓ ***Bowling Outing*** *– Friday January 8th at 6:30pm (Ledgeview)*
- ✓ ***Hockey Night*** *– Saturday February 27th at 8pm (FDL Bears)*

GENERAL BUDGET

The 2026 General Budget has been set by the Voters in our Annual Meeting at: $120,120.00. We have thus far received: $122.155.53 toward that budget.

COOPERATIVE BUDGET PLEDGE

We have pledged to send $25,000 to support the work of the LORD in our church body, the Church of the Lutheran Confession in 2026-27. This fiscal year runs from July 1, 2026-June 30, 2027. Thus far we have received $ 8,805.00 toward that pledge.

NEED TO STEP OUT?

If you need to step out to tend to one of your children you can continue watching the service on your phone. Hang in there. You are doing a great job! Simply scan this QR Code to watch the service on your smartphone.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER'S MEETING

The Sunday School Teachers will meet briefly after worship this morning to receive the Christmas Parts for their students in the Conference Room.

POINSETTIAS

Those wishing to purchase Poinsettias should sign up on the bulletin board by no later than December 2nd. Please also pay for the Poinsettias by clearly marking it on your church envelope. Thank you.

SHOVELLING CREW

We are looking to put our shoveling crew schedule together. If you are willing to help (which involves snow blowing the front sidewalk and each of the entrances, rotating by snow storm) please sign up on the bulletin board.

MIDWEEK ADVENT SERVICES

Our Midweek Advent Services this year begin this coming Wednesday, December 2nd at 6pm. Our Midweek Advent Services this year will take a look at the Savior who is described as: Our Potter, Our Shepherd and Our Branch.

CHRISTMAS PRACTICES

Our Christmas Practices will be at 9am on the first three Sundays in December (6, 13, 20) to prepare for the Christmas Eve Service on Thursday December 24th at 6pm. Since our practice precedes worship, we ask that students be a little early, no later than 9am.

UPCOMING ADVENT/CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

- *Wednesday November 25th 6pm – Thanksgiving Eve Worship*
- *Sunday November 29, 10am – Advent One*
- *Wednesday December 2nd 6pm – Midweek Advent Worship #1*
- *Sunday December 6th 10am – Advent Two*
- *Wednesday December 9th 6pm – Midweek Advent Worship #2*
- *Sunday December 13th 10am – Advent Three*
- *Wednesday December 16th 6pm – Midweek Advent Worship #3*
- *Sunday December 20th 10am – Advent Four*
- *Thursday December 24th 6pm – Christmas Eve Worship*
- *Friday December 25th 10am – Christmas Day Worship*
- *Sunday December 27th 10am – Sunday after Christmas*
- *Thursday December 31st – 6pm New Year's Eve Communion Service*

KINSHIP SPONSORS NEEDED - After the CLC declared fellowship with the Bangladesh Lutheran Church Mission (BLCM) in 2020, the CLC Board of Missions has been working together with the BLCM to establish a local seminary for pastoral training. There is currently one BLCM pastor serving 1,715 souls across 19 congregations and 14 preaching stations in a country that is 95% Muslim. However, this January, 14 men will begin their pastoral training as the inaugural seminary class of the BLCM. Sponsors are needed to help these men receive their training so that they may join in the abundant work in Bangladesh. The cost of a sponsorship will be $60 per month. To begin a sponsorship or for more information, please text, call, or email Dan Roehl. (Cell: 507-381-2042; Email: danroehl@hotmail.com)


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CLC CALL NEWS

Pastor Tom Schuetze of St. Paul Ev. Lutheran in Lakewood (Denver Area) CO has been called by St. Luke's Lutheran Church in Lemmon, SD. ● Pastor Wayne Eichstadt has returned the call of Holy Cross Lutheran in Phoenix, AZ. ● Pastor Chad Seybt has accepted the call of Trinity Lutheran Church in Watertown, SD and Zion Lutheran in Hidewood Township, SD. This will mean that Morning Star Lutheran in Fairchild, Peace with God Lutheran in Onalaska, St. Paul's Lutheran of Melrose and Trinity Lutheran Church in Millston, WI. will be calling after Easter 2027. • Gift of God in Mapleton (Fargo) ND and St. Paul's in Ponsford, MN have called Pastor Bruce Naumann who serves as the CLC's full-time missionary to East Africa. • Messiah Lutheran in EC, WI has called Mr. Peter Reim, a member of the congregation and former CLC Pastor to serve as their 3rd Pastor.

Missions/Cooperative Budget Plan Pledge 2026-27

The Cooperative Budget Plan (CBP) is a pledge established by the Voters of Luther Memorial to participate in the work of the Church of the Lutheran Confession. This fiscal year runs from July 1, 2026 – June 30, 2027.

Amount Pledged 2026	Received as of 11/25/26	Amount Remaining	Approximate per Sunday (31)
$25,000	$8,805.00	$16,195.00	$522.00

The Offerings of Thankful Hearts – LM Offerings 11/22,25/26

Attendance: 11/22 -88 11/25 – 64 (41, 16 Online) – 129, 80

General Fund (Budgetary)	General Missions (CBP)	General School (School)	MDF (Missions)	LM Ladies Orphan (Non-Budgetary)
$5,614.00	$1,370.00	$50.00	$50.00	$200.00
Kinship (Missions)	**M & I Fund (Non-Budgetary)**	**Poinsettias (Non-Budgetary)**		
$50.00	$50.00	$59.00		
Total Offerings: $7,443.00				

Luther Memorial General Budget 2026

The Voters of Luther Memorial established the General Fund Budget at the Annual Meeting on January 18, 2026. All Budgetary offerings are applied to this budget. This fiscal year runs from January 1, 2026 – December 31, 2026.

General Budget	Received as of 11/25/26	Amount Remaining	Remaining Amount (5 Sundays)
$120,120.00	$122,155.53	$-2,035.53	$

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HOME DEVOTIONS – NOVEMBER 30-DECEMBER 5, 2026

Monday – John 12:12-18 A large crowd, some of whom witnessed the raising of Lazarus, hears that Jesus is coming to Jerusalem and meets and greets Him as a King. But His entrance is humble, on a donkey's colt.

Tuesday – Romans 13:11-14 In view of our coming salvation, let us put away deeds of darkness and the desires of our sinful flesh. Instead let us put on weapons of light, clothing ourselves with the Lord Jesus Christ.

Wednesday – Jeremiah 23:5-8 The LORD promises a greater deliverance than from Egypt. He will bring His people back from Babylon in preparation for the coming of the Messiah, "The LORD our Righteousness" (v6).

Thursday – Isaiah 40:1-5 Double comfort through guilt fully paid for is God's promise to His people. All the preparations for His coming will result in the revealing of the glory of the LORD (v3-5) through His redemption.

Friday – Psalm 24:1-6 The LORD owns the whole earth. He made it and blesses it. He is served by those who have received righteousness and salvation from Him. These are the people who look for the LORD (v6).

Saturday – Psalm 24:7-10 Let no door remain closed to the LORD, who wins our every battle for us. Let the doors also of our hearts open wide every year, every day, that the King of Glory might come in and be our King!

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HYMN SHEET

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP PSALM 24:1-10

1 The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof, the world and those who dwell therein, **2** for he has founded it upon the seas and established it upon the rivers.

3 Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord? And who shall stand in his holy place?

4 He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to what is false and does not swear deceitfully. **5** He will receive blessing from the Lord and righteousness from the God of his salvation. **6** Such is the generation of those who seek him, who seek the face of the God of Jacob. *Selah*

7 Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

8 Who is this King of glory? The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in battle!

9 Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in. **10** Who is this King of glory? The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory! *Selah* *

PRAYERS BEFORE WORSHIP

THANKSGIVING

Glory be to You, O God most holy. Glory be to You, O God most high. Glory be to You, O King of heaven and earth, who, as a father pities his children, pities us. Fill us with joy and gladness in the Holy Ghost that, when You render to every man according to his works, we may be found acceptable before You; through Him who has redeemed us from the shame and curse of sin, even Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. Amen.

SPIRITUAL RENEWAL

Almighty God, who has given us Your only begotten Son to take our nature upon Himself, grant that we, being born again and made Your children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by the Holy Spirit; through the same Jesus Christ Your Son, our Lord. Amen.

HYMN OH, COME, OH, COME, EMMANUEL

1. Oh, come, Oh, come, Emmanuel, And ransom captive Israel That mourns in lonely exile here Until the Son of God appear. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel Shall come to thee, O Israel.

2. Oh, come, Thou Rod of Jesse, free Thine own from Satan's tyranny; From depths of hell Thy people save And give them victory o'er the grave. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel Shall come to thee, O Israel.

3. Oh, come, Thou Dayspring from on high, And cheer us by Thy drawing nigh; Disperse the gloomy clouds of night And death's dark shadows put to flight. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel Shall come to thee, O Israel.

4. Oh, come, Thou Key of David, come And open wide our heavenly home: Make safe the way that leads on high And close the path to misery. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel Shall come to thee, O Israel.

HYMN: LET THE EARTH NOW PRAISE THE LORD

1. Let the earth now praise the Lord. Who hath truly kept His word And the sinners' Help and Friend Now at last to us doth send.

2. What the fathers most desired, What the prophets' heart inspired, What they longed for many a year, Stands fulfilled in glory here.

3. Abrams promised great Reward, Zion's Helper, Jacob's Lord, Him of twofold race behold, Truly came, as long foretold.

4. Welcome, O my Savior, now! Hail! My Portion, Lord, art Thou. Here, too, in my heart, I pray, Oh, prepare Thyself a way!

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6. As Thy coming was in peace, Quiet, full of gentleness, Let the same mind dwell in me That was ever found in Thee.

7. Comfort my desponding heart: Thou my Strength and Refuge art. I am weak, and cunningly Satan lays his snares for me.

8. Bruise for me the Serpent's head, That, set free from doubt and dread, I may cleave to Thee in faith, Safely kept through life and death.

9. And when Thou dost come again As a glorious King to reign, I with joy may see Thy face, Freely ransomed by Thy grace.

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HYMN: COME, YOUR HEARTS AND VOICES RAISING

1. Come, your hearts and voices raising, Christ the Lord with gladness praising; Loudly sing His love amazing, Worthy folk of Christendom.

2. Sin and death may well be groaning, Satan now may well be moaning; We, our full salvation owning, Cast our every care away.

3. See how God, for us providing, Gave His Son and life abiding; He our weary steps is guiding From earth's woe to heavenly joy.

4. Christ, from heaven to us descending And in love our race befriending, In our need His help extending, Saved us from the wily Foe.

5. Jacob's Star in all its splendor Beams with comfort sweet and tender, Forcing Satan to surrender, Breaking all the powers of hell.

6. From the bondage that oppressed us, From sin's fetters that possessed us, From the grief that sore distressed us, We, the captives, now are free.

7. Oh, the joy beyond expressing When by faith we grasp this blessing And to Thee we come confessing, That our freedom thou hast wrought!

8. Gracious Child, we pray Thee, hear us, From Thy lowly manger cheer us, Gently lead us and be near us Till we join the angelic choir. Amen.