



Shepherd of the Hill Lutheran Church – ELCA

"Encouraging faith and proclaiming God's love by Gathering, Growing and Giving."

2nd Sunday of Christmas

Communion Worship

January 1, 2023

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*NOTE: **Bold text** indicates worshippers' response, and '*' means please stand as able.*

PRELUDE

Michelle Young

WELCOME & MINISTRY MESSAGES

GATHERING

* CONFESSION We confess our sins before God and one another. *Pause for silence and reflection.*
Radiant God, **You have come to live among us, yet we fail time and again to see you in the faces of our neighbors. We look to ourselves instead of those in need. We seek the shallow comforts of things we can buy instead of the deep and lasting comfort of your presence. Forgive our stubborn refusal to see, and open our eyes to the joy and wonder of your incarnation. Amen.**¹

* FORGIVENESS Do not be afraid, for I bring you good news of great joy. The God of boundless grace forgives you all your sins, renewing your spirit for the sake of Immanuel, ✝ God with us.¹
Amen.

Green HYMN # 44 *Infant Holy, Infant Lowly*

* GREETING The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **All: And also with you.**

*KYRIE

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Lord have mercy.

For the peace from above, and for all salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of Christ, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord have mercy.

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Amen.

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Ⓐ Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



Ⓑ Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - might - y God and Fa - ther:



We wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.



You are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men

* P: The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

* PRAYER OF THE DAY Let us pray. **God of all, As we read of Jesus' family, full of men and women both wonderful and flawed, give us gratitude for all who have come before us and made us who we are. Help us to remember that, more than anything, we are a part of your beloved family. Amen.**

GROWING

** Many of us can name several of our ancestors, and we may even be able to share some of the greatest struggles they had to overcome. Who we are is deeply rooted to whom we came from, but not everyone in the world can accurately name their ancestors. Matthew gives us the genealogy of Jesus, a remembrance of OUR wonderful and flawed faith ancestors. As children of God, we are gifted day in and day out to remember that we are EACH members of the great heavenly family of God our creator. As Christians we celebrate our part of the body of Jesus Christ that we call our church. P: THE HOLY GOSPEL according to Matthew the 1st chapter **Glory to you, O Lord***

Narrator 1: An account of the genealogy of Jesus the Messiah, the son of David, the son of Abraham.

Narrator 2: Abraham was the father of Isaac,

Narrator 1: and Isaac the father of Jacob,

Narrator 2: and Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers,

Narrator 1: and Judah the father of Perez and Zerah by Tamar,

Narrator 2: and Perez the father of Hezron, and Hezron the father of Aram, and Aram the father of Aminadab, and Aminadab the father of Nahshon, and Nahshon the father of Salmon, and Salmon the father of Boaz by Rahab,

Narrator 1: and Boaz the father of Obed by Ruth,

Narrator 2: and Obed the father of Jesse,

Narrator 1: and Jesse the father of King David.

Narrator 2: So all the generations from Abraham to David are

Narrator 1: fourteen generations;

Narrator 2: And David was the father of Solomon by the wife of Uriah,

Narrator 1: and Solomon the father of Rehoboam, and Rehoboam the father of Abijah, and Abijah the father of Asaph, and Asaph the father of Jehoshaphat, and Jehoshaphat the father of Joram, and Joram the father of Uzziah, and Uzziah the father of Jotham, and Jotham the father of Ahaz, and Ahaz the father of Hezekiah, and Hezekiah the father of Manasseh, and Manasseh the father of Amos, and Amos the father of Josiah, and Josiah the father of Jechoniah and his brothers, at the time of the deportation to Babylon.

Narrator 2: and from David to the deportation to Babylon,

Narrator 1: fourteen generations;

Narrator 2: And after the deportation to Babylon: Jechoniah was the father of Salathiel, and Salathiel the father of Zerubbabel, and Zerubbabel the father of Abiud, and Abiud the father of Eliakim, and Eliakim the father of Azor, and Azor the father of Zadok, and Zadok the father of Achim, and Achim the father of Eliud, and Eliud the father of Eleazar, and Eleazar the father of Matthan, and Matthan the father of Jacob, Narrator 1: and Jacob the father of Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom Jesus was born, who is called the Messiah.

Narrator 2: and from the deportation to Babylon to the Messiah,

Narrator 1: fourteen generations The Gospel of the Lord **All: Praise to you O Christ.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE/SERMON

Pastor Mary Eide

Green #62 *The Bells' of Christmas* verses 1-4

GIVING

LITANY OF OUR CHRISTIAN FAITH

Our faith is in the creator of heaven and earth; **I believe in God, the Father almighty**
God so loved the created, that he sent his only Son; **I believe in Jesus Christ, who was**
conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

Jesus came to this world to teach us to love God and one another, and how to live well with and love our neighbors. He came with a mission from our creator; **He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.**

But death and sin had no hold on him, and so he went on to proclaim this good news; **He descended into hell.* On the third day he rose again.**

And then it was time for the believers to continue Jesus' work from the Father, **so 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.**

But as promised, God sent an Advocate, a helper for the universal Christian Church. **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** *Or, He descended to the dead.

PRAYERS AND PETITIONS (L: Emmanuel, God with us, **All: You hear our prayer.**)

*The OFFERING PLATE is located at the entrance of the church sanctuary.
NGiving to support God's ministry at Shepherd of the Hill can be mailed to (Mailing address: 207 University St., Elk Mound, WI 54739 – OR – as a 'bill pay' on your bank account – OR – go to <https://www.sothem.org/give> to make a one time or reoccurring donation. Setting up an account with GivePlus offers you control over the amount & timing of your giving.*

Sung as communion elements are brought forward



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our
cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the
seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the
prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

* OFFERING PRAYER Giving God, **throughout generations you have sustained your people, providing us with all we need to survive and thrive. We offer now what we have so generously been given, our possessions and our very selves. Amen.**¹

* GREAT THANKSGIVING The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise**

* WORDS OF INSTITUTION

* LORD'S PRAYER **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, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen**

* INVITATION God invites all people, from all times and places, to the feast of salvation. Come join the throng and be filled¹

HOLY COMMUNION – *All who are baptized and believe in the real presence of Jesus Christ in the bread and wine are welcome to commune with us. Gluten-free wafers available and give "thumbs up" for grape juice. Children who do not yet receive Holy Communion may come forward for a blessing. If you or a family member would like communion brought to them, please tell an usher.*

* POST COMMUNION PRAYER ... **Amen.**

* ANNOUNCEMENTS/BLESSING Always remember and share with others the Good News that Jesus came to live among us. Now go into the world with the divine blessing and freedom of having the Holy Spirit within you, + your Savior beside you, and your divine Father reaching out to you. **Amen.**

* HYMN #551 *Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee*

BELLS AND DISMISSAL Go in peace. Share the gift of Jesus. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

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THIS WEEK AT CHURCH AND BEYOND OUR DOORS

TODAY

NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

10am - New Year's Day Communion Worship

MONDAY

7pm - AA Meeting

TUESDAY

4-6pm - Food Pantry

WEDNESDAY

3:20-4:30pm - Confirmation Class

FRIDAY:

10am-Noon - Food Pantry

SUNDAY:

8:45am - Sunday School

10am - Worship

11am - Fellowship – Kris & Tim Jenson

1:30-3:30pm - Grief Share at Trinity United Methodist Church

ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTENT FORMS/TIME & TALENT SHEETS for 2023 giving can still be dropped off at the church or mailed in throughout the rest of the year.

GRIEF SHARE a thirteen-week grief support group, will begin meeting **on Sunday, January 8th, 2023**. Anyone who is dealing with the loss of a loved one is invited to attend these gatherings at **Trinity United Methodist Church (105 S. Holly Ave.) from 1:30-3:30pm**. This program consists of videos featuring individuals sharing their grief story, as well as leading grief recovery experts; in person group discussions about the weekly video content, and a personal workbook with study exercises that reinforce the weekly session topics.

Call Denise at Trinity United Methodist Church Elk Mound at (715) 879-5596 to register and purchase your workbook for \$15.00. Workbooks are available at Trinity UMC Elk Mound.

MARK JANUARY 29th on your calendars for our ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING/BURNING OF THE MORTGAGE/WORSHIP/POTLUCK, it all starts at 10am with a brief worship service.

Infant Holy, Infant Lowly



1 In - fant ho - ly, in - fant low - ly, for his bed a cat - tle stall;
2 Flocks were sleep - ing, shep - herds keep - ing vig - il till the morn - ing new



ox - en low - ing, lit - tle know - ing Christ the child is Lord of all.
saw the glo - ry, heard the sto - ry, tid - ings of a gos - pel true.



Swift - ly wing - ing, an - gels sing - ing, bells are ring - ing, tid - ings bring - ing:
Thus re - joic - ing, free from sor - row, prais - es voic - ing, greet the mor - row:



Christ the child is Lord of all! Christ the child is Lord of all!
Christ the child was born for you! Christ the child was born for you!

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Music: W ZŁOBIE LEŻY, Polish carol

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The Bells of Christmas

Det kimer nu til julefest

Det ki - mer nu til ju - le - fest, det ki - mer
1 The bells of Christ - mas chime once more; the heav'n - ly
2 This world, though wide and far out - spread, could scarce - ly
3 Now let us go with qui - et mind, the swad - dled
4 Oh, join with me, in glad - ness sing, to keep our

for den høj - e gæst, som steg til la - ve
guest is at the door. He comes to earth - ly
find for you a bed. Your cra - dle was a
babe with shep - herds find, to gaze on him who
Christ - mas with our king, un - til our song, from

hyt - ter ned med nyt - års - ga - ver: fryd og fred.
dwell - ings still with new year gifts of peace, good will.
man - ger stall, no pearl nor silk nor king - ly hall.
glad - dens them, the love - liest flow'r of Jes - se's stem.
lov - ing souls, like rush - ing might - y wa - ter rolls!

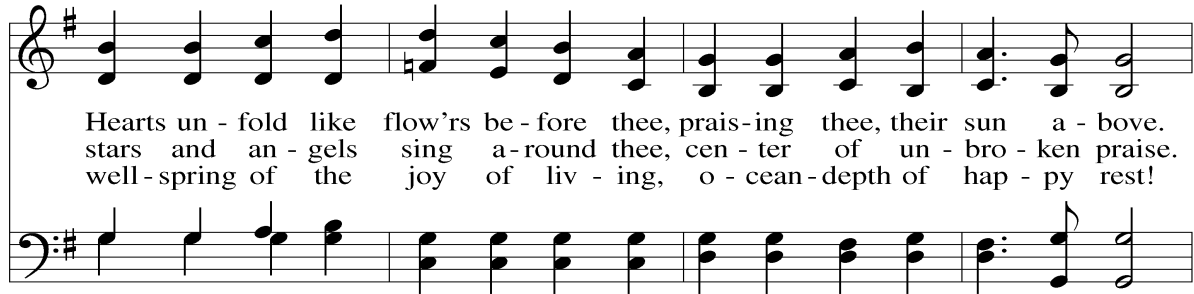
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Music: DET KIMER NU TIL JULEFEST, Carl C. N. Balle, 1806–1855

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Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee



1 Joy - ful, joy - ful we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love!
2 All thy works with joy sur-round thee, earth and heav'n re - flect thy rays,
3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,



Hearts un - fold like flow'rs be - fore thee, prais - ing thee, their sun a - bove.
stars and an - gels sing a - round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.
well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean - depth of hap - py rest!



Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, drive the gloom of doubt a - way.
Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, flow - ry mead - ow, flash - ing sea,
Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our broth - er, all who live in love are thine;



Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day.
chant - ing bird, and flow - ing foun - tain, call us to re - joice in thee.
teach us how to love each oth - er, lift us to the joy di - vine!

Text: Henry van Dyke, 1852–1933
Music: HYMN TO JOY, Ludwig van Beethoven, 1770–1827, adapt.

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