

## PRESENTATION OF OFFERINGS

*Please sign the friendship pad in the pew and pass it along to others. As it is passed back to the center aisle, please take the opportunity to note the names of others seated in your pew.*

## PRAYERS & THE LORD'S PRAYER

## BLESSING

11:30am Table Prayer

HYMN 341 (Maroon): Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates, verses 1 & 4

1. Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates!  
Behold, the King of glory waits.  
The King of kings is drawing near;  
The Savior of the world is here.  
Life and salvation He doth bring;  
Therefore rejoice and gladly sing.  
To God the Father raise  
Your joyful songs of praise.

4. Fling wide the portals of your heart;  
Make it a temple set apart  
From earthly use for heav'n's employ,  
Adorned with prayer and love and joy.  
So shall your Sov'reign enter in  
And new and nobler life begin.  
To God alone be praise  
For word and deed and grace!



MIDWEEK ADVENT WORSHIP  
November 30, 2022  
11:30am and 6:30pm  
Peace Lutheran Church  
Hutchinson, MN

## *Wait Upon the Lord with FAITH*

### INVOCATION & CALL TO WORSHIP

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**  
Wait upon the Lord.

**Be strong and courageous.**

Wait upon the Lord. That's what Abraham did  
even though he was about 100 years old.

**And Sarah's womb was barren.**

Still, Abraham waited in faith.

**Fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised.**

Wait upon the Lord.

**Be strong and courageous. Wait upon the Lord!**

### CONFESSION

God of all mercy and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ:

**We admit that we have become impatient with ourselves, each other, and sometimes with You. We have turned to our own way and have gone astray from Your will. Lost in sin and needing to become strong and courageous, we ask you, O Lord, to forgive our sin, cleanse our hearts, and keep us patiently waiting for the promised coming of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.**

Believe and receive the good news! God sent his Son, the Babe of Bethlehem, to show His infinite love and forgiveness for all people. Your sins are forgiven in the holy name of Christ, who came indeed, and will come again. **Amen.**

## **HYMN 331 (Maroon): The Advent of Our King**

### **ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING**

*11:30 Hazel Sitz & Phyllis Hecht; 6:30pm Kohl family*

On this first week of Advent, we light the candle of hope. Hope is our assurance that God will finish all he has started. Hope is our confidence that he will do all he has promised. All the promises of God are fulfilled in Jesus Christ. He is our hope, today and forever!

Be strong and take heart, all you who hope in the LORD. (Psalm 31:24)

We wait in hope for the LORD; He is our help and shield. (Psalm 33:20)

Hope does not disappoint us, because God has poured out His love into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, whom He has given us. (Romans 5:5)

We light this candle in hope, the hope of our coming Savior, Jesus. *(Light one blue candle.)*  
Come, Lord Jesus. **Come and bring us hope.**

### **HYMN 357 (Maroon), O Come, O Come, Emmanuel verse 3**

**O come, O come, Thou Lord of might, Who to Thy tribes on Sinai's height**

**In ancient times didst give the Law, In cloud and majesty and awe.**

**Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel. Shall come to Thee, O Israel!**

**First Reading: Genesis 17:1-9**

**Second Reading: Romans 4:13-21**

### **HYMN G701 (Green): Advent of a New Creation**

**Like children gazing 'neath the tree, At presents wrapped so wondrously,**

**We ask with hope, "What could it be; This gift of God for you and me?"**

**We welcome with anticipation The advent of a new creation.**

**The gift is Christ who brings release From death and strife to perfect peace.**

**Our life and paradise restored On Zion, mountain of the Lord.**

**We welcome with anticipation The advent of a new creation.**

**▲ Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, Praise Him, all creatures here below**

**Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host: Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.**

**We welcome with anticipation The advent of a new creation.**

## **Gospel Reading: Matthew 1:16-25**

### **SERMON – Pastor Asher**

#### **THE 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 men and for our salvation came down from heaven**

**and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit 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 sits at the right hand of the Father.**

**And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,**  
**whose kingdom will 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 the remission of sins,**

**and I look for the resurrection of the dead**

**and the life of the world to come. Amen.**