

# Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church

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*"We are called to build a community that lives by and for the Gospel of Christ"*

## The Nativity of Our Lord

**December 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025 • 1:00 PM**

### *Gathering*

#### **Pre-Service Music**

#### **Welcome & Announcements**

**\*Opening Carol - "Hark The Herald Angels Sing/King of Heaven"** CCLI #7019799

#### **\*Prayer of the Day**

#### **\*Confession & Forgiveness**

A: Amid the shadows of this world, let us confess our sin and welcome the light of God's forgiveness.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

A: God of grace and truth, **C: in Christ Jesus you come among us as light shining in the darkness. We confess that we have not welcomed the light, nor trusted the good news of great joy. Forgive us and renew our hope, so that we may live in the fullness of your love, trusting in the grace of Christ our Lord. Amen**

P: The angel said, You shall call his name Jesus for he will save his people from their sins. With great joy, I announce to you the entire forgiveness of your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

### *The Christmas Story in Word and Song*

#### **Reading: Isaiah 9:2-7** ESV

The people who walked in darkness  
have seen a great light;  
those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness,  
on them has light shone.  
You have multiplied the nation;  
you have increased its joy;  
they rejoice before you  
as with joy at the harvest,  
as they are glad when they divide the spoil.  
For the yoke of his burden,  
and the staff for his shoulder,  
the rod of his oppressor,  
you have broken as on the day of Midian.  
For every boot of the tramping warrior in battle tumult  
and every garment rolled in blood  
will be burned as fuel for the fire.  
For to us a child is born,  
to us a son is given;  
and the government shall be upon his shoulder,  
and his name shall be called  
Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,  
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.  
Of the increase of his government and of peace  
there will be no end,  
on the throne of David and over his kingdom,  
to establish it and to uphold it

with justice and with righteousness  
from this time forth and forevermore.  
The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this.

**\*Gospel: Luke 2:1-14** ESV

In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration when Quirinius was governor of Syria. And all went to be registered, each to his own town. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the town of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, to be registered with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. And while they were there, the time came for her to give birth. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in swaddling cloths and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn. And in the same region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with great fear. And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying,  
"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!"

**"Christmas Message by Pastor Mike**

**\*Sermon Song – "He Has Come For Us (God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen)"** CCLI #5683022

**\*The Prayers**

**Offering & Reflection Music**

## *Communion Meal*

**\*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, forever and ever. Amen.

**Sharing the Meal**

Our Lord Jesus is the host of this communion meal. We welcome all baptized Christians to join us.

**Communion Song - "Holy Forever"** CCLI #72001044

**\*Communion Blessing**

**Candlelighting Prayer**

**\*Candlelighting**

**"Silent Night, Holy Night"** CCLI #27862

*Verse 1*

Silent night, holy night! All is calm, all is bright,  
Round yon virgin mother and child.  
Holy infant, so tender and mild,  
sleep in heavenly peace, sleep in heavenly peace.

*Verse 2*

Silent night, holy night! Shepherds quake at the sight;  
Glories stream from heaven afar, heav'nly hosts sing, alleluia!  
Christ, the Savior, is born! Christ, the Savior, is born!

Verse 3

Silent night, holy night! Son of God, love's pure light  
Radiant beams from your holy face, with the dawn of redeeming grace,  
Jesus, Lord at Thy birth, Jesus, Lord, at your birth.

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## *Sending*

### **\*Benediction**

**\*Sending Carol - "Joy To The World (Unspeakable Joy)"** CCLI #5607039

**\*Sending:** Filled with the joy of Christ's birth, go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
C: Thanks be to God.

### **Post-Service Music**

**Offerings can be placed in the baskets on your way out.**

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