

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

BEACH SERVICES - 8 AM @ North Beach
SANCTUARY SERVICE -10:30 AM

TEXTS FOR NEXT WEEK:

Zephaniah 3:14-20
Luke 3:7-18

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THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS

If you would like to participate in the service please fill out the volunteer sign-up sheet or contact the church office for volunteer opportunities! **THANK YOU FOR WANTING TO BE A PART OF SOMETHING BIGGER THAN YOURSELF!**

READERS DECEMBER 2

Lynn M. and Kathie S.

DECEMBER COUNTERS

Linda H. and Gail R.

ATTENDANCE & OFFERING

November 4	Attendance: 67 Offering: \$4219
November 11	Attendance: 48 (beach) Offering: \$4704
November 18	Attendance: ? Offering: \$3708
November 25	Attendance: 46 (beach) Offering: \$6077



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2nd Sunday of Advent

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December 9, 2018
Sanctuary Service

Welcome to Christ Lutheran Church!

Advent 2:

Pastor: As we continue our commemoration of the 200th anniversary of the debut of "Silent Night, Holy Night," let's speak the second verse together:

[spoken by the congregation]

**Silent night, holy night!
 Shepherds quake at the sight,
 Glories stream from heaven afar,
 Heavenly hosts sing "Alleluia!"
 Christ, the Savior is born,
 Christ, the Savior is born**

Pastor:
 The shepherds got quite a wake-up call that night when the sky lit up "like a Christmas tree" (so to speak). Awe at the transformative glory of what God can do in our lives is the focus this week. Glories are streaming every day if we only have eyes to see. How would our lives be renewed if we saw the world and our lives through the lens of wonder? How might our joy be made complete?

Reader 1:
 We continue this season of waiting [by lighting the second candle,] anticipating the light of the star that shone over Bethlehem for all to see.

Reader 2:
 Wondrous God,
 we open ourselves to hear your call today
 to become those who not only see the joy all around us,
 but can also *be* joy, and *bring* joy, to all around us—
 in our lives, our families, our communities, and our world.

Advent Activities

Stocking Stuffing - December 11 and 12
 Christmas Stockings for the homeless: We will be stuffing stockings for local homeless at Tuesday night Bible Study on December 11 and at the Book Club reading December 12. Please sign up to bring items for these stockings. Stockings are distributed at the Our Father's Table Christmas party on December 25

LCP Christmas Pageant – December 19 and 20
 Join us at 6:30 in our sanctuary. No one celebrates the birth of Jesus better than our youngest believers!

Longest Night Service – December 20
 Thursday 12/20 at 7pm at San Clemente Presbyterian Church. This meaningful service, sometimes called "Blue Christmas" is especially geared for those who grieve this holiday season and need a place to honor the difficult feelings of this time of year.

Brunch Church – December 23
 Join us for brunch and carols in our sanctuary during our 1030 AM service.

 *Signups are available now for Brunch Church December 23 and Christmas Eve Bonfire. If you cannot attend the bonfire, you can leave your food at church on Sunday the 23rd.

Christmas Eve services – December 24
 Join us for our world-famous Christmas Eve Bonfire on the Beach at 5pm at North Beach or in our sanctuary for a candle-lit celebration at 7:30 PM.

Everything CLC

Congregational Vitality Survey – December 9

Join us December 9 for an exciting and fascinating survey on our congregation's strengths and needs for the future! Pastor Tom Goehllrich, our synod's Director of Evangelism and Mission, will help us dream of Christ Lutheran's ministry and legacy.

Book Club—December 12

Join us On Wednesday 12/12 at 6 p.m., we will enjoy our traditional 'roundtable read' this year from "Politically Correct Holiday Stories" by @jamesfinngarner. No need to read ahead or buy the book—we'll pass the book around. Dessert Potluck and stocking stuffing for the homeless! Bring your friends!

Brain Boosters @ SC Library—December 14

Join Dr. Jane Mahakian at her Brain Boosters Class at San Clemente Library Friday, December 14 at 10:30. Dr. Jane will be back with us in our sanctuary in January.

Flying Solo—December 16

Join us for fellowship and conversation at the Starbucks at the SC Outlets at 1:30 PM on Sunday December 16th and monthly every 3rd Sunday of the month! Hope to see you there.

Poinsettias

If you would like to honor your loved ones with a Christmas poinsettia in the sanctuary please fill out the enclosed form. Please return to us by December 16th. All purchased poinsettias will be available to take home after the Christmas Eve service.

Capo Care Center - December 30

Christ Lutheran will once again provide a church service at Capistrano Care Center on Sunday, December 30 at 2:30. Join us as we celebrate Christ's birth with local seniors.

Bible Study—Every TUESDAY!

10 AM: Bible study meets to discuss this week's readings.
6 PM: Will be stocking stuffing for the homeless

Thought of the Week: Every time I take a step in the direction of generosity, I know I am moving from fear to love." Henri Nouwen

Spoken Response of the People:
**Fill us with your peace and light,
make the world so calm and bright.**

SONG

Advent Candle is lit during this song

"Christ Be our Light"



1 Long - ing for light, we wait in dark - ness. Long - ing for
truth, we turn to you. Make us your own,
your ho - ly peo - ple, light for the world to see.
Refrain
Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the
dark - ness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your
church gath - ered to - day.

WELCOME

THE GREETING

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.**

OPENING PRAYER

LECTOR

Stir up our hearts, Lord God, to prepare the way of your only Son. By his coming give to all the people of the world knowledge of your salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **AMEN**

SPECIAL MUSIC

KENNETH HARO

(10:30 service only)

THE FIRST READING

Malachi 3:1-4

LECTOR

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

Holy wisdom, holy word. / C: **Thanks be to God**

SENDING BLESSING

SENDING SONG

"Soon and Very Soon"



1 Soon and ver - y soon
2 No more cry - in' there, we are goin' to see the King,
3 No more dy - in' there,
4 Soon and ver - y soon



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Hal-le - lu - jah, hal-le - lu - jah, we're goin' to see the King!

DISMISSAL

P: Go in Peace. Expect the Savior.
C: **Thanks be to God!**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come, for the way has been lit before you.
Come and receive the peace of Christ that is being reborn in us today.

"Christ Be Our Light"

3 Long - ing for food, man - y are hun - gry. Long - ing for
wa - ter, man - y still thirst. Make us your bread,
bro - ken for oth - ers, shared un - til all are fed.

Refrain
Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the
dark - ness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your
church gath - ered to - day.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Holy One, we give you thanks
that in this bread and cup
we have feasted again on your endless love.
Let that love overflow more and more in our lives,
that we may be messengers to prepare your way,
harvesters of justice and righteousness,
and bearers of your eternal Word,
our Savior Jesus Christ. **AMEN**

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

LECTOR

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

"ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA"

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, Hear God's
Word, God's wel - come to us!
G/B am7 D

THE GOSPEL

The holy gospel according to Luke, the 3rd chapter. / C: **Glory to you O Lord.**

Luke 3:1-6

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, during the high-priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah,

'The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

"Prepare the way of the Lord,
make his paths straight.

Every valley shall be filled,

and every mountain and hill shall be made low,

and the crooked shall be made straight,

and the rough ways made smooth;

and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.'"

P: This is the gospel of the Lord / C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

"ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA"

THE HYMN OF THE DAY

“Rejoice, Rejoice Believers”



1 Re - joice, re - joice, be - liev - ers, and let your lights ap - pear;
 2 The watch - ers on the moun - tain pro - claim the bride - groom near;
 3 The saints, who here in pa - tience their cross and suf - f'ring bore,
 4 Our hope and ex - pec - ta - tion, O Je - sus, now ap - pear;



the eve - ning is ad - vanc - ing, and dark - er night is near.
 go forth as he ap - proach - es with al - le - lu - ias clear.
 shall live and reign for - ev - er when sor - row is no more.
 a - rise, O Sun so longed for, o'er this be - night - ed sphere.



The bride - groom is a - ris - ing and soon is draw - ing nigh.
 The mar - riage feast is wait - ing; the gates wide o - pen stand.
 A - round the throne of glo - ry the Lamb they shall be - hold;
 With hearts and hands up - lift - ed, we plead, O Lord, to see



Up, pray and watch and wres - tle; at mid - night comes the cry.
 A - rise, O heirs of glo - ry; the bride - groom is at hand.
 in tri - umph cast be - fore him their di - a - dems of gold.
 the day of earth's re - demp - tion that sets your peo - ple free!

P: A star appeared on a silent and holy night
 and brought with it your joy,
 in the form of a baby.
 This holy infant, tender and mild, was a sign of new life,
 a sign of holy vulnerability,
 a sign of your presence enfleshed in our human form.
 This would be the light that showed forth the truth that all humanity IS beloved
 and called us to care for each one AS beloved.

And in the greatest acts of love, Jesus our Brother
 Lived and died and rose again among us.
 In the night in which he was betrayed,
 our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
 broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
 Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
 Do this for the remembrance of me.
 Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
 and gave it for all to drink, saying:
 This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
 shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
 Do this for the remembrance of me.

And so we offer ourselves in union with Christ's offering of salvation:
Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Pour out your Spirit on us and on these gifts.
 Transform us into the Light of your Love for all
 and make us one in you.

Thanks and praise be to
 the Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer! **Amen!**

THE LORD'S PRAYER (please join hands with worshippers near you.)

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 sins
as we forgive those who sin 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.

HOLY COMMUNION

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts

C: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P: Holy God, in the beginning you called out, "Let there be light!" Just as your light of creation spread in response, so too does your light rise each day, offering us a new chance to make today a little brighter than yesterday. When we feel overcome or succumb to the dark night of our souls, you offer us a way back into the light of hope. And so we praise you, singing:

"Holy, Holy"

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of
pow'r and might, heav'n and earth are full of your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the
Lord Ho - san - na in the high - est.

P: As we prepare to pray our prayer of Great Thanks, let us take a moment of silence, of calm, in order to center our hearts, let go of those things in our lives that we regret, asking God for the peace of forgiveness.

Silence is kept.

C: **Prince of Peace, we live in darkness, rather than move into your light
We love chaos, rather than loving your peace
We struggle and strive, rather than letting go
We are addict to our own worries, rather than accepting your grace.
Bring us into your peace and your forgiveness, we pray. Amen.**

P: The people who live in darkness have seen a great light. The Savior of the World is coming to us, offering peace, hope and wholeness. Through Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven and you have been set free. Move forward into God's future, calm and bright in God's love. Let the people say, "**Amen!**"

SONG

"Christ Be our Light"

2 Long - ing for peace, our world is trou - bled. Long - ing for
hope, man - y de - spair. Your word a - lone
has pow'r to save us. Make us your liv - ing voice.
Refrain
Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the
dark - ness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your
church gath - ered to - day.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Christ be our Light, shining with hope to this despairing world. Draw us into relationship with those who suffer. Inspire us to help those who are too downtrodden to hope for help. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Christ be our Light, shining with joy in this heartbroken world. Teach us to share your good news to all we meet. Ignite a spark in each of us, making us burn with a zeal for you and your people. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Christ be our Light, shining with peace in this violent world. Bring your healing to warring regions and angry people. Help us to always speak with kindness and compassion. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Christ be our Light, shining with love in this lonely world. Unite us with all people, finding our common humanity in Your family. Tenderize us for new mission and service. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

PRAYER CONCERNS

Health Concerns— Aaron G., (4 yr old having surgery), Aileen, Alexa (childhood cancer), Andrew (depression), Ardith (radiation), Baby Harper Rose (cancer), Barbara, Brad (cancer), Brett S. (cancer), Butch (healing), Cynthia G. (cancer), Deborah B. (stage 4 cancer), Don C. ((heart surgery), Dr. Pam's daughter (cancer), Dick H. (surgery), Dick H. (cancer), Greg's Son (stroke), Hank, Harry, Irlanda S (coma), James R. (eyesight), Jan, Janet, Janice, Jason F. (cancer), Jeff W. (surgery), Jennie H. (cancer), Jim T., Judy A (health), Joni (cancer recovery), Kathy F. (accident rehabilitation), Linda, Linda H. (surgery), Madison H. (9 yr old getting heart surgery 11/29), Mary, Mary (terminal cancer), Matt B., (cancer), Mark S. (passed) Matt M., Melody, Michelle B. (pregnancy complications), Patty M. (healing), Pete M jr. (passed), Rhonda, Rick, Rose, Saudi, Shiloe (sobriety), Tom, Tom G. (cancer), Uncle Fran, Vonne,

For individuals— Anastasia, Angie, Baby Wyland, Barbara, Billy, Bonnie, Brennon, Brooklyn, Bruce, Cecil, Cope, Carol, Darren, David L. (employment), Diane, Evan, Gene, Hank, Janelle, Jason, Jo, Joan H. (loss), John, Josh and Gwen, Judy, Kari, Kate, Katie, Kathie, kathy, Kirsten, Kris, Lauren, Lilly, Linda, Lynn (travel), Marc, Marilyn, Mary, Matt, Melody, Mother (90yrs old), Pastor Brenda, Patricia, Ricky L., Robert D., Selly, Richard, Rick, Rose, Sam, Susan, Susan M. (loss)

For Families— Burgess Family (loss), Bob and Joanne (return to home after fire), Cope Family, Loved ones of Bill B., Me and my family, Hartl Family, Hinze Family, Lewis Family, Rick and Cathy (health, Finance), Robert and Eileen U.

General Prayers—All the people who don't have faith, All our addictions that get in the way of a full life, Everyone in the Plan, Our neighbors, Rain!

From the Prayer Board— Bree, Legend, Dorte, Joseph M, Sandy M., Live Love Pet Walking, sister, brother Robert's sobriety, mya, global warming, Ian L., Carmen E. , Families

THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: May the peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Please greet those around you.

OFFERING

"Emmanuel"

Chords: C, F, G, Em7, Am7, Dm7, Dm/G, G, C/E, Dm/G F/G, G7, C

Lyrics:

1. Em - man - u - el,		Em - man - u -
2. God is with us,		He___ is with
3. We love Him so,		we___ love Him
el,	His name is called	Em - man - u -
us,	His name is called	Em - man - u -
so,	His name is called	Em - man - u -
el.	Em - man - u -	Em - man - u - el.
el.	God is with	Em - man - u - el.
el.	We love Him	Em - man - u - el.