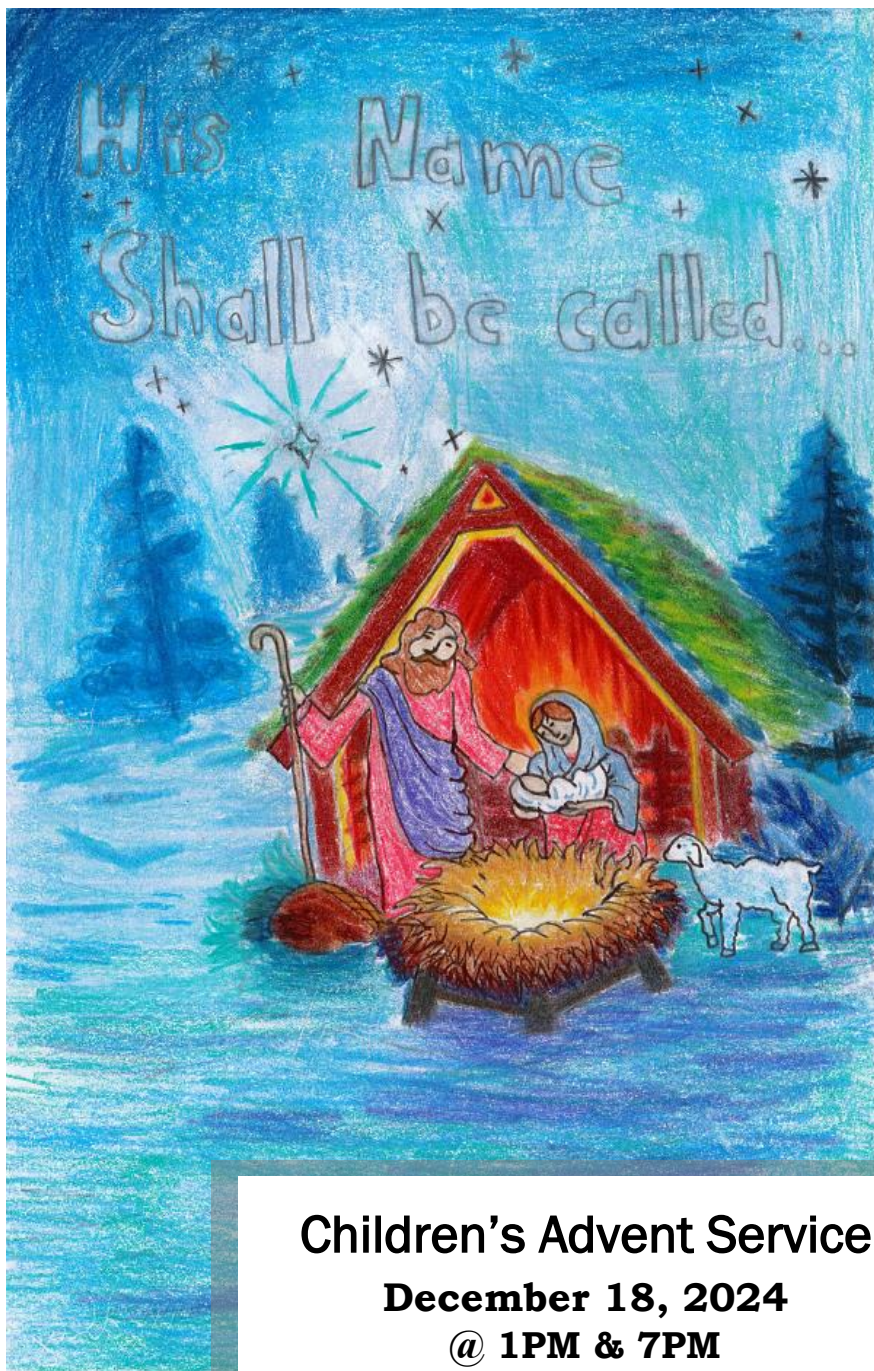


Christ Lutheran Church & School



Children's Advent Service

December 18, 2024

@ 1PM & 7PM

His Name Shall Be Called

Everlasting Father

During the season of Advent, we prepare to celebrate the birth of God's Son, who was given the name Jesus—a Hebrew name that means "God saves." However, in addition to His earthly name, Holy Scripture calls Jesus by various titles that describe something about His person or work. We will examine the four titles given to Jesus in Isaiah 9:6—Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, and Prince of Peace—and will study how each of these titles describes something about who Jesus is and what He did for our salvation.

Today we consider why Jesus is called "Father" even though He is the eternal Son of the Father. Our Everlasting Father rules over creation and His people like a loving father and His kingdom is eternal. What great love He has for us, and what comfort this gives us, especially as we face trials and suffering in this world.

Preservice Piano Music

Carol of the Bells | Hannah Cochran
Angels We Have Heard on High | Kane Powell
God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen | Emilia Paulan
Silent Night, Away in a Manger | Olivia Baldwin

Opening Hymn

The Quemapas Celebration | 3rd – 8th Grade

Group 1 | Gus Bargren, Davis DeJong, Thomas Steffens, Michael Steffens

Group 2 | Norah Steffens, Gretchen Gilles, Anabel Belmontes, Rosie Mitchell, Emery Wallace

Group 3 | Ryan Leshar, Paul Steffens, Hugo Bargren

Group 4 | Lauren Arnt, Gloria Belmontes, Aubrey Cochran, Chloe Koehn

Choir 1 The glo - rious an - gels came to - day, A - glow with light in -
Choir 2 "God's maj - es - ty has come to earth And sent his on - ly
Choir 3 Then sang the an - gels this re - frain: "To God on high a -
Choir 4 The won - d'ring shep - herds said: "Be - hold! Let us now go with
to the night of dark - ness deep, To shep - herds who by
Son to you in hu - man - kind; A cho - sen vir - gin
lone give praise and glo - ry, And peace on earth a -
all good speed to Beth - le - hem To see this thing the
moon's bright ray Did in the field o'er sheep their si - lent
gave him birth. In Da - vid's town the ho - ly in - fant
gain shall reign. Let all on earth with glad - ness heed this
Lord has told; The sheep are safe; he will in - deed take

vig - il keep. "Joy, great joy and tid - ings glad we
 you will find, Ly - ing help - less in a man - ger,
 sto - ry And re - joice in his good-will." The
 care of them." There they found the won - der child, in

bring from heav'n . . . re - sound - ing, For you, for you and
 poor and bare . . . and low - ly, To set you free from
 Sav - ior came . . . in meek - ness For you, for you, to
 low - ly swad-dling clothes ly - ing, Yet all the world with

all the world a - bound - ing,"
 all your sor - row whol - ly."
 bear your flesh in weak - ness.
 his free grace sup - ply - ing.

C God's own Son is born a child, is born a child;

God the Fa - ther is rec - on - ciled, is rec - on - ciled!

The Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Opening Sentences

Isaiah 9:6, adapted

P To us . . .

C a child is born!

P To us . . .

C a son is given!

P His name shall be called Wonderful Counselor,

C **Mighty God,**

P Everlasting Father,

C **Prince of Peace.**

The Christmas Meditation

Offering

The Message Presented by the Children
Immanuel, God With Us | 7th & 8th Grade

Happy, Happy, Happy | Preschool, Young5s, Kindergarten

Song

Mary Had a Baby | Preschool-2nd Grade

Congregational Hymn

“Come Thou Long Expected Jesus ”Hymn 338



1 Come, Thou long - ex - pect-ed Je - sus, Born to set Thy peo - ple free;
2 Born Thy peo - ple to de - liv - er; Born a child and yet a king!



From our fears and sins re - lease us; Let us find our rest in Thee.
Born to reign in us for - ev - er, Now Thy gra - cious king - dom bring.



Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion, Hope of all the earth Thou art,
By Thine own e - ter - nal Spir - it Rule in all our hearts a - lone;



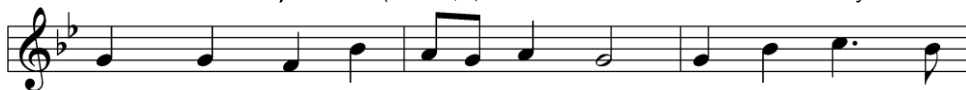
Dear de - sire of ev - 'ry na - tion, Joy of ev - 'ry long - ing heart.
By Thine all - suf - fi - cient mer - it Raise us to Thy glo - rious throne.

The Message Presented by the Children
Wonderful Counselor | 5th & 6th grade

Recitation
Kindergarten

Hymn – Sung by Congregation with Concert Band

“Savior of the Nations, Come” (sts. 1–3, 7).....Hymn 332



1 Sav - ior of the na - tions, come, Vir - gin's Son, make
2 Not by hu - man flesh and blood, By the Spir - it
3 Here a maid was found with child, Yet re - mained a
7 From the man - ger new - born light Shines in glo - ry



here Your home! Mar - vel now, O heav'n and earth,
of our God, Was the Word of God made flesh—
vir - gin mild. In her womb this truth was shown:
through the night. Dark - ness there no more re - sides;



That the Lord chose such a birth.
Wom - an's off - spring, pure and fresh.
God was there up - on His throne.
In this light faith now a - bides.

Text: attr. Ambrose of Milan, 340–397; German version, Martin Luther, 1483–1546; (sts. 1–2): tr. William M. Reynolds, 1812–76; (st. 3): tr. Lutheran Service Book, 2006; (st. 7): tr. Gifford A. Grobrien, 1973
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The Message Presented by the Children
Mighty God | 5th & 6th Grade

A Bible Reading

Luke 2:1-7 | 3rd & 4th Grade

Recitation

1st Grade

Song

Away in a Manger | Preschool-2nd Grade

A Bible Reading

Luke 2: 8-20 | 3rd & 4th Grade

The Message Presented by the Children

Everlasting Father | Middle School Students

Recitation

2nd Grade

Apostles' Creed

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. **And**
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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence 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.

Responsive Reading

- P** To us a child is born,
C to us a son is given.
P Jesus is our Wonderful Counselor,
C our Mighty God,
P the Everlasting Father,
C the Prince of Peace. Thanks be to God!

Prayer

- P** We pray:
C Heavenly Father, thank You for fulfilling Your promise to send Your Son to be
our Savior. You have given us the best gift of all: the Child in the manger who
came to live, die, and rise again for us! In His name we pray. Amen.

Benediction

- P** The Lord bless and keep you in the joy of Jesus, our Savior. The blessing of the Father, the
† Son, and the Holy Spirit be with you today and every day.
C Amen.

Recessional Hymn – Sung by Congregation with Concert Band

“Joy to the World”Hymn 387

**Joy to the world, the Lord is come!
Let earth receive her King; Let
ev’ry heart prepare Him room
And heav’n and nature sing,
And heav’n and nature sing,
And heav’n, and heav’n and nature sing.**

**Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns!
Let men their songs employ,
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.**

**No more let sins and sorrows grow
 Nor thorns infest the ground;
 He comes to make His blessings flow Far
 as the curse is found,
 Far as the curse is found, Far
 as, far as the curse is found.**

**He rules the world with truth and grace
 And makes the nations prove
 The glories of His righteousness
 And wonders of His love, And
 wonders of His love,
 And wonders, wonders of His love.**

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