



Now the
birth of
**Jesus
Christ**
took place
in this way.

Matthew 1:18, ESV



PO Box 427 - 500 S Penn Ave

Pastor Dave Martin

9:30 AM Worship

4 Advent – December 18, 2022

GOD GATHERS HIS PEOPLE TO WORSHIP

Welcome & Announcements

Opening Prayer

Lighting of Fourth Candle on Advent Wreath

P: When Joseph woke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took Mary as his wife and she bore a son, and he called him Jesus.

C: Lord, as we light this advent candle, give us courage to follow your commands as Joseph did. You used the obedience of Joseph and Mary alike to bring your son into the world. Likewise, use our obedience to bring Christ to the world of this day. You used Joseph and Mary to give him the name "Jesus," which means *the Lord saves*, for he will save his people from their sins. Empower us to proclaim the name of Jesus for the forgiveness of sin and your salvation. Amen.

Song "King of Kings"

Confession & Forgiveness

P: Let us prepare for Christ's coming by turning from our sin, and seeking God's tender mercy and compassion.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P & C: Almighty God, we confess that we have sinned against you, and against our sisters and brothers. Our words and deeds have not proclaimed your reign of justice and truth. We have failed to watch and pray for the signs of your advent among us. Forgive our sin, and come quickly to save us. Amen.

P: In the advent of Christ the dawn from on high breaks upon us with light and healing. Through Jesus Christ, God looks with favor upon us, and forgives us all our sins.

C: Amen.

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN HIS HOLY WORD

Scripture Lessons:

Romans 5:6-8

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John 6:35

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Sunday School Christmas Program **"The Christmas Story"**

Song **"Silent Night, Holy Night!"**

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Sermon Text: Micah 5:2-4

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Sermon **"The Messiah's Birthplace Foretold"**

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

Song **"A Christmas Alleluia"**

Apostles Creed

Offering**

Prayers of the Church

The Lord's Prayer

GOD CALLS US TO SERVE

Song **"The First Noel"**

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Benediction

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Thank you for joining us this Sunday morning for worship our God together! **Today we will continue with our Advent sermon series.** We will be having **fellowship time** following worship! Please join us for coffee and cookies in the fellowship hall.

***The offering plate will be in the narthex so please place your donations in as you enter or exit. To GIVE ONLINE through Breeze, go to our website www.tlclplatted.org. Click on "GIVING" on our homepage and you will be directed to our online giving platform Breeze. It is a convenient, safe and simple way for our members or visitors to make automated payments through bank ACH directly or credit/debit cards. Text-to-give (605) 741-4118.*

Dec 11 General Offering: \$3190.00 **Attendance:** 164

Mission Fund Offering – Angel Tree Mailing: \$792

Ushers Dec 18: Adrian DeHaan, Audrey DeHaan, Joseph Gilbertz, Abigail Konechne, Brynn Meyerink, Tommy Nelson, Charlotte Qualm, Taylor Schrank, Isabelle Suits, Laila Wollman

Dec 25: Jay VanDerWerff & Monte Wagner

Scripture Readers: Hayes DeVries & Hayden Strand

Coffee/Cookie Servers

Dec 18: High School Sunday School serving

Dec 25: No Cookies (Christmas Day)

Today our Sunday School will be presenting their Christmas Program **“The First Christmas Story”**. Thank you for joining us! We invite you to share in fellowship following worship today with goodies that the Sunday School families brought.

No Sunday School or Confirmation on Sundays, December 18, 25 & January 1. We will resume on January 8.

We are updating our church directory. Captured by Tammie (Tammie Olson) will be taking photos for the directory today **after worship service and on Tuesday, Dec 20 @ 4-7 pm (note time change)** in the Fireside Fellowship room. No appointment time is needed; it will be on a first come first serve basis. Tammie will take the photo for directory at no charge. You may purchase rights to photos from her. Digital and print packages will be available. Online ordering or by a print packet. If you recently had family photos done with Tammie, you may submit those to be used in directory rather than taking another. Email photos to the church office: tlcplattesd@gmail.com. Looking forward to completing this project with your help.

This Monday, December 19th at 2 pm, we will hold an Advent worship service at the Platte Care Center. The services will consist of singing lots of Christmas carols, three scripture readings, a ten-minute message, more carols, and Holy Communion. After the service, we will fellowship with residents over coffee and treats provided by the respective facilities. Hope you can join us!

Church council meeting is Monday, December 19 at 7 pm.

Join for prayer group on **Tuesdays at 9:30 AM** in the Pastor's study.

Thank you to our congregation that made the **Angel Tree program** a **success!** For donating towards the postage, for buying and wrapping presents, and praying.... We hope that these presents are a blessing to the 42 kids in 17 families who have at least one parent incarcerated.

~Angel Tree Committee: Vicki, Wendy & Marla

Christmas Eve worship services:

December 24 at 3 PM: will feature piano-accompanied worship, with candlelight for the closing two songs and communion.

December 24 at 10:00 PM: will feature worship led by the Praise Team, with candlelight for the closing two songs and communion.

Christmas Day worship service

December 25 at 9:30 AM: gather on Christmas morning for worship. No Communion this service.

The **Men's Bible study** will take the next two Saturdays off.

Looking for something for your kids to do during Christmas Break? New Hope Camp is offering a Day Camp Dec 26-30 from 9am-3:30pm There will be bible lessons, games, skits, crafts, food and music. Cost is \$80.

To register go to New Hope's Facebook page and follow link or follow QR code on flyer. We only have room for 30 kids. We are also looking for 3 more Jr/Sr high kids to help during the week. If interested, Contact Joel @ 469-0217

or pastorjoeldavis@yahoo.com for more info.



Shirley Johnson and Gloria Kok are collecting items for the needy. Please sort, bag and mark your donations for men, women, children, shoes, quilts, etc. **Call Gloria (605-207-0096) or Shirley (605-207-0388) and they will arrange to pick up or delivery to their garage.** The various place that will be delivered to are the Abbot House, St. Francis House, Glory House, Kingdom Boundaries and Union Gospel Mission. **There is a need for men's clothing and winter gear (boots, gloves, hats) sizes XL to 3 XL.** PLEASE ONLY WINTER SEASON clothing; the various missions don't have room to store other seasons. Thank you!

PRAYER PRAISES AND CONCERNS

Those in nursing and assisted living homes or home-bound:

Mary Lee Erickson, Mike Erickson, Laura Johnson, LaDene Nelson

Please pray for:

- The family & friends of Harold Pavlis as they mourn the death of Harold's brother, Sonny, age 92. Pray they would feel the Lord's close-abiding presence, would know His comfort, walk in His strength, live in His peace, & abide in His joy. Praise God Harold reached his 100th birthday! Please pray for many more good days/years ahead.
- The family & friends of Kathy Lubinus as they mourn her passing on Nov. 22nd. Please pray especially for her children, Stephanie, Brent, Melanie, & Valerie, as well as for their spouses, children, & grandchildren that they would know the Lord's comfort, presence, love, peace, & strength as they grieve. Pray for safe travels for everyone attending Kathy's service here December 19th @ 10:30.
- Praise God! Jill DeWet's PET scan on Nov. 30th showed the chemo is working & her cancer is in complete remission. Pray for her continued healing, strength, & well-being & for the future treatments they have lined up for Jill to go well and help her to remain cancer free. Please continue to pray for Jacques's mother, Renee, as she seeks permission from the U.S. Consulate in South Africa to come to the U.S. to visit Jacques, Jill, & Maverick.
- Praise God Skyler Hanten continues to recover well from his knee surgery. Please pray the Lord would expedite his physical therapy so he might be able to participate in track this spring. Thank Him Skyler is walking well without his brace.
- Praise God Caroline Butler's granddaughter, Katie, has had both lumps removed from her neck. The first one was found to be benign. Please pray the second one would also be found to be benign,
- Nicole Olesen (Pr. Dave & Peggy's niece) in her battle with cancer. Pray for her, her husband, Mark, & their children to know the Lord's peace, strength, & presence throughout.
- Dan Hauser (Pr. Dave's & Peggy's brother-in-law) in his battle with bladder & kidney cancer. Pray for a quick recovery from his recent surgery & thank God for an encouraging report from his doctor.

- Safe journeys for everyone traveling over the Christmas holiday. Pray for airline schedules to be on time, roads to be good, vehicles to work well, & for favorable weather.
- For a special presence of the Holy Spirit during the holidays for our church and every church that preaches the truth about Jesus. Pray people's hearts & minds would be awakened to the truth of Jesus, that old faith lives would be renewed, and for many to accept Jesus as Lord for the first time. Pray for mature Christians to come alongside new Christians & disciple them.
- All those who have experienced devastation from tornadoes, hurricanes, blizzards, floods, & forest fires that they would know the Lord's provision, peace, & comfort, & feel the tangible love of the church helping them through their heartache.

Preschool:

Thielen DeHaan, Logan DeVries, Benton DuFrain, Walt Hegge, Hayes Hermanek, Logan Johnson, Leo Nelson, Raelyn Severson, Alaina VandenHoek, Vera VandenHoek, William Warejcka, Greysen Wollman

Kindergarten:

Sasha Roubideaux (DeHaan), Brenna DuFrain, Owen Dyk, Macie Hoffman, Blakely Johnson, Eve Meyerink, Brinslee Nelson, Ella Reiser, Mason Schrank

1st Grade:

Chance Hermanek, Chase Lantz, Amelia Meyerink, Bohden Schrank, Navaeh Severson, Bexley Timmerman, Brooks Timmerman, Breyden Wollman

2nd Grade:

Reed DuFrain, Paxton Dyk, Addison Gilbertz, Lucy Hegge, Jaxton Reiser, Logan Ruen, Jemma Severson, Tessa VandenHoek

3rd Grade:

Khloe DeGroot, Rylee DeGroot, Maley DeHaan, Collins DuFrain, Henry Hegge, Ella Holter, Emerson Qualm, Jacoby Severson, Maisey Suits, Aubrey Warejcka, Kensley Wollman

4th Grade:

Carsynn DeHaan, Emersyn Hermanek, Bryce Kahler, Cash Lantz, Wyatt VandenHoek

5th Grade:

Zoey DeHaan, Mikenna Gilbertz, Dani Meyerink, Sophia Nelson, Jordan Ruen, Holden Suits

6th Grade:

Charley DeGroot, Ella Schrank

King of Kings

In the darkness we were waiting, Without hope without light
Till from Heaven You came running, There was mercy in Your eyes
To fulfil the law and prophets, To a virgin came the Word
From a throne of endless glory, To a cradle in the dirt

Chorus: Praise the Father, Praise the Son, Praise the Spirit three in one
God of Glory, Majesty, Praise forever to the King of kings

To reveal the kingdom coming, And to reconcile the lost
To redeem the whole creation, You did not despise the cross
For even in Your suffering, You saw to the other side
Knowing this was our salvation, Jesus for our sake You died

Chorus

And the morning that You rose, All of heaven held its breath
Till that stone was moved for good, For the Lamb had conquered death
And the dead rose from their tombs, And the angels stood in awe
For the souls of all who'd come, To the Father are restored

And the Church of Christ was born, Then the Spirit lit the flame
Now this Gospel truth of old, Shall not kneel shall not faint
By His blood and in His Name, In His freedom I am free
For the love of Jesus Christ, Who has resurrected me

Chorus Praise forever to the King of Kings

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A Christmas Alleluia

Alleluia, alleluia! Christ, the Savior of the world,
He has come! Alleluia, alleluia! To the highest name of all: Alleluia! *(repeat)*

The heavens roar, the angels sing
All glory to our God and King! O night divine forevermore, alleluia! *(repeat)*

Alleluia, alleluia! Christ, the Savior of the world,
He has come! Alleluia, alleluia! To the highest name of all: Alleluia!
You're the highest name of all alleluia

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