

# OUR SAVIOR & BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN MISSION STATEMENT

"By God's grace, we are a Christ-centered extended family, proclaiming the Good News of the Risen Savior by worshiping, teaching, reaching, and caring."

## **SERVING IN DECEMBER**

# **At Our Savior Lutheran**

**Elders:** 

Todd brus, Derek Lambert

**Saturday Ushers:** 

No one scheduled

**Sunday Ushers:** 

No one scheduled

**Communion Helpers:** 

**Rod & Nancy Bradley** 

**Acolytes:** 

Harper Phipps, Kynlee Schwarte

Music:

Saturday & Sunday: Mary Kuhlmann

At Bethlehem Lutheran

**Elder:** George Malone **Usher:** Jim Stephens

**Greeting & Cleaning:** Julie Malone

# December 7th, 2025

# Second Sunday in Advent

As We Gather Opening Hymn:

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel LSB 357

Invocation

Confession & Absolution: Psalm 72:2, 4, alt;

Philippians 1:6

Salutation and Prayer of the Day

Old Testament Reading: Isaian 11:1-10

**Epistle:** Romans 15:4-13 **Holy Gospel:** Matthew 3:1-12

Hymn of the Day:

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel LSB 357

Sermon: For All Time
Apostle's Creed

Prayer of the Church
Offering/Children's Offering

**Preface** 

The Words of Our Lord

Lord's Prayer Pax Domini

**Distribution Hymns** 

It Came upon the Midnight Clear LSB 366

O Come, All Ye Faithful LSB 379

Angels from the Realms of Glory LSB 367

Now Sing We, Now Rejoice LSB 386

**Post-Communion Thanksgiving** 

**Benedicamus** 

Benediction

**Closing Hymn:** 

Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending LSB 336

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## WE EXTEND A WARM WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS AND GUESTS

December Baptism Celebrations							
1st Wyatt Kaub Kyler Schulz Jeff Sievertsen 2nd Jayden Bradley Sophie Fu 3rd Ashlee Brus 4th Deb Burk Abigail Lansink Sue Feller 5th Jacob Bruck 6th Cort Riessen 7th Joyce Campbell Cheryl Preul Hunter Wilson Linda McCutcheon	Myah Schwarte Taylor Schwarte Knylee Schwarte Natalee Schwarte 9th Amanda Moeller 10th Andrew Wilson 11th Jennifer Blum Lori Johannsen 12th Nancy Gesy 13th Angela Jensen 14th Reed Bowker 15th Karen McCord 16th Roger Groth Dale Schneider	18 <sup>th</sup> Jace Blum Tanner Schramm 20 <sup>th</sup> Barb Kahl Nathan Namanny Keith Malone 21 <sup>st</sup> Randy Rath Betty Schmidt  22 <sup>nd</sup> Lyle Meseck Carole Schultz Darren Thompson Joshua Tucker 23 <sup>rd</sup> Angie Anderson Terri Martens Scott Westerberg Jemma Frehse Payton Trunkhill	25 <sup>th</sup> Alexis Bergamo Nicholas Bradley 26 <sup>th</sup> Nathan Desy 27 <sup>th</sup> Sarah Branning Cooper Gehlsen John Thomsen 28 <sup>th</sup> Kent Bohlmann Lori Brummer Jeanie Fink Nolan Neddermeyer 29 <sup>th</sup> Emily Gehlsen 30 <sup>th</sup> Rachel Greene Seth Todd 31 <sup>st</sup> Michael Mohr Lisa Sample				
Maverick Graft 8 <sup>th</sup> Laurie Joachim Cooper Knickman Annah Schwarte	Lukas Sievertsen 17 <sup>th</sup> Kinnik Borkowski Gail Schlueter Karen Schmidt	We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. Romans 6:4					

# **2026 Offering Envelopes in Church Mailboxes**

Contribution envelopes for 2026 have been placed in your church mailboxes. If you did not receive offering envelopes and you would like them, or if you would like to begin using online giving, please contact the office.

#### **LOST AND FOUND**

We have set up a lost and found table in the Narthex. Please check the table for any items you might have lost throughout the year. Any items left unclaimed after the 1<sup>st</sup> of the year will be donated to make room in the coat closet. Pans can also be found on table. Thanks!



# **Christmas Cantata "The Angel Said"**

Bethlehem on Saturday December 13th-7:15pm

Our Savior on Sunday December 14th-9:00am

Please note that these are the only services for the weekend of December 13<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup>

# Thank you, Women's Guild!

Thank you to the Women's Guild for the \$200 donation toward kitchen needs. Replacement lids for coffee carafes, a few additional carafes, and narrower serving spatulas for desserts have been purchased. These are a great addition to our kitchen.

## **Our Savior & Bethlehem Leadership Christmas Party**

All Church Leaders (Council and Elders) and their spouses are invited to the Annual Leadership Christmas Party this Tuesday, December 9<sup>th</sup> at the Brasel Building in Dow City. Happy hour with snacks will begin at 6:00 pm and



Staley's dinner (Chicken and Steak) will be served at 7:00 pm. Desserts will also be provided. Plan to come as we thank you for your support/service and just have a great time of fellowship.

#### **Advent Midweek Services**

Advent Midweek services will continue this week, December 10th. Our Savior: 5:30 – Advent Meal, 7:00 - Service. Bethlehem: 5:30 - Service.

## January through March Portals of Prayer

The new Portals of Prayer have arrived. Be sure to pick up your copy on the Welcome Center or in the office!

## Thank you!

Thank you to Evergreen Acres for the Evergreen branches for the planters in front of the church! They are wonderful decorations for the holiday season!

## MINISTRY FOR NOVEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup> – DECEMBER 14<sup>TH</sup> 2025

Saturday - December 6th

9:00 – Decorating the Church

9:00 - 1:00 - Cookie Walk @Zion Gym

5:30 – Our Savior Worship ♣

Riessen Baptism

Sunday - December 7th

9:00 – Our Savior Worship ♣

10:15 - Set Your Legacy

10:15 - Adult Bible Study & Christmas

**Program Practice** 

9:15 - Adult Bible Study & Sunday School

10:30- Bethlehem Worship 

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**Kraft Baptism** 

Monday - December 8th

9:00 - Coffee Crew

2:00 - Women's Guild Cookie Exchange

6:00 - Christmas Program Practice

6:00 – Cub Scouts (Basement)

Tuesday - December 9th

4:00 - CCHF Backpacks

6:00 - Leadership/Staff Christmas Party

@Brasel Building, Dow City

Wednesday - December 10th

4:00 – WBS (4-year-old – 3<sup>rd</sup> grade)

4:00 - Rock 4,5,6 Classes

5:30 - Bethlehem Advent Service

5:30 – Advent Meal

5:45 - Choir

6:00 – 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation Classes

6:30 – Sr. High Connect 7:00 - OS Advent Service

Thursday – December 11th

9:45 - Our Savior Bible Study

6:00 - Christmas Program Practice

Friday - December 12th

Christmas Crusade (Basement)

Saturday - December 13th

Christmas Crusade (Basement)

7:15 – Christmas Cantata @Bethlehem

Sunday - December 14th

9:00 - Our Savior Christmas Cantata

10:15 – Adult Bible Study & Christmas

**Program Practice** 

11:30 - Youth Cookies & Cards

12:30 – Christmas Crusade (Basement)

Service	Date	Attendance	Offering	Weekly Budget
Our Savior Thanksgiving Eve	11/26/2025	44	\$304.00	\$8,575.00
Our Savior Subsplash Online Giving Deposit	11/26/2025		\$1,468.20	
Bethlehem Thanksgiving Eve	11/26/2025	42	\$863.00	\$1,495.00

# <u>Prayers & Praise</u>

"Never worry about anything. But in every situation let God know what you need in prayers and requests while giving thanks." **Philippians 4:6** 

## **PRAISES**

### **BAPTISM BLESSINGS**

God Bless Cort Eliot Riessen. He was born on September 3, 2025, and will be baptized December 6, 2025. He is the son of Elijah & Carly Riessen. Grandparents are Brian & Heather Riessen, and Greg & Beth Vanzante. Great-Grandparents are Dennis Meseck, Lois Vanzante, and Roberta Dennisen. May God bless Cort Riessen and his family on his Baptism!

God Bless Maverick Joseph Kraft. He was born on July 16, 2025, and will be baptized December 7, 2025. He is the son of Wyatt Kraft & Danielle Malone. Grandparents are Billie Poston and Denise & Tracey Kraft. Great-Grandparents are the late Martha Higgins and Bonnie Mangan. May God bless Maverick Kraft and his family on his Baptism!

## **WELCOME NEW MEMBERS**

Please welcome John, Heather, Owen, and Cooper Quandt to Our Savior membership, transferring from Gloria De, Urbandale, IA. May God Bless their time at Our Savior in the upcoming months and years. Welcome to Worship and Fellowship John, Heather, Owen, and Cooper!

### **PLEASE PRAY FOR**

## **THOSE WHO MOURN**

We pray for the family of Peter Bergamo, brother of Barry (Sue) Bergamo, who was called to his heavenly home on November 29, 2025, in New York. May God grant comfort to the Bergamo Family and all who mourn the passing of Peter.

We pray for the family of Colleen Wessel, sister of Katie (Brett) Gehlsen who was called to her heavenly home on November 23, 2025. Her funeral service was held at 10:30am on Tuesday, December 2, 2025, at Zion Lutheran Church in Denison. May God grant comfort to the Wessel Family and all who mourn the passing of Colleen.

### **THOSE WITH VARIOUS HEALTH ISSUES:**

Lowell Neumann, Tammy Schurke, Denise Buckholdt, Jerry Blackmore, Gabby Riessen, Doris Neumann, Raven Stone, Pauline Meeves, Sharlene Hansen, Norma Berens, Eli Riessen, Cheryl Rath, Chris Blume, Marlene Giermann, James Bielfeldt.

Our Savior Prayer Chain Co-Captains Doris: 402-350-3022, Shelly: 263-4376 Bethlehem Prayer Chain Co-Captains Julie: 269-7715. Sue: 263-9613

#### REMEMBER THOSE WHO ARE SHUT INS

Ruth Blackmore, Jenell Beam, Adlyn Ohl, Mary Jane Petersen.

### **Bethlehem Church Families**

Sun.) Raylee Ellison
Mon.) KorraAnn Ellison
Tues.) Andrea Ellison
Wed.) Scott Ellison
Thur.) Kristy Erlbacher
Fri.) John Feddersen
Sat.) Michelle Fineran

### **Our Savior Church Families**

Nathan Namanny Nolan Neddermeyer Mark & Renee Neddermeyer Sheri Neddermeyer Mitch & Erin Nelson Lowell & Doris Neumann Jan Norgaard

> THE LUTHERAN HOUR KDSN Sundays 6:30-7:00 am (104.9 FM) 10:30-11:30 am (1530 AM)



THY STRONG WORD

KDSN 104.9 Mon. – Sat. @ 6:25 am

December 8<sup>th</sup> – December 13<sup>th</sup>

Rev. Richard Merrill, Multi-Point, Charter Oak