

# Northland Lutheran Church LCMC

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## Sunday, December 24, 2025

Purpose Statement: "To worship God, spread His Word, witness for Christ, welcome all, serve them and grow the community of believers through the power of the Holy Spirit."

### TODAY AT WORSHIP

**Wednesday, December 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**Projector: Dale Thompson**

**Christmas Eve Candlelight**

**Service @ 4:00 PM**

**Communion (Intinction)**

**Wednesday, December 31st, 2025**

**NO Confirmation**

**Thursday, December 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**Projector: Kevin Dahle**

**Christmas Day**

**Service @ 10:00 AM**

**Communion at the Rail**

**NEXT SUNDAY, December 28th, 2025**

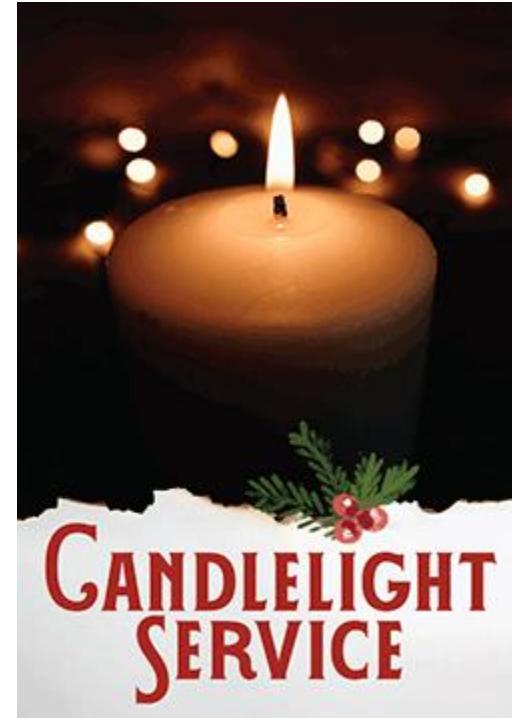
**Projector: Craig Anderson**

**NO Sunday School**

**10:00 AM Worship**

**Annual meeting reports due to the office  
by January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2026**  
**Please email your reports**

**The Church has an opening for a new  
Custodian position. If interested, please  
get an application in the office.**



**Poinsettias in memory of Loved Ones  
from**

**Sally Van Epern**

**Bill & Christy Hahn**

**Daniele Oligney**

**Pat Melum**

**Russ & Elaine Wojciechowski  
Fischer Family**

### CONTACT THE OFFICE

For Information regarding church rental, weddings, baptisms, membership or to have an announcement put in the newsletter or bulletin please contact the office at 715-445-2956 or northlandchurch@hotmail.com. You can contact Pastor William Stukenberg @ 262-441-0513

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## Opening Hymn

### God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Responsive Reading

**Pastor:** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People:** Amen.

**Pastor:** Unto us a Child is born.

**People:** Unto us a Son is given.

**Pastor:** And His name shall be called Wonderful Counselor,

**People:** Mighty God, Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace.

**Pastor:** Grace and peace be yours in full measure through your knowledge of the Father and of His Son come to earth, Jesus Christ, our Lord!

**People:** The peace of the Lord be with you, also.

**Pastor:** God, our heavenly Father, tenderly invites us to believe that He is our true Father and that we are His true children. As His true children we humbly pray:

**People:** O holy Child of Bethlehem, descend to us, we pray, cast out our sin and enter in, be born in us today. We hear the Christmas angels, the great glad tidings tell, Oh, come to us, Abide with us, Our Lord Immanuel.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**Narrator: (Larry Barikmo)**

(Luke 2:1-7) In those days Caesar Augustus issued a decree that a census should be taken of the entire Roman world. And everyone went to his own town to register.

So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to

the house and line of David. He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped Him in cloths and placed Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

### Away in the Manger

**Narrator: (Gerry Quimby)**

And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; He is Christ the Lord. This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger.”

Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, “Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men on whom his favor rests.” When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, “Let us go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about.” So, they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger. When they had seen Him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child, and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them. But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all

the things they had heard and seen, which were just as they had been told.

## Oh Holy Night

### Narrator: Tom Walker

After Jesus was born in Bethlehem ... Magi from the east came to Jerusalem and asked, "Where is the One who has been born king of the Jews? We saw His star in the east and have come to worship Him." When King Herod heard this he was disturbed. Then Herod called the Magi secretly and found out from them the exact time the star had appeared. He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and make a careful search for the Child. As soon as you find Him, report to me, so that I too may go and worship Him."

After they had heard the king, they went on their way, and the star they had seen in the east went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped Him. Then they opened their treasures and presented Him with gifts of gold and of incense and of myrrh.

## Oh Come all ye Faithful

### Narrator: Kevin Dahle

When the time came for the purification rites required by the Law of Moses, Joseph and Mary took him to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord <sup>23</sup> (as it is written in the Law of the Lord, "Every firstborn male is to be consecrated to the Lord"), <sup>24</sup> and to offer a sacrifice in keeping with what is said in the Law of the Lord: "a pair of doves or two young pigeons."<sup>[b]</sup>

<sup>25</sup> Now there was a man in Jerusalem called Simeon, who was righteous and devout. He was waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was on him. <sup>26</sup> It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not die before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. <sup>27</sup> Moved by the Spirit, he went into the temple courts. When the parents brought in the child Jesus to do for him what the custom of the Law required, <sup>28</sup> Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying:

<sup>29</sup> "Sovereign Lord, as you have promised, you may now dismiss<sup>[c]</sup> your servant in peace. <sup>30</sup> For my eyes have seen your salvation, <sup>31</sup> which you have prepared in the sight of all nations: <sup>32</sup> a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and the glory of your people Israel."

<sup>33</sup> The child's father and mother marveled at what was said about him. <sup>34</sup> Then Simeon blessed them and said to Mary, his mother: "This child is destined to cause the falling and rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be spoken against, <sup>35</sup> so that the thoughts of many hearts will be revealed. And a sword will pierce your own soul too."

<sup>36</sup> There was also a prophetess, Anna, the daughter of Penuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was very old; she had lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, <sup>37</sup> and then was a widow until she was eighty-four.<sup>[d]</sup> She never left the temple but worshiped night and day, fasting and praying. <sup>38</sup> Coming up to them at that very moment, she gave thanks to God and spoke about the child to all who were looking forward to the redemption of Jerusalem.

## Joy to the World

## MESSAGE

**Prayer  
Offering  
Offertory**

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

As we consider the birth of Jesus, it's impossible to not consider His death on our behalf. I love Christmas, but we are never told in Scripture to remember Jesus birth. We are told to remember His death...the giving of His Body and Blood to pay the penalty for our sin. Paul writes.

**1 Corinthians 11:23-26**

For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, 24 and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me." 25 In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me." 26 For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. Before we partake of communion together, please join me in the Lord's Prayer

**Lord's Prayer**

**Pastor:** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**People:** 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, and the power and the glory, forever and ever.  
**AMEN**

**Distribution: Intinction**

**BENEDICTION**

**Lighting of Candles**

**Closing Hymn**

**Silent Night**