



WAIT UPON
THE LORD

*Celebrate the
Season of Advent*



Sunday, December 12, 2021

3rd week of Advent

This is the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation. Isaiah 25:9

In this third week of Advent, we wait upon the Lord with rejoicing. Elizabeth rejoiced as she waited for the coming of her son, John the Baptist. And Mary rejoiced as she waited for the birth of her son, Jesus. In the same manner, we rejoice as we wait for the coming of the Son of God.

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

RINGING OF THE BELL

INVOCATION AND CALL TO WORSHIP

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God the Father, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. Amen.

Wait upon the Lord.

Be strong and courageous.

Wait upon the Lord. That's what Elizabeth did.

She waited for a child,

John the Baptist,

Then she said to Mary:

When the sound of your greeting came to my ears, the baby in my womb leaped for joy.

Wait upon the Lord.

Be strong and courageous.

Wait upon the Lord!

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

We light the first candle on the Advent wreath as a reminder we wait with faith. The second candle is our reminder we wait with hope. This week we light the third candle – acknowledging we also wait for the Lord with joy.

HYMN

“Joy To The World”

#267 vs 1&4

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.

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.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

God of all mercy and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ:

We admit that we have become impatient with ourselves, each other, and sometimes with you. We have turned to our own way and have gone astray from your will. Lost in sin and needing to become strong and courageous, we ask you, O Lord, to forgive our sin, cleanse our hearts, and keep us patiently waiting for the promised coming of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

You are invited to meditate on the fact that though our sin is great,
Christ's love is greater.

Believe and receive the good news! God sent his Son, the Babe of Bethlehem, to show his infinite love and forgiveness for all people. Your sins are forgiven in the holy name of Christ who came and indeed, will come again. Amen.

Wait upon the Lord.

Be strong and courageous. Wait upon the Lord!

KYRIE

Lord, have mercy. Give us patience.

Christ, have mercy. Give us patience and peace.

Lord, have mercy. Give us patience and peace for the living of these days.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O Lord, rend the heavens and come down.

Be our strength every morning and our salvation in the night of despair. Show forth your power and might, just as you did

in the days of Mary and Elizabeth; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit—God forever. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Samuel 2:1-3

And Hannah prayed and said, “My heart exults in the Lord; my horn is exalted in the Lord. My mouth derides my enemies, because I rejoice in your salvation. There is none holy like the Lord: for there is none besides you; there is no rock like our God. Talk no more so very proudly, let not arrogance come from your mouth; for the Lord is a God of knowledge, and by him actions are weighed.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 12:11-18

Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be wise in your own sight. Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

**Those who wait upon the Lord will renew their strength.
Hallelujah!**

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 1:39-45

In those days Mary arose and went with haste into the hill country, to a town in Judah, and she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. And when Elizabeth heard the greeting of Mary, the baby leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit, and she exclaimed with a loud cry, “Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb! And why is this granted to me that the

mother of my Lord should come to me? For behold, when the sound of your greeting came to my ears, the baby in my womb leaped for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her from the Lord.”

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SERMON *“Wait Upon the Lord with Joy”*

HYMN *Awake! Awake, and Greet the New Morn* #242 vs 1,4

**Awake! Awake, and greet the new morn,
for angels herald its dawning.
Sing out your joy, for soon he is born,
behold! the Child of our longing.
Come as a baby weak and poor,
to bring all hearts together,
he opens wide the heav'nly door
and lives now inside us forever.**

**Rejoice, rejoice, take heart in the night,
though dark the winter and cheerless,
the rising sun shall crown you with light,
be strong and loving and fearless.
Love be our song and love our prayer
and love our endless story;
may God fill ev'ry day we share
and bring us at last into glory.**

APOSTLES CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit,
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again;

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father,
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.
Amen

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

OFFERING

BENEDICTION

*May God give us the faith of Abraham, the hope of Isaiah, the joy of
Elizabeth, and the gratitude of Zechariah. God will make us strong and
courageous.*

As we wait upon the Lord! Amen.

SENDING HYMN *Angels From the Realms of Glory* #275

Angels, from the realms of glory,
wing your flight o'er all the earth;
once you sang creation's story,
now proclaim Messiah's birth:
Come and worship, come and worship,
worship Christ, the newborn king.

Shepherds, in the fields abiding,
watching o'er your flocks by night,
God with us is now residing,
yonder shines the infant light.

**Come and worship, come and worship,
worship Christ, the newborn king.**

**Sages, leave your contemplations,
brighter visions beam afar;
seek the great desire of nations,
you have seen his natal star.**

**Come and worship, come and worship,
worship Christ, the newborn king.**

**All creation, join in praising
God, the Father, Spirit, Son,
evermore your voices raising
to the eternal Three in One.**

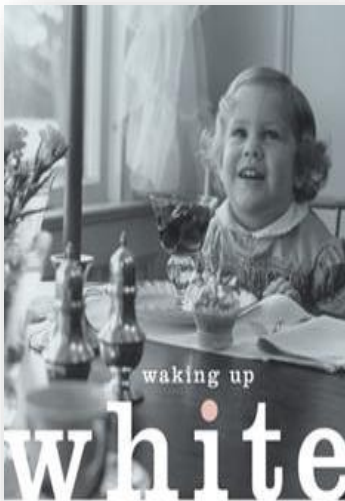
**Come and worship, come and worship,
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DISMISSAL

You are the body of Christ. Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Okay, we will. Thanks be to God!

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New Book Study Opportunity
Waking Up White, and Finding Myself in the Story
of Race

By Debby Irving

Tuesdays at 7 pm MST beginning December 14
In person at Our Savior's Lutheran Church and
Via Zoom (Meeting ID: 518 251 3825 Password:
OSLHermosa)

*All ages and genders are welcome to join in discussion as we read this book together. Pastor Deb has secured some books for \$5. Please contact her at pastordeb@oslhermosa.com if you would like a book. eBooks can also be purchased through various sellers.



The Mission Committee is excited to announce we will be working with LSS of Rapid City, the Hermosa School and Relator's for Kids again this year to provide Christmas gifts for local children as well as the youth who are a part of the Arise program. There are several ways you can participate. Thank you for helping children to experience God's love at Christmas time.

How to participate in the 2021 Local Angel Tree Mission

1. Donate financially to the OSL Angel Tree Mission of the Moment beginning now through December 31st. Cash or checks (write Mission on the memo line) can be mailed or dropped off at the church. Give online through Tith.ly (drop down menu has Mission of the Moment option.) Pastor Deb and the OSL Community HS Youth Group will take these donations and shop for gifts on December 12^h. (Pastor Deb will shop for any last-minute gift requests we receive.)
2. Take an ornament off the tree in the narthex. Purchase the gift and return it wrapped or unwrapped by December 12. Please attach the tag to the gift. Please only purchase what is on the tag. Each child has multiple tags so they will receive multiple gifts. The gift list provided by the parents have been separated onto the tags so that each child in the family receives the same number of gifts. If you would like an ornament mailed to you, contact Josie or Pastor Deb.
3. The Mission Committee will be wrapping the gifts on Monday, December 13th beginning at 11 am in the church basement. All are invited to come help wrap. Wrapping supplies will be furnished. Bring a dish to share for a potluck lunch.

*The Community Christmas
Choir presents*

**Season
of
Praise**

Written by Joseph M Martin Narration by Pamela Martin
Pastor Deb Grismer, Director Chantry Nelson, Accompanist

Sunday, December 19 at 3 pm
St. Michael's Catholic Church,
Hermosa, SD

Christmas is a season of praise! Join the Community Choir and narrators for a unique celebration of the Christ's birth through song and story. Familiar Christmas hymns along with unique Christmas arrangements will be part of this community cantata. All ages are welcome to come and enjoy this free event.

**A freewill offering will be collected to help cover some of the costs of having a community cantata.*



**Those who are grieving losses of any sort, especially the friends and family of Shannon Lakner (Cousin of Philip Lakner); Kenny Middlemas (Uncle of Jason Virtue); Jack Peterson (Grandson of Collette Carlson)

**Those recovering from COVID-19, surgeries, and those who are ill or hospitalized, including: Cliff (Friend of Toni Ramsey); Lynzee Makowski (niece of Rebecca Kaiser); Clay Walberg; Esther Downen; Dean Schumacher (Friend of Pastor Deb and Rod); Terry Richie Sr (Brother in law of Russ and Cathy Dahl); Jason Boll (son of Linda Boll); BJ McGuire (Friend of Carmen Lakner); Rod Dikoff (Cousin of Roger); Marquita Prince (Friend of Linda Morrison)

**Those with on-going health concerns, including Gary Walberg (Father of Clay Walberg); Bob and Peg Tesch; Rhonda (Cousin of Suzan Heidelberger); Shelly (Friend of Carla Oerter); Suzan Heidelberger; Chelle Schefcik; Michael and Jeffrey (Cousins of Donna Zuerlein); Brenda Kummer

**For our military members and their families, especially those who are away from home this holiday season.

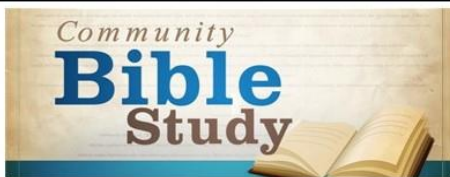
**For our students and teachers as they approach finals and ends of semesters.

**For those who are homeless and those whose homes do not provide warmth and safety

**For those who the holiday season is an especially hard time and for those who walk with them

**For our leaders at every level

**For our siblings in Christ, our friends and enemies, both near and far.



Wait Upon the Lord

Mondays at 9:30 am

Nov. 29 - Dec. 20

Hermosa Coffee House

13 2nd St, Hermosa

All are welcome to join Pastor Deb as we journey together during Advent waiting upon the Lord for his presence to be revealed to us on Christmas. We will look back in Scripture at those who waited upon the Lord for his promises to come to pass through the Christ Child. We will also look forward, contemplating how we should wait upon the Lord in this present moment of our lives, as God continues to make himself known to us. Please join us in Advent as we wait upon the Lord with faith, hope, rejoicing and gratitude.

No experience is necessary. Bring your own Bible. Study guides will be provided. Drinks and treats available for purchase if you desire.

(You don't have to purchase something to be a part of the group.)

WANTED:

Poinsettias for Christmas

The Worship Committee needs your help in decorating our sanctuary with poinsettias this year. You are invited to loan poinsettias to OSL for the Christmas services or make a financial donation to purchase flowers on your behalf. Poinsettias can be dropped off at the church beginning Sunday, December 19 and picked up anytime after the final Christmas Eve service on December 24. Financial donations can be dropped off anytime before December 23. Please indicate the donation is for flowers. If you would like to loan or purchase a flower in honor or memory of someone, please let Josie know by December 19. A list of names will be published in the Christmas Eve bulletin. Thank you for your help.



JOIN US FOR SECOND
SUNDAY BREAKFAST!

TODAY!

Serving:

8:30-9:20am

10:20-11:30am

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

The whole community is
invited!

**Freewill donation will go
towards the OSL Community
Youth Group to attend the 2022
ELCA National Youth Gathering



Biscuits and
Gravy
Fruit
Dessert
Drinks

Our Savior's Lutheran Church
You Are Invited to Celebrate Christmas with Us!
A Quiet Christmas Service

Candlelight Service with Communion

Thursday, December 23rd 6:30pm Live streamed as well

*This service is for those wishing to worship but are grieving, not feeling very
"Christmacy" or just need a break from the chaos and hustle/bustle of the season*

Christmas Eve Services

Candlelight Service with Communion

Friday, December 24th 3:00, 5:00, 7:00 Live streamed as well

You are also invited to join us on Sunday, December 26th at 9:30am for

Worship to celebrate Christmas Day

Please email or call with any questions

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American Legion Post 303 Building
East End of Hermosa on HWY 40
ALL AGES ARE WELCOME
Home-cooked, buffet-style meals
Main dish, sides, salads, fruit,
dessert, drink

Dec 13-17

Monday- Hamburger Steak
Tuesday- Chicken Alfredo
Wednesday- Pork Chops and Gravy
Thursday- Leftover Smorgasbord
Friday- Closed

Adults \$8
Kids \$5
12:00 Noon Sharp



Sunday, Dec 12th

3rd Sunday of Advent

Second Sunday Breakfast (Served 8:30-9:20 and 10:20-11:30)

HS Youth Group following 2nd Sunday Breakfast

9:30am Worship/Communion in building and live online

10:30am Church Council Meeting

6:30pm Confirmation

Monday, Dec 13th

9:30am Bible Study with Pastor Deb @ Hermosa Coffee House

11:00am Christmas Wrapping Party @ OSL

Wednesday, Dec 15th

5:30-7:00pm DOG Night

Thursday, Dec 16th

3:00-5:00pm Hermosa/Fairburn Community Food Bank open

Saturday, Dec 18th

2:00-4:00pm Santa and Mrs. Claus will be at Pop's Grocery

Sunday, Dec 19th

4th Sunday of Advent

8:15am Property Committee Meeting

9:30am Worship and Communion in building and live online

Fellowship after Worship

10:30am Worship Committee Meeting

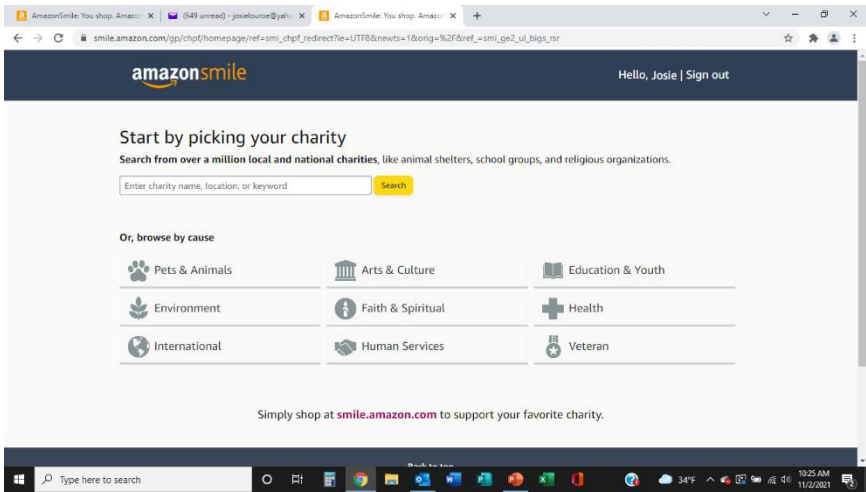
3:00pm Community Cantata

5:00pm Confirmation

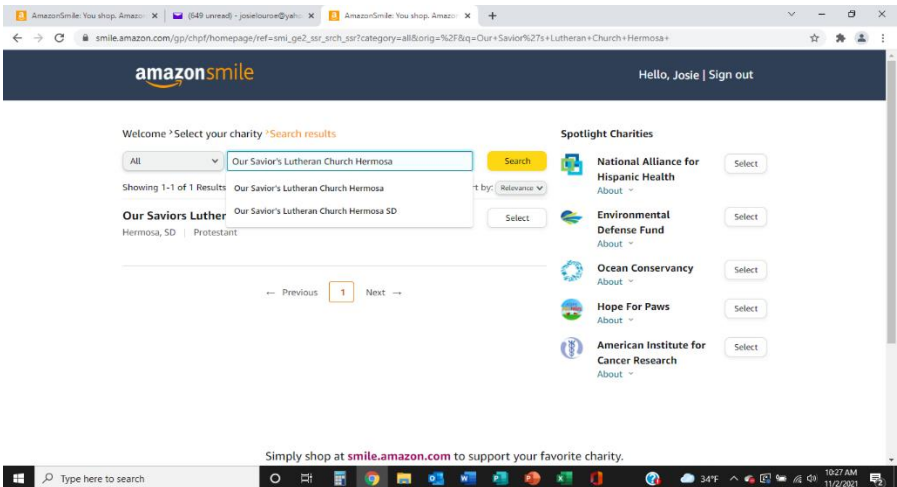
6:30-8:00pm HS Youth Group



With Christmas coming soon, I wanted to send a reminder that if you order anything from Amazon, OSL can receive a portion of your purchase through the Amazon Smile program. It is SUPER EASY to use!. First, you will go to <https://smile.amazon.com/>. Then you will log-in with your regular Amazon username and password. Once you are logged in, you will get this screen:



You will type in: *Our Savior's Lutheran Church Hermosa* and hit Search. It will come up in Hermosa SD. It is listed wrong as Protestant, but that is the correct one. You shop as usual, and the church gets a portion of every purchase you make.



Thank you in advance for helping OSL!