

## GIFTS OF MUSIC

*The Little Drummer Boy* One License # 27855

*An Appalachian Christmas* One License # 1046169

Handbell Choir

## \*LORD'S PRAYER

P. 112

## SENDING

### \*BLESSING

### \*SENDING SONG

*Hark! The Herald Angels Sing* One License # 212321 **ELW 270**

Marty Scharff, organ and Handbell Choir

### DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Keep awake.

**Thanks be to God.**

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**Today's radio broadcast,  
heard on KMCH 94.7 at 10:30 am,  
is given by Keith and Carol Hagen  
in honor of their wedding anniversary on December 16.**

### Prayer Requests

Helen Ernst, Diane Temple's mom, Nolan Keeney, Sharon Hall, Shelli Streeper, Dan Lubben, Deb Lacock, Doug Ulbrich, Kim Miller's brother, Rachel Bolender; daughter of Chris and Kelly Herren, Kay Kuhns, Cleo Rogers, Paul Siebels sister, John Yanda, Linda Siebels, Kalinda Stadtmueller, Sandy Jensen, Stephen Ministers and their care receivers, and others we name in our hearts and known to our Lord who suffer.

**Military:** Gavin Taylor, (Larry Taylor's grandson) Karsten Theilen, (friend of Tristan Weers) Zach Yates, Landon Hall, Ben Harms, Dustin Starn, and Spencer Hanson



**Wednesday, December 24th, 2025, 5:00 pm  
With Communion—Christmas Eve Candlelight Service**



Join us to celebrate  
**"BLESSED TO BE IN BETHLEHEM"**  
*Children's Program*  
**4th Sunday of Advent**  
**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21ST**  
*Wayne Zion Lutheran Church*

**Pastor: Lynn Banderob**  
**Ministers: All Members**

Barb Andreesen, Marty Scharff, accompanists  
Kaleb Toenjes, acolyte

**CALL TO WORSHIP *The Wexford Carol***

OL#244637

Women's Choir

*\*Denotes the invitation to stand as you are able*

**\*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,  
whose home is heaven and earth,  
whose salvation is sure.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God  
and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Long-expected God,

**we confess that we look to ourselves  
for the peace and security only you can provide.  
We reach for swords and spears,  
reluctant to release our grip on the ways of war.  
We become impatient while waiting  
and weary of keeping awake.**

**Free us from self-reliance,  
and teach us to live in harmony with our neighbors.  
Increase our trust in God's timing,  
and awaken us to your advent among us,  
that we may abound in the hope you have promised. Amen.**

God judges us not as we deserve,  
but according to God's own righteousness.  
+ You are freed and forgiven,  
saved by grace,  
and ready to welcome the Savior. **Amen.**

**LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLES**

*after the candles are lit, please respond*

O house of David, come,  
**let us rejoice, for the Son of God, Emmanuel,  
comes to be with us. Amen.**

Let us Pray:

**Dear God, your faithfulness has been great, leading us to  
this day of anticipation and celebration. May the glorious  
light of your steadfast love shine brightly in us and  
through us, that all may give you praise and glory. In the  
Savior's name we pray. Amen.**

**Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah vs. 4**

**ELW 240**

**KYRIE** *tune: O Come, O Come Emmanuel*

***Forgive us, Lord, for times when love was lost,  
and moments when we never thought to care,  
for times when we destroy and subdue  
the Word that brings your people close to you.***

***Forgive, forgive, forgive us all our sins  
and help us love so newness can begin.***

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Today's Readings Insert

**WORD**

**READINGS**

Annette Smith, lector

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** *tune: Infant Holy, Infant Lowly*  
***Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Allelu.***  
***Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Allelu.***

**\*GOSPEL**

**CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PAGEANT  
BLESSED TO BE IN BETHLEHEM**

**PRELUDE: *Christmastime is Here*** Conner Andreesen, saxophone

**PART 1: MARY AND JOSEPH**

**PART 2: THE ANIMALS**

**PART 3: ANGELS**

**PART 4: SHEPHERDS**

**PART 5: WISEMEN AND STAR**

**MEN'S CHOIR: *We Three Kings***

**CHILDREN'S CHOIR: *Away in a Manger***

**CHILDREN'S CHOIR: *Joy to the World***

**PART 6: CONCLUSION**

**CHILDREN'S CHOIR: *Go Tell It on the Mountain***

**MEN'S CHOIR AND CHILDREN: *Jesus Loves Me***

**GIFT OF MUSIC *There in the Same Country***

OL#1008603

Adult Choir

**NOISY COIN OFFERING**

**\*OFFERTORY SONG**

***What Child is This? st. 3***

**ELW 296**

**\*OFFERTORY PRAYER**