



# LAKE OF THE ISLES LUTHERAN CHURCH

## ✠ Presentation of Our Lord ✠

January 31, 2021

*The Presentation of Our Lord, traditionally on February 2nd, is referred to in some corners of the church as Candlemas because of an ancient tradition of blessing all the candles to be used in the church in the coming year at the mass celebrated on that day. It was a way of underscoring the truth of Simeon's prophecy that this baby Jesus would be "a light for revelation to the Gentiles" and a light of glory to Israel. Let the light of every candle in church be a little epiphany of the love of God for all people in the person of God's son, Jesus, the light of the world.*

## ✠ Gathering ✠

*Following the call of God's Spirit, the community of faith gathers, welcoming one another and praying for God's mercy to fill the church and the world.*

*We invite you to use the prelude time to prepare your heart and mind for worship.*

### Prelude

***Schafe können sicher weiden (Sheep may safely graze), BWV 208***

*Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)*

### Welcome

### Call to Worship

#### Psalm 84

*Please stand  
as you are able.*

How dear to me is your dwelling, O LORD of hosts!

**My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the LORD; my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.**

Even the sparrow has found a home, and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young, by the side of your altars, O LORD of hosts, my king and my God.

**Happy are they who dwell in your house! They will always be praising you.**

For the LORD God is both sun and shield, bestowing grace and glory; no good thing will the LORD withhold from those who walk with integrity.

**O LORD of hosts, happy are they who put their trust in you!**

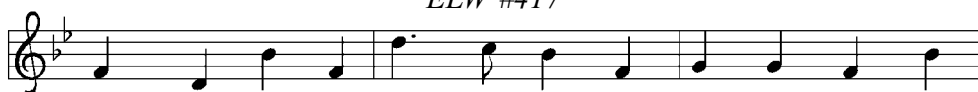
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit

**As it was in the beginning is now and will be forever. Amen**

## Gathering Hymn

### *In His Temple Now Behold Him*

ELW #417



1 In his tem - ple now be - hold him, see the long - ex -  
2 In the arms of her who bore him, vir - gin pure, be -  
3 Je - sus, by your pre - sen - ta - tion, when they blessed you,  
4 Prince and au - thor of sal - va - tion, be your bound - less



pect - ed Lord; an - cient proph - ets had fore - told him,  
hold him lie, while his a - ged saints a - dore him,  
weak and poor, make us see your great sal - va - tion,  
love our theme! Je - sus, praise to you be giv - en



God has sent the prom - ised Word. Now to praise him,  
cre in per - fect faith they dic. Al - le - lu - ia!  
seal us with your prom - ise sure; and pre - sent us,  
by the world you did re - deem, with the Fa - ther



his re - deem - ed shall break forth with one ac - cord.  
Al - le - lu - ia! Lo, the in - car - nate God Most High!  
in your glo - ry, to your Fa - ther, cleansed and pure.  
and the Spir - it God of maj - es - ty su - preme!

Text: Henry J. Pye, 1825–1903, alt.

Music: REGENT SQUARE, Henry T. Smart, 1813–1879

## Apostolic Greeting

**P:** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C:** And also with you.

## Kyrie

*Russian*



1, 3 Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.  
2 Chris - te e - lei - son. Chris - te e - lei - son.



Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.  
Chris - te e - lei - son.

Music: Russian Orthodox traditional

## Gloria



## Glory to God, Glory in the Highest

Peruvian

Leader  
Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry in the high-est!

All  
Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry in the high-est!

Leader All  
To God be glo-ry for-ev-er! To God be glo-ry for-ev-er!

Leader Leader  
Al-le-lu-ia! A-men! Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!

Group 1 Group 1, 2  
Al-le-lu-ia! A-men! Al-le-lu-ia! A-men! Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!

Leader  
Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!

Group 1, 2, 3  
Al-le-lu-ia! A-men! Al-le-lu-ia! A-men! Al-le-lu-ia! A-men! Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!

Music: Peruvian traditional

## Prayer of the Day

P: Almighty and ever-living God, your only-begotten Son was presented this day in the temple. May we be presented to you with clean and pure hearts by the same Jesus Christ, our great high priest, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## ✠ Word ✠

*The Word of God comes alive for the gathered community as God speaks to us in scriptures read, sung and preached.*

## Children's Message

## The Gospel for the Presentation of Our Lord

### *Luke 2:22-40*

*This story is a study in contrasts: the infant Jesus with the aged prophets; the joy of birth with the ominous words of Simeon to Mary; the faithful fulfilling of the law with the presentation of the one who will release its hold over us. Through it all, we see the light of God's salvation revealed to the world.*

## *Beautiful Savior*

*Setting by Robert A. Hobby*

**Chorus:** *Beautiful Savior, King of creation,  
Son of God and Son of Man!  
Truly I'd love thee, Truly I'd Serve see,  
Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.*

<sup>22</sup>When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord <sup>23</sup>(as it is written in the law of the Lord, "Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord"), <sup>24</sup>and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, "a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons."

**Chorus:** *Fair are the meadows, Fair are the woodlands,  
Robed in flowr's of blooming spring;  
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer,  
He makes our sorrowing spirit sing.*

<sup>25</sup>Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. <sup>26</sup>It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. <sup>27</sup>Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, <sup>28</sup>Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying, <sup>29</sup>"Lord, now you let your servant depart in peace, according to your word; <sup>30</sup>for my own eyes have seen your salvation, <sup>31</sup>which you have prepared in the sight of all peoples, <sup>32</sup>a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel."

**Chorus:** *Fair is the sunshine, Fair is the moonlight,  
Bright the sparkling stars on high;  
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer  
Than all the angels in the sky.*

<sup>33</sup>And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. <sup>34</sup>Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, "This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed <sup>35</sup>so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed — and a sword will pierce your own soul too."

<sup>36</sup>There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, <sup>37</sup>then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshiped there with fasting and prayer night and day. <sup>38</sup>At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem.

<sup>39</sup>When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. <sup>40</sup>The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.

**Chorus:** *Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations,  
Son of God and Son of Man!  
Glory and honor, Praise, adoration,  
Now and forevermore be Thine!*

**Sermon**  
Please be seated

Following the sermon, we will take a moment of silence to reflect on today's gospel message.



**Hymn of the Day**  
Please stand  
as you are able.

***I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light***

ELW #815



1 I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to  
2 I want to see . . . the bright-ness of God. I want to  
3 I'm look - ing for . . . the com - ing of Christ. I want to



fol - low Je - sus. God set the stars to give  
look at Je - sus. Clear Sun of righ - teous-ness,  
be with Je - sus. When we have run . . . with



light to the world. The star of my life is Je - sus.  
shine on my path, and show me the way to the Fa - ther.  
pa - tience the race, we shall know the joy of Je - sus.

*Refrain*



In him there is no dark-ness at all. The night and the



day are both a - like. The Lamb is the light of the



cit - y of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

Text: Kathleen Thomerson, b. 1934  
Music: HOUSTON, Kathleen Thomerson  
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## Prayers of the Church

P: Giving thanks for God's great gifts, we pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

*A brief silence.*

A: For all who share the gospel and proclaim freedom in Christ throughout the world...Lord in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: Into your hands, God of abundant grace, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen.**

## Greeting of Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

*After the greeting, please share a word of peace with your neighbors.*

## ✠ Offering ✠

*Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church is supported through the generous gifts of time, talent and treasure of our friends and members. In order to fulfill our mission and ministry, we need to receive approximately \$6,000 in offerings each week. We thank you for your support and partnership in the proclamation of the good news.*

## Offering

*Please be seated.*

## *The Star Looked Down*

*G. J. Chesterton / Mark Schweizer*

*The Christ-child lay on Mary's lap, His hair was like a light.  
(O weary, weary were the world, But here is all aright.)  
The Christ-child lay on Mary's breast, His hair was like a star.  
(O stern and cunning are the kings, But here the true hearts are.)  
The Christ-child lay on Mary's heart, His hair was like a fire.  
(O weary, weary is the world, But here the world's desire.)  
The Christ-child stood at Mary's knee, His hair was like a crown.  
And all the flowers looked up at Him, And all the stars looked down.*



**Offertory**  
Please stand  
as you are able.

## Let Us Go Now To The Banquet

*El Salvadoran*

*Refrain / Estribillo*

Va - mos to - dos al ban - que - te, a la  
Let us go now to the ban - quet, to the

me - sa de la crea - ción; ca - da cual con su ta - bu -  
feast of the u - ni - verse. The ta - ble's set and a place is

re - te tie - ne un pues - to y u - na mi - sión.  
wait - ing; come, ev - 'ry - one, with your gifts to share.

Text: Guillermo Cuéllar, b. 1955, *Misa popular salvadoreña*; tr. Bret Hesla, b. 1957, and William Dexheimer Pharris, b. 1956  
Music: VAMOS TODOS AL BANQUETE, Guillermo Cuéllar, b. 1955  
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## Offertory Prayer

**A:** O God, receive these gifts as you receive us: like a mother receives her child child, with arms open wide. Nourish us anew in your tender care and empower us in faithful service to tend to others with this same love, through Jesus Christ, our saving grace.

**C: Amen.**

## ✠ Meal ✠

*We lift our hearts with praise and thanksgiving as the table is set, and we receive the bread and wine—the humble meal through which we are fed by the presence of Jesus the Christ and united as the body of Christ in the world.*

## Great Thanksgiving

**P:** The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

**P:** Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

**P:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**P:** It is indeed right and salutary... we praise you name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,

ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,

heav-en and earth are full, full of your glo - ry.

Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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## Words of Institution

Holy God, as you once visited us in the birth of Jesus, visit us now by the power of your Spirit in these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be to us the Body and Blood of Christ, the banquet of heaven here on earth.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks, broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: “Take and eat, this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

Blessed God, shed your grace brighter than starlight on us that we may bear your good tidings to all and renew the weary world in your name: the name of Emmanuel – God-With-Us, to whom we give honor and glory in joy, now and forever. **Amen.**

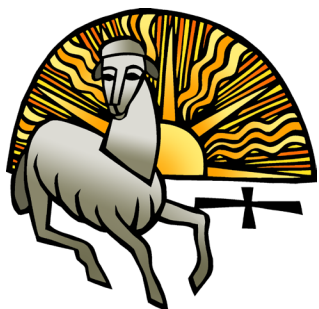
## Lord's Prayer

**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.**



## Invitation to Communion

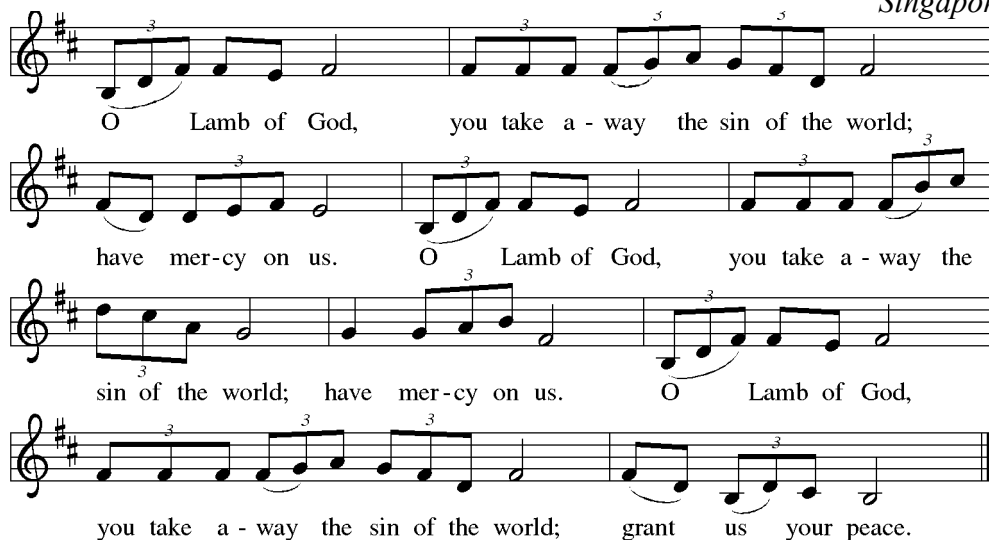
*Please be seated*



P: Come to me all who are tired and heavy laden, and I will give you rest. The table is ready. All are welcome.

## *O Lamb of God*

*Singaporean*



Music: Mabel Wu

## Post-Communion Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

## Post-Communion Prayer

A: We thank you, O God, that you have fed us at your banqueting table with bread and wine beyond compare, the very life of Christ for us. Send your Spirit with us now, that we may set the captive free, use your gifts to build one another up, and in everything reflect your glory revealed in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

## ✠ Sending ✠

*We receive the blessing of God and leave in peace,  
Sent out to live the way of Jesus for the sake of the world God loves.*

## *Nunc Dimittis in G*

*Charles Villiers Stanford*

*Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace according to thy word,  
For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of all people.  
A light to lighten the Gentiles, and to be the glory of thy people Israel.  
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, World without end. Amen*

## Litany for Candlemas

Father, here we bring to an end our celebration of the Savior's birth.

**Help us, in whom he has been born, to live his life that has no end.**

Here we have offered the Church's sacrifice of praise.

**Help us, who have received the bread of life, to be thankful for your gift.**

Here we have rejoiced with faithful Simeon and Anna.

**Help us, who have found the Lord in his temple, to trust in your eternal promises.**

Here we have greeted the light of the world.

**Help us, who walk in the true light, never to forsake the light of Christ.**

Here we stand near the place of baptism.

**Help us, who are marked with the cross, to share the Lord's death and resurrection.**

Here we turn from Christ's birth to his passion.

**Help us, for whom Lent is near, to enter deeply into the Easter mystery.**

Here we bless one another in your name.

**Help us, who go in peace, to shine with your light in the world.**

Lord God, the springing source of everlasting light, pour into the hearts of your faithful people the brilliance of your eternal splendor, that we, who by these candles light up this temple to your glory, may have the darkness of our souls dispelled, and so be counted worthy to stand before you in that eternal temple where you live and reign, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

## Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you and be gracious to you

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

**C: Amen.**

## Announcements

### Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Live in love, as Christ loved us.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### Postlude

***Brandenburg Concerto N° 3 in G Major, BWV 1048, I***

*Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)*

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# WELCOME

*We thank you for celebrating the love of Jesus Christ with us this week, and we invite you back again—for prayer and worship and to any of the events our congregation has scheduled. We hope the message of God's grace will guide and strengthen you as you grow in love and faith in your daily life.*

## YOUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Preacher.....*Rev. Dr. Arden D. Haug*  
 Organist .....*Dr. Kris Rizzotto*  
 Worship Assistant .....*Marty Carlson*  
 Reader .....*Janna Haug*  
 Soloist .....*Debra Gilroy*  
 Guest Musicians..... *Lake Street String Quartet*  
                                   *Nanette Goldman, violin; Carol Margolis, violin;*  
                                   *Ingrid Koller, viola; Daryl Carlson, cello*

## CHURCH OFFICERS

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# CALENDAR

<b>SUNDAY JANUARY 31</b>	<b>9:30 AM</b>	<b><i>Worship with Holy Communion</i> .....</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1	7:00 PM	<i>AA</i> .....	Sanctuary
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2	9:15 PM	<i>Prayer</i> .....	Ministry Zoom
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3	10:00 AM	<i>Bible Study</i> .....	Zoom
	12:00 PM	<i>Staff Meeting</i> .....	Zoom
	4:00 PM	<i>Confirmation</i> .....	Zoom
	7:30 PM	<i>Chorus Rehearsal</i> .....	Sanctuary
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4	7:00 pm	<i>Women's Bible Study</i> .....	Zoom
SUNDAY FEBRUARY 7	9:30 AM	<b><i>Worship with Holy Communion</i> .....</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
	11:00 AM	<i>Annual Congregational Meeting</i> .....	Zoom

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Prayer List

Please keep the following friends & members of our community of faith in your prayers of thanksgiving or for comfort, peace, and healing:



**Bruce Johnson**, nephew of Mary Ann Lisk; **Verne Anderson**, friend of Phyllis Dahl; **Brian Krinke**, son of Jean and Lambert Krinke; **Jim Jodie**, cousin of Carolyn Hagford; **Sam Pederson**, nephew of Jennifer Cook; **Jim Peterson**, brother-in-law of Rick and Suzanne Pepin; **Bruce Payne** and **Mike Payne**, cousins of Michelle McCreery; Heluza Ramos, grandmother of Rebecca Morell; **Deb Benson**, mother of Kayla Hoel; **Trevor Daniel**, prayer request by Cheri Moe; **Peggy Wagner**, friend of the congregation; **Heidi Chadwick**, sister of Cindy Huttner.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

Morgan Larson 1/31      Jameson Rustad 2/3  
Aryn Kuehn-Larson 1/31      Ryan Brown 2/3  
Brad Peterson 2/3      Benett Gruys 2/6

### Congregational Annual Meeting

Our annual meeting will be held **Sunday, February 7**, at **11:00 AM** via **Zoom**. We will send a copy of the annual report to you the week prior to the meeting.



**Valentine Brunch**  
**Scandinavian Smörgåsbord~Curbside Pickup**  
**February 14, 10:30 – 2:00**

Hard Tack – Knäckebröd – and Butter  
Two kinds of Scandinavian Cheese & Olives  
Matjes Herring, Chives & Red Onion, Fingerling Potatoes & Sour Cream  
Lemon & Rosemary Herring  
Creamy Herring flavored with Smoked Salmon, Dill & Chives  
Eggs, Dill Mayonnaise & Shrimp  
Gravlax – Marinated Salmon – Sweet Dill Mustard Sauce  
Swedish Pickled Cucumbers  
Bacon Wrapped Pork Tenderloin & Mild Blue Cheese Sauce  
Swedish Meatballs & Lingonberries  
Jansson's Temptation  
Chocolate Mousse, Raspberries & Whipped Cream

**\$ 25.00/person**

Reserve [online](#), via [email](#), or phone (612) 377-5095

### Loved Ones In The Military

Please keep all the members and families of the military in your prayers of thanksgiving and protection.



### Our Saviour's Housing Meals in 2021

For many years, *Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church* has provided a meal for 40 on the first Friday of the month. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, our monthly meals are provided by donation via check, money order, or online. The shelter orders and serves the meal. Suggested donation is \$250.

Thanks to **Dave & Mary Goplen** for providing on 1/1/21  
**2021 DATES**

**FEB 5** Janna & Arden Haug  
**MAR 5** Linda Nelson & Mary Jubenville  
**APR 2** Ellie Holmquist, Ruth Lee,  
Heather Jacoby, & Gretchen Robertson  
**MAY 7** Andy & Monica Schwarm  
**JUL 2** Pat & Kathy Bracken

Please consider providing on...

**JUN 4    SEP 3    NOV 5**  
**AUG 6    OCT 1    DEC 3**

Contact Cheri Moe or 952-431-5226 to reserve.

### Fastelavn Celebration

*Save the date!* Our annual pre-Lenten festival will be **February 13, 3:00 – 4:00 PM** on the **Patio**.

### Women's Bible Study

Our next session is **Thursday, February 4, 7:00-8:30 PM, Zoom**.



**1936-2020**

**God's Help, Our Hands**

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Friday 9:00 to 12:00 PM