

LAKE OF THE ISLES LUTHERAN CHURCH

✠ FIRST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS ✠

JANUARY 1, 2023

✠ NAME OF JESUS ✠

*From the beginning, through baptism, we are called Christian. We are “Christ-ened” at the font.
Bearing Christ’s name, we share the same Father and are invited to address this parent intimately.
Today, we pray that the mind of Christ, whose name we bear, would be our own.*



Circumcision of Jesus, Marco Palmezzano, 1536

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*Inspired by Christ, living and growing in faith,  
we are a loving and open community of worship, witness,  
and service in God’s world.*  
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Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

Psalm 8

*Please stand as
you are able.*

✠ 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.

In Dulci Jubilo

Kris Rizzotto (b. 1989)



O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

You have set your glory above the heavens.

When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established;

**what are human beings that you are mindful of them,
mortals that you care for them?**

Yet you have made them a little lower than God, and crowned them with glory and honor.

**You have given them dominion over the works of your hands;
you have put all things under their feet,**

all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field, the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the seas.

O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

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



The Bells of Christmas

ELW #298



Det ki - mer nu til ju - le - fest, det ki - mer
1 The bells of Christ - mas chime once more; the heav'n - ly
2 This world, though wide and far out - spread, could scarce - ly
3 Now let us go with qui - et mind, the swad - dled
4 Oh, join with me, in glad - ness sing, to keep our



for den høj - e gæst, som steg til la - ve
guest is at the door. He comes to earth - ly
find for you a bed. Your cra - dle was a
babe with shep - herds find, to gaze on him who
Christ - mas with our king, un - til our song, from



hyt - ter ned med nyt - års - ga - ver: fryd og fred.
dwell - ings still with new year gifts of peace, good will.
man - ger stall, no pearl nor silk nor king - ly hall.
glad - dens them, the love - liest flow'r of Jes - se's stem.
lov - ing souls, like rush - ing might - y wa - ter rolls!

Text: Nikolai F. S. Grundtvig, 1783–1872; tr. Charles Porterfield Krauth, 1823–1883, alt.
Music: DET KIMER NU TIL JULEFEST, Carl C. N. Balle, 1806–1855

Apostolic Greeting

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Eternal Father, you gave your incarnate Son the holy name of Jesus to be a sign of our salvation. Plant in every heart the love of the Savior of the world, Jesus Christ our Lord, 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

Please be seated.

Dismissal Song Verses 1 & 4



Angels, from the Realms of Glory

ELW #275



- 1 An - gels, from the realms of glo - ry, wing your flight o'er all the earth;
- 2 Shep-herds, in the fields a - bid - ing, watch-ing o'er your flocks by night,
- 3 Sa - ges, leave your con - tem-pla - tions, bright-er vi - sions beam a - far;
- 4 All cre - a - tion, join in prais-ing God, the Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son,



once you sang cre - a - tion's sto - ry, now pro - claim Mes - si - ah's birth:
God with us is now re - sid - ing, yon - der shines the in - fant light.
seek the great de - sire of na - tions, you have seen his na - tal star.
ev - er - more your voic - es rais - ing to the e - ter - nal Three in One.

Refrain



Come and wor-ship, come and wor-ship, wor-ship Christ, the new-born king.

Text: James Montgomery, 1771–1854, alt., sts. 1–3; *Salisbury Hymn Book*, 1857, st. 4
Music: REGENT SQUARE, Henry T. Smart, 1813–1879

Lesson

Galatians 4: 4-7

Paul proclaims the ultimate significance of the nativity: Jesus was born the Son of God so that, because of him, we all may be called God's children.

⁴When the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, ⁵in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. ⁶And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, “Abba! Father!” ⁷So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

R: Word of God, word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Verse

Vss 1 & 14

Please stand
as you are able.



From Heaven Above

ELW #268

1 "From heav'n a - bove to earth I come to bear good
2 "To you this night is born a child of Mar - y,
3 "This is the Christ, God's Son most high, who hears your

12 Ah, dear - est Je - sus, ho - ly child, pre - pare a
13 My heart for ve - ry joy now leaps; my voice no
14 "Glo - ry to God in high - est heav'n, who un - to

news to ev - 'ry home! Glad tid - ings of great joy I
cho - sen vir - gin mild; this new - born child of low - ly
sad and bit - ter cry, who will him - self your Sav - ior

bed, soft, un - de - filed, a qui - et cham - ber in my
long - er si - lence keeps; I too must sing with joy - ful
us the Son has giv'n." With an - gels sing in pi - ous

bring to all the world, and glad - ly sing:
birth shall be the joy of all the earth.
be and from all sin will set you free."

heart, that you and I may nev - er part.
tongue the sweet - est an - cient cra - dle - song:
mirth a glad new year to all the earth!

Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*
Music: VOM HIMMEL HOCH, attr. Martin Luther; V. Schumann, *Geistliche Lieder*, 1539
Text © 1978 *Lutheran Book of Worship*, admin. Augsburg Fortress.

Gospel

Luke 2:15-21

Eight days after his
birth, Jesus is
circumcised according
to Jewish law and given
the name announced by
the angel before his
conception.

P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the second chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁵ When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." ¹⁶ So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. ¹⁷ When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; ¹⁸ and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. ¹⁹ But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. ²⁰ The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

²¹ After eight days had passed, it was time to circumcise the child; and he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

P: The Gospel of Our Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

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.*



Jesus' Name Will Live Forever

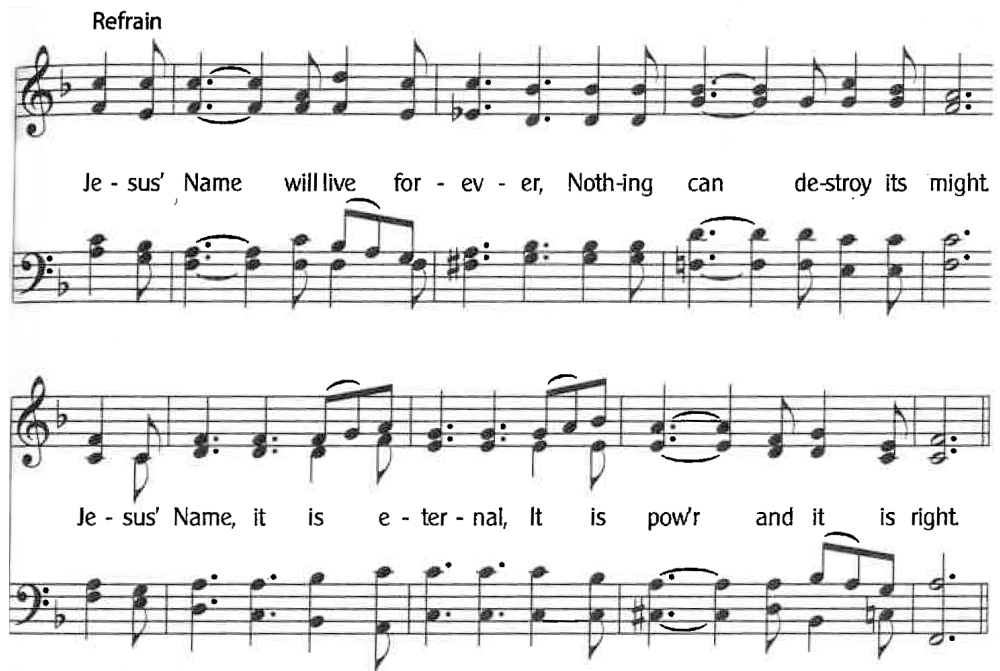
1 Je - sus' Name will live for - ev - er, Noth-ing can de - stroy its might
2 Je - sus' Name, how good to hear it, Let it sound through-out the world.
3 In the mid - dle of the dark-ness, Je - sus' Name will shine with light.

Je - sus' Name, it is e - ter - nal, It is pow'r and it is right
Noth-ing else will bring us com-fort, Hope comes on - ly at his Word.
And each help-less soul who cries out Will find har - bor in the night.

The good news for all who hear it, With the pow'r to make things new.
At his Name all earth will trem-ble, E - vil fly be - fore its pow'r.
When the sun is no more shin-ing, Je - sus will out-shine the sun.

When it's spo - ken, it will gath - er all to hear for it is true.
At the Name will come the king - dom, E - vil flee to know the hour.
Then the saved will sing loud an - thems which the an - gels have be - gun.

Refrain



Je - sus' Name will live for - ev - er, Noth-ing can de-destroy its might

Je - sus' Name, it is e - ter - nal, It is pow'r and it is right

Text: David Welander 1896-1967; Tune: From the Zulu church; tr. Gracia Grindal 1943-
Music: Norway/Name of Jesus

NAVNET JESUS
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Written after Welander had heard a sermon at a Salvation Army gathering in Oslo on Psalm 72:7 and prayed he could write a hymn text on it that would fit a Zulu melody he heard at the meeting.

Translation Permission given by Gracia Grindal

Prayers of the Church

P: With wonder and thanksgiving for Christ's coming into the world, we pray for the church, the life of the earth, and the whole human family.

A brief silence.

A: Merciful God, broaden the church's hospitality and welcome. Open our hearts...
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.

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.

Anthem

The Holly and the Ivy

arr Richard Shephard

*The holly and the ivy, now both are full well grown,
Of all the trees that are in the wood, the holly bears the crown.*

Refrain:

*Oh, the rising of the sun and the running of the deer,
The playing of the merry organ, sweet singing in the choir.*

*The holly bears a blossom as white as lily flower,
And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ to be our sweet saviour.*

Refrain

*The holly bears a berry as red as any blood,
And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ to do poor sinners good.*

Refrain

*The holly bears a bark as bitter as any gall,
And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ for to redeem us all.*

Refrain

Offertory Response

*Please stand as
you are able.*



Create In Me a Clean Heart

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your pres - ence, and
take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store un - to me the
joy of your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

Offertory Prayer

A: God of abundance, receive and bless these gifts we have offered. Join our hearts with the song of the angels, and gather us at your table of celebration. Strengthen us to share with all the world the abundance of your grace upon grace, poured out in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh.

C: Amen.

Great Thanksgiving



Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Invitation to Communion

Please be seated

✠ 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.

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

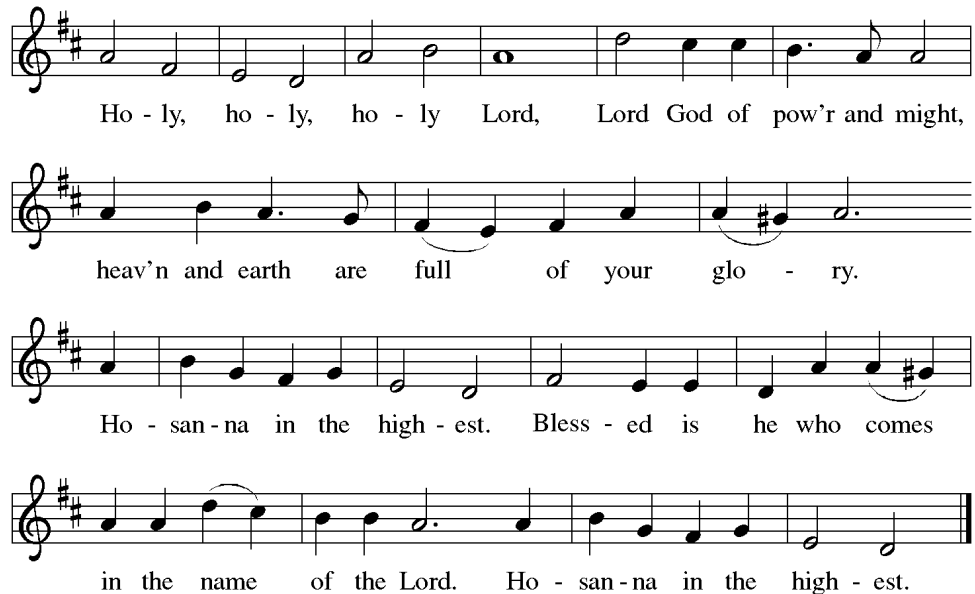
P: Lift up your hearts.

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.

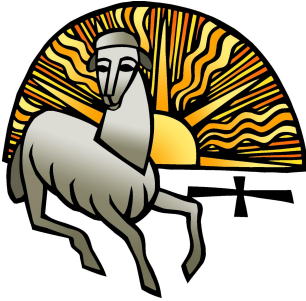
P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...we praise your name and join their unending hymn...



C: 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.

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

Lamb of God



O Christ Thou Lamb of God

LBW #103

O Christ, thou Lamb of God that tak - est a-way the sin of the world,
have mer - cy up-on us! O Christ, thou Lamb of God that tak -
est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up-on us!
O Christ, thou Lamb of God that tak - est a-way the sin of the world,
grant us thy peace! A - men

Distribution

Holy Communion will begin in the front of the church, nearest where the pastor and assisting minister will distribute the bread and wine. Please take either a glass of red wine or white grape juice from the full tray and place your emptied glass into the extra tray which is in front of the first pew.

Your offerings will also be received as the usher directs you toward the front of the church for communion.

Distribution Music

Carol of the Bells

Щедрик (Shchedryk), Ukrainian folk song

arr. Mykola Leontovych/Danny Wright

Post-Communion Blessing

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

C: Amen.

Post-Communion Prayer

A: God our redeemer, you have fed us at this table with gifts of grace, truth, and life. As you have gathered us in joy, send us forth as messengers of your peace. Make us shine with the good news of your glory, born to us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

Sending Hymn



✠ 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.

Cold December Flies Away

ELW #299



1 Cold De - cem - ber flies a - way at the rose - red splen - dor.
2 In the hope - less time of sin shad - ows deep had fall - en.
3 Now the bud has come to bloom, and the world a - wak - ens.



A - pril's crown-ing glo - ry breaks while the whole world won - ders
All the world lay un - der death. Eyes were closed in sleep - ing.
In the lil - y's pur - est flow'r dwells a won - drous fra - grance.



at the ho - ly un - seen pow'r of the tree which bears the
But, when all seemed lost in night, came the sun whose gold - en
And it spreads to all the earth from the mo - ment of its



flow'r. On the bless - ed tree blooms the red - dest flow'r. On the tree blooms the
light brings un - end - ing joy, brings the end - less joy of our hope, high - est
birth; and its beau - ty lives. In the flow'r it lives, in the flow'r, and it



rose here in love's own gar - den, full and strong in glo - ry.
hope, of our hope's bright dawn - ing, Son be - lov'd of heav - en.
spreads in its heav'n - ly bright - ness sweet per - fume de - light - ful.

Text: Catalanian carol; tr. Howard Hawhee, b. 1953
Music: EL DESEMBRE CONGELAT, Catalanian carol
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Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord makes his face shine upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord looks upon you with favor and + gives you peace.

C: Amen.

Announcements



Dismissal

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

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Noël X. Quand Dieu naquit à Noël (When God was born on Christmas)

Louis-Claude D'Aquin (1694-1772)

You are free to leave during the Postlude or remain to enjoy the offering of music & praise.

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. We will continue to have Sunday services online.*

*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

Pastor	Rev. Dr. Arden D. Haug
Organist	Dr. Kris Rizzotto
Worship Assistant	Michelle McCreery
Communion Assistant	Marty Carlson
Altar Servers	Mary Flynn & Linda Nelson
Reader	Mary Flynn
Usher	Linda Nelson
Coffee Hour Host	Don Holzschuh

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CALENDAR

SUNDAY, JANUARY 1	10:00 AM	<i>Worship with Holy Communion</i>	Sanctuary & YouTube
	11:00 AM	<i>Coffee Hour</i>	Fellowship Hall
MONDAY, JANUARY 2		NEW YEAR'S DAY HOLIDAY	
		CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED	
	7:00 PM	<i>AA</i>	Fellowship Hall
TUESDAY, JANUARY 3	9:30 AM	<i>Prayer Ministry</i>	Christy Room/Sanctuary
	7:00 PM	<i>Men's AA</i>	Patio/Fellowship Hall
	7:00 PM	<i>AA/Spirituality Group</i>	Christy Room/Sanctuary
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4	7:00 PM	<i>Choir Rehearsal</i>	Sanctuary
THURSDAY, JANUARY 5	12:00 PM	<i>Al Anon</i>	Fellowship Hall
SATURDAY, JANUARY 7	9:30 AM	<i>Priscilla Circle</i>	Christy Room
SUNDAY, JANUARY 8	9:30 AM	<i>Worship with Holy Communion</i>	Sanctuary & YouTube
		<i>& Sunday School</i>	Sunday School Rooms
	10:30 AM	<i>Coffee Hour</i>	Fellowship Hall

SCAN TO GIVE



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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:



Matthew Moen; Anna Lena Skold; Trygve Svard; Elena Glück & family, niece of Renate Amann; **Sam Pederson**, nephew of Jennifer Cook; **Beth Addington; Elizabeth Muench**, friends of the congregation; **Natalie Mozey**, daughter of Alan and Mary Poulsen; **Linda Kuehn**, sister-in-law of Carol Kuehn; **Allison Peterson**, friend of Susanne Haas; **Bunny Anderson**, sister of John Bergford; **Allison Reagon**, friend of Michelle McCreery & Mark Duff; **Amara Small & Anne Vaaler Richardson**, friends of Jana Lindberg & Michael Kavoukjian; **Roxanne Spiess**, friend of Phyllis Dahl; **Joey Derington**, brother of Kelly Mayhar; **Ken Haenel**, friend of Mary Sabatke; **Nathan Anderson**, nephew of Rick Pepin; **Geof Witrak**, brother-in-law of Rick Pepin; **David Cook**, brother of Jenny Cook; **Mark Peterson**; the family of **Ethan Kappel**.

Kid Worship Materials

Kid worship materials are available in the Narthex (back of Sanctuary). Crayon packets and a variety of coloring pages and activity sheets are available for your children to enjoy during worship.

No Staffed Nursery Today

Parents with little ones are welcome to use the Nursery, as needed, during the service today. Ushers can help you with directions to the Christy Room or simply follow the signs provided in the back of the Sanctuary. The livestream of the service will be playing in the Christy Room so you can still have a connection to what is happening live in the Sanctuary.

Loved Ones In The Military
Please keep all the members & families of the military in your prayers of thanksgiving and protection.



Our Saviour's Housing Meals

For many years, *Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church* has provided a *meal for 40* on the first Friday of every month. Our monthly meals are provided by donation. The shelter orders and serves the meal. Cost to provide the meal is **\$250**.

Thank you to **Carol Kuehn & Family** for December.
Our 2022-2023 Schedule:

JAN Lizbeth & Mike Brown

FEB Mary & Dave Goplen

**MAR Ellie Holmquist, Heather Jacoby,
Ruth Lee, & Gretchen Robertson**

APR Rick Gripentrog

For information or sign up, contact Cheri Moe at moeclana@aol.com or (952) 431-5226.
oscs-mn.org

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Allyson Sprain 12/30

Cody Rustad 1/1 Keeley Baker 1/2

Kathryn Bracken 1/4 Laura Nortwen 1/6

Naomi Mechels 1/6 Kelsey Steinglein 1/6

Meditation

LOTI is available during office hours for a time of quiet meditation. You can use the sanctuary to spend time in prayer, light a candle, listen to recorded sacred music, and/or use a guided meditation tool. Please call the church office to reserve a time.

Priscilla Circle

Christy Room

January 6th

9:30 AM

Join us for a time of camaraderie!

No knitting skills required..

Women's Bible Study

Library

January 19th

7:00 PM

We are studying *Children of the Day*, by Beth Moore.

Join us! loti.org/lifestyle/groups/

LOTI Book Club

Home of Deb Gilroy

January 22

5:00 PM

Our book is *The Cost of Discipleship*, by Dietrich Bonhoeffer. Please bring your book, a light snack to share, and a willingness to laugh, love and learn.

debragilroy@gmail.com loti.org/lifestyle/groups

Poinsettias

If you ordered poinsettias, you may take them home after the service today or any time the church is open.



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Friday 9:00 AM to Noon



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