

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Midweek Advent** - Our Advent Dinners and Worship continue this Wednesday, December 13, at 5 pm (dinner) and 6:30 pm (Worship). Please see the sign up sheet in Communication Central if you would like to prepare a soup for one of the meals.



**Online Giving** - If you prefer to give online, please use this QR code. There are options to give to General Fund, Food Ministries, Christmas Poinsettias, or Altar Flowers.

**Poinsettias for Christmas Eve** - You may sponsor and dedicate a poinsettia for Christmas Eve. Each plant is \$12; please use a Flower Envelope or go to our 'Giving Page' on the St. Mark's website. (See QR code above) Last day to sponsor a plant will be December 20. You may take your plant home after the 6:30 pm service.

**Mom Bags** - Wednesday, December 13, is the last day to bring Mom Bags! All are asked to make a complete gift from start to finish. Suggested items to include: (Choose 7 to 8 items) shampoo & conditioner, body wash & lotion, nail polish, jar candles, jewelry, activity books, perfume, make-up, scarves & gloves. Package your gift and bring to the church. Completed gifts can be brought to Room 3 in the Sunday School hallway.

**Supper Club** - Saturday, December 16 at 6:30 pm at Bonefish Grill. Please sign up in Communication Central by Friday, December 15 if you would like to attend.

**Christmas Eve Worship** - We will have two Christmas Eve Worship services: 10 am and 6:30 pm.

### PRAYER REQUESTS

Annie Bourque	Larry Jung	Charlie Musitano
Margo Dodson	Larry Lechner	Karin Offik
Ciera Elledge	Mary Leo	Frank Ontiveros
Bobbi Elser	Jeannette Maldonado	Debbie Rutecki
Vicki Eversmeyer	Karan McQuiston	Mija Stockman

*If you would like the St. Mark's Prayer Chain to pray for your concern, please contact our Prayer Chain Coordinator, Brenda Holsopple at [holsoppleb@bellsouth.net](mailto:holsoppleb@bellsouth.net).*



**St. Mark's**  
LUTHERAN CHURCH

**December 10, 2023**

Second Sunday of Advent  
Children's Christmas Program



*Growing together in faith to abundantly  
nourish our community.*

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We are glad to have you worship with us this morning! Please let us know you are here by signing in on the white Pew Pads. You may also add a prayer request and/or share your Joys and Gratitude.

Prelude

## GATHERING

Welcome and Announcements

*Please rise*

Call to Worship: Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13

Gathering Song                      *Prepare the Royal Highway*                      Hymn 264

Greeting

Prayer of the Day

*Please be seated.*

## WORD

Advent Wreath Lighting

Advent Song                      *Waiting in Silence*

First Reading: Isaiah 40:1-11 (Pew Bible pp. 581-582)

Special Music                      *Etude #1*                      W. Ferling

Second Reading: Mark 1:1-8 (Pew Bible p. 812)

Children's Christmas Play      *Child Divine*

Children's Message

*All children and their parents are invited for a brief message.*

*Please rise*

Song of the Day                      *What Child Is This?*

Prayers of Intercession

*Petitions will conclude with:*

Merciful God,                      **C: Receive our prayer.**

## Sharing of the Peace

*Please extend a greeting of welcome and a word of grace to those around you.*

*Please be seated*

## THANKSGIVING

Offering Music                      *Christmas Medley*

*Please rise*

Offertory Prayer

Lord's Prayer

## SENDING

Blessing

*Please be seated*

Sending Song                      *Twelve Days of Christmas*

*Please rise*

Dismissal

Postlude

## Service Participants

Acolyte: Trey Lear

Greeters/Ushers: Phyllis Hutchins & Paul Gradl

Tech: Rodney Hutchins

Coffee Fellowship: Andy Sieja

*The Altar Arrangements are given by  
Shannon Siegel Neblett in memory of John Siegel's birthday;  
the Sieja/Satterfeal families in celebration of Noah's birthday.*

December 3 Worship Attendance: 153

Sunday Learning: Children-29