

Advent 1 – 1. Advent

Joint Worship Service on Sunday, December 1, 2024 at 10:30am

*Welcome to St. Mark's Lutheran Church. The order below will help you to find your way through our service. We are using the Evangelical Lutheran Worship Book (red) and the blue German Hymnal. The liturgy is printed in the worship bulletin.*

P (Pastor) L (Lector) C (Congregation)

Ringing of the Bells

**Prelude**

Organist: Dubravko Pajalic

Welcome

**Gathering Hymn # 259: 1 – 3: Fling Wide the Door**

**Eingangslied # 1: 1 – 3: Macht hoch die Tür**

Call to Confession:

P: Trusting in the love of God to make all things new, let us confess our sin to God and to our neighbour.

Prayer of Confession

P: Most merciful God,

**C: We confess that we are in bondage of sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

Declaration of Forgiveness:

God, who is rich in mercy in Christ Jesus, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together in Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Gracious God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **C: Amen.**

**Lighting of the first candle: Hope**

Announcements

**Sharing of Peace**

P: The Peace of the Lord be with you always - **C: And also with you**  
Prayers of Intercessions

P concluding: God, in your mercy

**C: Hear our prayer**

**Vater unser im Himmel**, geheiligt werde dein Name.

Dein Reich komme. Dein Wille geschehe, wie im Himmel, so auf Erden.

Unser tägliches Brot gib uns heute, und vergib uns unsre Schuld, wie auch wir vergeben unseren Schuldigern.

Und führe uns nicht in Versuchung, sondern erlöse uns von dem Bösen.

Denn dein ist das Reich und die Kraft und die Herrlichkeit in Ewigkeit.

Amen.

**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 the evil one.

For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Blessing

**Sending Hymn # 257: 1 – 2 & 6: O Come, O Come Emmanuel**

**Sendungslied: # 19: O komm, o komm, du Morgenstern**

**Postlude**

Dismissal: P: Go in Peace and share the good news! **C: Thanks be to God**

**Hymn / Lied 17: 1 Wir sagen euch an den lieben Advent (bitter einfüegen)**



1. Wir sa - gen euch an den lie - ben Ad -  
Wir sa - gen euch an eine hei - li - ge  
vent. Se - het, die er - ste Ker - ze brennt!  
Zeit. Ma - chet dem Herrn den Weg be - reit.  
Freut euch, ihr Chri - sten, freu - et euch  
sehr! Schon ist na - he der Herr.

**We rejoice with you all this the Advent dear,  
See the first candle is burning here,  
We proclaim a sacred time, make now the Lord's path sublime,  
Rejoice, O Christians, shout and cheer,  
People, the Lord is near.**

Words from Psalm 25:

L: To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

**C: O my God, in you I trust; do not let me be put to shame;**

L: Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths.

**C: Lead me in your truth, and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation;**

L: for you I wait all day long.

**C: Be mindful of your mercy, O Lord, and of your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.**

L: Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for your goodness' sake, O Lord!

**C: Good and upright is the Lord; therefore, he instructs sinners in the way.**

L: He leads the humble in what is right and teaches the humble his way.

**C: All the paths of the Lord are steadfast love and faithfulness.**

Reading from the New Testament, from Paul's letter to the people in Thessaloniki:

What would be an adequate thanksgiving to offer God for all the joy we experience before him because of you? We do what we can, praying away, night and day, asking for the bonus of seeing your faces again and doing what we can to help when your faith falters. May God our Father himself and our Master Jesus clear the road to you! And may the Master pour on the love so it fills your lives and splashes over on everyone around you, just as it does from us to you. May you be infused with strength and purity, filled with confidence in the presence of God our Father when our Master Jesus arrives with all his followers.

(1 Thessalonians 3: 9 – 13)



Hal - le - lu - ja, Hal - le - lu - ja, Hal - le - lu - ja.

Announcement of the Holy Gospel according to Luke 21: 25 – 36 (selected verses)

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

Reading of the Gospel - **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Hymn # 263: Savior of the Nations, Come**

**Lied # 12: Gott sei Dank durch alle Welt**

**Sermon**

**Hymn of the Day #241: O Lord, How Shall I Meet You**

**Predigtlied # 11: 1 – 4: Wie soll ich dich empfangen**

*Thank you for your offering!*

P: With the whole church let us confess our faith:

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

***I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.***

***On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.***

***I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. AMEN.***

## Announcements

December 4th – 10:30 am - Fitness and Prayer

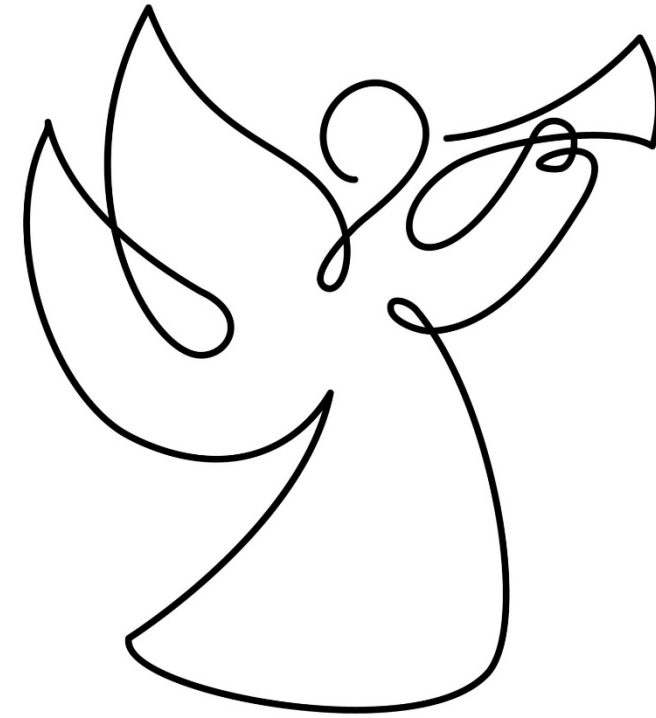
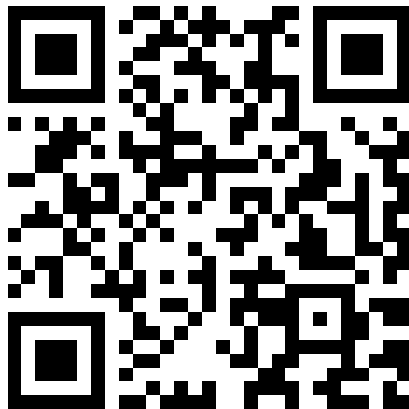
December 7th – 10:00 am - free Pilates class – donations for foodbank

December 17<sup>th</sup> – 01:00 pm – Freudenquell Christmas Party for everyone



### The singing and sounding Advent calendar

Today the first door will open! Scan the QR code for our Advent calendar full of musical greetings and contributions from our St. Markus congregation.



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