

# OUR SAVIOUR LUTHERAN CHURCH

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## Second Sunday in Advent

**December 10, 2017  
Welcome !**

It is wonderful to worship with you today !

We give thanks to God for this day and the opportunity to gather together as God's family to be fed with God's Word that sustains us for daily life.

If you are joining us for the first time, please sign the guest book in the rear of the church or fill out the tear-off card on the back cover of this bulletin and place it in the offering plate.

All parts of today's worship service are printed in this service bulletin.

Restrooms can be found downstairs.

We request that all cell phones and beepers be turned off when you enter the sanctuary. Thank you.

Parents with small children are welcome to use the church entryway area (through the glass doors) for quiet time. There is a changing table in the Women's bathroom.

## The Season of Advent

*In the days of this season in the Church Year we call Advent, the church welcomes the blues and purples of dusk and dawn as the Christian community gathers under a wreath of evergreen and prays for the coming of God's gracious light in our time and place. We light candles for the Messiah who has already come and dwells among us, yet we await his coming again and the fulfillment of God's promises of justice and peace. Christmas has not yet arrived -- we await His coming with longing and anticipation during this season of Advent.*

**Gathering Prayer**  
*please stand if you are able*

## Gathering Hymn

**1. Soon and very soon  
we are goin' to see the King,  
Soon and very soon  
we are goin' to see the King,  
Soon and very soon  
we are goin' to see the King.**

**Hallelujah, Hallelujah,  
We're goin' to see the King!**

**2. No more cryin' there  
we are goin' to see the King,  
No more cryin' there  
we are goin' to see the King,  
No more cryin' there  
we are goin' to see the King.**

**3. No more dyin' there  
we are goin' to see the King,  
No more dyin' there  
we are goin' to see the King,  
No more dyin' there  
we are goin' to see the King.**

## The Lighting of the Advent Wreath

*Please remain standing*

Pastor: The Lord be with you

All: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Let us pray . . . Stir up your power, O Lord, and come. Embrace our gloomy world. Give us the strength to grow in love, that the dawn of his coming may find us rejoicing in his presence and welcoming the light of his truth. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen**

*to be sung during the lighting of the wreath*

**1. O come, O come, Emmanuel  
And bless the place your people dwell,  
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night  
And bring the splendor of your light.**

**Rejoice! Rejoice!  
Take heart and do not fear:  
God's promised one,  
Emmanuel draws near.**

Pastor: We praise you, O God, for this victory wreath that marks our days of preparation for Christ's advent.

All: **As we light the candles on this wreath, strengthen our hearts as we await the Lord's coming in glory. Enlighten us with your grace, that we may serve our neighbors in need. Grant this through Christ our Lord - whose coming is certain - and whose day draws near. Amen.**

**2. O come, O come great Lord of might,  
Call nations to your holy mountain's height;  
Melt ev'ry weapon crafted for war,  
And turn our hearts toward peace forevermore.**

**Rejoice! Rejoice!  
Take heart and do not fear:  
God's promised one,  
Emmanuel draws near.**

Pastor: Let us pray . . . Stir up our hearts, Lord God, to prepare the way of your only Son. By his coming strengthen us to serve you with purified lives; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

All: **Amen.**

## Opening Hymn

*please remain standing*

**1. Fling wide the door, unbar the gate;  
The King of glory comes in state;  
The Lord of lords and King of kings,  
The Savior of the world who brings  
His great salvation to the earth.  
So raise a shout of holy mirth  
And praise our God and Lord,  
Creator, Spirit, Word.**

**2. He is the rock of our belief,  
The heart of mercy's gentle self.  
His kingly crown is holiness;  
His scepter is his loveliness;  
He brings our sorrows to an end.  
Now gladly praise our king and friend,  
And worship him with song  
For saving us from wrong.**

**3. Oh, happy towns and blessed lands  
That live by their true king's commands.  
And blessed be the hearts he rules,  
The humble places where he dwells.  
He is the rightful Son of bliss  
Who fills our lives and makes us his,  
Creator of the world,  
Our only strength for good.**

**4. Come, Lord, our Savior, Jesus Christ;  
Our hearts are open wide in trust.  
Oh, show us now your lovely grace,  
Upon our sorrows shine your face,  
And let your Holy Spirit guide  
Our journey in your grace so wide,  
We praise your holy name,  
From age to age the same!**

*please be seated*

## First Lesson

Isaiah 40: 1-11

New Revised Standard Version

*In grand, flowing, poetic lines, the prophet announces that the exile of God's people in Babylon is over. The Lord will deliver Israel and will care for her as a shepherd cares for his sheep. This word can be trusted, because the only enduring reality in life is the word of the Lord.*

1 Comfort, O comfort my people, says your God. 2 Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that she has served her term, that her penalty is paid, that she has received from the Lord's hand double for all her sins.

3 A voice cries out: "In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. 4 Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain. 5 Then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken." 6 A voice says, "Cry out!" And I said, "What shall I cry?" All people are grass, their constancy is like the flower of the field. 7 The grass withers, the flower fades, when the breath of the Lord blows upon it; surely the people are grass. 8 The grass withers, the flower fades; but the word of our God will stand forever.

9 Get you up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of good tidings; lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem, herald of good tidings, lift it up, do not fear; say to the cities of Judah, "Here is your God!" 10 See, the Lord God comes with might, and his arm rules for him; his reward is with him, and his recompense before him. 11 He will feed his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms, and carry them in his bosom, and gently lead the mother sheep.

## Psalm

Psalm 85: 1-2, 8-13

Lector: Lord, you were favorable to your land; you restored the fortunes of Jacob.

All: **You forgave the iniquity of your people; you pardoned all their sin.**

Lector: Let me hear what God the Lord will speak, for he will speak peace to his people, to his faithful, to those who turn to him in their hearts.

All: **Surely his salvation is at hand for those who fear him, that his glory may dwell in our land.**

Lector: Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet; righteousness and peace will kiss each other.

All: **Faithfulness will spring up from the ground, and righteousness will look down from the sky.**

Lector: The Lord will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase.

All: **Righteousness will go before him, and will make a path for his steps.**

## Second Lesson

2 Peter 3: 8-15a

New Revised Standard Version

*This short letter deals with pressing concerns regarding the final advent of Jesus, especially concerns that could arise over its apparent delay. The author of the letter calls on Christians to anticipate the promised coming of the Lord through conduct dedicated to God.*

8 But do not ignore this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like one day.

9 The Lord is not slow about his promise, as some think of slowness, but is patient with you, not wanting any to perish, but all to come to repentance. 10 But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a loud noise, and the elements will be dissolved with fire, and the earth and everything that is done on it will be disclosed.

11 Since all these things are to be dissolved in this way, what sort of persons ought you to be in leading lives of holiness and godliness, 12 waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be set ablaze and dissolved, and the elements will melt with fire? 13 But, in accordance with his promise, we wait for new heavens and a new earth, where righteousness is at home. 14 Therefore, beloved, while you are waiting for these things, strive to be found by him at peace, without spot or blemish; 15 and regard the patience of our Lord as salvation.

## Gospel Hymn Part 1

*Please stand if you are able*

**Listen! you nations of the world:  
Listen to the Word of the Lord.  
Announce it from coast to coast;  
Declare it to distant islands.**

**The Lord who scattered Israel  
Will gather his people again;  
And he will keep watch over them  
As a shepherd watches his flock.**

**Listen! you nations of the world:  
Listen to the Word of the Lord.  
Announce it from coast to coast;  
Declare it to distant islands.**

**With shouts of joy they will come,  
Their faces radiantly happy,  
For the Lord is so gen'rous to them;  
He showers his people with gifts.**

**Listen! you nations of the world:  
Listen to the Word of the Lord.  
Announce it from coast to coast;  
Declare it to distant islands.**

## Reading of the Gospel Lesson

Mark 1: 1-8

*New Revised Standard Version*

*The Gospel of Mark does not begin with a story of Jesus' birth but with the voice of one crying out in the wilderness: Prepare the way of the Lord.*

1 The beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. 2 As it is written in the prophet Isaiah, "See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way; 3 the voice of one crying out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight,'" 4 John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. 5 And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. 6 Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. 7 He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. 8 I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord

All: **Thanks be to God !**

## Gospel Hymn *Part 2*

*please remain standing*

**Listen! you nations of the world:  
Listen to the Word of the Lord,  
Announce it from coast to coast;  
Declare it to distant islands.**

**Young women will dance for joy,  
And men young and old will make merry.  
Like a garden refreshed by the rain,  
They will never be in want again.**

**Break into shouts of great joy:  
Jacob is free again!  
Teach nations to sing the song:  
"The Lord has saved his people!"**

*please be seated*

## Sermon

*Rev. Robert "Bob" Fritch*

## Hymn of the Day

*please stand for the hymn*

**1. Prepare the royal highway;  
The King of kings is near!  
Let ev'ry hill and valley  
A level road appear!  
Then greet the King of glory,  
Fore-told in sacred story:**

**Hosanna to the Lord,  
For he fulfills God's Word!**

**2. God's people, see him coming:  
Your own eternal king!  
Palm branches strew before him!  
Spread garments! Shout and sing!  
God's promise will not fail you!  
No more shall doubt assail you!**

**3. Then fling the gates wide open  
To greet your promised king!  
Your king, yet ev'ry nation  
Its tribute too may bring.  
All lands will bow before him;  
Their voices join your singing:**

**4. His is no earthly kingdom;  
It comes from heav'n above.  
His rule is peace and freedom  
And justice, truth, and love.  
So let your praise be sounding  
For kindness so abounding:**

## The Prayers of the Church

*We will sing two verses of the following hymn- then the music will drop for the prayers - you may hum along if you like.*

*When the music rises, we will again sing the hymn twice.*

**Lord, listen to your children praying  
Lord, send your Spirit in this place.**

**Lord, listen to your children praying,  
Send us love, send us power, send us grace.**

*at the end of the prayers*

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always

All: **And also with you**

*With a handshake, we greet one another with a sign of  
God's peace. . .*

*You may be seated  
following the sharing of the peace*

## Offering

*We worship God through our giving.  
As the offering plate is passed we re-  
spond to God's Word as we give thanks  
for God's material and  
spiritual gifts to us.*

## Offertory

*Sung by congregation  
as the gifts are presented at the altar  
Please stand if you are able.*

**1. Accept, O Lord, the gifts we bring  
To place upon your table.  
We do not worship as we ought,  
But only as we're able.**

**2. Our hopes our dreams, our toils and cares  
We lift in prayer before you.  
Lord, by your grace now come to us,  
As humbly we adore you.**

Leader: Let us pray . . . O Mighty One,

All: **You have done great things for us, and holy is your name. Bless all we offer you – our selves, our time, and our possessions – that through us your grace and favor may be made known to all the world; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our redeemer. Amen.**

## The Great Thanksgiving *spoken*

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

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

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Pastor: It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, almighty and everliving God. You comforted your people with the promise of the Redeemer, through whom you will also make all things new in the day when he comes again to judge the world in righteousness. And so, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn..

## The Sanctus

*sung - repeat after pastor*

Pastor: Holy

All: **Holy**

Pastor: Holy, Holy

All: **Holy, Holy**

Pastor: Holy God Almighty

All: **Holy God Almighty**

Pastor: Heaven is filled with glory  
Hosanna in the highest

All : **Heaven is filled with glory  
Hosanna in the highest.**

## Eucharistic Prayer

Pastor: To you indeed be glory, almighty God, because on the night before he died, your Son, Jesus Christ, took bread; when he had given thanks, he broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said: Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you; do this to remember me.

After supper he took the cup; when he had given you thanks, he gave it to his disciples and said: This cup is the new covenant in my blood poured out for you; do this as often as you drink it to remember me.

Therefore, loving God, recalling now Christ's death and resurrection, we ask you to accept this our sacrifice of praise.

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and our celebration, that we may be fed with the body and blood of your Son and be filled with your life and goodness. Strengthen us to do your work, and to be your body in the world.

Blessing, honour and glory be yours, now and forever.

All: **Amen.**

Pastor: And now with the confidence of children of God, we are bold to pray.

All: **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**

Pastor: The door to God's banquet hall is open.

All: **We enter into the joy of the feast.**

*please remain standing for the singing  
of the Agnus Dei*

## Agnus Dei

All: **Lamb of God  
You Take away the sin of the world  
Have mercy - Have mercy - On us**

**O - Lamb of God  
You Take away the sin of the world  
Have mercy - Have mercy - On us**

**Lamb of God  
You Take away the sin of the world  
Have mercy - Have mercy - On us**

**O - Lamb of God  
You Take away the sin of the world  
Grant us - Grant us - Your peace.**

*please be seated*

# The Holy Communion

## Instructions for receiving Holy Communion

*All are welcome at the Lord's Table for communion; children and those of other faiths are invited to share the bread and a blessing.*

*Communion will be distributed in this fashion:*

*When dismissed by an usher please come to the front of the church to receive the bread from the Pastor.*

*If you are seated on the **right** side of the church please go to the **right** side communion rail.*

*If you are seated on the **left** side go to the **left** side communion rail.*

*The Assistant minister will follow with the cup. Please dip your wafer into the wine when prompted.*

*If you are unable to come forward but would like to receive communion, please inform the usher and communion will be brought to you in the pew.*

## Communion Hymn

*to be sung by the congregation*

**1. Blessed Assurance, Jesus is mine!  
Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine.  
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,  
Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.**

**This is my story, this is my song,  
Praising my Saviour all the day long;  
This is my story, this is my song,  
Praising my Saviour all the day long.**

**2. Perfect submission, perfect delight,  
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight;  
Angels descending, bring from above  
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love.**

**3. Trusting in Jesus knowing His grace  
I want to see Him meet face to face  
When we shall seek Him up in the sky  
There we will join Him never to die**

**4. Perfect submission, all is at rest,  
I in my Saviour am happy and blest;  
Watching and waiting, looking above,  
Filled with His goodness, lost in His love.**

*When all have returned to their seats,  
the congregation will please stand*

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

All: **Amen.**

Leader: Let us pray . . . God of mercy and grace,

All: **in this meal you give us a foretaste of that day when the hungry will be fed with good things. Send us forth to make known your deeds and to proclaim the greatness of your name. Amen.**

## Post-Communion Cantic

All: **Thank the Lord and sing his praise;  
Tell everyone what he has done.  
Let everyone who seeks the Lord  
Rejoice and proudly bear his name  
He recalls his promises  
And leads his people forth in joy  
With shouts of thanksgiving,  
Alleluia. Alleluia.**

*please be seated*

## Congregational Announcements

*please stand for the  
Benediction and Closing Hymn*



Pastor: May the rough places in your life be made smooth.  
May the valleys of despair be filled with comfort.  
May the door to your heart be wide open.  
May the glory of Immanuel be with you all your days.

Go now in the name of the Father, the Son  
and the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

## Closing Hymn

**1. Come, thou long expected Jesus,  
Born to set thy people free;  
From our fears and sins release us;  
Let us find our rest in thee.  
Israel's strength and consolation,  
Hope of all the earth thou art,  
Dear desire of ev'ry nation,  
Joy of ev'ry longing heart.**

**2. Born thy people to deliver,  
Born a child, and yet a king;  
Born to reign in us forever,  
Now thy gracious kingdom bring.  
By thine own eternal Spirit  
Rule in all our hearts alone;  
By thine all sufficient merit  
Raise us to thy glorious throne.**

Leader: Go in peace, serve the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.



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# welcome home !

## Second Sunday in Advent December 10, 2017

### Today - Advent 2

Worship	8:30 AM
Sunday's Kids	9:45 AM
Worship	10:00 AM
Worship	11:30 AM

### Tuesday

Church Council	7:30 PM
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### Wednesday

Food Pantry	10:00 AM
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### Thursday

Senior Choir Rehearsal	7:00 PM
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### Friday

Pre-k Holiday Show	6:30 PM
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### Saturday

Church Prep	9:30 AM
Christmas Pageant Dress Rehearsal	11:00 AM

### Next Sunday - Advent 3

Worship	8:30 AM
Sunday's Kids	9:45 AM
Worship + Choir Cantata	10:00 AM
Worship + Choir Cantata	11:30 AM
Children's Christmas Pageant & Worship	4:00 PM

## Arrivals and Departures . . .

Free Parking ~ Every Sunday  
Available on the south side of 90th Avenue from  
175 Street to 178 Street. You MUST display a  
yellow parking permit. To get a permit ask an  
usher - they are FREE!

Cold water is available in the church entryway.

Hand Sanitizers are available in the entryway  
and in the bathrooms.



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If you have an e-mail address, please share it with us.  
Please use the tear-off card on the back of this bulletin.

*next Sunday ~don't miss out...*



## Christmas Cantata

What's a Cantata ? It's a full-length musical extravaganza performed by the OSLC Senior Choir. Only two performances this year - DON'T MISS OUT ! - Sunday - December 17 at the 10:00 and 11:30 services only.

This year the choir will present: "Fantasia Noel: Songs of the Season" Arranged and Orchestrated by Joshua Spacht. Directed by our own Gayle Bulaong.



## Children's Christmas Pageant

After you see the Cantata - come back at 4:00 PM on December 17 for this year's Children's Christmas Worship and Pageant - it's gonna be great and it's gonna be very different this year with a whole new team of leaders working with the children. Don't let your kids miss this one !



## Christmas Gifts to the Homebound

We need 15 volunteers to take Christmas gifts to our homebound members and friends. The sign up sheet is on the back wall of the church.

**WHEN:** Sunday December 17 - You can pick up the plants and gifts after worship

**WHY:** because you can be a ray of sunshine to someone who can no longer come to church. Folks expect that Pastor Bob and Pastor John will visit, but it is an unexpected surprise when a member of the church shows up.

# the youth page !



## For Kids ages 3-13

*Singing the Songs of Faith*

*Sharing the Stories of Faith*

*Sowing the Seeds of Faith*

### Weekly Schedule

9:45 – Opening/Singing

10:00 – Learning Activities

10:45 – Communion with  
Family in Worship



December's 1st Friday - Food + Fellowship + Wreaths to take home = another great 1st Friday



## BRAND NEW FOR YOUTHS !

For all youths  
ages 12-19

Movie and Game Nights

Field Trips

Service Projects ~ Food  
And More !

EVERY First Friday  
of EVERY Month  
at Our Saviour Church

*Form Your Faith  
Find New Friends  
Feed Your Community  
Feel Safe and Have Fun*

# *we need you....*

## **Christmas Memorial Gifts**

This Christmas season, we will be seeking gifts to help support a very important ministry of the church through the **CARNIVAL UPGRADE PROJECT**

To help make the Community Carnival bigger and better - we are seeking to purchase the following items:

- new pop up tents to replace the old tents
- new professional stage pieces
- a shed to store it all in

We are hoping to raise about \$6,000 for this project which will improve the largest outreach project of we do as a church - the Community Carnival. Use the enclosed gift sheet to make your gift, or you can give online at the church web site.

## **Christmas Eve falls on a Sunday this year !**

## **New Year's Eve falls on a Sunday this year !**

That means BIG changes to the holiday worship schedule. Because Christmas Eve and New Years Eve fall on a Sunday, we will retain the **REGULAR SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE** on both Christmas Eve morning and New Year's Eve in the morning.

Please read the Christmas Worship Schedule carefully.

The complete schedule is also on the church website.

## **Bring ONE - Help ONE - Food Pantry**

If every person brings just one can of food to church - each time they come to church - we would never have to ask for food again !

Here's what we need - right now ---

Tuna Fish in cans  
Tomato Sauce OR Spaghetti Sauce  
Canned Soup  
Canned Vegetables  
Chef Boyardee-type foods

**Your cans - Can Make A Difference !**



or you can get deals on food at Amazon or Walmart and have the food shipped directly at no cost ! What a great idea !

# *we built these homes !*



These are pictures of the actual families standing in front of the actual houses that YOU built last year through your generous gifts to Food for the Poor. It all started one year ago on Harvest Sunday when the Rev. Kurt Hutchens and his daughter Alexandra visited us and asked for our help, not only did we give generously to FFP on Harvest Sunday, but we started a campaign to build one house in Jamaica, WI that turned into two houses that turned into three houses. Thank you to everyone who gave so generously. These pictures are up on the back wall of the church.

## *memorial gifts*

### **Altar Flowers**

Jasmattie Bridjelall  
Lynette Brown

In Honor of God's Blessings  
In Honor of Lynette Brown's Birthday

### **Worship Bulletins**

Lynette Brown

In Honor of Lynette Brown's Birthday

### **Altar Candles**

Lynette Brown

In Memory of Alphonso Brown

*Memorial Gifts can be given for any occasion by using the Memorial Gift envelopes (pink in color) found in the rear of the church or in the tract rack in the church entrance.*

# Christmas Season Worship Schedule

## **Christmas Eve – Sunday - December 24**

December 24 in the morning is the 4th Sunday in Advent - we will have all three of our regularly scheduled worship services in the morning at 8:30 am - 10:00 am and 11:30 am

December 24 in the evening is Christmas Eve

6:30 PM - Candlelight Worship  
8:00 PM - Candlelight Worship  
10:00 PM - Candlelight Worship

The most beautiful service of the year is on Christmas Eve as we follow the story of the birth of Jesus through the scriptures, beginning with the Old Testament prophecies and continuing with the Gospel story of Christ's birth. The 6:30 PM service is a shorter version of the regular services, but with no communion. Come early!

## **Christmas Day – Monday - December 25**

11:00 AM - Christ-Mass Day Worship

Celebrate the birth of the Son of God on the day of Christ's Mass or Christmas morning. Full celebration worship with Holy Communion.

## **Children's Pageant & Christmas Service – December 17**

4:00 PM - A very special worship service designed just for kids – teach your children the true meaning of Christmas at this beautiful service – PLUS – our annual Children's Christmas Pageant featuring the children of the church.

## **Cantata Sunday - December 17**

December 17 – 10:00 AM  
December 17 – 11:30 AM

A full-length musical presentation by our Senior Choir. They have been rehearsing since last year on this concert experience – just for you. Bring the family – bring the kids – you will be glad you did. There will be regular worship schedule at the 8:30 AM worship service on December 17.

## **New Year's Eve – Sunday - December 31**

Regular Sunday worship in the morning at all three worship services

8:00 PM - Family New Year's Worship  
11:00 PM - Old Year's Night

Welcome the New Year on your knees in prayer on Old Year's night. Hear the old, old story of God's plan of salvation through the ages. Both services will be the same format. The 11:00 PM will include the "Bidding Prayer" which we will pray through the midnight hour. The early service is a great option for families with small children who want to be in church on Old Year's Night, but do not want to be out past midnight.

# Welcome !

If you are joining us for the first time today or if your personal information has changed, please use this tear-off card to help us keep in touch with you and let you know of all the great things happening at Our Saviour Lutheran Church.

My Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Apartment \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

This is my:

- 1st time at worship
- 2nd time at worship

I would like more information on:

- Becoming a Member
- Baptizing my child
- I would like a Pastor to call
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

I am asking the church to pray for the following person or reason

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

- I would like these prayers to be kept confidential
- I would like these prayers to be added to the church prayer list to be read next Sunday morning during worship  
(Names will be included for one week)

Please tear off this card and either  
- place it in the offering plate  
- give it to an usher

Bend and tear off along this line



# Our Saviour Lutheran Church

90-04 175th Street  
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## The Perfect church . . . for those who aren't !

This year marks our 94<sup>th</sup> year of ministry in Queens. Organized in 1923, Our Saviour Lutheran Church includes people from 26 nations of origin, gathered together to celebrate in Word and Sacrament the Gospel of Jesus Christ and to root our hope in the power of the Good News.

As a people who have been touched by God's love in Jesus Christ, we respond by giving our lives in friendship and service.

We are:           A Joyful people !  
                      A Diverse people !  
                      Gathered for worship !  
                      Scattered for ministry !

Welcome !

## Worship Schedule

**Worship every Sunday**  
8:30 AM ~ 10:00 AM ~ 11:30 AM

**For more information**  
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