

THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD, CHRISTMAS DAY

December 25, 2022

10:00 AM



Welcome, and a blessed Christmas to all on this holy day.

If you are a visitor or one returning after an absence, know that you are welcome and we are delighted to share with you the celebration of Christmas.

Please fill out a CONNECT card found in the pew rack if you are visiting us today, if you wish to receive our newsletter, or if you wish the pastor to contact you.

Fill out a PRAY card if you have a prayer request.
Simply place the cards in the offering plate as you leave.

When entering the Sanctuary, please observe a time of silence for meditation and prayer.
Silencing your cell phone is a good gift you can give to your fellow worshippers.

Hearing Assisted Radio Transmitters are available.
Please ask an usher for assistance.

The Christmas season includes one more Sunday this year, with one worship service offered at 10:30 AM on Sunday, January 1, New Year's Day.

On Sunday, January 8 we return to offering two services at 8:00 and 10:30 AM.

Our Adult Forum schedule resumes on Sunday, January 8 at 9:00 AM.

Again, welcome!

↑ Prayer of the Day

P: Invisible and immortal God,
the coming of your light into our world
has brightened weary hearts with peace.
Call us out of darkness,
and empower us to proclaim the birth of your Son,
the one who brings hope to the hopeless,
Jesus Christ, the light of the world

G: Amen.

First Reading

Isaiah 52:7-10

A: Word of God, Word of life.

G: Thanks be to God.

Anthem

Lo, How a Rose
arr. Kyle S. Haugen (b. 1973)

Second Reading

Hebrews 1:1-4 [5-12]

A: Word of God, Word of life.

G: Thanks be to God.

↑ Gospel Acclamation

Sts 1 and 2

Angels, From the Realms of Glory
Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Hymn 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,



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.

Refrain



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

↑ The Holy Gospel

John 1:1-14

P: The Gospel according to St. John, the first chapter.

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

After the reading

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

G: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Pastor Kristy Daniels

↑ Hymn of the Day

Let All Together Praise Our God
Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Hymn 287

↑ Prayers of the Church

A: . . . Lord, in your mercy.

G: **Hear our prayer.**

Holy Communion – All baptized Christians who seek a taste of the new and forgiven life in Jesus Christ are welcome to receive the sacrament. We confess and believe that Christ in his risen form is truly present in the Sacrament of Bread and Wine and that by sharing in this meal, we share in Christ's risen presence among us.

The ministration of the Sacrament is given in two ways:

In the pew:

You may commune in the pews with individual elements. These are available in the narthex as you enter.

When invited to commune, peel off the bottom tab to eat the bread; peel off the top tab to drink the wine. The waste can go in the paper bag found in each pew.

By intinction:

When prompted by the ushers, come down the center aisle to kneel at the railing; please sanitize your hands.

Receive a wafer in your hands. Dip it in a chalice, either wine or grape juice, before partaking. Use the outside aisle to return to your seat.

↑ The 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 . . . join their unending hymn:

Sanctus:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord most ho - ly, God of life and God of light
heav'n and earth re - veal your glo - ry. Hail, ho - san - na, Lord of light!
Bless - ed be the com - ing Sav - ior. Hail, ho - san - na, Lord of light!

↑ Words of Institution

↑The Lord's Prayer

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

G: **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

↑Invitation to the Table

P: Joy to the world! The Lord is come.
Let every heart receive your Savior.

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

Distribution Carol

Infant Holy, Infant Lowly
Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Hymn 276

↑ Post-Communion Prayer

P: On this day, O God, you came to us,
becoming one with us in Jesus Christ.
Send us now with good news for all people,
that you are no longer far off but near to each of us.
Let the gladness of this feast have no end
as we share with others the joy that fills us;
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

G: Amen.

↑ Benediction

P: May Christ, who by his incarnation
has filled us with grace and truth,
give you peace this Christmas and always.
Unapproachable Light, One in Three, Three in One,
Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you now and forever.

G: Amen.

↑ Sending Carol

Joy to the World
Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Hymn 267

↑ Dismissal

A: Filled with the joy of Christ's birth,
go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

G: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Fantasy on ANTIOCH (ELW 267)
Emma Lou Diemer (b. 1927)

About Today's Music

Two weeks ago we heard one of Emma Lou Diemer's (b. 1927) organ fantasias on an Advent hymn tune. For our Christmas Day postlude we hear another her fantastical pieces for the Advent-Christmas cycle. This time, it's her audacious setting of ANTIOCH, the tune for "Joy to the World" (ELW 267). This piece features bold dissonances and exuberant, rapid-fire figurations. If all of "heaven and nature" were to sing at once, wouldn't that be a joyful cacophony of sound, rather than a carefully harmonized chord? Perhaps that's what Diemer has in mind here to "repeat the sounding joy!"



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Pastor	The Rev. Dr. Daniel Peterson
Cantor	Kyle Haugen
Parish Administrator	Barbara Bash
Sexton	John Bryant

✧ Serving in worship today: ✧

Guest Pastor	The Rev. Kristy Daniels
Cantor	Kyle Haugen
Lector and Intercessor	Al Shabino

ANNOUNCEMENTS — DECEMBER 25

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WE WELCOME TO WORSHIP REV. KRISTY DANIELS of the Church of Steadfast Love, a congregation that operates inside the Compass Center in Pioneer Square. It is open to all adults who wish to attend services including guests of Compass Housing. We are so grateful for her presence with us during this time. Her final service with us will be on **New Year's Day, Sun., Jan. 1, at 10:30 AM. Note that we offer one service only that day.** We will return to our regular worship schedule after that.

PASTOR DAN has traveled home to care for his mother, who has entered hospice care. He will return on Thursday, January 5.

For emergency pastoral care in his absence, pastors are on call from Ballard First Lutheran: Pastor Elise (803-944-7006) and Pastor Erik (206-355-3855), and from Church of Steadfast Love, Pastor Kristy Daniels (206-788-6745) or kdaniels@compasshousingalliance.org.

OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK

Main Office (Barb Bash): The office is closed on Tuesday, open Wed-Fri, 9:00–5:30
Cantor Kyle will be working from home in the coming week. Feel free to contact him if you wish to make an appointment; call the office (206-284-1960), or email cantor@queenannelutheran.org.

BEN MATTER, beloved longtime member of QALC, passed away on December 16. A memorial service will be offered here at Queen Anne Lutheran on Friday, January at 2 PM with Pastor Dan presiding. A graveside service will be held at Evergreen Washelli at 12:00 PM on Friday, December 30 with Pastor Wayne Bacus officiating; a service will also be held at Skyline, where Ben lived, at 1:30 PM Wednesday, January 4.

POINSETTIA DELIVERIES – CAN YOU HELP?

We have four households left to whom we would like to bring a poinsettia and a cheery Christmas hello. If you could make a delivery in the coming week, please go to the counters' room to pick up what you need including the address/phone info!

MEN'S CLOTHING: We are beginning a two-week **men's clothing drive** right after Christmas. Donations will be delivered to Queen Anne Helpline the week of Jan. 15. Please donate:

- new underwear and socks
- warm, clean casual clothing of all sorts, especially coats (no formal wear, such as suits or sports jackets)
- men's shoes (especially sneakers and warm boots)

JANUARY FORUM SERIES – Revisiting the Stars

Please join us in the Conference Room from 9–10 AM each Sunday. Forum can also be attended via Zoom; look for the link in church emails or on our website’s FORUMS page.

January 8: Matt Boysen kicks off our three-part series with an update on space exploration. He will share with us some of the latest advances in the field since he first presented on the topic as part of our series on “Astrotheology” back in 2018. Matt Boysen is Lead Systems Engineer of Spaceflight Industries, where he works on aircraft and space vehicle applications.

January 15: *Scripture and the Stars:* What does the Bible say about the cosmos, the stars, and the beings who (presumably) live among them? Pastor Dan will lead this interactive discussion on the various cosmologies we find tucked away in the Old and New Testaments, several of which may surprise you.

January 22: Mary-Jane Rubenstein will be reading and discussing some of the key passages from her new book *Astrotopia: The Dangerous Religion of the Corporate Space Race*. She will argue that the exploration and possible inhabitation of outer space should not be left to profiteers and messianic billionaires. Rather than seeking a way for the universe to belong to us, we should be seeking ways we might belong to the universe.

SERVING NEXT SUNDAY, JAN. 1

10:30 AM:

We offer only one service next Sunday. Please sign up in the narthex to help if you are able.

Greeter: Liz Major

Lector: Carol Ann Davis

Ushers: Don Thomas, Denny Alfson

Counters: Barb Bach, Jacqui Darroch

Audio: Connie Wurm

THIS WEEK’S CALENDAR

Sunday, December 25

Christmas Day

Worship 10:00 AM

Monday

Food Addicts in Recovery (FH) 7:00 PM

Tuesday (*office closed*)

Wednesday

AA Counterbalance (FH) 8:00 PM

Friday

Ben Matter Graveside Service 12 PM

at Evergreen-Washelli Cemetery

(Memorial will be at QALC on Jan. 6 at 2 PM)

Saturday

Alanon Women (upstairs) 10:30 AM

AA Shanty Trudgers (upstairs) 7:00 PM

Sunday, January 1

New Year’s Day

Worship 10:30 AM

(note: on January 8 we return to our regular two-service schedule.)