

**December 17, 2017**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Advent**

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**PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP:** Father in heaven, watch over us today, as we go about our ways. Keep our heart toward you, in everything we do. Protect us from all danger, keep our eyes on your Son in the manger. May your angels watch over me, and all I say and see. In God's name we pray, hear our word this day. Amen

**COMMUNION:** Since Gloria Dei values very highly the special treasure that God gives us in Holy Communion, and since Scripture also says that one can receive Communion to his own great harm (I Corinthians. 11:23-32), we ask that only those who are members of Gloria Dei, or another WELS or ELS congregation come to the altar for the sacrament. Instruction classes to become a communicant member are available throughout the year. Please contact Pastor Himm for more information.

**Come Let Us Worship**

**Hymns:** 12, 15, 311, 408

**Choir:** "Emmanuel"

**First Lesson:** Isaiah 61:1-3, 10, 11

**Gospel:** John 1:6-8, 19-28

**Message:** I Thessalonians 5:16-24

***Enjoy the Christmas Spirit***

**THOSE WHO WILL SERVE YOU TODAY:**

**USHERS:** Tobias Edgett, Mike Hoppe, & Eric Metz

**GREETERS:** The Edgett Family

**COMMUNION SET UP:** Furnner

**COMMUNION ASSISTANTS:** Pete Straub & Jim Luisier

**POWER POINT ASSISTANT:** Reagan Moore

**COUNTERS:** Hoppe & Luisier

**CLEANER FOR DECEMBER 24:** Moore

**THOSE WHO WILL SERVE YOU TONIGHT:**

***6:00 pm Children's Christmas Program***

**USHERS:** Jim Luisier, John Kritzman, & Zach Kritzman

**GREETERS:** Barb Lambert

**POWER POINT ASSISTANT:** Tobias Edgett

**COUNTERS:** Mortimer & Metz

**THOSE WHO WILL SERVE YOU NEXT SUNDAY:**

**USHERS:** Bob Kost Sr., Kent Kerwin, & Harold Fox

**GREETER:** Sue Ann Callahan

**POWER POINT ASSISTANT:** Ashley Kritzman

**COUNTERS:** Kritzman & Leplow

**CLEANER FOR DECEMBER 31:** Kritzman

**THOSE WHO WILL SERVE YOU CHRISTMAS EVE:**

***7:00 pm Christmas Eve Service***

**USHERS:** Joe King, Brian King, Spencer King

**GREETERS:** Scott & Donna Freimark

**POWER POINT ASSISTANT:** Anna Hoppe

**COUNTERS:** Callahan & Furnner

**THOSE WHO WILL SERVE YOU CHRISTMAS MORNING:**

***10:00 am Christmas Morning Service***

**USHERS:** Ralph Dudley, Allen Mortimer, & Scott Mortimer

**GREETERS:** Tom & Pat Furnner

**POWER POINT ASSISTANT:** Brenna Moore

**COUNTERS:** Moore & Neuwirth

**OUR LOVE FOR GOD'S WORD & WORK**

<b>December 10</b>	<b>Attendance</b>	<b>Fund</b>	<b>Offering</b>
Worship	106	General	\$2,506.00
Adult Bible Class	11	Facility Usage	100.00
Children's Bible Class	14	Missions*	35.00
		Building	20.00
		Helping Hands	15.00
		Choir	2.00
		Sunday School	1.00

**Weekly General Fund Budget \$4,567.00**

Quarterly Mission Project \*MLS Foundation

**THIS WEEK AT GLORIA DEI**

Monday	6:30 p.m.	Confirmation Class
	6:45 p.m.	Choir Practice
Thursday	9:00 a.m.	Adult Bible Class
	7:00 p.m.	Board of Evangelism Meeting

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** The flowers this week are given by Scott & Deb Mortimer in honor of Jeff & Jill Mortimer's birthdays.

**FELLOWSHIP HOUR:** You are invited to join us following the services this morning for coffee and refreshments. Thank you to the Moore family for serving us this morning.

**THE PERFECT PLAN:** Join us **tonight**, at **6:00 p.m.** as the children of Gloria Dei help us remember the Perfect Plan. Not the plan for the perfect Christmas dinner, perfect Christmas gift, or the perfect Christmas party. This is God's own plan, the plan that is so important that eternal life and death hang in the balance.

**DE-DECORATE THE CHURCH:** On **January 13** at **5:00 p.m.** we will meet at the church for a pot-luck dinner and then take down the Christmas decorations. A sign-up sheet is posted for those who are planning to attend.

**ANNUAL VOTERS' MEETING:** The Annual Voters' meeting will be held on **Sunday, January 14** after worship. Besides the annual reports being presented the election of officers will take place.

*Special services*

*Christmas Program*

Sunday, December 17, 2017  
6:00 PM

*Christmas Eve*

Sunday, December 24, 2017  
7:00 PM

*Christmas Day*

Monday, December 25, 2017  
10:00 AM

*Christmas Day Song Service*

*New Years Eve*

Sunday, December 31, 2017  
7:00 pm

*Communion service*

