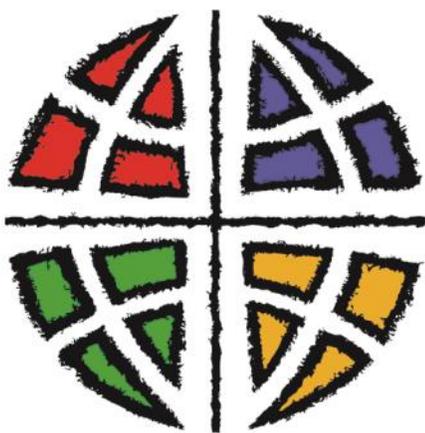


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First Sunday in Advent



November 27 2022

9:00 a.m.

Добро пожаловать! Witam Cię Bem-vinda أهلاً و سهلاً
 ברוך-הבא Bienvenue Tere tulemast خوش آمدید සාදරයෙන් පිළිගනිමු Bienvenido
 सवागत हैं **Welcome** ยินดีต้อนรับ Karibu
 Ngiyakwemukela Hoş geldiniz
 Tere tulõmast Välkommen Ласкаво просимо Velkommen Zoo siab txais tos!
 Soo dhowow فارسی نالمنز لاسکاوو پروسیمو 환영합니다

At **First Evangelical Lutheran Church** all are welcome here – disciples and doubters, sinners and saints, wanderers and wonderers, young and young at heart, insiders and outsiders – **all of God’s children are welcome in this community** as we **worship** together, **learn** together, **serve** together, **pray** together and **play** together seeking to follow Jesus in our daily lives. We are blessed by your presence here today!

You belong here!

This Week at First

Sunday 27	9:00 AM	Worship — Sanctuary
	10:20 AM	Adult Forum—Chapel
Thursday 1	11:00 AM	Bible Study—Zoom
	7:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal—Sanctuary
Saturday 3	7:00 PM	AA Care and Share — PH
Sunday 4	9:00 AM	Worship — Sanctuary
	10:20 AM	Adult Forum—Chapel

*We are now live streaming our worship services.
 Hearing Assist devices available from the sound booth.
Large Print Bulletins available in the Narthex*

Welcome to Worship

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation.

Amen.

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism. We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight.

Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

Gathering Hymn

“Light One Candle”

ELW 240, vs.1



1 Light one can-dle to watch for Mes-si - ah: let the light ban-ish dark - ness.



He shall bring sal - va - tion to Is - ra-el, God ful - fills the prom - ise.

Prayer of the Day

Praise to you, O God, our salvation who is near. You hold us in our waiting and keep us awake to the world. You show up in our lives at unexpected times. Bless us as we light this candle to keep vigil for your arrival. We trust that even though we do not know the day or the hour, you hurry to gather all people to your peace. **Amen.**

Greeting

The One who was, and is, and is to come, be with you all.
And also with you.

Hymn of Praise “Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying” ELW 436



1 Wake, a - wake, for night is fly - ing, the watch-men
2 Zi - on hears the watch-men sing - ing, and all her
3 Glo - ri - a! Let heav'n a - dore you! Let saints and



on the heights are cry - ing; a - wake, Je - ru - sa - lem, at last.
heart with joy is spring - ing. She wakes, she ris - es from her gloom.
an - gels sing be - fore you, with harp and cym-bal's clear - est tone.

Mid - night hears the wel - come voic - es, and at the
Her dear friend comes down, all glo - rious, the strong in
Gates of pearl, twelve por - tals gleam - ing, lead us to

thrill - ing cry re - joic - es: "Come forth, you maid - ens! Night is past.
grace, in truth vic - to - rious: her star is ris'n; her light is come.
bliss be - yond all dream - ing, with an - gel choirs a - round your throne.

The bride - groom comes! A - wake; your lamps with glad - ness take!"
Now come, O Bless - ed One, Lord Je - sus, God's own Son.
No eye has caught the light, no ear the thun - d'ring might

Al - le - lu - ia! Rise and pre - pare the feast to share;
Sing ho - san - na! Oh, hear the call! Come one, come all,
of such glo - ry. There we will go: what joy we'll know!

go, meet the bride - groom, who draws near.
and fol - low to the ban - quet hall.
There sweet de - light will ev - er flow.

Lesson

Isaiah 2:1-5

OT pg. 489

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Special Music

Gospel Acclamation

This little light o' mine, I'm gonna' let it shine (3x's)
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Gospel

Matthew 24:36-44

NT pg. 21

The holy gospel according to Matthew
Glory to you, O Lord.

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Pastor Woody Hall

Hymn of the Day "We Plow the Fields and Scatter" ELW 680



A - ra - mos nues-tros cam-pos, y lue - goel sem - bra - dor
1 We plow the fields and scat - ter the good seed on the land,
2 You on - ly are the mak - er of all things near and far.
3 We thank you, our cre - a - tor, for all things bright and good,



en e - llos la si - mien - te es - par - ce con a - mor.
but it is fed and wa - tered by God's al - might - y hand,
You paint the way-side flow - er, you light the eve - ning star.
the seed-time and the har - vest, our life, our health, our food.



Mas es de Dios la ma - no que laha - ce ger - mi - nar,
who sends the snow in win - ter, the warmth to swell the grain,
The winds and waves o - bey you, by you the birds are fed;
No gifts have we to of - fer for what your love im - parts



ca - lor y llu - via dan - do a to - dos por i - gual.
the breez - es and the sun - shine, and soft re - fresh - ing rain.
much more to us, your chil - dren, you give our dai - ly bread.
but what you most would trea - sure - our hum - ble, thank - ful hearts.

Text: Matthias Claudius, 1740-1815; English tr. Jane M. Campbell, 1817-1878, alt.;

Spanish tr. Ernesto Baricio, 1866-1948

Music: Luis Olivieri, b. 1937

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Apostles Creed

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 to judge the living and the dead.

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

Prayers of Intercession

God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Peace

The Peace of the Lord be with you always,
And also with you.

Offertory “Wake, Awake for Night Is Flying” -setting. Manz

Offering Hymn “Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service”

ELW 712, Vs. 1



1 Lord, whose love in hum-ble ser - vice bore the weight of hu-man need,



who up - on the cross, for - sak - en, worked your mer-cy's per - fect deed:



we, your ser - vants, bring the wor - ship not of voice a - lone, but heart;



con - se - crat - ing to your pur - pose ev - 'ry gift which you im - part.

Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

God of abundance, we bring before you the precious fruits of your creation, and with them our very lives. Teach us patience and hope as we care for all those in need until the coming of your Son, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, (... ..) we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**O come, O come, Emmanuel,
and ransom captive Israel,
that mourns in lonely exile here
until the Son of God appear.**

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel.

Thanksgiving at the Table

The Lord's Prayer

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

Invitation to Communion

Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.

Come, taste and see, that the Lord is good (Psalm 34:8).

Please follow the directions of the ushers, forming a single line. If you wish to remain seated communion can be brought to you, just let one of the ushers know. The Pastor will distribute the bread, and a communion assistant will offer your choice of red wine or white grape juice. You may dispose of your cup at the hand sanitizer station at the front of the side aisles. All are welcome.

Prayer After Communion

Let us pray.

God for whom we wait, 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, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

Amen.

Sending Hymn

“Fling Wide the Door”

ELW 259

1 Fling wide the door, un - bar the gate; the King of glo - ry
 2 He is the rock of our be - lief, the heart of mer - cy's
 3 Oh, hap - py towns and bless - ed lands that live by their true
 4 Come, Lord, our Sav - ior, Je - sus Christ; our hearts are o - pen

comes in state; the Lord of lords and King of kings, the
 gen - tle self. His king - ly crown is ho - li - ness; his
 king's com - mands. And bless - ed be the hearts he rules, the
 wide in trust. Oh, show us now your love - ly grace, up -

Sav - ior of the world who brings his great sal - va - tion
 seep - ter is his love - li - ness; he brings our sor - rows
 hum - ble plac - es where he dwells. He is the right - ful
 on our sor - rows shine your face, and let your Ho - ly

to the earth. So raise a shout of ho - ly mirth and
 to an end. Now glad - ly praise our king and friend, and
 Son of bliss who fills our lives and makes us his, cre -
 Spir - it guide our jour - ney in your grace so wide. We

praise our God and Lord, Cre - a - tor, Spir - it, Word.
 wor - ship him with song for sav - ing us from wrong,
 a - tor of the world, our on - ly strength for good,
 praise your ho - ly name, from age to age the same!

Dismissal

Go in peace. Christ is with You.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

“Trumpet Tune on ‘People Look East’”

-setting, P. Manz

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Sunday November 27		Next Sunday December 4
Marilyn Pace	Altar Guild	Claudia Havard Mitch Heitritter
** Needed	Acolyte	** Needed
** Needed Sue Lehner	Reader/ Communion Assist.	Bob Close ** Needed
David and Julie Garcia	Greeter / Ushers	** Needed
Erick Hendrickson	Sound / IT	Erick Hendrickson
Debbie Olsen	Hospitality	Diane Brown
** Needed	Security	** Needed

Kimberly Amin, Keyboardist ~ ~ Tamara Craver, Music Director

Erick Hendrickson, AV / Tech

Melanie Hendrickson, Admin Assistant

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Life in Christ

Nominating Committee has started their work to fill several positions on the church council. These are two year terms. They are also in need of several for people for next years nominating committee and the Endowment committee. If you are interested, please contact Debby Westen, Jeannie Fortier, or Jim Lehner.

Annual Report and Meeting coming in January. Save the date of January 29 for the Annual Meeting. Please get any reports into the office by December 31 for inclusion in the Annual Report.

Church as a VERB – WORSHIP

Every Sunday we offer two ways to worship:

In person worship each Sunday at 9am.

*** We encourage you to use your best judgement in the wearing of a mask during worship so as to keep you and your neighbor safe. ***

Online Worship is also available through our website at
www.firstlutheranredlands.org

We stream our online services. You can watch it live at 9 am or any-time throughout the week on our YouTube Channel.

Choir rehearses on Thursday evenings at 7:00 pm. New voices encouraged. All are welcome to join in the gift of music.

Church as a VERB – LEARN

Adult Forum meets following worship today. Grab some coffee and a cookie and join us in the chapel for good conversation.

Thursday Morning Bible Study via zoom each week at 11:00 am. We look at the gospel lesson for the upcoming Sunday. All are welcome. Zoom Meeting ID: 873 1032 5401 Passcode: 401510

Life in Christ

Church as a VERB – SERVE

Kinder-Tree 2022—‘Tis the SEASON...for the KINDERTREE! This year we have a list of 23 children who participate with CCLM (Central City Lutheran Mission) programs. Pick a child’s card from the tree on the patio, fill out the “Donor Contact Info” card and leave it in the basket on the table. You take the child’s card with you and pick out their gift(s). Please return all gifts (unwrapped) to the church by Sunday, December 4th.

Questions? Contact Sue Lehner (909)798-7925 or the church office.

Youth Hope Shoes Their goal every Christmas is to provide youth with a brand new pair of wrapped shoes. For many of our youth, this is the only gift they receive all year. Each pair of shoes cost \$55. You can purchase through Active Ride Shop in Citrus Plaza or donate through the Youth Hope website.

Church as a VERB – PLAY

Cookie Exchange— Mark your calendars for Sunday December 4 following worship. Bring 4 dozen to share and go home with an assortment. Bake and freeze now or bake the week of the event.

First Mondays at First group is going on a field trip! Save the date for Monday December 5. We will meet at the University of Redlands train station and ride the new Arrow line to San Bernardino. On our return trip we will stop in Downtown Redlands for lunch.

Book Club will resume in January. Pick up a copy of Mitch Albom’s “The Stranger in the Lifeboat” and start reading. Mark your calendars for Wednesday, January 18. All are welcome.

COMIC (Coat of Many Incredible Colors) Quilters are on hiatus until January 11.

Remember in prayer...

“Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus,
and for all people according to their needs:

Healing and strength: Bev Chovick; friends and family of the Murphy's Michael and Emmy, John and Kathy, and Kalee; sister of Marilyn Pace, Nancy; family of the Lehner's, LaDonna; friend of the Griesemers, Susan; friends of the Barnes', Troy and Loueva Wideman, Larry and Pam, and Art.

Continuing prayers: Dianne Anderson; Donna Barnes; Wayne Barnhart; Scott Huseh; John McMunn; Jan Martus; Pastor Jill Kirchner-Rose and family; Pastor Sam Shadrach; Nancy Sturlaugson; Roger Swenson; Richard and Kristin Thibedeau; Lynda Wandler; friend of Karen Fredricksen, Spencer.

Our homebound: Loretta Sanders, Carlton Peterson; Arlene Coleman; Betty Frannea.

** Presiding Bishop of the ELCA, Elizabeth Eaton,

** Bishop of the Pacifica Synod, Dave Nagler.

** This congregation during this time of transition, the Call Committee, and the pastor God is preparing for this congregation.

** Peace.

Into your hand we commend all for whom we pray,
trusting in your mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.”