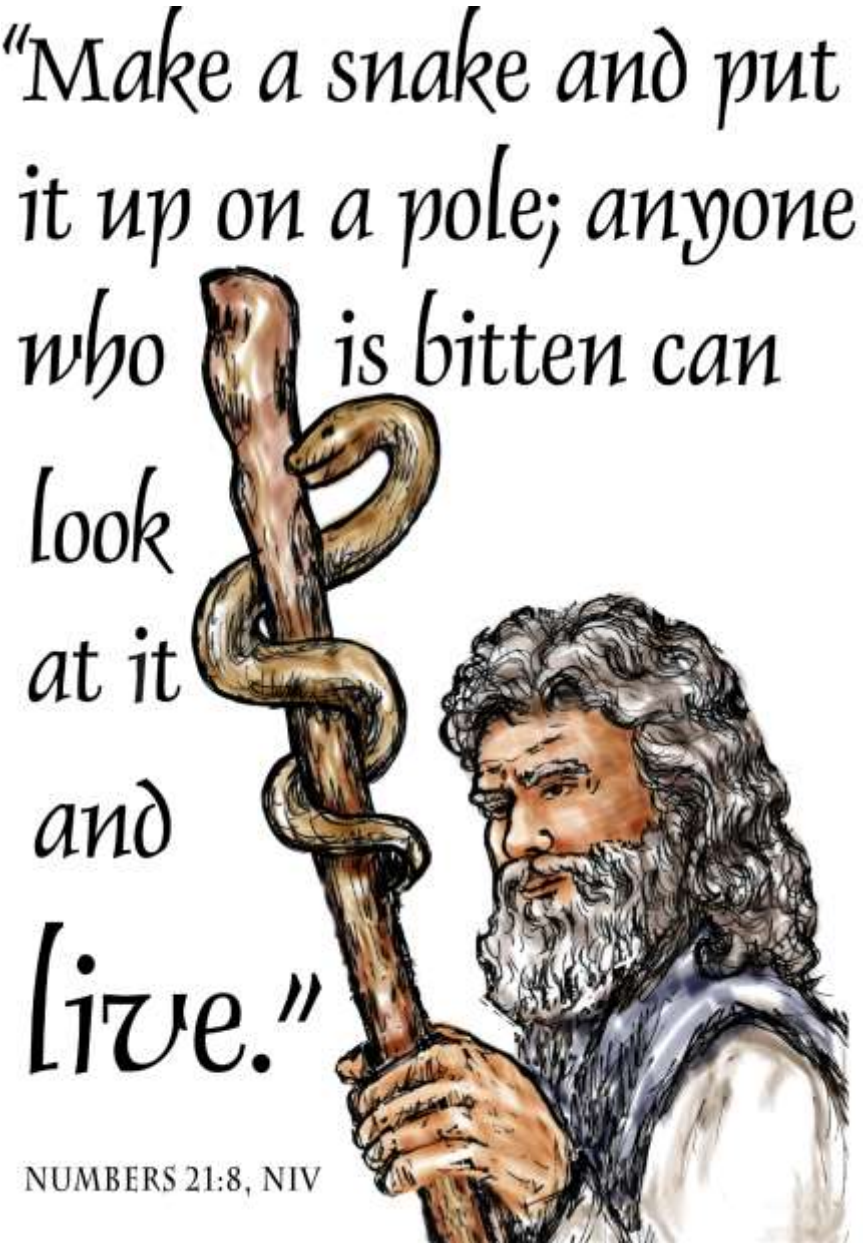


ADVENT ONE

Living Hope Lutheran . . . . . November 29, 2026

LIVING HOPE LUTHERAN

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Divine Worship. . . . 12:30pm
Bible Study. . . 1:45pm
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PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP:

PSALM: 95; PRAYERS: For Blessing on the Word (Inside Cover, LSB);
HYMNS: LSB 357 LSB 352:1-4 LSB 352:5-6 LSB 375

OPENING PRAYER

OPENING HYMN: LSB 357 -*"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"*

DIVINE SERVICE

(Setting 2, LSB Pg 167)

Pastor: In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Congregation: Amen.

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

Congregation: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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 neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C: Amen.

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.
C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of us all let us pray to the Lord.
C: Lord, have mercy.
P: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.
C: Lord, have mercy.

P: Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord.
C: Amen.

C: ♫ Glory be to God on highest, and peace to His people on earth. Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father: We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God: You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer. For You alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

P: The Lord be with you.
C: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray...

C: Amen.

ADVENT CANDLE: PROPHECY CANDLE

HYMN: 352:1-4 - *"Let the Earth Now Praise the Lord"*

OT LESSON: **ISAIAH 62:10-12**

10 Go through, go through the gates; prepare the way for the people; build up, build up the highway; clear it of stones; lift up a signal over the peoples. 11 Behold, the Lord has proclaimed to the end of the earth: Say to the daughter of Zion, "Behold, your salvation comes; behold, his reward is with him, and his recompense before him." 12 And they shall be called The Holy People, The Redeemed of the Lord; and you shall be called Sought Out, A City Not Forsaken. *

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE LESSON: **ROMANS 13:11-14**

11 Besides this you know the time, that the hour has come for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed. 12 The night is far gone; the day is at hand. So then let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light.
13 Let us walk properly as in the daytime, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and sensuality, not in quarreling and jealousy. 14 But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires. *

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

P: Please Rise.

C: ♫ Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

P: The Gospel Reading is taken from the Gospel according to the Apostle John, from the 18th Chapter we read beginning at verse 36.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

GOSPEL LESSON: JOHN 18:36-37

36 Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not of this world. If my kingdom were of this world, my servants would have been fighting, that I might not be delivered over to the Jews. But my kingdom is not from the world." **37** Then Pilate said to him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this purpose I was born and for this purpose I have come into the world—to bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth listens to my voice." *

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

CONFESSION OF FAITH: APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell, the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven And is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From there He will come 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.

HYMN: LSB 352:5-6 - *"Let the Earth Now Praise the Lord"*

THE SERMON: NUMBERS 21:4-9

4 Then they journeyed from Mount Hor by the Way of the Red Sea,
to go around the land of Edom; and the soul of the people became
very discouraged on the way. 5 And the people spoke against God
and against Moses: "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to
die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and our
soul loathes this worthless bread." 6 So the LORD sent fiery serpents
among the people, and they bit the people; and many of the people
of Israel died. 7 Therefore the people came to Moses, and said, "We
have sinned, for we have spoken against the LORD and against you;
pray to the LORD that He take away the serpents from us." So Moses
prayed for the people. 8 Then the LORD said to Moses, "Make a fiery
serpent, and set it on a pole; and it shall be that everyone who is
bitten, when he looks at it, shall live." 9 So Moses made a bronze
serpent, and put it on a pole; and so it was, if a serpent had bitten
anyone, when he looked at the bronze serpent, he lived. **

ADVENT ANIMALS…THE SERPENT

P: Please Rise.

THE OFFERTORY

♫ What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me? I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord. I will take up the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people, in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

THE OFFERINGS OF THANKFUL HEARTS

We express our thanksgiving for what the Savior Jesus has done for us by supporting His Work with our time, talents and gifts.

PRAYER(S)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.

THE BENEDICTION: (Pastor) **C: Amen.**

FINAL HYMN: LSB 375- *"Come, Your Hearts and Voices Raising"*

Welcome to all of our guests and visitors this morning in Jesus' name. We are glad that you have come to worship with us and hope that you will return again. If you have any questions or are interested in learning more about the Scriptures, please either speak with the pastor on the way out.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

November 29, 2026

THIS WEEK

Wednesday: LM Midweek Advent Worship 6pm
Thursday: LH Confirmation 3:30pm; LH Advent Worship 6pm
Sunday: LM Christmas Practice 9am; LM Worship 10am;
LM Fellowship Hour hosted by the Stubbs
LH Worship 12:30pm; Advent by Candlelight 3pm.

SAVE THE DATE – ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT

The Ladies of Luther Memorial Church warmly invite you to Advent by Candlelight next ***Sunday, December 6, 2026, at 3:00 p.m.*** *We look forward to sharing this special afternoon of faith, fellowship, and the light of Christ with you! To register: https://canva.link/4htpsrrtwb8v1ya*

KINSHIP SPONSORS NEEDED - After the CLC declared fellowship with the Bangladesh Lutheran Church Mission (BLCM) in 2020, the CLC Board of Missions has been working together with the BLCM to establish a local seminary for pastoral training. There is currently one BLCM pastor serving 1,715 souls across 19 congregations and 14 preaching stations in a country that is 95% Muslim. However, this January, 14 men will begin their pastoral training as the inaugural seminary class of the BLCM. Sponsors are needed to help these men receive their training so that they may join in the abundant work in Bangladesh. The cost of a sponsorship will be $60 per month. To begin a sponsorship or for more information, please text, call, or email Dan Roehl. (Cell: 507-381-2042; Email: danroehl@hotmail.com)

HOLY COMMUNION

We will celebrate Holy Communion on the 2nd and 3rd Sunday of each month. Pastor Schaller will come the other weeks of the month to conduct the worship service and Bible Study. Pastor is also available for any member who would like private communion. Just ask!

MIDWEEK ADVENT SERVICES

Our Midweek Advent Services this year begin this coming Thursday, December 3rd at 6pm. Our Midweek Advent Services this year will take a look at the Savior who is described as: Our Potter, Our Shepherd and Our Branch.

CHURCH DECORATION FOR CHRISTMAS

The sanctuary will be decorated for Christmas next Sunday December 6th following worship. If you can stay and help to decorate, great! Those who decorate are also invited to bring a snack or treat to share.

LUTHER MEMORIAL/LIVING HOPE SCHEDULE

- *Sunday November 29, 10am – Advent One*
- *Wednesday December 2nd 6pm – Midweek Advent Worship #1*
- *Thursday December 3rd 6pm – Midweek Advent Worship #1*
- *Sunday December 6th 10am – Advent Two*
- *Wednesday December 9th 6pm – Midweek Advent Worship #2*
- *Thursday December 10th 6pm -- Midweek Advent Worship #2*
- *Sunday December 13th 10am – Advent Three*
- *Wednesday December 16th 6pm – Midweek Advent Worship #3*
- *Thursday December 17th 6pm -- Midweek Advent Worship #3*
- *Sunday December 20th 10am – Advent Four*
- *Thursday December 24th 6pm – Christmas Eve Worship*
- *Friday December 25th 10am – Christmas Day Worship*
- *Sunday December 27th 10am – Sunday after Christmas*
- *Thursday December 31st – 6pm New Year's Eve Communion Service*



UPCOMING EVENTS

The Luther Memorial Mission Committee is planning the following events for 2026-27:

- ✓ ***Christmas Caroling –*** *Sunday December 20th 2:15pm*
- ✓ ***Bowling Outing*** *– Friday January 8that 6:30pm (Ledgeview)*
- ✓ ***Hockey Night*** *– Saturday February 27th at 8pm (FDL Bears)*

CLC CALL NEWS

Pastor Stefan Sonnenfeld has returned the call of St. Luke's Lutheran Church in Lemmon, SD. ● Pastor Paul Krause has accepted the call of Mount Zion Lutheran in Madison Heights (Detroit) MI. • Holy Cross Lutheran in Phoenix, AZ has called Pastor Wayne Eichstadt of Gethsemane Lutheran Church in Spokane, WA. ● Pastor Chad Seybt has accepted the call of Trinity Lutheran Church in Watertown, SD and Zion Lutheran in Hidewood Township, SD. This will mean that Morning Star Lutheran in Fairchild, Peace with God Lutheran in Onalaska, St. Paul's Lutheran of Melrose and Trinity Lutheran Church in Millston, WI. will be calling after Easter 2027. • Gift of God in Mapleton (Fargo) ND and St. Paul's in Ponsford, MN have called Missionary Bruce Naumann, who serves as the CLC's full-time missionary to East Africa. • Messiah Lutheran in EC, WI has called Mr. Peter Reim, a member of the congregation and former CLC Pastor to serve as their 3rd Pastor.

Missions/Cooperative Budget Plan Pledge 2026-27

The Cooperative Budget Plan (CBP) is a pledge established by the Voters of Living Hope to participate in the work of the Church of the Lutheran Confession. This fiscal year runs from July 1, 2026 – June 30, 2027.

Amount Pledged 2026	***Received as of 10/31/26***	***Amount Remaining***	***Approximate per Sunday*** *(33)*
$5,500.00	*$1,777.00*	*$3,723.00*	*$113.00*

Living Hope General Budget 2026

The Voters of Luther Memorial established the General Fund Budget at the Annual Meeting on January 18, 2026. All Budgetary offerings are applied to this budget. This fiscal year runs from January 1, 2026 – December 31, 2026.

General Budget	***Received as of 10/31/26***	***Amount Remaining***	***Remaining Amount*** *(7 Sundays)*
$101,679.00	*$49,655.25*	*$52,023.75*	*$7,432.00*

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DEVOTIONS FOR NOVEMBER 30-DECEMBER 5, 2026

Monday – John 12:12-18 A large crowd, some of whom witnessed the raising of Lazarus, hears that Jesus is coming to Jerusalem and meets and greets Him as a King. But His entrance is humble, on a donkey's colt.

Tuesday – Romans 13:11-14 In view of our coming salvation, let us put away deeds of darkness and the desires of our sinful flesh. Instead let us put on weapons of light, clothing ourselves with the Lord Jesus Christ.

Wednesday – Jeremiah 23:5-8 The LORD promises a greater deliverance than from Egypt. He will bring His people back from Babylon in preparation for the coming of the Messiah, "The LORD our Righteousness" (v6).

Thursday – Isaiah 40:1-5 Double comfort through guilt fully paid for is God's promise to His people. All the preparations for His coming will result in the revealing of the glory of the LORD (v3-5) through His redemption.

Friday – Psalm 24:1-6 The LORD owns the whole earth. He made it and blesses it. He is served by those who have received righteousness and salvation from Him. These are the people who look for the LORD (v6).

Saturday – Psalm 24:7-10 Let no door remain closed to the LORD, who wins our every battle for us. Let the doors also of our hearts open wide every year, every day, that the King of Glory might come in and be our King!

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