

Thanksgiving

St. Paul Lutheran Church

Jordan, MN

St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church | *Jordan, Minnesota*

November 25, 2026

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Welcome and thank you for joining us for worship today! In our service we gather before our almighty and saving God to offer him our worship and praise. We also assemble to hear God's holy and powerful word and celebrate his life-giving sacraments. Through these means, God strengthens our faith and walks us ever closer to our eternal home with him.

TODAY'S THEME

True thankfulness is a response of faith. A person in need is happy when that need is filled because their need is now gone. A person given something as a gift rejoices in the gift rather than the goodness of the giver. Thanksgiving is a time to praise God, the giver of all good gifts, even in times of trouble.

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Evening Prayer from Christian Worship
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Opening Sentences

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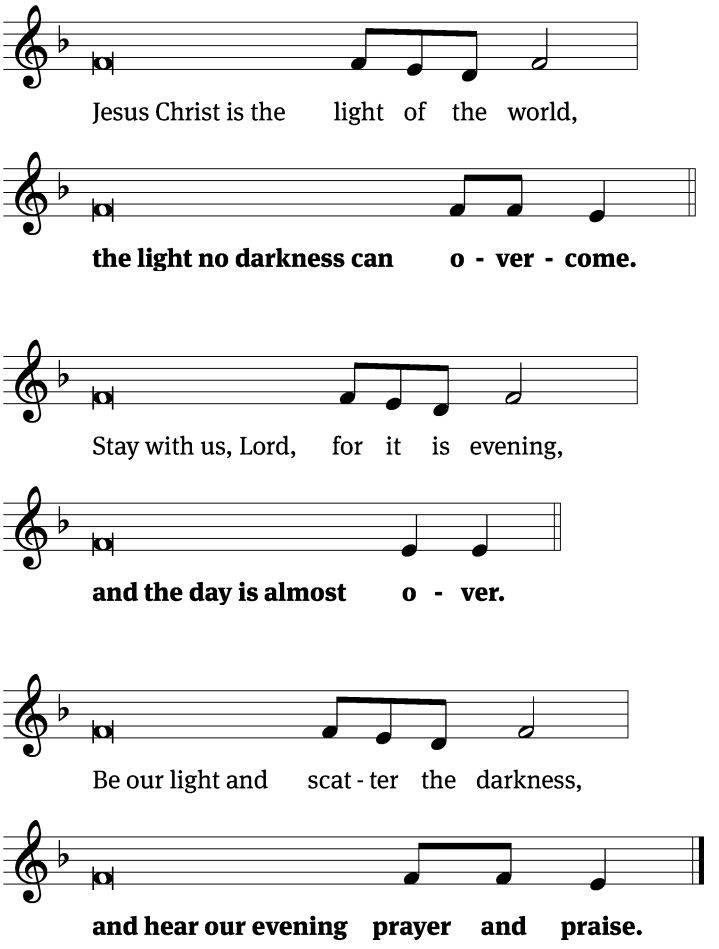

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Hymn of Light

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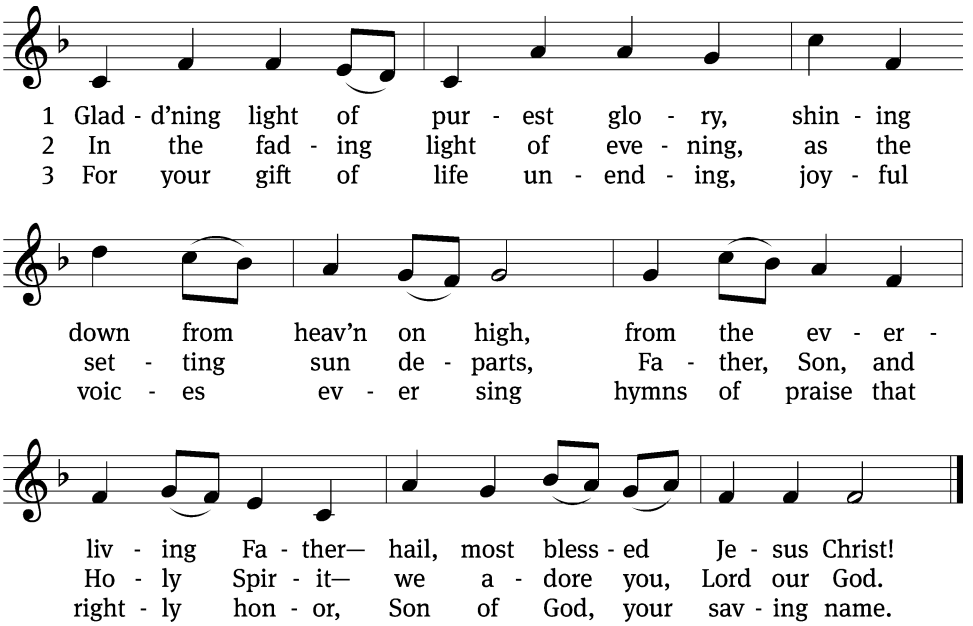

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Blessed are you, O Lord our God, King of the universe, who led your people Israel with a pillar of cloud by day and a pillar of fire by night. Enlighten our darkness by the light of your Christ. May his Word be a lamp to our feet and a light to our path, for you are merciful and you love your whole creation. We, your creatures, glorify you—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Be seated

Psalm 141

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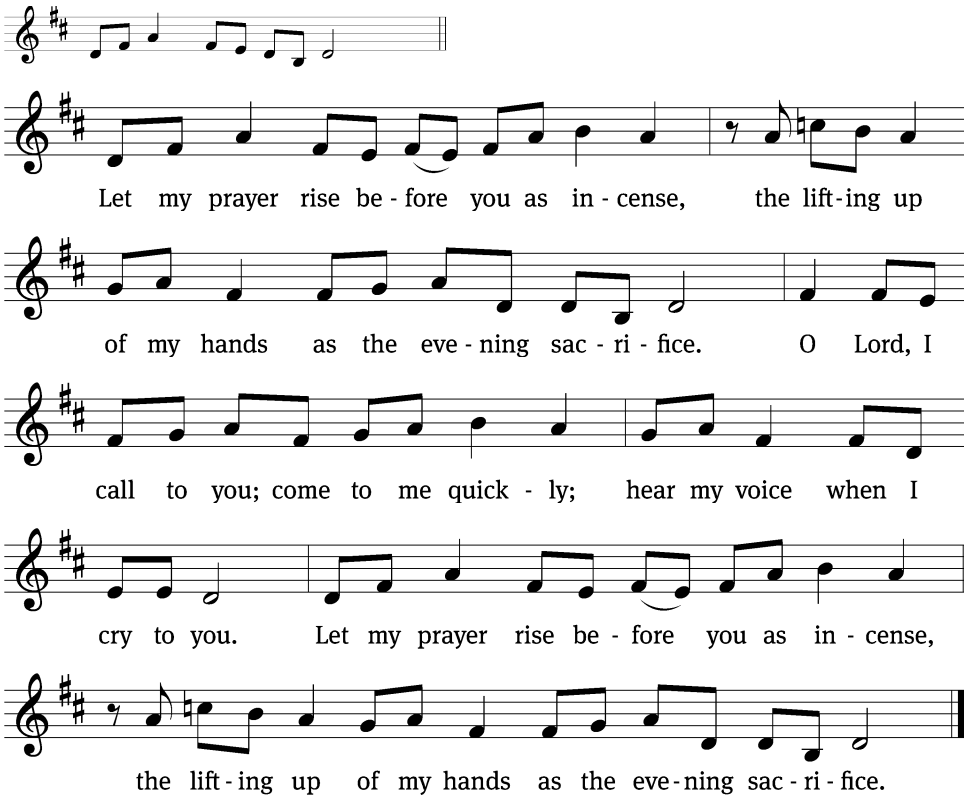

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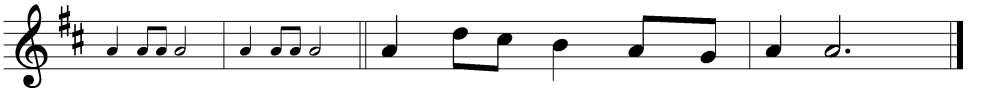
Let the incense of our prayers rise before you, O Lord, and let your mercy descend on us, that we may sing your praises with the Church on earth and forever in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

100A Enter His Gates with Thanksgiving

Psalm 100A

Refrain



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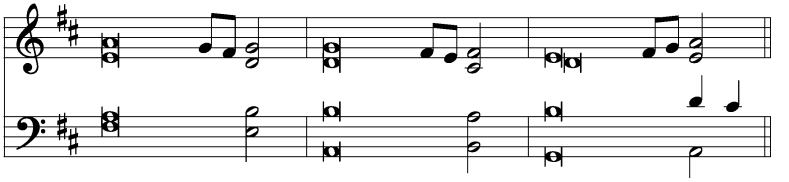

Shout for joy to the LORD, / all the earth.
Worship the LORD with / gladness;
come before him with / joyful songs.

Know that the / LORD is God.
It is he who made us, and / we are his;
we are his people, the sheep of his / pasture. *Refrain*

Enter his gates with thanks- / giving
and his / courts with praise;
give thanks to him and / praise his name.

For the / LORD is good
and his love endures for- / ever;
his faithfulness continues through all gener- / ations.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy / Spirit,
as it was in the be- / ginning,
is now, and will be forever. / Amen. *Refrain*

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Psalm Prayer

Lord Jesus, you have made us the sheep of your pasture, and we have no more joyous privilege than to enter your gates and sing your praises. When we enter the courts of your house, fill our hearts with sincere thanksgiving for your never-ending grace; for you live and rule with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen.

Reading

James 1:16–18

16 Do not be deceived, my dear brothers. 17 Every good act of giving and every perfect gift is
from above, coming down from the Father of the lights, who does not change or shift like a
shadow. 18 Just as he planned, he gave us birth by the word of truth so that we would be a kind
of firstfruits of his creations.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Reading

Luke 19:1–10

1 Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. 2 A man named Zacchaeus was there. He
was a chief tax collector, and he was rich. 3 He was trying to see who Jesus was, but since he
was short, he could not see because of the crowd. 4 He ran on ahead and climbed up into a
sycamore tree to see Jesus, because he was about to pass by that way. 5 When Jesus came to the
place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down, for I must stay at your
house today." 6 He came down quickly and welcomed Jesus joyfully. 7 When the people saw it,
they were all grumbling because he went to be a guest of a sinful man.
8 Zacchaeus stood up and said to the Lord, "Look, Lord, I am going to give half of my
possessions to the poor. And if I have cheated anyone out of anything, I will pay back four
times as much."
9 Jesus said to him, "Today, salvation has come to this house, because he too is a son of
Abraham. 10 For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost."

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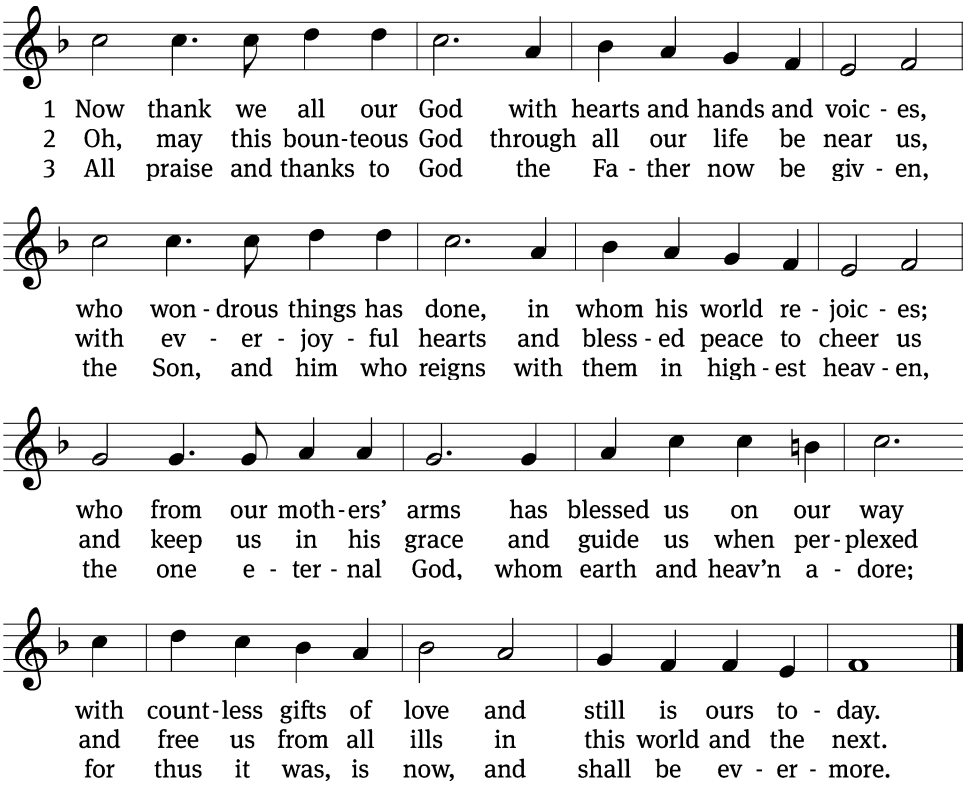
Thanks be to God.

Now Thank We All Our God *Choir sings vs. 2. Sing at the direction of the director*



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Sermon

Reading

Genesis 8:18–22

18 Noah went out with his sons, his wife, and his sons' wives along with him. 19 Every animal,
every creeping thing, every bird, and whatever swarms on the earth went out of the ship,
species by species. 20 Noah built an altar to the LORD and took from every clean animal and
every clean bird and offered burnt offerings on the altar. 21 The LORD smelled the pleasant
aroma. The LORD said in his heart, "I will never again curse the soil anymore because of man,
for the thoughts he forms in his heart are evil from his youth. Neither will I ever again strike

every living thing, as I have done. [22]While the earth remains, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease."

Stand

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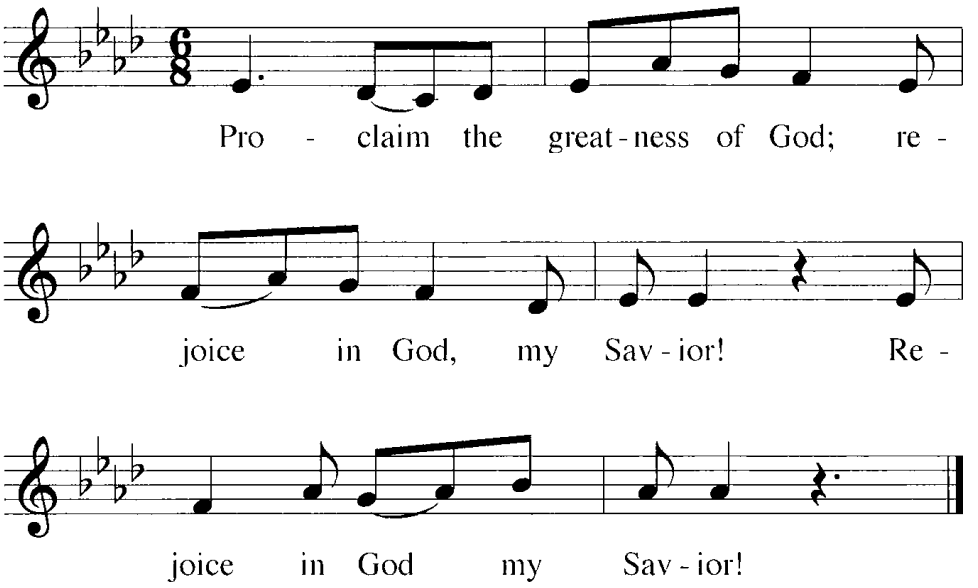

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Refrain - Choir

Refrain - Congregation

For he has favored his lowly one, and all shall call me blessed.
The almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his name.
Refrain

He favors those who fear his name, in every generation.
He has shown the might and strength of his arm, and scattered the proud of heart.
Refrain

He has cast the mighty from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly.
He has filled the hungry with all good gifts, and sent the rich away.
Refrain

He has helped his servant Israel, remembering his mercy.
He promised his mercy to Abraham and his children forevermore.
Refrain

Be seated

The Offering

During the offering, please fill out the Friendship Register in the pew and pass it down to those sitting next to you.

Stand

Lord, Have Mercy

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

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

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord:
Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord:
Lord, have mercy.

For the leaders of our synod and district, for all pastors in Christ, for all who are servants of the Church, and for all the people of God, let us pray to the Lord:
Lord, have mercy.

For all who govern our nation and for all public servants, that they may be upheld and strengthened for every good deed, let us pray to the Lord:
Lord, have mercy.

For those who work to bring peace, justice, health, and protection in this and every place, let us pray to the Lord:
Lord, have mercy.

For those who bring offerings, those who do good works in this congregation, those who toil, those who sing, and all who await from the Lord great and abundant mercy, let us pray to the Lord:
Lord, have mercy.

For favorable weather, for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, and for peaceful times, let us pray to the Lord:
Lord, have mercy.

For our deliverance from all affliction, wrath, danger, and need, let us pray to the Lord:
Lord, have mercy.

For the faithful who have gone before us and are with Christ, let us give thanks to the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Silence for individual prayer may follow.

Rejoicing in the fellowship of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, one another, and our whole life to Christ our Lord:
to you, O Lord.

Let us pray.

O Lord, maker of all things, you open your hand and satisfy the desire of every living creature. We praise you for crowning the fields with your blessings and enabling us once more to gather in the fruits of the earth. Teach us to use your gifts carefully, that our land may continue to yield its increase; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Lord's Prayer

I invite you to lift up your hearts to God and pray with me the Lord's Prayer as Christ our Lord taught us.

First, we pray that God our Father in heaven would look with mercy on all his children on earth. We ask him to give us grace that we might proclaim his Word faithfully and live our lives according to his will, for then we show that his name is precious to us. We also pray that he would keep us from any teaching and living which would dishonor his name.
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

We pray that his kingdom and the rule of his grace might come to us and grow in us each day; that all who are still captives in Satan's kingdom might be brought to know Jesus Christ, his Son, so that the Christian Church might grow and prosper.
Thy kingdom come.
We pray that the Holy Spirit would strengthen us to do and accept God's will in life and death, in good times and in bad, and that we might have power to put down our own sinful will and its desires.
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

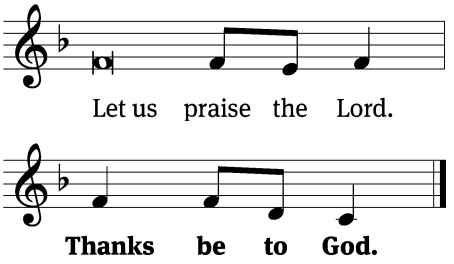
We pray that our Father would also give us our daily bread, preserve us from greed and selfish desires, and help us to trust that he will provide for all our needs.
Give us this day our daily bread.

We ask that God would forgive our sins as we forgive those who sin against us so that our hearts may rest and rejoice in a good conscience before him, and that no sin may ever frighten or alarm us.
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

We pray that God would protect us from all temptations and help us by his Spirit to put down our sinful flesh, to despise the world and its vices, and to overcome the devil and all his trickery.
And lead us not into temptation.

And finally, we pray that God would deliver us from all evils of body and soul now and forever.
But deliver us from evil.

All those who sincerely desire these things will say from their hearts "Amen," trusting without doubt that their prayers are answered in heaven, as Christ has promised: "Whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours."
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.



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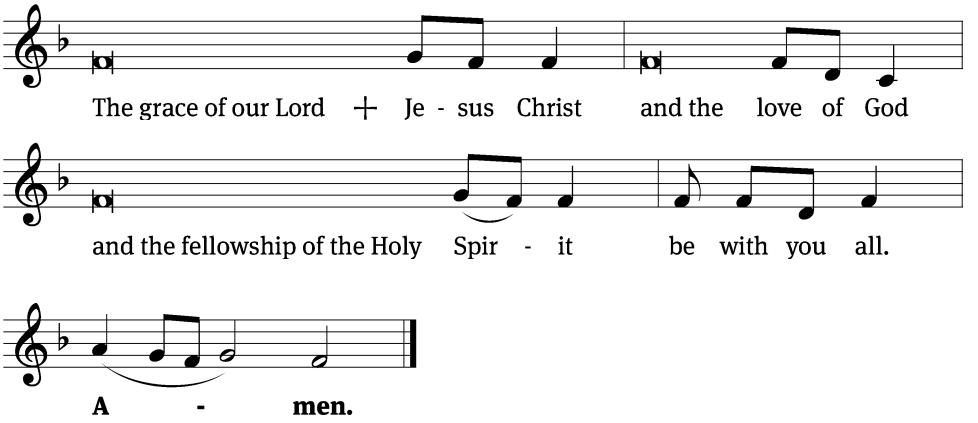

Be seated

News & Notes

Advent by Candlelight
Please join us for our annual Advent by Candlelight dinner on Sunday, December 6th. Doors open at 4:30 pm. Dinner is at 5 pm, with the program to follow. This event is open to all women and girls 7th grade or above. Feel free to invite family members and friends! You can either host a table or join someone who is hosting. Please register by November 29 if you are hosting.

Radio Broadcast
The signup for sponsoring radio broadcasts in 2027 is in the binder. The rate from KCHK has increased to $71.

Sing to the Lord Bible Study
What makes a good hymn? Are there more to the hymns we sing than meets the eye? Learn more starting November 29th following worship in the Fellowship Hall.

Advent Potluck and Evening Prayer Worship
On Wednesday, Dec. 9, we gather for a potluck dinner and Evening Prayer Worship as we take a moment to consider "The Perfect Present". This is not a soup supper, but a potluck and it is for the entire congregation. It is the time when we hold Foundation's class but our time in worship is the class. All students in Foundation class are expected to attend. Dinner begins at 5 pm and worship is at 6.

Christmas Gift for a Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary Student
Each year we gather gifts for a Seminary student, usually married, who has financial need. We work with the Seminary to give a gift to that student. If you would like to contribute to this gift, you will find a plexiglass receptacle marked for a Seminary Student on the counter at the entrance to the Fellowship Hall. You can also give electronically through our online giving. Just choose the "Gift for Seminary Student" account.

Children's Christmas Service & Practice
Ancient Cradle Songs is our theme this year for the Children's Christmas Service on December 20th at 9 am. Practice is December 12th & 19th at 9 am.

JordanDazzle Parade
We will again have a float in the JordanDazzle Parade. We are still finalizing the number of people we will need for the parade, but if you would like to be a part of it, the date is December 5 at 6 pm.

Advent Sermon Series – November 29th
Jesus came bringing gifts. At Christmas we remember his first coming, when he was born as true God and true man to secure our salvation. He still comes to us today through his Word and Sacraments, giving forgiveness, grace, and faith. And he will come again in glory, bringing eternal life to all who believe. As we live between his comings, we remember his birth, receive his gifts, and wait with joyful confidence for his return.



Upcoming Events

We would love for you to be part of these special opportunities for fellowship, worship, learning, and service. A full calendar of events can be found on our website at spljordan.com

Date	Event	Time
Thurs, Dec. 3	Senior Fellowship **Feed Mill**	9:00 AM
Sat, Dec. 5	Jordan Dazzle Parade	5:00 PM
Sun, Dec. 6	Christmas Decorating	Following Worship
Sun, Dec. 6	Advent by Candlelight	5:00 PM
Tues, Dec. 8	Council Meeting	6:30 PM
Tues, Dec. 8	Reflections Women's Bible Study	6:30 PM
Wed, Dec. 9	Advent Dinner & Evening Prayer Worship	5:00 PM
Sat, Dec. 12	Children's Christmas Practice	9:00 AM
Sun, Dec. 13	Fellowship Sunday	10:15 AM
Thurs, Dec 17	Fellowship on Tap **Mana Brewing, Shakopee**	6:30 PM
Sat, Dec 19	Children's Christmas Practice	9:00 AM