# Announcements

Sunday, 24DEC2023

9am: Combined Advent Worship Service at Our Saviour's

Serving: Denise Dropik

2pm: Christmas Eve at Our Saviour's with communion

4pm: Christmas Eve at Fahlun with communion

Next Sunday 31DEC2023:

1030am: Combined Christmas Hymn Sing at Fahlun

Leading worship: Rose Johnson

**Upcoming Events:** 

07JAN, 21JAN, 04FEB, 18FEB, 3MAR, 17MAR

Leading Worship: Pr. Blaine MacNeil

14JAN, 11FEB, 10MAR, 24MAR

Leading worship: Rose Johnson

28JAN2024:

Leading worship: Pastor Jeremy

Our Saviour's Annual Meeting

14FEB2024

7pm Ash Wednesday at Our Saviour's with Pastor MacNeil

18FEB2024:

Fahlun annual meeting

# 4th Sunday of Advent

#### I. Advent

Last week: Joy (Isaiah 61, John 1)

"Laudette" Sunday with the Pink candle

"Rejoice in the Lord, always (1 Thes 5)

This week: God coming to us in the "Annunciation" (Lk 1)

#### II. Where we expect God to come to

A Big, majestic, awe-inspiring place

Hence, David wanting to build a "house" of "cedar"

Places to experience God with Awe

National Cathedral in Washington D.C.

Our own churches

#### III. Where God chooses to come: through a person

Response to Nathan/David:

Lord will make YOU a "house" (2 Sam 7:11)

And this house will last "forever"

Then comes to a young girl named Mary

"Greetings, O favored one"...(Lk 1)

"You will conceive and bear and Son and you shall call him name Jesus.

"And he will reign over the house of Jacob forever"

Promise despite everything to the contrary

See Mary's "greatly troubled" response: How can this be?

Response to Mary: "The Holy Spirit will come upon you."

#### IV. Our ancient "Antiphon" prayer: "Oh Come"

"Emmanuel"

"Lord of Might"

"Branch of Jesse"

"Blest Dayspring"

"Key of David"

Response: Rejoice, Rejoice, Emmanuel shall come to you O Israel

# Prayers of the People

## Prayers of Thanksgiving

Birthdays/Anniversaries for Pastor Jeremy, Hannah Dammann

Better Health for:

Kathy (Sharyl), Barb (June/John), Many (June/John)

### General Prayer requests:

- Augustana District & LCMC
- Organizations serving those in need

United Way Galeon Senior Living Food Shelf Love INC

- Military Service Members & their families
- Law Enforcement Officers and First Responders
- Our Government (Local, State, Federal)
- Peace and justice in Israel and Ukraine

<u>Parish Members:</u>		
Jim Dyrud	Delores Hawkins	

Parish Sorrowing Families:		
Gaylord Nack Terry Swanstrom Jerry Jensen Ron (Jason K) Paul (Shirley)	Elvira Blank Dolly Brown Greg A (Bev) Larry O (Larry A) David (Larry A)	