

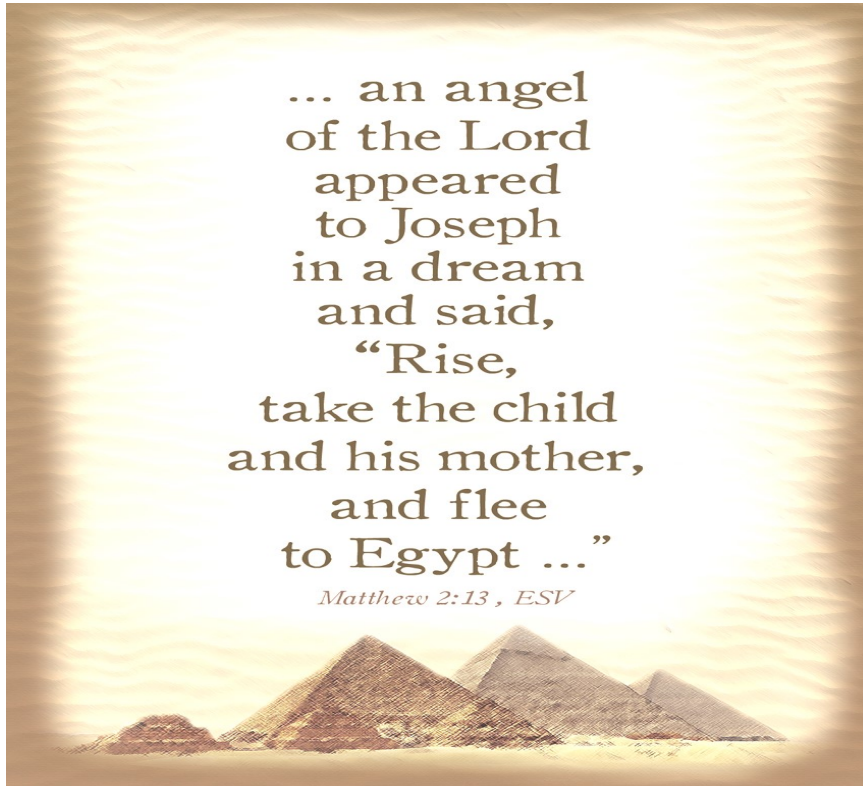
# **Lamb Of God Lutheran Church**

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*December 29, 2019*  
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*First Sunday after Christmas*

... an angel  
of the Lord  
appeared  
to Joseph  
in a dream  
and said,  
“Rise,  
take the child  
and his mother,  
and flee  
to Egypt ...”

*Matthew 2:13 , ESV*



## **Lamb of God Lutheran Church**

*Empowered by Christ's Sacraments to be His witness in  
Friendship/Fellowship/and Faith.*

2051 West Maple Ave., Flint, MI 48507 810 234 2423

Sunday  
Worship

*Service of  
Prayer &  
Preaching*



*Rev. Mark  
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*First Sunday after Christmas  
December 29, 2019*

### *Fellowship Register*

Please sign the register that you will find in the book holder and pass it on to the others sitting in your pew. Guests are invited to sign the register and please include your address. Thank you.

### *Pre-Service Music*

### *Welcome & Announcements*

**P** The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** **And also with you.**  
*(The Peace of the Lord is given and received)*

*Please stand, as able.*

*Opening Hymn + LSB 387*

## Joy to the World



1 Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth re - ceive her  
 2 Joy to the earth, the Sav - ior reigns! Let men their songs em -  
 3 No more let sins and sor - rows grow Nor thorns in - fest the  
 4 He rules the world with truth and grace And makes the na - tions



King; Let ev - 'ry heart pre - pare Him  
 ploy, While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and  
 ground; He comes to make His bless - ings  
 prove The glo - ries of His righ - teous -



room And heav'n and na - ture sing, And heav'n and na - ture  
 plains Re - peat the sound - ing joy, Re - peat the sound - ing  
 flow Far as the curse is found, Far as the curse is  
 ness And won - ders of His love, And won - ders of His



sing, And heav'n, and heav'n and na - ture sing.  
 joy, Re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.  
 found, Far as, far as the curse is found.  
 love, And won - ders, won - ders of His love.

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*Invocation*

*Opening Versicles*

**P** This is the day which the Lord has made;

**C** **let us rejoice and be glad in it.** Psalm 118:24

**P** In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

**P** From the rising of the sun to its setting,

**C** **the name of the Lord is to be praised.**

Psalm 113:3

**P** Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;

**C** **I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.**

**P** Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.

**C** **Teach me Your paths.**

**P** Sanctify us in Your truth.

**C** **Your Word is truth.**

**P** From the rising of the sun to its setting,

**C** **The name of the Lord is to be praised.**

Psalm 113:3

**C** **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

*Please be seated.*



*Readings from Holy Scripture*

*Old Testament Reading + Isaiah 63:7-14*

<sup>7</sup>I will recount the steadfast love of the LORD,  
the praises of the LORD,  
according to all that the LORD has granted us,  
and the great goodness to the house of Israel  
that he has granted them according to his compassion,  
according to the abundance of his steadfast love.  
<sup>8</sup>For he said, "Surely they are my people,  
children who will not deal falsely."  
And he became their Savior.  
<sup>9</sup>In all their affliction he was afflicted,  
and the angel of his presence saved them;  
in his love and in his pity he redeemed them;  
he lifted them up and carried them all the days of old.  
<sup>10</sup>But they rebelled  
and grieved his Holy Spirit;  
therefore he turned to be their enemy,  
and himself fought against them.  
<sup>11</sup>Then he remembered the days of old,  
of Moses and his people.  
Where is he who brought them up out of the sea  
with the shepherds of his flock?  
Where is he who put in the midst of them  
his Holy Spirit,  
<sup>12</sup>who caused his glorious arm  
to go at the right hand of Moses,  
who divided the waters before them  
to make for himself an everlasting name,

<sup>13</sup> who led them through the depths?  
Like a horse in the desert,  
they did not stumble.  
<sup>14</sup> Like livestock that go down into the valley,  
the Spirit of the LORD gave them rest.  
So you led your people,  
to make for yourself a glorious name.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

*Psalm III (antiphon: v. 9a, b)*

**P** He sent redemption to his people;

**C** **he has commanded his covenant forever.**

**P** Praise the LORD! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart,

**C** **in the company of the upright, in the congregation.**

**P** Great are the works of the LORD,

**C** **studied by all who delight in them.**

**P** Full of splendor and majesty is his work,

**C** **and his righteousness endures forever.**

**P** He has caused his wondrous works to be remembered;

**C** **the LORD is gracious and merciful.**

**P** He provides food for those who fear him;

**C** **he remembers his covenant forever.**

**P** He has shown his people the power of his works,

**C** **in giving them the inheritance of the nations.**

**P** The works of his hands are faithful and just;

- C** all his precepts are trustworthy;  
**P** they are established forever and ever,  
**C** to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.  
**P** He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant forever.
- C** Holy and awesome is his name!  
**P** The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding.
- C** His praise endures forever!  
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.  
**P** He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant forever.

*Hymn + LSB 362*  
**O Sing of Christ**





1 O sing of Christ, whose birth made known The kind-ness of the Lord,  
2 What Ad-am lost, none could re - claim, And Par - a - dise was barred  
3 He came to that which was His own, But He was not re - ceived;  
4 Lord Je - sus Christ, You deigned to dwell A - mong us here on earth



E - ter - nal Word made flesh and bone So we could be re - stored.  
Un - til the sec - ond Ad - am came To mend what sin had marred.  
Yet still through Him God's glo - ry shone, And some His name be - lieved.  
As God with us, Em - man - u - el, To bring this ho - ly birth.



Up - on our frail hu - man-i - ty God's fin - ger chose to trace  
For when the time was full and right God sent His on - ly Son;  
To these He gave the right to be The heirs of heav'n a - bove,  
Though rich, You will - ing - ly be - came One with our pov - er - ty,



The full-ness of His de - i - ty, The i - con of His grace.  
He came to us as life and light And our re - demp-tion won.  
Born not of hu - man an - ces - try But born of God in love.  
That we might share Your wealth and name For all e - ter - ni - ty!

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### *Epistle Lesson + Galatians 4:4-7*

4 But  
ness  
come,  
his



when the full-  
of time had  
God sent forth  
Son, born of



woman, born under the law, <sup>5</sup> to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. <sup>6</sup> And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, “Abba! Father!” <sup>7</sup> So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand, as able.*

*Alleluia and Verse + LSB 205  
Holy Gospel + Matthew 2:13-23*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the second chapter

**C** **Glory be to You oh Lord.**



**C** Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



**C** These things are writ-ten that you may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



**C** Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

<sup>13</sup>Now when [the wise men] had departed, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, “Rise, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you, for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him.” <sup>14</sup>And he rose and took the child and his mother by night and departed to Egypt <sup>15</sup>and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet, “Out of Egypt I called my son.”

<sup>16</sup>Then Herod, when he saw that he had been tricked by the wise men, became furious, and he sent and killed all the male children in Bethlehem and in all that region who were two years old or under, according to the time that he had ascertained from the wise men. <sup>17</sup>Then was fulfilled what was spoken by the prophet Jeremiah:

<sup>18</sup> “A voice was heard in Ramah,  
weeping and loud lamentation,  
Rachel weeping for her children;  
she refused to be comforted, because they are no more.”

<sup>19</sup>But when Herod died, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt, <sup>20</sup>saying, “Rise, take the child and his mother and go to the land of Israel, for those who sought the child’s life are dead.” <sup>21</sup>And he rose and took the child and his mother and went to the land of Israel. <sup>22</sup>But when he heard that Archelaus was reigning over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there, and being warned in a dream he withdrew to the district of Galilee. <sup>23</sup>And he went and lived in a city called Nazareth, that what was spoken by the prophets might be fulfilled: “He shall be called a Nazarene.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

*Responsory*

**P** Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.

**C** Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

**P** Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.

**C** Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

**P** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

**C** Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

*Psalm 119:89;26:8, Luke 11:28*

*Please be seated.*

Hymn of the Day LSB  
Sung to tune LSB 571  
**Sweet Flower-  
Band**



969

**ets of the Martyr**

- 1 Sweet flow'rets of the martyr band,  
Plucked by the tyrant's ruthless hand  
Upon the threshold of the morn,  
Like rosebuds by a tempest torn;
- 2 First victims for the incarnate Lord,  
A tender flock to feel the sword;  
Beside the altar's ruddy ray,  
With palm and crown, you seemed to play.
- 3 Ah, what availed King Herod's wrath?  
He could not stop the Savior's path.  
Alone, while others murdered lay,  
In safety Christ is borne away.
- △ 4 O Lord, the virgin-born, we sing  
Eternal praise to You, our King,  
Whom with the Father we adore  
And Holy Spirit evermore.

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*Message: Matthew 2-13-21*  
*"Called Out of Egypt"*  
*Please stand, as able.*

*Credal Hymn AGPS 136*  
**In God We Believe**



1 In God we be - lieve: the Cre - a - tor whose pow'r In  
2 In Je - sus, the Sav - ior, our hope is se - cured. True  
3 God's Spir - it at work in our lives we con - fess; With



mer - cy has brought us for wor - ship this hour. He  
God and true man once the cross He en - dured To  
pow - er and truth the church now He does bless. As



gra - cious - ly grants us our years and our days And  
grant our lives whole - ness, for - give - ness of sin. With  
saints, God's for - giv - en, one day we shall then Be



bles - es with kind - ness our work and our ways.  
hearts freed from guilt, we know true peace with - in.  
liv - ing in glo - ry for - ev - er. A - men.

*Please be seated.*

*The Tithes & Offerings*

*Please stand, as able.*

*Offertory Hymn + AGPS 107 vs 1-3*

**God Is So Good**

A D

1 God is so good, God is so good,  
2 He cares for me, He cares for me,  
3 I'll do His will, I'll do His will,

D7 G Em7 D/A A7 D

God is so good He's so good to me.  
He cares for me, He's so good to me.  
I'll do His will, He's so good to me.

*Please be seated.*

*The Prayers of the Church*

**P** In peace let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For (Bids from the prayer book)...let us pray to the Lord.

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

*Please stand, as able.*

*Collect of the Day*

**P** O God, our Maker and Redeemer, You wonderfully created us and in the incarnation of Your Son yet more wondrously restored our human nature. Grant that we may ever be alive in Him who made Himself to be like us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

*Collect for the Word*

**P** Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

*Luther's Morning Prayer*

**C** I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please



**You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.**

*Closing Prayer + Blessing*

**P** O LORD, our God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that Your Holy Spirit is leading us, and your hand is supporting us, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C** **Amen.**

**P** And now, may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be and abide with you all.

**C** **Amen.**

*Closing Hymn LSB 370*  
**What Child Is This**

1 What child is this, who, laid to rest, On Mar - y's lap is  
2 Why lies He in such mean es-tate Where ox and ass are  
3 So bring Him in - cense, gold, and myrrh; Come, peas - ant, king, to

sleep - ing? Whom an - gels greet with an - thems sweet While  
 feed - ing? Good Chris - tian, fear; for sin - ners here The  
 own Him. The King of kings sal - va - tion brings; Let

shep - herds watch are keep - ing? This, this is  
 si - lent Word is plead - ing. Nails, spear shall  
 lov - ing hearts en - throne Him. Raise, raise the

Christ the king, Whom shep - herds guard and an - gels sing;  
 pierce Him through, The cross be borne for me, for you;  
 song on high, The vir - gin sings her lul - la - by;

Haste, haste to bring Him laud, The babe, the son of Mar - y!  
 Hail, hail the Word made flesh, The babe, the son of Mar - y!  
 Joy, joy, for Christ is born, The babe, the son of Mar - y!

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- P** Go in peace, serve the Lord.  
**C** Thanks be to God.

**Following the Worship Service will be our  
 Congregational Meeting.**





**"OUT OF  
EGYPT  
I HAVE  
CALLED  
MY SON."**

**MATTHEW 2:15**