

PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH  
November 30, 2025, 8:00 and 10:30 a.m.  
Pastor Christian Magnell

WELCOME AND GREETING

SONG "Oh, Come, Oh, Come, Emmanuel"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Father, in the beginning you created the heavens and the earth,

**And you said, "Let there be light," and there was light.**

That light is Christ, and you've called us to walk in the light,

**But we confess that often we run toward the dark instead.**

This morning I invite you to consider the ways you turn away from God and turn against other people. *(time for reflection)*

Let's pray together:

**Father, we confess we have sinned against you and against the people around us.**

**You've offered light and life, and we find ourselves turning to darkness and death. For the sake of You Son Jesus Christ, forgive us of our sins and lead us to righteous living.**

This the good news: in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven of our sins and set free to serve God and people.

**Thanks be to God!**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

CHILDREN'S SERMON

BAPTISM (10:30) Oden Jack Bakkum

SONG "The King Is in the Room"

READING: Genesis 1:1-5

*In the very beginning, God... light... creation.*

<sup>1</sup>In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. <sup>2</sup>The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters. <sup>3</sup>And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. <sup>4</sup>And

God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. <sup>5</sup>God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

READING: 1 John 1:1-7

*God is light and following Christ is walking in the light.*

<sup>1</sup>That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we looked upon and have touched with our hands, concerning the word of life—<sup>2</sup>the life was made manifest, and we have seen it, and testify to it and proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and was made manifest to us—<sup>3</sup>that which we have seen and heard we proclaim also to you, so that you too may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father

and with his Son Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup>And we are writing these things so that our joy may be complete. <sup>5</sup>This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. <sup>6</sup>If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. <sup>7</sup>But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.

#### HYMN

*“Waymaker”*

GOSPEL: John 1:1-9

*John begins the Christmas Story from a different angle than the other Gospels; he tells us from the beginning who Jesus is.*

<sup>1</sup>In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. <sup>2</sup>He was in the beginning with God. <sup>3</sup>All things were made through him, and without him was not anything made that was made. <sup>4</sup>In him was life, and the life was the light of men. <sup>5</sup>The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness

has not overcome it. <sup>6</sup>There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. <sup>7</sup>He came as a witness, to bear witness about the light, that all might believe through him. <sup>8</sup>He was not the light but came to bear witness about the light. <sup>9</sup>The true light, which gives light to everyone, was coming into the world.

SERMON – He's Called: The Light of the World

PRAYER AT RECEIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD’S PRAYER

MUSIC DURING DISTRIBUTION *“Come, Lord Jesus”*

PRAYER AND BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

BENEDICTION

And now may the Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace!

**Amen!**

CLOSING SONG

*“Build Your Kingdom Here”*

DISMISSAL

Let's go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

**Thanks be to God!**