PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

December 21, 2025, 8:00 and 10:30 a.m.

Pastor Christian Magnell

WELCOME AND GREETING

SONG

"Oh, Come, All Ye Faithful"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Lord Jesus, you bring near those who are far away.

Bring us near to you, Lord.

You break down the dividing walls between us,

And we ask that you break down the walls within us.

Jesus Christ, you are our peace.

Be our peace today, as we lay our brokenness before you.

(time for reflection)

Let's pray together:

Lord Jesus, we confess that we have wandered from your peace. We have allowed fear, pride, and anger to separate us from you and from one another. Instead of trusting in your love, we have sought our own way and built walls where you have called us to build bridges. Forgive us our sins. Renew us daily. Lead us together.

This is the Good <u>News:</u> by His death and resurrection, Jesus has forgiven our sins and renewed us each day.

Thanks be to God!

SHARING OF THE PEACE

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SONG "Angels (Glory to God)"

READING: Isaiah 9:2-7

In the midst of fear, God gives Judah hope and promises a Messiah.

²The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shone. ³You have multiplied the nation; you have increased its joy;

broken as on the day of Midian. ⁵For every boot of the tramping warrior in battle tumult and every garment rolled in blood will be burned as fuel for the fire. ⁶For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. ⁷Of the increase of his

READING: Ephesians 2:13-18 *In Christ we find peace with God.*

¹³But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility ¹⁵by abolishing the law of commandments expressed in ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace,

HYMN

"What Child is This"

GOSPEL: Luke 2:8-20

The news of Christ brings peace to His people.

⁸And in the same region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. ⁹And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with great fear. ¹⁰And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. ¹¹For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. ¹²And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger." ¹³And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, ¹⁴"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!" ¹⁵When the angels went

SERMON – He's Called: Prince of Peace

PRAYER FOR RECEIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

MUSIC DURING DISTRIBUTION

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

"Agnus Dei"

DISMISSAL

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

Thanks be to God!