

SILVERSTREET LUTHERAN CHURCH

120 Long Street
Silverstreet, S.C. 29145

CHRIST IS THE WORD. LIVE IT!

Baptism of Our Lord/First Sunday after Epiphany

January 12, 2025

The congregation of Silverstreet Lutheran Church welcomes you and invites you to worship with us. The liturgy and hymns are found in the Lutheran Book of Worship (LBW), the green book in the pew racks. Additional hymns are sung from the blue book, With One Voice (WOV).

Welcome and Announcements

Organ Prelude: "Jesus and the Children," Lovelace

Silent Prayer

***Processional Hymn:** "Shall We Gather at the River"

WOV #690

***Call To Worship:** (Isaiah 43, Psalm 29, Luke 3)

Leader: We hear God's voice.

All: It thunders through creation.

Leader: God's voice is strong.

All: It shatters the cedars of Lebanon.

Leader: God is still speaking.

All: Calling out our names.

Leader: Listen for God.

All: God calls us beloved.

***Order for Confession and Forgiveness**

Leader: Blessed be the Trinity, one God, our creator, our protector, our wellspring of life.

All: Amen

Leader: Trusting that God receives our words and the meditations of our hearts, let us confess our sins.

Silence is kept for reflection

Leader: Merciful God,

All: you speak blessing and compassion into the world. Forgive us for the ways we act with judgment, cruelty, or indifference. We ignore the needs of our neighbors; we resist your call to oppose injustice; we give in to scarcity and fear; we assume the worst about one another. Cleanse us from our faults and release us from their grasp. Show us your lovingkindness. Restore our hearts and repair your world, that we may live in Christ's ways. Amen.

Leader: God proclaims these words of assurance: "Do not fear, for I have redeemed you. I have called you by name. You are mine." In Christ, you are forgiven. In the Spirit, you are made free. Refreshed by the waters of mercy, live anew as beloved children of God.

All: Amen.

***Greeting and Kyrie**

LBW pg 57

***Hymn of Praise**

LBW pg 58

***Prayer of the Day:** (in unison) Almighty God, you anointed Jesus at his baptism with the Holy Spirit and revealed him as your beloved Son. Keep all who are born of water and the Spirit faithful in your service, that we may rejoice to be called children of God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

HEAR GOD'S WORD:

First Reading: Isaiah 43:1-7

Pew Bible pg 1126

Reader: The Word of the Lord

Response: Thanks be to God

Psalm 29 (read responsively)

Pew Bible pg 866

Second Reading: Acts 8:14-17

Pew Bible pg 1705

Reader: The Word of the Lord

Response: Thanks be to God

***The Verse:** "Alleluia. Lord to whom shall we go?"

LBW pg 62

***Gospel is Announced:** "Glory to you, O Lord"

***Gospel Reading:** Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Pew Bible pg 1594

***Response to the Gospel:** "Praise to you, O Christ"

Children's Sermon: "This Little Light of Mine"

Message

Alana West

***Sermon Hymn:** "When Jesus Came to Jordan"

WOV #647

***Apostles' Creed**

LBW pg 65

***Sharing of the Peace:** Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

All: And also with you.

Offering

Anthem: "Baptized in Water with Where He Leads Me," Adult Choir

***Offertory:** "Create in my a clean heart..."

LBW pg 75

***Offering Prayer:**

Leader: God of grace, your love reaches to the heavens, and your abundance to the depths of the seas. Bless what we offer to your service: our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts. Let us overflow with gratitude and generosity, now and always.

All: Amen.

***The Lord’s Prayer**

(sung by congregation)

***Blessing:**

Leader: The Spirit of the triune God bless you with joy, anoint you with compassion, and send you in love.

All: Amen.

***Recessional Hymn:** “Go, My Children, with My Blessing”

WOV #721

***Dismissal:**

Leader: Go in peace. Live in hope.

All: Thanks be to God.

***Postlude**

Silence for Reflection

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SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR JANUARY 19, 2025

Second Sunday after Epiphany

Isaiah 62:1-5; Psalm 36:5-10; 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Gospel: John 2:1-11

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Offering and Attendance

January 5, 2025

Sunday School: 38 Worship: 74

Current:-----	\$	2,728.36
Sunday School:-----		11.00
Reuben Backpack:-----		100.00
Youth:-----		50.00
Offering Envelopes:-----		6.00
Needed Weekly:-----	\$	2,295.40

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As brothers and sisters in Christ, we are called to “carry each other’s burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ,” -Galatians 6:2. By being generous and sharing our blessings we show love and support to those most in need. If you or you know of a member of this congregation who needs assistance with things such as yard work-possibly from a storm; transportation for groceries, appointments, or church; housework or meals following an illness please contact a member of church council. Committees and resources are available to meet your needs.

Ministers

Members of Silverstreet Lutheran Church

Music Director/Pianist

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PRAYER REQUESTS: Please remember the following in your prayers:

Shirley Fant, Tayler Grace Kinard, Eric Longshore, Gerald Dominick, LueVester Davis, Robert Dorroh, Wanda Coleman, Pat Malcom, Marlene Moore, Brianna Neel, Peggy Longshore, Nancy Crone, Brenda Lester, Clayton Smith, Judy Bobb, Elizabeth Hayes, Clay Beck, Dianne Hunnicutt, Clarissa Hendrix, Johnny Sligh, Louella Brehmer, Renee Chapman, and Lisa Abrams.

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Announcements and Upcoming Dates

†WELCA Groups II and IV will have a brief joint meeting in the Fellowship Hall following the worship service this morning.

†Valentine Luncheon, hosted by the Women of Silverstreet Lutheran Church, will be February 9 in the Fellowship Hall. This is a catered meal and everyone is invited. A sign-up sheet is in the narthex.

†Secret Sister Reveal is February 16, 5:00 p.m., in the Fellowship Hall. Forms for the upcoming year are in the narthex and in the *Scroll*. Creating by the Couch will be there with a brand new craft.

†The Audit Committee will review all treasurers’ books on January 22, 10:00 a.m. Please have all necessary information in the church office by then.

†SOW Committee will meet in the Conference Room following the morning worship service on Sunday, January 26. Members are Susie, Janice, Cameron, Faye, Dalton, Mike, Alana, Alicia, Jerry W., and Brandy.

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WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Leader: Kim Crone

Acolyte: Owen Bowers

Next week: Jackson Parker

Crucifer: Karsen Wix

Next week: Mary Grace Bryant

Lay reader: Paisley West

Next week: Dell Miller

Altar flowers: The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God by Judy Ann Floyd and in loving memory of Bill and Travis Floyd and in celebration of Diana Floyd’s birthday.

Next week: Mike and Mary Willingham

Ushers for January: Casey Lybrand*, Cayce Lybrand**, Terry Crone, and Shannon Bowers

Offering counters for January: Christopher Smith* and Jan Piersol

Securing the church for January: Christopher Smith