

SILVERSTREET LUTHERAN CHURCH

120 Long Street

Silverstreet, S.C. 29145

CHRIST IS THE WORD. LIVE IT!

Second Sunday of Christmas

January 5, 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

Piano Prelude: “Canon in D,” Pachelbel – Alana West and Paisley West

***Processional Hymn:** “The First Noel” LBW #56

***Call To Worship:** (Ecclesiastes 3, Matthew 25)

Leader: Today brings renewal to our lives.

All: We will see with fresh eyes.

Leader: Today brings fresh promises.

All: We will be vulnerable to new ideas.

Leader: Today brings new opportunities to share.

All: We will welcome the stranger through kinship with Christ.

***Order for Confession and Forgiveness**

Leader: In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, whose steadfast love is everlasting.

All: Amen

Leader: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection

Leader: God-with-us,

All: we confess that we have turned away those seeking shelter, claiming there is no room when we have plenty. We have made power and wealth our idols, while you show us true glory: a baby in a manger. We have overlooked the shepherds, expecting good news in prettier packaging. Too often, we have valued violence instead of your peace. Turn us from our ways to your ways. Grant us the grace to begin again. Free us from all that keeps us bound, and forgive our sins, through Jesus Christ, who gives himself for us. Amen.

Leader: Hear the good news and rejoice! You are God’s chosen ones, holy and beloved, forgiven in Christ, and freed to respond in joy.

All: Amen.

***Greeting and Kyrie** LBW pg 57

***Hymn of Praise** LBW pg 58

***Prayer of the Day:** (in unison) Almighty God, you have filled all the earth with the light of your incarnate Word. By your grace empower us to reflect your light in all that we do, 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: Jeremiah 31:7-14

Pew Bible pg 1225

Reader: The Word of the Lord

Response: Thanks be to God

Psalm 147:12-20 (read responsively)

Pew Bible pg 981

Second Reading: Ephesians 1:3-14

Pew Bible pg 1817

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: John 1:1-18

Pew Bible pg 1644

***Response to the Gospel:** “Praise to you, O Christ”

Children’s Sermon: “Let Our Gladness Have No End,” vs 1 LBW #57

Message Alana West

***Sermon Hymn:** “Of the Father’s Love Begotten” LBW #42

***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: “Magnify the Lord with When Morning Gilds the Skies,” Adult Choir

***Offertory:** “Create in my a clean heart...” LBW pg 75

***Offering Prayer:**

Leader: God of heaven and earth, from the beginning, you have called forth life, in which you take delight. The trees, the fields, and the seas sing of joy. Bless now these gifts, received from your bounty, that we may join in the chorus of creation to tell of your salvation from day to day.

All: Amen.

***The Lord’s Prayer**

(sung by congregation)

***Blessing:**

Leader: The God of love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, lavish you with grace, illumine your path, and increase your joy, today and always,

All: Amen.

***Recessional Hymn:** “Let All Together Praise Our God”

LBW #47

***Dismissal:**

Leader: Go in peace. The Word of God dwells in you richly.

All: Thanks be to God.

***Postlude**

Silence for Reflection

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR JANUARY 12, 2025

Baptism of our Lord/First Sunday after Epiphany

Isaiah 43:1-7; Psalm 29; Acts 8:14-17

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

Offering and Attendance

December 29, 2024

Sunday School: 31 Worship: 67

Current:-----	\$	1,770.00
Sunday School:-----		17.00
World Hunger:-----		50.00
Reuben Backpack:-----		500.00
Needed Weekly:-----	\$	2,295.40

As a reminder, in order to be considered an active member of Silverstreet Lutheran Church, you must contribute and commune at least once each calendar year.

Ministers

Members of Silverstreet Lutheran Church

Music Director/Pianist

Mrs. Mary Ann D. Hayes

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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, and Renee Chapman.

Announcements and Upcoming Dates

Committee Treasurers are asked to prepare their books for review/audit by the Audit Committee. Please turn those over to a member of the Audit Committee no later than next Sunday.

With regret, Woolbrights Flowers and Gifts is no longer able to make altar flower arrangements.

WELCA Groups II and IV will have a brief joint meeting in the Fellowship Hall following the worship service next Sunday, January 12.

JANUARY 8: LMM 7:00 a.m. Cooks are Jay Piersol and Nick Piersol

JANUARY 12: Church council 8:30 a.m.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Leader:	Kim Crone
Acolyte:	Owen Bowers
Next week:	Owen Bowers
Crucifer:	Karsen Wix
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Lay reader:	Nancy Ruff
Next week:	Alana West

Altar flowers: The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God by Johnnie and Brandy Wix and in honor of Karsen’s 16th birthday and in loving memory of Marguerite Havird.

Next week: Judy Ann Floyd

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