

**9:30 a.m. WORSHIP**

**SHEPHERD OF THE GLADES LUTHERAN CHURCH**

*A Lutheran Community of Christian Believers - ELCA*

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**December 30, 2018  
FIRST SUNDAY  
OF CHRISTMAS**

## All Are Welcome

All who have come to worship are heartily welcomed. Let us joyfully open our hearts to God and to one another.

You are encouraged to participate in all that Shepherd of the Glades has to offer and to make Shepherd of the Glades your spiritual home.

All are invited and welcome to partake of the sacrament of Holy Communion by kneeling at the altar rail. Children are encouraged to come to receive the Lord's Blessing. The Eucharist is celebrated by intinction. Our Altar Guild at all communion services offers grape juice (the smaller chalice), as well as wine, for intinction, the dipping of wafer into the wine or juice. The Assistant will hold both the wine and the juice and move from the center to the outside of the communion rail. Communion is continuous with kneeling. Note: Gluten free wafers are now offered as well.

If Shepherd of the Glades can be of service to you or if you would like Pastor Bob to contact you, please so indicate on the pew welcome sheet.

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## Ministries for Today

Lector: 9:30 a.m. Nadine Kelly

Assistant: 9:30 a.m. Iann Buttermann

Altar Guild: 9:30 a.m. Vicki Dunlop

Ushers: 9:30 a.m. Guy & Pat Cooper, Keith Scamehorn,  
and Connee Zeman

December 23, 2018 Attendance: 9:30 a.m. - 132

December 24, 2018, Christmas Eve Attendance: 5:30 p.m.-141

7:30 p.m.-121

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**Two worship services beginning January 6, 2019: 8:30 and 10:30 a.m.**

# SHEPHERD OF THE GLADES CHURCH

*A Lutheran Community of Christian Believers*

*First Sunday of Christmas – December 30, 2018*

*9:30 A.M. Worship - Setting 3*

+ Indicates Please Stand

**Bold** Indicates Congregation Joins In

## PRELUDE

## INTRODUCTIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### + **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*All may make the sign of the cross in remembrance of baptism as the presiding minister begins:*

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who shines in glory, clothes us in compassion, and bears gifts of mercy for all.

C **Amen.**

P Let us confess our sins with confidence in god's promise of forgiveness.  
*(Silence is kept for reflection.)*

P God, wonderful counselor,

C **We confess that we have turned from your gifts and chosen our own way. We have not made room for you in our hearts or in our world. We have lived in fear; we have not welcomed the stranger; we desire gifts that will not endure. Forgive us our sins, known and unknown, and open us to receive the peace of Jesus dwelling in and among us. Amen.**

P God's lovingkindness has appeared to us in Christ our Savior. We are saved, not by anything we have done, but by God's mercy poured out on us richly. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Through the Spirit living in you, God give you faith to trust Jesus, who is Love born for you, now and always.

C **Amen.**

+ **GATHERING HYMN**    *“Angels, from the Realms of Glory”*    **ELW 275**

### + **GREETING**

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

### + **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P Let us pray.

C **Shine into our hearts the light of your wisdom, O God, and open our minds to the knowledge of your word, that in all things we may think and act according to your good will and may live continually in the light of your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**FIRST READING: 1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26**

<sup>18</sup>Samuel was ministering before the LORD, a boy wearing a linen ephod. <sup>19</sup>His mother used to make for him a little robe and take it to him each year, when she went up with her husband to offer the yearly sacrifice. <sup>20</sup>Then Eli would bless Elkanah and his wife, and say, "May the LORD repay you with children by this woman for the gift that she made to the LORD"; and then they would return to their home.

<sup>26</sup>Now the boy Samuel continued to grow both in stature and in favor with the LORD and with the people.

A The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

**PSALM: Psalm 148** (*Sung responsively*)

<sup>1</sup>Hallelujah! Praise the LORD<sup>1</sup> from the heavens;  
praise God<sup>1</sup> in the heights.

<sup>2</sup>**Praise the LORD,<sup>1</sup> all you angels;  
sing praise, all you<sup>1</sup> hosts of heaven.**

<sup>3</sup>Praise the LORD,<sup>1</sup> sun and moon;  
sing praise, all you<sup>1</sup> shining stars.

<sup>4</sup>**Praise the LORD, heav-<sup>1</sup>en of heavens,  
and you waters a-<sup>1</sup>bove the heavens.**

<sup>5</sup>Let them praise the name<sup>1</sup> of the LORD,  
who commanded, and they<sup>1</sup> were created,  
<sup>6</sup>**who made them stand fast forev-<sup>1</sup>er and ever,  
giving them a law that shall not<sup>1</sup> pass away.**

<sup>7</sup>Praise the LORD<sup>1</sup> from the earth,  
you sea monsters<sup>1</sup> and all deeps;

<sup>8</sup>**fire and hail,<sup>1</sup> snow and fog,  
tempestuous wind, do-<sup>1</sup>ing God's will;**

<sup>9</sup>mountains<sup>1</sup> and all hills,  
fruit trees<sup>1</sup> and all cedars;

<sup>10</sup>**wild beasts<sup>1</sup> and all cattle,  
creeping things and<sup>1</sup> flying birds;**

<sup>11</sup>sovereigns of the earth<sup>1</sup> and all peoples,  
princes and all rulers<sup>1</sup> of the world;

<sup>12</sup>**young<sup>1</sup> men and maidens,  
old and<sup>1</sup> young together.**

<sup>13</sup>Let them praise the name<sup>1</sup> of the LORD,  
whose name only is exalted, whose splendor is over<sup>1</sup> earth and heaven.

<sup>14</sup>**The LORD has raised up strength for the people  
and praise for all<sup>1</sup> faithful servants,**

**the children of Israel, a people who are near the LORD.<sup>1</sup> Hallelujah!**

## SECOND READING: Colossians 3:12-17

<sup>12</sup>As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. <sup>13</sup>Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. <sup>14</sup>Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. <sup>15</sup>And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. <sup>16</sup>Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. <sup>17</sup>And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

A The Word of the Lord.


C Thanks be to God.

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Bob Hoffman

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### Gospel Acclamation



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

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+ The Holy Gospel according to: **Luke 2:41-52**

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>41</sup>Now every year Jesus' parents went to Jerusalem for the festival of the Passover. <sup>42</sup>And when he was twelve years old, they went up as usual for the festival. <sup>43</sup>When the festival was ended and they started to return, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. <sup>44</sup>Assuming that he was in the group of travelers, they went a day's journey. Then they started to look for him among their relatives and friends.

<sup>45</sup>When they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem to search for him.

<sup>46</sup>After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. <sup>47</sup>And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. <sup>48</sup>When his parents saw him they were astonished; and his mother said to him, "Child, why have you treated us like this? Look, your father and I have been searching for you in great anxiety." <sup>49</sup>He said to them, "Why were you searching for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" <sup>50</sup>But they did not understand what he said to them.

<sup>51</sup>Then he went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them. His mother treasured all these things in her heart. <sup>52</sup>And Jesus increased in wisdom and in years, and in divine and human favor.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

## SERMON

Pastor Bob Hoffman

## HYMN OF THE DAY

*"The First Noel"*

ELW 300

A Let us proclaim our trust in the presence and power of god in our lives with the word of the Apostles' Creed.

### + APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
And he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## THE PRAYERS

A Dwelling in the presence of God with us, let us boldly pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

*A brief silence.*

God of wisdom, open our ears to hear your grace through the word and deeds of children. Inspire the youngest and the oldest in our midst to learn from one another with humility and patience. Hear us, O God.

C **Your mercy is great.**

A God of creation, praise to you for hills and mountains, fruit trees and forests, animals wild and tame, sea monsters, birds, and reptiles. Spark delight in our hearts for all that you have made. Hear us, O God.

C **Your mercy is great.**

A God of hope, call us to peace and bind us together in perfect unity. Make wars to cease. Guide the leaders of the nations in your way of wisdom, compassion, and tolerance. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

A God of healing, mend the broken hearts of those who suffer this day. Treasure everyone who struggles with addiction, loneliness, hunger, unemployment, mental illness, or sickness. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

A God of life, draw us into the body of Christ and make us grow in faith and hope. Fill us with hearts of thanksgiving made visible in our words and actions for the sake of the whole world. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

A God of delight, fill us with songs of praise and hope even in the midst of despair and death. Comfort the grieving. Strengthen our faith until the day we will be gathered around your throne singing in eternal praise. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

A Send your Holy Spirit on this congregation and our Call Committee as we prepare ourselves to call the pastor you have chosen for us. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

A Trusting in the presence of God by the power of the Holy Spirit, we commend all for whom we pray, dwelling in the light and hope of Christ, our Savior.

**C Amen.**

**+ SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

P The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C And also with you.**

*(Please greet one another as we share Christ's presence in our midst.)*

**WE SHARE OUR GIFTS & TITHES**

**OFFERTORY HYMN**

*“O Little Town of Bethlehem”*

**ELW 279**

**+ OFFERTORY PRAYER**

A Let us pray.

**C Holy God, your beauty shines forth from the manger and your love flows from the cross. As you gather us around these signs of your love come among us, warm us to extend your care among the hungry and all in need. Amen.**

## + THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.  
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The image shows four staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. Each staff contains a melody line with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: 'The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.', 'Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.', 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.', and 'It is right to give our thanks and praise.'

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## + PROPER PREFACE

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise . . . We praise your name and join their unending hymn:

### Holy, Holy, Holy

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -  
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who  
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## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life. Blessed are you for the birth of creation. Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams. Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will. Blessed are you for your Son Jesus, the Word made flesh.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: this cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

C **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

P With this bread and cup we remember your Word dwelling among us, full of grace and truth. We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection. We look with hope for his coming.

C **Come, Lord Jesus.**

P Holy God, we long for your Spirit. Come among us. Bless this meal. May your Word take flesh in us. Awaken your people. Fill us with your light. Bring the gift of peace on earth.

C **Come, Holy Spirit. All praise and glory are yours, Holy One of Israel, Word of God incarnate, Power of the Most High, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

+ **THE LORD'S PRAYER** *(Spoken)*

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

C **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

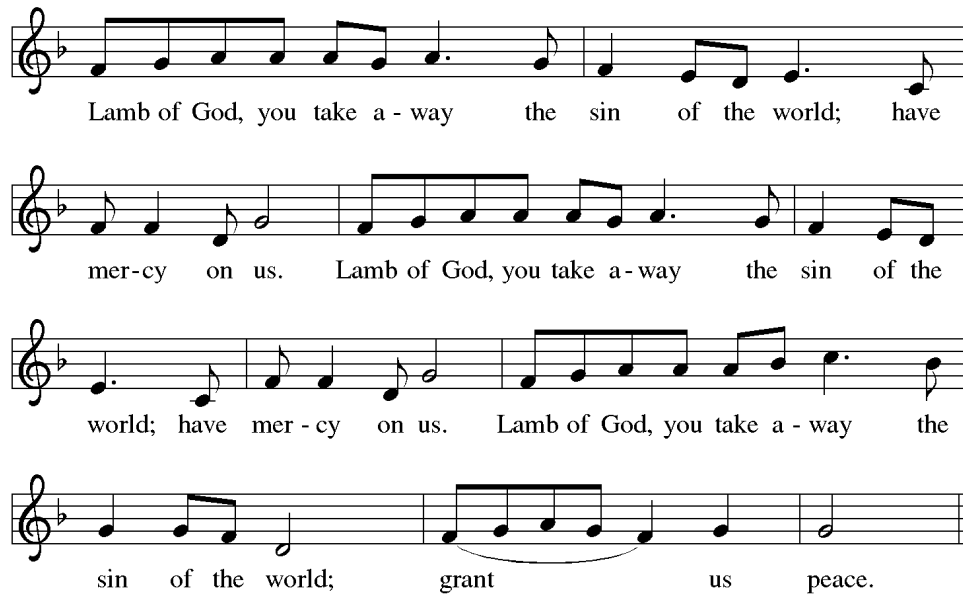
## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P Come to the table where Christ meets you. Eat, rejoice, and be glad!

*(Eucharist is celebrated by intinction, the dipping of bread into the wine or juice. All are welcome to partake of the sacrament.)*

A Please be seated.

## Lamb of God



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace.

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## COMMUNION HYMNS

*“Once in Royal David’s City”*  
*“In the Bleak Midwinter”*

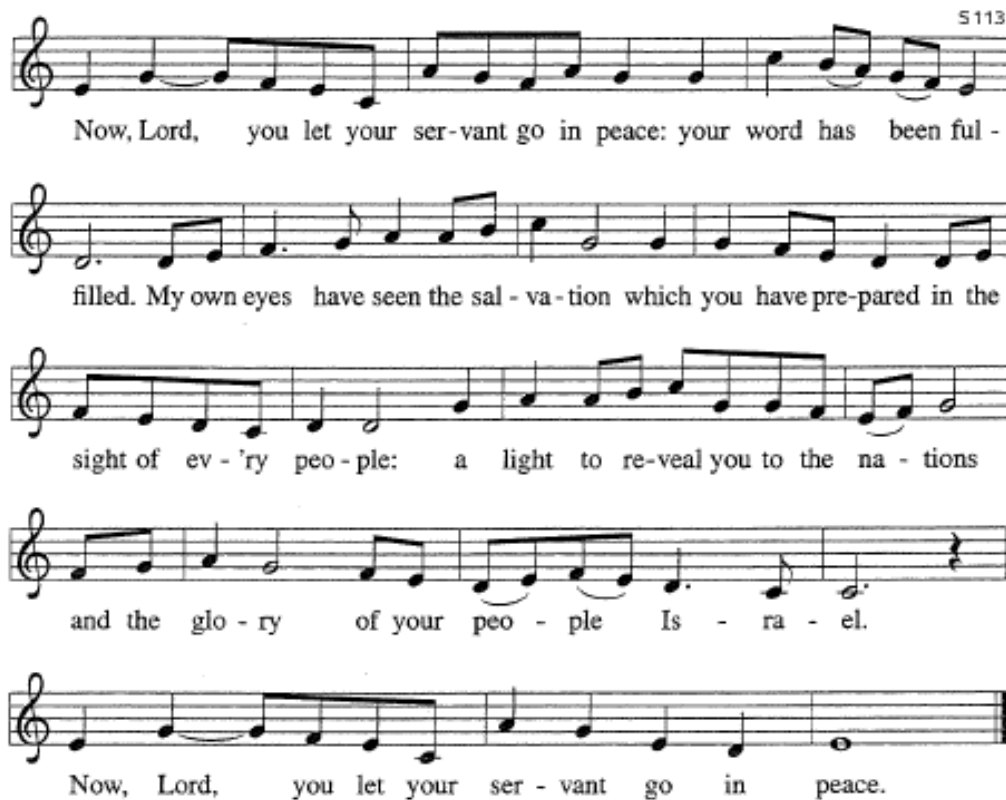
ELW 269  
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A Please stand as you are able.

+ **COMMUNION ACCLAMATION**

C **The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen us and keep us in his grace. Amen.**

+ **POST COMMUNION CANTICLE**



Now, Lord, you let your ser-vant go in peace: your word has been ful -  
filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which you have pre-pared in the  
sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: a light to re-veal you to the na - tions  
and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.  
Now, Lord, you let your ser - vant go in peace.

A Let us pray.

C God of wonder, in Jesus we behold the light of the world come near. As you have come among us now, send us out in joy, hastening to share the good news of your love. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit dwelling among us now and forever. Amen.

+ **THE BLESSING**

P God the Creator who delights in you, Jesus the Savior who is born for you, and the life giving Spirit who shines on you, + bless you and keep you in hope and peace.

C Amen.

+ **SENDING HYMN**                    *“Good Christian Friends, Rejoice”*                    **ELW 288**

+ **PRAYER FOR SENDING**

C O 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 such trust in your presence and power in our lives to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but knowing only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us. Amen.

+ **DISMISSAL**

A Go in peace. Share the joy of Christ.

C Thanks be to God!

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**A CALL FOR ACTION**

Every week, Shepherd of the Glades will be collecting and donating canned and boxed food to help persons in need at St. Matthew’s House, Grace Place, and Immokalee Friendship House. Suggested items are canned food of all kinds, powdered milk, peanut butter, jellies/jams, cereals, soups, rice, pasta, etc. Items need to be within code date and unopened. Just bring your donations to the Church and give to the ushers. All items are being delivered locally. The last delivery was to St. Matthew’s House.



**TWO SERVICES START NEXT SUNDAY**

On January 6, 2019, we worship in two services: 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.

**FOR OUR YOUNGEST WORSHIPPERS**

If you are worshipping with a child, there are activity bags for children to use during service which are located near the front door on the table. Please feel free to make use of them.

**ATTENTION: ALL CHILDREN**

Sunday School will be held during the 10:30 a.m. worship service, beginning Sunday, January 6, 2019. Hope to see you there!

## **THIS WEEK AT SHEPHERD OF THE GLADES:**

**Office hours this week are: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. on Monday; Tuesday is New Year's Day; 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Wednesday through Friday.**

**First Sunday of Christmas, December 30, 2018, 9:30 a.m. Worship with Pastor Bob Monday & Wednesday, December 31 and January 4, 9:00-10:00 a.m. Bone Builders, Hanson Hall ; 9:00 a.m. Newsletter mailing**

**Epiphany of our Lord Sunday, January 6, 2018, 8:30 & 10:30 a.m. Worship with Pastor Bob; 10:30 a.m. Sunday School**

## **PASTOR'S WINTER BIBLE STUDY**

**Pastor Bob's Bible study begins on Thursday, January 10, 2019, at both 2:00 and 7:00 p.m. in Hanson Hall. The study will be on the Gospel of Luke.**

## **2018 FOREIGN MISSION DONATIONS**

**Foreign mission donations for 2018 totaled \$100. This money was used to buy a pair of goats in support of ELCA World Hunger development programs.**

## **THANKS TO ALL**

**From Pastor Bob, Megan, Lynn, and Tom, thank you for your generous Christmas gifts. You are great blessings!**

## **QUOTE FOR THE DAY**

**“As Christians, our outlook should not be based on the evidence of the world and current events. We shouldn't look to election results or other political events for our hope. Rather, we should look to a God who became flesh and lived among us, and bestowed upon us justice, mercy, grace, and yes, hope.**

**—Jim Wallis, “We Know How the Story Ends”**

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**Lynn Dickerman**

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