

1st Week of Advent
November 30, 2025
Oak Lake Lutheran Church, ELCA
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Thank you to Mike Martin for leading today's worship and to Nathan Frazer for providing the music.

Order of Worship

Prelude

Welcome/Invocation/Prayer concerns

Song: **"Awake, Awake and Greet the New Morn"** **WOV # 633**

Week One: The candle of hope

Opening Liturgy: (based on Psalm 130)

L: I wait for the Lord, my soul waits,

C: and in his word I put my hope.

L: My soul waits for the Lord

C: more than watchmen wait for the morning,

L: O people of God, put your hope in the Lord,

C: for with the Lord is unfailing love

L: and with him is full redemption.

C: He himself will redeem his people from all their sins.

Introduction... is read by family or reader

The Candle is lit

Advent Candle (family or reader) lights the 1st candle

L: As we light the candle of hope...

Remember God gives us hope. Christmas is about God's gift of hope to us but not just for us. Take some time to think about how God gives you hope. Also, think about how you can take the hope God gives you and share it with others. Share God's hope with your family. Share God's hope with the community you live in. Share God's hope with people around the world.

C: We will. Thanks be to God!

Hymn of Praise **"The King Shall Come"** **LBW # 33**

Prayer of the Day

L: Let us pray...

ALL: Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. By your merciful protection save us from the threatening dangers of our sins, and enlighten our walk in the way of your salvation, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Readings:

First Lesson- Isaiah 2: 1-5

Psalm 122 - May be read responsively

2nd Lesson- Romans 13: 11-14

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Gospel Acclamation

C: Alleluia. Show us your steadfast love, O LORD, and grant us your salvation. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel- Matthew 24:36-44

Sermon

Mike Martin

Song

"Soon and Very Soon"

WOV # 744

Sharing the Peace

L: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Offering Invitation

Offering

Offering Prayer:

L: Let us Pray. Merciful Father,

C: O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Lord's Prayer

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Closing Song

"My Lord What a Morning"

WOV # 627

L: Blessing: The Lord bless you and keep you, The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord Look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C: Amen

Sending

L: Go in peace. Remember the poor.

C: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

We welcome all visitors, please come down to our fellowship hall for coffee & goodies after worship. Don't forget to sign our guest book in the Narthex.

Announcements:

Monday, December 2nd Joint Council meeting at Trinity - 7pm

Wednesday, December 3rd Sunday School and confirmation at 6-7:30 pm

Thursday, December 4th Decorate the tree and fellowship area at Oak Lake at 10 am

Saturday, December 6th at 4:30-6:30 - **Live Nativity at Emmanuel** (Delgrove) Chili will be served at the event as well

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