



St. Mary's Lutheran Church
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
www.stmaryslutheran.org
Sunday, December 14th at 9:00am
Third Sunday in Advent
CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Welcome to St. Mary's! All are Welcome!

- Please respect the beauty of reverence and quiet reflection as we prepare for worship. Turn off phones or silence them.
- Please know that St. Mary's Lutheran Church celebrates Holy Communion for ALL! This is Christ's table and His invitation. You do not need to be a Lutheran, or a member of our church to participate. Also, if you wish to come up for only a blessing, please tell us when you approach, and we will bless you! If you are unable to come up for communion, tell the usher that you would like to receive communion at your seat, and someone will bring it to you.

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

TEMPLE TALK

St. Mary's Lutheran Church Endowment Foundation

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

Hymn #242 "Awake! Awake and Greet the New Morn", verses 1-3.

WORD (see yellow insert)

FIRST READING: Isaiah 35:1-10

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: James 5:7-10

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand in body or spirit.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

God of grace,

receive our prayer.

Draw near to us, O God, as we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy through Jesus Christ, Emmanuel.

Amen.

PLEASE BE SEATED

MEAL

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

*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

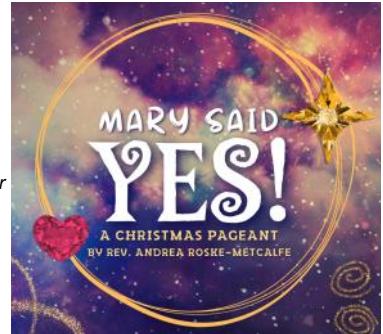
Here is life. God is with us. Come, receive what God has promised.

PLEASE BE SEATED

COMMUNION

BLESSING & BENEDICTION

May God who comes among us, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, grant you patience in waiting, peace in the darkness, and good news to share today and always.




"Mary Said Yes!"
2025 Sunday School Christmas Program

Welcome

Prologue

Kids Sing: "*O LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM*" *1st verse*

Congregation: Invited to hum

Act 1: Mary

Crowd sign rally: Congregation responds: **Yes! Yes! Yes!** (You'll catch on!)

Song: "*HERE AM I*" (SEE PAGE 4)

Soloist sings 1st verse and Refrain.

Congregation and Children join at 2nd verse

Act 2: Joseph

Crowd sign rally: Congregation responds: **Yes! Yes! Yes!** (Now.. you got it!)

Kids Sing: "*WHAT CHILD IS THIS?*" *1st verse and Refrain*

Congregation: Invited to hum

Act 3: The Shepherds

Crowd sign rally: Congregation responds: **Yes! Yes! Yes!** (Pros!)

Kids Sing: "*THE FIRST NOEL*" *1st verse*

Congregation: Invited to Hum

Act 4: The Wise Ones

Crowd sign rally: Congregation responds: **Yes! Yes! Yes!** (Experts!)

Kids Sing: "*SILENT NIGHT, HOLY NIGHT*" *Verses 1&2*

Congregation: Invited to hum

Epilogue

Crowd sign rally: Congregation responds: **Yes! Yes! Yes!** (Thank You!!)

Children Procession Out

Congregation: "*IT CAME UPON A MIDNIGHT CLEAR*" *Hymn #282, 1st verse*

Welcome:	Joan Oehlberg, Coordinator of Children's Ministry
Prologue: Narrator	Emma King
Elizabeth	Makenna Plotner
Zachariah	Ben Pascucci
Part 1 Mary: Narrator	Maggie Pascucci
Mary	Ariel Gauslow
Baby Jesus	Baby Aether
Angel Gabriel	Lilly DeFranco
Part 2 Joseph: Narrator	Makenna Plotner
Joseph	Orlando Florez
Part 3 The Shepherds: Narrator	Lilly DeFranco
Shepherds	Jackson Kueker
Shepherds	Ari Miller-Stubbendick
Angel	Maggie Pascucci
little sheep	Luna Gauslow-Florez and Anja Chumbler
The Wise Ones: Narrator Part 4	Leo DeFranco & Youth Olivia Rader
Speaks truth of King Herod	Jackson Kueker
Wise One	Emma King
Wise One	Makenna Plotner
Epilogue: Narrator	Lilly DeFranco
Continues to speak truth about King Herod	Jackson Kueker
Banner presenter / Crowd Rallier	Ben Pascucci
Rallied Crowd	Congregation
Song Humming	Congregation
Soloist	Ariel Gauslow
Piano	Deb Black
Flute	Alex Raszkiewicz
Clarinet	Sydney Rizzotto
Guitar	Joan Oehlberg
Sound	Art Kotenko
Helping Hands	Laura Rader, Cheryl Pascucci, Holli DeFranco, Stephanie Raszkiewicz
Program Director	Joan Oehlberg

HERE AM I

Gabriel Said, "Do Not Fear"

Hannah C. Brown

MAEBH
Kate Williams



1. Ga - briel said, "do not fear;" I felt
2. Who am I, that your grace should soar
3. Some may say that my worth's not e -
glo - ry com - ing near! I was trou - bled and I
in and find a space, grow - ing jus - tice for the
nough to give you birth but your fa - vor rests up -
won - dered, could this be? God, your right - eous - ness and
world with - in my frame? But my bod - y and my
on me none - the - less. Yes, my ba - by will be
pow'r give me strength to brave this hour, to take
soul are both read - y to ex - tol; I will
great, and my heart can bear this weight, gen - er -
cour - age and pro - claim that I a - gree!
mag - ni - fy your love and praise your name!
a - tions yet to come will call me blessed!
Here am I, here am I with a heart pre - pared to
serve, let it be to me ac - cord - ing to your word.
Here am I, here am I with a heart pre - pared to serve,
let it be to me ac - cord - ing to your word.