

# *Holy Child of Bethlehem*



Name: *radia*

Age: *8*

*descend to us, we pray*

# Kure Memorial Lutheran Church

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**Welcome to Worship! We are glad to be worshipping with you today.**

**May you sense the Spirit's presence here!**

If you live in the area and don't have a church home, we invite you to consider becoming part of our community of faith! The Sacrament of Holy Communion is offered for all who believe Jesus suffered and died, that we might be forgiven, strengthened in spirit and have everlasting life. We celebrate and receive the meal at an Open Table. Children are welcome to receive at the discretion of their parents. Those who do not receive are invited to come to the altar for a blessing.

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## *Christmas Eve Service ❄ December 24, 2020 – 11pm*

Prelude: *Christmas Music*

Christmas Litany: *(based on Psalm 96)*

P: Sing to the Lord a new song, proclaim his salvation day after day.

A: Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among the people.

P: For great is the Lord and worthy of praise.

A: Worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness; say among the nations, "The Lord reigns."

P: Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad; let the sea resound and all that is in it.

A: Let all creation rejoice, for the Lord comes to judge the world in righteousness and the peoples in his faithfulness.

Carol of Praise: *O Come, All Ye Faithful*

Oh, come, all ye faithful, Joyful and triumphant!

Oh, come ye, oh, come ye to Bethlehem;

Come and behold him, Born the king of angels:

Oh, come, let us adore him, Oh, come, let us adore him,

Oh, come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

Sing, choirs of angels, Sing in exultation,

Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!

Glory to God in the highest:

Oh, come, let us adore him, Oh, come, let us adore him,

Oh, come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

P: Christ is born: Alleluia, alleluia! 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.**

## Confession And Forgiveness

P: God, in your coming to us at Christmas you bring light and love to a dark and hurting world.

A: We know we have done things we shouldn't do, we don't treat one another the way we should and we need your light in our lives. Jesus, forgive us.

P: The grace of God shines upon us, bringing forgiveness and salvation to the whole world. We are saved. Our sins are washed away and we are made new in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Carol of Praise: *Angels, from the Realms of Glory*

Angels, from the realms of glory,  
wing your flight o'er all the earth;  
once you sang creation's story,  
now proclaim Messiah's birth:  
Come and worship, come and worship,  
worship Christ, the newborn king.

All creation, join in praising  
God, the Father, Spirit, Son,  
evermore your voices raising  
to the eternal Three in One.  
Come and worship, come and worship,  
worship Christ, the newborn king.

## Prayer of the Day

A: Let us pray. Almighty God, you made this holy night shine with the brightness of the true Light. Grant that here on earth we may walk in the light of Jesus' presence and in the last day wake to the brightness of his glory. This we pray through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## First Reading: Isaiah 9:2-7

<sup>2</sup>The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness on them light has shined. <sup>3</sup>You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. <sup>4</sup>For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian. <sup>5</sup>For all the boots of the tramping warriors and all the garments rolled in blood shall be burned as fuel for the fire. <sup>6</sup>For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty

God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. <sup>7</sup>His authority shall grow continually, and there shall be endless peace for the throne of David and his kingdom. He will establish and uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time onward and forevermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

The Word of the Lord

**C: Thanks Be To God.**

Second Reading: Titus 2:11-14

<sup>11</sup>God has shown us how kind he is by coming to save all people. <sup>12</sup>He taught us to give up our wicked ways and our worldly desires and to live decent and honest lives in this world. <sup>13</sup>We are filled with hope, as we wait for the glorious return of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ. <sup>14</sup>He gave himself to rescue us from everything that is evil and to make our hearts pure. He wanted us to be his own people and to be eager to do right.

The Word of the Lord

**C: Thanks Be To God.**

Carol of Praise:

*Go Tell It on The Mountain*

*Red Book 290*

*Refrain*

Go tell it on the mountain, over the hills and ev'rywhere;  
go tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born!

3 Down in a lonely manger the humble Christ was born;  
and God sent us salvation that blessed Christmas morn. *Refrain*

Reading of the Christmas Story: Luke 2:1-20

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for see I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger."

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favors!"

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

*Angels We Have Heard on High (Verse 3 & Refrain)*

3 Come to Bethlehem and see him whose birth the angels sing;  
come, adore on bended knee Christ the Lord, the newborn king.

*Refrain*

Gloria in excelsis Deo; gloria in excelsis Deo.

Christmas Message: Pastor Dan Keck

Confession Of Faith: *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing*

Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn king;  
peace on earth, and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled."  
Joyful, all you nations, rise; join the triumph of the skies;  
with angelic hosts proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!"

*(Refrain)* Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn king!"

Christ, by highest heav'n adored, Christ, the everlasting Lord,  
late in time behold him come, offspring of a virgin's womb.  
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see! Hail, incarnate deity!  
Pleased as man with us to dwell, Jesus, our Emmanuel! *Refrain*

Hail the heav'n-born Prince of peace! Hail the Sun of righteousness!  
Light and life to all he brings, ris'n with healing in his wings.  
Mild he lays his glory by, born that we no more may die,  
born to raise each child of earth, born to give us second birth. *Refrain*

## Prayers

Special Music:        *O Holy Night*

*Isabell Foushee*

O Holy Night! The stars are brightly shining  
It is the night of the dear Savior's birth!  
Long lay the world in sin and error pining  
Till he appear'd and the soul felt its worth.  
A thrill of hope the weary soul rejoices  
For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn!  
Fall on your knees; Oh hear the angel voices  
Oh night divine; Oh night when Christ was born  
Oh night divine; Oh Holy Night! Oh night divine!

Led by the light of Faith serenely beaming  
With glowing hearts by His cradle we stand  
So led by light of a star sweetly gleaming  
Here come the wise men from Orient land  
The King of Kings lay thus in lowly manger  
In all our trials born to be our friend.  
He knows our need, to our weakness is no stranger.  
Behold your King; before him lowly bend!  
Behold your King; before him lowly bend!

Truly He taught us to love one another  
His law is love and His gospel is peace  
Chains shall He break for the slave is our brother  
And in His name all oppression shall cease  
Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we,  
Let all within us praise His holy name.  
Christ is the Lord. Oh, praise his name forever!  
His pow'r and glory evermore proclaim!  
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We join together in the Lord's Prayer:

The Lord's Prayer

**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.**

## Candle Lighting

P: As the Christmas star illuminated the sky over Bethlehem that first Christmas, and led the Shepherds to the Christ child,

**C: O Lord, Let your Light, shine over us this night.**

A: As the Christmas star brought those ancient travelers from the East, to bow down before the infant King,

**C: O Lord, Let your Light, shine within us this night.**

P: Tonight we rejoice with the shepherds, the Magi, and all the host of heaven as we celebrate the wondrous birth of the one who is the Light of the World, Jesus our Savior! Lord, let these candles burn brightly that we may see clearly the Light of the World. By your Holy Spirit, empower and equip us to live as witnesses of the one True Light that has come to us and to the whole world.

**C: O Lord, Let your Light, shine over us, within us, and through us, this night and always.**

*You are all invited to light a candle and dim the lights at home.*

## Hymn: *Silent Night*

Silent night, holy night! All is calm, all is bright  
round yon virgin mother and child. Holy Infant, so tender and mild,  
sleep in heavenly peace, sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night, holy night! Shepherds quake at the sight;  
glories stream from heaven afar, heav'nly hosts sing, alleluia!  
Christ, the Savior, is born! Christ, the Savior, is born!

Silent night, holy night! Son of God, love's pure light  
radiant beams from your holy face, with the dawn of redeeming grace,  
Jesus, Lord, at your birth, Jesus, Lord, at your birth.

## Benediction

P: May you be filled with the wonder of Mary, the obedience of Joseph, the joy of the angels, the eagerness of the shepherds, the determination of the Magi, and the peace of the Christ child. Almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

Closing Carol: *Good Christian Friends, Rejoice*

Good Christian friends, rejoice  
with heart and soul and voice;  
give ye heed to what we say:  
Jesus Christ is born today;  
ox and ass before him bow,  
and he is in the manger now.  
Christ is born today!  
Christ is born today!

Good Christian friends, rejoice  
with heart and soul and voice;  
now ye hear of endless bliss:  
Jesus Christ was born for this!  
He has opened heaven's door,  
and we are blest forevermore.  
Christ was born for this!  
Christ was born for this!

Good Christian friends, rejoice  
with heart and soul and voice;  
now ye need not fear the grave;  
Jesus Christ was born to save!  
Calls you one and calls you all  
to gain the everlasting hall.  
Christ was born to save!  
Christ was born to save!

Sending

A: Go in peace. Share the good news of the birth of the Christ Child! And have fun doing it!

**C: Thanks be to God!**

**Worship Assistants for Christmas Eve Services**

Serving at 11pm

Assisting Minister

*Keith Graff*

Reader

*Jean Graff*

## ‡ REMEMBER IN PRAYER ‡

### HOMEBOUND, HOSPITALIZED, SPECIAL CONCERNS

Teri Massey, Anne Burkauskas, Ellen Prevatte, Ted Prevatte, Maxine Jordan, Lisa Lee, Barry Nelder, Emily Barber, Irene Girvan, Bob Stuart, Barb Stuart, Mina Piedmont, Joanne Adams, Marge Lucido, Cathleen Applegate, Carol Ochs, Hannah Dumbrowski, Victoria Sanchez, Aris Mora, Morgan Smith, Billy Ward, John Walker, Pam Solstad, Morgan Davison, Kaitlin Sprague, Gene Snuggs, Lisa, Frank Dyson, Beth Loony, Belle Hunt, Megan Peoplis, Vaughn & Cathy Schweitzer, Andra Ciparis, Clifford Johnson, Beth Deaton, Jennifer Von Cannon, Don Bowman, John Vrba, Karen Matthews, Marge McClosky, Richard Laudati, Joe Wright, Ruth Ann Getsinger, Steve Jones, Herb Flamer, Raymond & Dottie Holden.

### FRIENDS & FAMILY

Sandy Hunt and Ginny Blauboer (Buckley), Tracy McKay, Tom Grady, Pat Hankin (Hambel), Paul Piedmont (Piedmont), Kristi Johnson, Cyndie Heath, Jami Harris, Jac Schlagle, Lexi Westfall (Hitchcock), Senka Gambino, Jean Behanna, Rick & Sharon Ellis (Lundy), Terry Ford & Carl Ford (Rehder), Arlo Bond (Jordan), Joey (Palamara), Pat Addington (Hearne), Julian, Jason & baby Jackson (Full), Mary Adobato (Vecchio), Megan Manley (Cox), Richard White (Prevatte), Arden Buckley & Erin O'Brien (Buckley), Brad Cook (Shearin), Kari Craig, (Palamara), Bridges family (Lundy), Larry Gilbert (Wrenn), Anne C., Claire Houston, Tammy V., Dave Stultz, Matt Stultz, Pastor Tom Schutt, Belle Hunt, Steve Siferd, Janet Kassor, (Keck), Barbara Gavigan (Gavigan), Robin Stoehr (Gourville) Meghan O'Brien (Campbell), Kent Parker (Shearin) Barbara Murtha (Hambel/Lundy).

*Please pray for the caregivers as they care for those who are ill.*

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE MISSIONS OF OUR CHURCH

Federal Point Help Center / Coupons to Service men's families / KMLC Preschool / Girl Scout Troops #867, #901 and #155 / Good Shepherd (food & supplies) / Trinity Grove / KMLC Youth Group / Katie B Hines Senior Center lunch program / The Lutheran Church of Costa Rica/ Casa Abierta-La Carpio / Seamen's Center

### STUDENTS ATTENDING COLLEGE / SEMINARY

Emily Graff-Luther Seminary / Tommy Ullring-Cape Fear Community College / Katelyn Copenhaver-Santa Fe College / Jordan Pivik- East Carolina University / Rachel Pivik-ECU / Katie Elkin-Duke Divinity School / Andro Keck- University of South Carolina / Vegas Vecchio- University of Washington, Seattle / Heather Keck- Medical University of South Carolina / Mackenzie Clark-Hood College, Maryland / Nick Schwenker-Appalachian State / Matthew Shuttleworth-Cape Fear Community College / Mia Shoffner-East Carolina University / Sydney Maguire-College of Charleston / Preston Gourville-Vanderbilt / Kelsey Bloch-Wake Tech / Kari Bloch-Wake Tech.

**MILITARY PERSONNEL SERVING**

Col Wayne Lett in Frankfort, Germany; John Brandon in Wayton, Utah; Steven Blum at Fort Bragg; Christopher Bennett in San Diego, CA; Marley Von Cannon at a Naval Base in Walton County Florida; Brandon Muehl at Fort Bragg, NC; Jacob Clinton at Fort Geiger, NC; Thomas Stafford at Ft. Bragg, NC, Nick Schwenker-Fort Benning, GA.

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# December

20	21	22	23	24	25	26
<p>10- Worship (InPersonOutdoor/F aceBook/Zoom livestream) 1215- Sunday lunch</p> <p><i>Happy Birthday</i> Barry Nelder</p>	<p>7-Blue Christmas service of Care Hope and Healing</p>			<p>Christmas Eve <i>Happy Birthday</i> Judy Kunf</p> <p>5-outdoor Christmas Eve service</p> <p>7- outdoor Christmas Eve service</p> <p>11- indoor livestream Christmas Eve service</p>	<p><b>Christmas Day</b></p>	
27	28	29	30	31		
<p>10- Worship (InPersonOutdoor/F aceBook/Zoom livestream) 1215- Sunday lunch</p>	<p><i>Happy Birthday</i> Conrad Swann</p> <p><i>Happy Anniversary!</i> Beth &amp; Lee Wrenn</p> <p><i>Happy Anniversary!</i> Carlene &amp; Wayne Van Dyck</p>			<p><i>Happy Birthday</i> Grey Von Cannon</p>		

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