

*4th Sunday of Advent  
December 22, 2024*



***Our vision:***

***"Joy is a spiritual community sharing the love  
of Christ in a challenging world".***

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***Our mission is to share the Good News of  
grace and love with all through  
worship, service, and fellowship.***

*Please note as a measure of security the church doors  
will be secured after the start of the service.*

*Worship text is on the screen.*

*\*Indicates Congregation Stands if able*

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**Prelude: “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”**  
*Janet Voyles, Silas Daniel*

**\*Confession and Forgiveness**

**\*Gathering Hymn: ELW # 263-**  
*“ Savior of the Nations Come”*

**\*Greeting**

**\*Kyrie- “Lord Have Mercy”**

***Lighting of the Advent Candle- “Advent’s Holy Light”***

**\* Prayer of the Day**

**First Reading: Micah 5: 2-5a**

## Psalm Luke 1: 46b-55



Luke 1:52

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**Second Reading: Hebrews 10:5-10**

**Special Music: 8:15 am: “Of The Father’s Love Begotten”  
arr. Mark Hayes**

**11:00 am: “Prepare the Way of the Lord”-JOY Choir**

**\*Gospel Acclamation: “Alleluia”**

**\*Gospel: Luke 1:39-45[46-55]**

**Today’s Message is Given by: Intern Bob Bonomo**

**\*Hymn of the Day: ELW # 265-**

***“The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came”***

# **AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM**

*(Reception of New Members)*

**\*The Prayers of the People**

**\*Passing of the Peace**

**Offertory : *"In The Bleak Mid Winter"* -  
*Janet Voyles, Silas Daniel***

**\*Congregational Offertory-ELW # 257 -vv. 4  
*"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"***

**\*Offertory Prayer**

**\*The Great Thanksgiving**

**\*"It is indeed right....."**

**\*Sanctus: -"Holy"**

**\*Eucharistic Prayer**

**\*Words of Institution**

**\*The Lord's Prayer**

**\*Invitation to Communion**

*All baptized Christians are welcome at the Lord's Table for the sacraments. We will be observing Communion at the Altar Rail.*

*Please proceed as directed by the ushers.*

*Gluten-free wafers (distributed by Assistant Minister) and grape juice  
( Clear grape juice in center of tray) are available if desired.*

**\* "Lamb of God"**

**Distribution Hymns:**

*ELW # 251-"My Soul Proclaims Your Greatness"*

*ELW # 295-" Of the Father's Love Begotten"*

*ACS 906-"No Wind at the Window"*

*ELW # 254-"Come Thou Long-Expected Jesus"*

**\*Communion Blessing**

**\*Prayer after Communion**

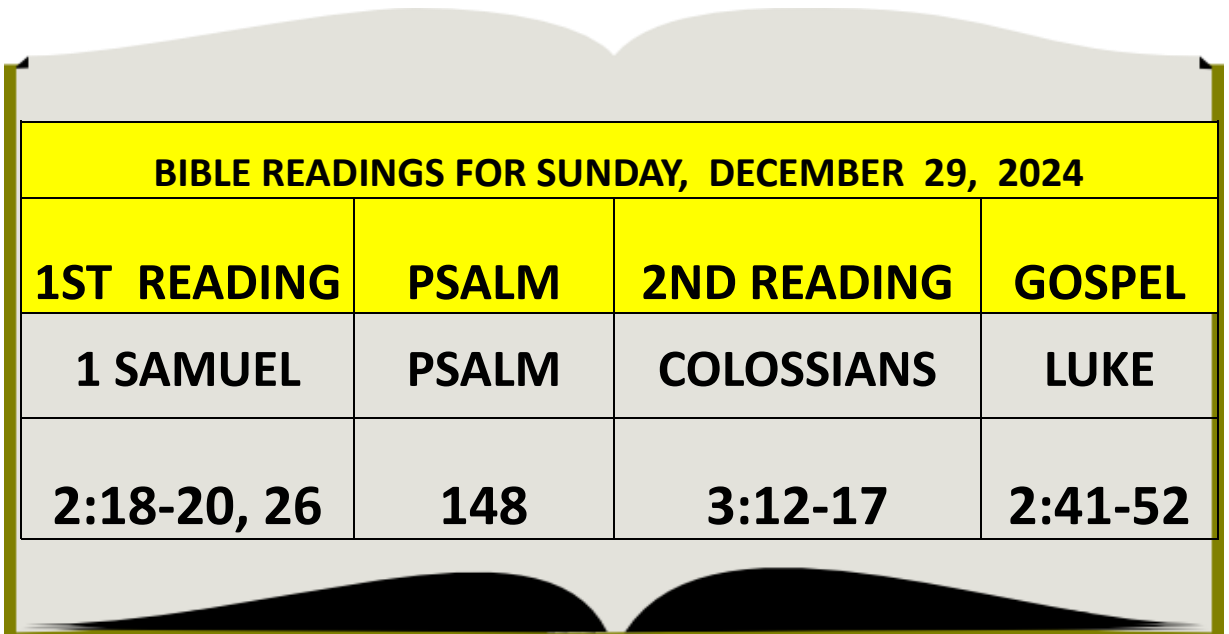
**\*Blessing**

***\*Sending Hymn: ELW # 723- "Canticle of the Turning"***

**Sending**

**\*Postlude: *"I Wonder as I Wander"***

***Janet Voyles, Silas Daniel***



<b>BIBLE READINGS FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2024</b>			
<b>1ST READING</b>	<b>PSALM</b>	<b>2ND READING</b>	<b>GOSPEL</b>
<b>1 SAMUEL</b>	<b>PSALM</b>	<b>COLOSSIANS</b>	<b>LUKE</b>
<b>2:18-20, 26</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>3:12-17</b>	<b>2:41-52</b>

**THIS WEEK'S PRAYER LIST 12/22**

**John Baker\*-Concerns**

**Robert Cretul\* – Cancer**

**Bruce Froeschl-Cancer**

**Irene Henderson-Health**

**Joan Hendrickson-Health**

**Billy Hubbard\*-Stage 4 Cancer**

**Bob Irish – Health**

**Jake & Grandfather Bob-Concerns**

**Jim Kuzmanovich-Upcoming**

**Surgery**

**Al & Judy Olson\*-Health Con-  
cerns**

**Dolly Schember-Health**

**Paul Silliman-Hospitalization**

**Jason Sloat-health issues**

**Paul Spellman-Upcoming Surgery**

**Nancy Spitzack\*-Family Issues**

**Lee & Edie Stewart – Health**

**Marge Wlodarczyk-health**

**Bertha Hendrickson-Assisted Living**

**Cynthia Randall-Assisted Living**

**Marguerite Cox–Memory Care**

**Patricia Randall-Sales-Memory Care**

**DECEMBER WORSHIP SERVICE SCHEDULE:**

**CHRISTMAS EVE-DECEMBER 24th–**

**Candlelight Services at 4:00 PM and 6:00 PM**

**CHRISTMAS DAY-DECEMBER 25th—**

**Service of Word and Song—10:00 AM**

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29th—**

**One Service 10:00 AM**



# DATELINE

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**DATELINE LEGEND:** SH= SWENSON HALL; S=SANCTUARY; N=NARTHEX;  
OR= OUTREACH ROOM; MG=MEMORIAL GARDEN; CG=CHURCH GROUNDS; OC=OFF CAMPUS

DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOC
Mon. 12/23	9:00 AM	Time 4 Prayer	S
	9:30 AM	Stephen Ministry	SH
Tue. 12/24		OFFICE CLOSED	
	4:00 PM	Christmas Eve Candlelight Svc.	S
	6:00 PM	Christmas Eve Candlelight Svc.	S
Wed. 12/25		OFFICE CLOSED	
	10:00 AM	Christmas Service of Word & Music	S
Thu. 12/26		OFFICE CLOSED	
Fri. 12/27	10:00 AM	Handbell Choir Rehearsal	S
Sun. 12/29	10:00 AM	Worship Service	S
		Interfaith Dinner Delivery	OC
12/29	USHERING	JOBBAGY	
	FELLOWSHIP	ETHEL KLEINER	
	COUNTERS	TERRY OWEN, SUSAN JOBBAGY	

## Lutheran Men in Mission

Meets Jan. 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 9:15

With Christ as Our Leader, this month we meet for fellowship and discussion of ideas for Our Joy Spring Celebration.

Proverbs 27:17 “As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another”



**Altar Flowers Today Are Placed by  
Margaret & Thomas Randall  
In Memory of  
In Celebration of  
Christmas**



<b>ATTENDANCE</b>			
<b>Service</b>	<b>Wed.</b>	<b>8:15 AM</b>	<b>Sun.</b>
<b>Date</b>	<b>12/11/2024</b>	<b>12/15/2024</b>	<b>12/15/2024</b>
<b>Attendance</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>110</b>
<b>Views</b>	<b>20</b>		<b>47</b>

***Celebrations This Week at 12/23-12/29***

<b>Birthdays</b>		<b>Anniversaries</b>		
<b>12/24</b>	<b>Sally Wheeler</b>	<b>12/21</b>	<b>John &amp; Barbara Marvin</b>	<b>46 yrs</b>
<b>12/26</b>	<b>Jack Mixdorf</b>	<b>12/28</b>	<b>Tamara &amp; Wallace Thomas</b>	<b>39 yrs</b>
<b>12/27</b>	<b>Joyce Ryan</b>			
	<b>Charlotte Schmidt</b>			
<b>12/28</b>	<b>Melanie Chaney</b>			



**Please Welcome Our Newest JOY Family Members:**

**JOYCE A. BRUSSMAN**

8423 SW 60th Circle  
Ocala, FL  
MARION LANDING

**JUDY REMY**

5460 NW 18th ST.  
Ocala, FL  
OCALA PALMS

**DAWN & KURT COOK**

8667 SW 97th ST-UNIT F  
Ocala, FL 34481  
OTOW

**BOB ROWLAND**

8865 SW 86th Loop  
Ocala, FL 34481  
OTOW

**KIMBERLY & JAMES HESSEL**

8379 SW 108th Loop  
Ocala, FL  
OAK RUN

**DANA RUSSO**

7720 SW 87th Ave.  
Ocala, FL 34481  
OTOW- WAYBOURNE LANDING

**SARAH LOGUE**

7989 SW 83rd Place  
Ocala, FL 34476  
OTOW

**ERIKA & JAMES RUSSO**

8882 SW 75th Loop  
Ocala, FL 34481  
OTOW-WAYBOURNE LANDING

# ALTAR FLOWERS

**The new sign-up sheet is now in the Narthex for the first three months of 2025.**

**Please be aware of the change in the procedure for the flowers.**

**Starting in January the church office will not be responsible for the Altar Flowers. Live plants will be placed on the wall stands. Anyone wishing to bring in floral arrangements (only 2 per week) may do so. Each person is responsible to order, pay for, and ensure the flowers are in church for Sunday. You may purchase the flowers wherever you wish. If you order flowers through our current florist, and cannot pick them up yourself, Diane Julian has offered to work with you to get them. The sign-up sheet will have space for 2 arrangements per week. When you sign-up please provide the reason for their placement. Every attempt will be made to publish this information in the bulletin .**

**Ps. Our current florist is:**

**BUILD-A-BOUQUET      352-355-3568**

**6158 SW State Rd. 200 Suite 103 Ocala, FL 34476**

## THANKS TO TODAY'S MINISTRY TEAMS

	8:15 AM	11:00 AM
Assistant Minister	Jeff Hogan	Charlie Meier
Reader	Diane Julian	Thomas Randall
Cross Bearer	Deacon Darlene Haines	Paul Hyatt
Communion Assistant		Vicki Valli
Ushering Team	VOYLES	McGRURY
Food & Fellowship	The Lovies	Dessert First
Altar Angels	Vicki Valli, Everyone	Vicki Valli, Everyone
Counters	Doreen & David Robinson	

## OUR STAFF

Pastoral Intern	Bob Bonomo
Administrative Assistant	Zsuzsanna Jobbagy
Director of Music	Silas Daniel
Choir Director	Linda Aker
Handbell Choir Director	Melissa Daniel
Treasurer	Terry Owen
Sexton	Vacant

### OFFICE HOURS:-

Monday-Thursday 8:00 am—3:30 pm CLOSED ON FRIDAY



### FOR OUR MEMBERS & GUESTS

Our bulletin and music for the hymns is available on our website and can be accessed by scanning the QR code on the LEFT.

It will take you to our Worship Tools : click on HYMNS  
You can view the music for the entire service on your phone or i-pad.

*Our Sanctuary is 'hearing aid-friendly'  
and also connects with Bluetooth devices."*



Scan the QR code for On-Line Giving Opportunities