

Let us bless the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

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

**Amen.**

**HYMN**

“From Heaven Above to Earth I Come”

St. 1–5: Angel Choir

St. 6: Men of the Congregation

St. 7: Women of the Congregation

St. 8: Men of the Congregation

**St. 9: Children**

St. 10: Men of the Congregation

St. 11: Women of the Congregation

St. 12: Men of the Congregation

**St. 13: Children**

St. 14–15: All

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## Peace Lutheran Church and Academy

### Sunday School Christmas Program

December 14, 2025

*Christmas Pageants*, which reenact the Nativity of Our Lord have a long history in the church. For children, it allows them to see and participate in the telling of the Christmas Story. It is like a living stained glass window. The importance of retelling the story is to learn what God has given us in the birth of His Son and how we and our children are a part of that story. Our salvation is the reason why the Son of God became man.

**CAROL**

“Oh, Come, Little Children”

**Children:**

Oh, come, little children, oh, come, one and all,  
To Bethlehem haste to the manger so small.  
God’s Son for a gift has been sent you this night  
To be your Redeemer, your Joy and Delight.

**Congregation:**

He’s born in a stable for you and for me;  
Draw near by the bright, gleaming starlight to see,  
In swaddling clothes lying, so meek and so mild,  
And purer than angels—the heavenly Child.

### INVOCATION AND COLLECT

**P:** In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

**P:** Grant, almighty God, that the birth of your only-begotten Son in human flesh may set us free, who through sin are held in bondage; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

**Children’s Verse:**

For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given;  
and the government will be upon His shoulder.  
and His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God,  
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

Isaiah 9:2

**CAROL**

“Oh, Come, Little Children”

**Children:**

See Mary and Joseph, with love-beaming eyes,  
Are gazing upon the rude bed where He lies,  
The shepherds are kneeling, with hearts full of love,  
While angels sing loud alleluias above.

**Congregation:**

Kneel down and adore Him with shepherds today,  
Lift up little hands now and praise Him as they;  
Rejoice that a Savior from sin you can boast,  
And join in the song of the heavenly host.

**THE ANNUNCIATION OF OUR LORD**

Luke 1:26b-38

The Angel Gabriel announces that Mary will be the mother of God's Son.

**Meditation from Martin Luther****Children's Verse:**

**Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son,  
And shall call His name Immanuel—God with us**

Isaiah 7:14/Matthew 1:23

**HYMN****356**

"The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came"

St. 1: Children  
St. 2: Men of the Congregation  
St. 3: Women of the Congregation  
St. 4: All

**THE BIRTH OF THE SON OF GOD:**

Luke 2:1-15

The birth of Christ took place during the reign of Caesar Augustus.  
The Angel of the Lord announces the birth of Christ to Shepherds.

**Meditation from Martin Luther****Children's Verse:**

**You shall call His name Jesus,  
For He will save His people from their sins**

Matthew 1:21

**HYMN****Insert**

"To Shepherds as They Watched by Night"

**WISEMEN ARE LED BY THE STAR TO JESUS**

Matthew 2:1-12

The Magi from the east journey to worship the Christchild.

**Meditation from Martin Luther****Children's Verse:**

**And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us,  
and we beheld His glory,  
the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,  
full of grace and truth**

Isaiah 9:6

**HYMN**

"On Christmas Night All Christians Sing"

St. 1: Children  
St. 2: Congregation  
St. 3: Children  
St. 4: Congregation

**377****PRAYERS** (congregation responds in bold)

Lord, have mercy upon.  
**Christ, have mercy upon us.**  
**Lord, have mercy upon us.**  
JESUS, Name called Wonderful;  
JESUS, Our Great counselor;  
JESUS, True and Mighty God;  
JESUS, Everlasting Father  
JESUS, Prince of Peace:  
**We praise and bless Your holy Name.**  
JESUS, Son of David;  
JESUS, Branch of Jesse;  
JESUS, Rose of Sharon;  
JESUS, Bright and Morning Star:  
**Deliver us from our sins, we beseech You.**  
JESUS, Scepter of Israel;  
JESUS, Light of the Gentiles;  
JESUS, Desire of all Nations;  
JESUS, Sun of Righteousness;  
JESUS, Prophet, Priest, Judge, and King:  
**Help us and bless us.**  
O JESUS, hear us:  
**And prepare us for Your coming.**

Gather Your ancient people, the Jews, to yourself;  
Cause all the Gentiles to come to Your Light and Truth;  
Convert all kings and rulers to fall before You, and to desire Your  
beauty:  
**Hear our prayer, O Lord, and let our cry come to You.**

Help Your messengers to prepare the way before You in every land.  
Endue Your ministers with righteousness and knowledge,  
Preserve all who put their trust in You;  
and give peace to all Your faithful people:  
**Hear our prayer, O Lord, and let our cry come to You.**  
Prepare us for Your coming:  
**And save us from our sins.**  
**Our Father who art in heaven...**