FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT

December 2, 2007

Organist: Ben Holten

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PRAYER

Loving Father,
Let the persistent, positive presence of Your Son enable us to share life in His name with those around us, and around the world. In His name we pray. Amen

GUIDES FOR WORSHIP

The order of worship begins on page 151 in the front of the hymnal. We will sing the "Hymn of Praise" on page 154. There is no Holy Communion today, so please turn to page 162 after the offertory hymn to continue

The Hymns are: 332 – 341 – 357 (vv. 1,2,4, & 5)
Sermon Text: Matthew 21:1-11
Sermon Theme: "Your King is Coming"

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Church Attendance:	Thanksgiving Eve:	55
	Thanksgiving Day:	70
	Saturday, November 24, 2007:	27
	Sunday, December 25, 2007:	94
	Sunday School:	36

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

On this first Sunday in Advent, we heartily welcome all worshipers as we prepare to celebrate the birth of Christ. If you are visiting, please introduce yourself to Pastor Kurt and sign the guest book.

Today following worship, you are invited to the Guild Christmas Brunch being served in the fellowship hall. A free-will offering will be taken.

Starting with the Christmas Brunch, the anniversary mementos will be sold. *The anniversary plates are $18.00, the Peace ornaments $7.00 and the church picture ornament $10.00. Remember, these items would make wonderful Christmas gifts.*

Tomorrow is the last day to order a Poinsettia to decorate our church for the Christmas season. Order forms are on the table in the narthex.

The December Newsletter "Peace Passages" has been printed and placed in the distribution boxes.

A door offering to help defray the cost of the Christmas bags for the children will be taken next Sunday, December 9th, Saturday, December 15th and Sunday December 16th.

Decorating the church for Christmas, including the tree, will be done December 5th beginning at 5:00 p.m. All volunteers will be cheerfully welcomed.

The Guild will be selling Christmas cards and napkins today and will continue through December 9th.

The 2008 church contribution envelopes are on the table in the narthex. Please stop and pick your envelopes up before you leave.

Everyone is welcome to attend the Advent worship services at St. John's Lutheran Church, rural Arlington. Services will be held on Wednesday, December 5th, 12th and 19th at 7:30 p.m.

On January 6th, we will begin the parenting series, "Making Your Kids Mind without Losing Yours" during the Sunday School hour, in the fellowship hall.

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Glencoe, will be presenting The Community Strings featuring the Golden Strings "Peace on Earth" on Friday December 7th at 7:00 p.m. and Sunday December 9th at 3:00 p.m. at the church. Check the bulletin board for more information concerning this event.

Come see a holiday tradition in Arlington. The "Drive-Thru Living Nativity" will be held at the Sibley County Fairgrounds on Sunday, December 9th from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Food shelf money and food donations will be accepted at the gate.

The Bible verse to memorize this week is: **John 14:6** - Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

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THIS WEEK AT PEACE

Today	9:30 a.m.	Worship Service
	10:30 a.m.	Christmas Brunch
Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	Bible Class at Highland Commons
	4:00 p.m.	Bell Choir Rehearsal
Wednesday	3:45 p.m.	Catechism Class
	5:00 p.m.	Decorating the church
Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Worship Service with Holy Communion
Sunday	8:15 a.m.	Sunday School
	9:30 a.m.	Worship Service with Holy Communion

A nursery is available for parents with small children while attending our worship service. If you need to use it, please ask one of the ushers and they will direct you to it.