SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT

December 9, 2007

Organist: Linnea Bullert

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PRAYER

Loving Father,
Turn our hearts from destructive desires so that we may serve You with all that we are and all that we have. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen

GUIDES FOR WORSHIP

The order of worship begins on page 151 in the front of the hymnal. Holy Communion will be celebrated today, so the Hymn of Praise is "This is the Feast". The offertory hymn is on page 159, followed by the communion liturgy.

The Hymns are: 725 – 344 – 350 – 354
Sermon Text: Matthew 3:1-12
Sermon Theme: "Announcing the New Reign of God"

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Church Attendance:	Saturday, December 1, 2007:	6
	Sunday, December 2, 2007:	98
	Sunday School:	37

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

We welcome all worshipers who have chosen to worship with us today. May our singing, our fellowship with Christ and with one another, our prayers, our hearing and our studying of God's Word all be blessed by him.

To be baptized during worship this morning is Glenn Steven Ruehling, son of Heather Olson and Derick Ruehling. Sponsors for Glenn are Tara Petersen, Troy Petersen, Michael Olson and Dawn Olson. We welcome Glenn into God's Kingdom and Peace Lutheran Church.

Today following worship, a door offering *to help defray the cost of the Christmas bags for the children will be taken.*

The January – March "Portals of Prayer" are on the table in the narthex.

The 2008 church contribution envelopes are on the table in the narthex. Please stop and pick your envelopes up before you leave if you have not already done so.

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

Today is the last day that the Guild will be selling Christmas cards and napkins.

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

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.

This afternoon, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Glencoe, will be presenting the Community Strings featuring the Golden Strings "Peace on Earth" at 3:00 p.m. at the church. Check the bulletin board for more information concerning this event.

Today, the "Drive-Thru Living Nativity" will be held at the Sibley County Fairgrounds from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Food shelf money and food donations will be accepted at the gate.

Known to be hospitalized this week: Ray Sommers

The Bible verse to memorize this week is: **Ephesians 2:8-9** - For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith--and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God--not by works, so that no one can boast.

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THIS WEEK AT PEACE

Today	9:30 a.m.	Worship Service with Holy Communion
Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	Bible Class at Highland Commons
	9:30 a.m.	Worship Service at Good Samaritan Home
	4:00 p.m.	Bell Choir Rehearsal
	6:45 p.m.	Sunday School Christmas Program Practice
Wednesday	3:45 p.m.	Catechism Class
Thursday	8:30 a.m.	Pastor Circuit Meeting at St. Peter's, Gibbon
Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Worship Service
Sunday	8:15 a.m.	Sunday School Christmas Program Practice
	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.