First Sunday in Advent
November 29 2009
Organist: Arlys Willis

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PRAYER Loving Father,

Grant us the gift of growth, in knowledge, in faith and in concern for others. We pray in Jesus' name. 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 166 after the offertory hymn to continue.

The Hymns are: 331, 347, 352
Sermon Text: I Thessalonians 3:9-13
Sermon Theme: "Meaning in Waiting: Growth"

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Church Attendance:

Saturday, November 21st	45
Holy Communion	24
Sunday, November 22nd	128
Sunday School	56

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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."

We will be having Choir practice immediately following fellowship today!

Peace Lutheran church is truly blessed because of the awesome people of God that form this body. Our people are committed to support one another in Christian love. For this we are most thankful. Peace Lutheran would like to thank the youth group and their parents for their hard work during the pancake supper. Your hard work is truly appreciated. Special thanks to Ralph Wacker, the Bullert family, Sharon Bird, the Wisch family, Shianna Becerra, the Wavrin family, Marlys Schauer, Shirley Weckwerth, Lisa Klaustermeier, Lori Brockhoff, Julie Norman and all the people who donated items for our pancake supper. God bless you for your generosity!

The Ladies Guild will be selling Christmas Cards and napkins on November 22nd and 29th and on December 6th and 13th.

On Wednesday, December 2, starting at 6:30 p.m. Dr.Jeffrey Burkart, Professor of Education Media/Communications at Concordia University, St. Paul, MN will lead the Centennial Lutheran, church, Henderson, MN 3rd Annual Creche/Angel and Hymnfest by telling stories, playing and singing Hymns and carols about the Christ Child. Creche (nativity) sets and Angel displays from around the country and the world will be on exhibit in the church social. Please see the bulletin board in the narthex for more information.

You are invitied to a Bilingual Worship Service at 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, December 6th at First Lutheran Church, Glencoe. The service will be conducted by Rev. Martin Teigen. A Mexican meal sponsored by Alfredo Aguilar family will follow. Please RSVP for the meal to either the Church office (English) at: 320-864-5522 or Ana Aguilar (Spanish) 952-457-5985 by December 2nd.

The women of Zion Lutheran Invite You to: Come help us celebrate the "Birthday of Our King" Wednesday December 9th, 7:00 p.m. at 814 West Brooks St. Arlington. A free will offering will go to the Arlington Community assistance Fund.

Need knows no season. The money raised in Sibley County through **The Salvation Army Christmas Kettle** campaign is used year round to provide temporary, emergency assistance to those in need. If you, your family or organization would be willing to help this season by being a bell ringer, please call Kim at: 507-326-5017.

We need more help when we have funerals. If you have certain days off, please let us know at the office.

We will be collecting items for the St. Peter Treatment Center again this year, from November 22nd thru December 9th. Please see the bulletin board for a list of items needed.

First Evangelical Lutheran Church, 925 13th St. E, Glencoe MN is hosting a Christmas Bake Sale and Country Store in the fellowship Center on Saturday, December 5th from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Please see the bulletin board for further details.

The "**Lutheran Hour"** is broadcast each Sunday at 12:30 p.m. on KDUZ AM-1260, at a cost of $92.00 per Sunday. **Sponsors are needed for December 20, 2009, and continuing through 2010.** Please call Charles Jensen at 320-864-3579 for a specific date to sponsor a broadcast. **Please see the bulletin for further details**.

Sibley County Human Services is coordinating "Santa's Helpers." Donation will be accepted until Monday, December 7th at the Sibley County Human Services building, 111 8th St. in Gaylord. For more information, please refer to the bulletin board.

Please join us in the fellowship hall after worship for food and conversation.

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THIS WEEK AT PEACE

Today	8:15 a.m.	Sunday School
	9:30 a.m.	Worship Service - "My Cup Offering"
Tuesday	9:30 a.m.	Bible Class – Highland Commons
Wednesday	3:45 p.m.	Catechism Class
	5:00 p.m.	Jr. Bell Choir practice
Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Worship Service
Sunday	8:15 a.m.	Sunday School
	9:30 a.m.	Worship Service – "My Cup Offering"
	10:30 a.m.	Christmas Brunch

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. Today's Helper is: Courtney Hildebrandt.