Fourth Sunday in Advent
December 18, 2011
Organist: Arlys Willis

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PRAYER: O Loving Father,
Let Your light shine to us and through us, so that many people may see the Good News of eternal life in Christ. In His name we pray. Amen

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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.

Hymns: 331, 400, 704
Text: John 1: 6-28
Theme: “Witness to the Light”

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Church Attendance:	Saturday, December 10, 2011	22
	Holy Communion	20
	Sunday, December 12, 2011	95
	Holy Communion	60
	Sunday school	58

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Bible verse to memorize this week is: II Corinthians 5:17 – Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!

We are looking for volunteers to help with fellowship. If you would like to bring something or help serve, please let Elia know at 964-5861.

Please save the UPC labels from all of “Our Family” food products. There is a container on the table in the narthex to put them in. The proceeds will go to the Youth Group to help defray cost of upcoming projects.

The Door offering this week is for the Children’s Christmas bags.

THANK YOU to the Youth Bell Choir for their Christmas music, both here and at the Arli-Dazzle festivities. Thank you to Elizabeth Becerra for both flute and bell playing also thanks to Veronica Becerra, Kelsey Johnson, Korban Strand, Katie Tuchtenhagen, Thomas Wavrin and Allison Zellmann.

ATTENTION PARENTS: We will not be having Sunday school on Christmas morning or New Years Day.

Please join us tomorrow at 11:30 a.m. for the “Feeding of the 500 club”. The featured soup of the day is Chicken and Dumpling.

Your 2012 contribution envelopes are on the table in the narthex. Please pick them up.

We are in need of rain water or melted snow for our plants. If you would like to donate some it would be greatly appreciated.

The January – March Portals of Prayer are on the table in the Narthex. Please take one.

2012 MEALS-ON-WHEELS PROGRAM: Looking for Peace Lutheran volunteers to deliver meals to families in Arlington for the upcoming year in February and in September. If you are a past volunteer or a new volunteer, please contact Sheila in the office so the 2012 schedule can be completed. THANK YOU to the 2011 volunteers!

Immanuel Lutheran Church in Gaylord will make a decision about building a new school at their January meeting. It would be very helpful to them to know whether our congregation can “partner” with them, and whether individual members would like to participate.

ATTENTION YOUTH: There is still time to sign up for the Regional Youth Gathering held at Mayer Lutheran on January 27-28, 2012. [Un]Paved Ministries equips students to become “imitators of Christ” through a life of service. Join us for a week-end of spiritual growth, fellowship, service and fun!

You are invited to attend the MVAC Homeless Response Team meeting on Dec. 20th at 2:00 p.m. Guest speaker will be Nicole Grienwewic from Habitat for Humanity. She will speak about their program. Any questions, please call Joyce Koller or Elizabeth Blackstad at 507-237-2981.

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

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THIS WEEK AT PEACE

Today		
	8:15 a.m.	Sunday school
	9:30 a.m.	Worship Service with Holy Communion
	10:30 a.m.	Fellowship
Wednesday	3:45 p.m.	Catechism
	5:00 p.m.	Youth Bell Choir
Saturday	6:00 p.m.	Children’s Christmas Service
	8:00 p.m.	Candlelight Christmas Eve Service
Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Christmas Day Worship with Holy Communion
	10:30 a.m.	Fellowship

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Faith, which receives the “true riches” of heaven,
exhibits itself in the conscientious use of worldly goods.

“So if you have not been trustworthy in handling worldly wealth,
who will trust you with true riches? (Luke 16:11)