Fourth Sunday in Advent
December 23, 2012
Organist: Arlys Willis

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The order of worship begins with baptism and then continues on page 156 in the front of the hymnal. There is not Holy Communion today, so please turn to page 162 after the offertory hymn to continue.

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Hymns: 593, 350, 392
Text: Micha 5:2
Theme: "Are You Ready for Christmas?"

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Church Attendance:

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Holy Communion	65
Sunday School	66

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

An update on Pastor's progress: Pastor Kurt continues to recover at home through December and plans to return to work part-time at the first of the year.

The Bible verse to memorize this week is Ephesians 6:10-11 – Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power, put on the full armor of God so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes.

The baptism of Kendra Allison Rose Krueger, daughter of Richard and Rebecca Krueger will take place this morning. Her sponsors are Desiree' Strong, Jessie Strong, Cody Strong and Theresa Rannow. Kendra was born in Hutchinson on September 27, 2012. We at Peace Lutheran welcome Kendra into our family as well as God's family.

The names of Gordon & Marlys Schauer and Matthew Burmeister were inadvertently omitted from the list of individuals who donated poinsettias in memory and honor of loved ones.

The flowers on the altar today and for Christmas are from Ralph & Lynn Wacker in memory of Glenn Hemme and Vyron & Mary Wacker.

ATTENTION PARENTS: There will not be 7 & 8th grade Catechism or Bell Choir this week. We will not be having Sunday school next Sunday December 30, 2012. We will resume all activities the 1st of the year.

2013 MEALS-ON-WHEELS PROGRAM: We are **still** 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 2013 schedule can be completed. Thank you to the 2012 volunteers!

The Usher/Acolyte schedule for January 2013 is finished. Please check your distribution box for a copy.

The Portals of Prayer for Jan-March are on the table in the Narthex. Please take one.

ATTENTION YOUTH GROUP: Unpaved Ministries regional Youth gathering for Jr. High and Sr. High students will be held Jan 11 and 12, 2013 at Mayer Lutheran High School. If you are interested in attending please see Elia or let Pastor know.

On Saturday, January 19, 2013 there will be numerous fundraisers for Barb Reierson, a bake sale, vender fair, silent auction and dinner will take place at the Arlington Community Center from 3 pm – 7 pm or while supply last. Also taking place that day is a scrapbooking fundraiser for Barb, it will be held at the Community Center and Peace Lutheran Church. Please see the bulletin board for more details on these events.

Mayo Clinic Health System Hospice and Palliative Care are sponsoring an eight-week grief group for families and individuals who have experienced the death of a loved one. The group is limited to 10 participants. There is no cost to attend but preregistration is necessary. The program begins Thursday, January 10, 2013 and runs thru February 28, 2013. It runs from 6 – p.m. at the St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, 632 S. Broad St., Mankato. Please call 507-385-2989 or 1-800-327-3721, ext. 2989 for more information.

The 10th Annual Waffle Breakfast for Scouting is scheduled for Sunday, January 13, 2013 at the Arlington Community Center. Serving time is from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Please check the bulletin board for price list and more details.

Fellowship will resume after the 1st of the year.

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THIS WEEK AT PEACE

Today	8:00 a.m.	Sunday school
	9:15 a.m.	Worship Service
Monday	6:00 p.m.	Children's Christmas Eve Program
Tuesday	9:15 a.m.	Christmas Service of Lessons & Carols
Sunday	9:15 a.m.	Worship Service

As Christians, we trust in the power of God's Word,
Not money or possessions.

"Calling the Twelve to him, he sent them out two by two
and gave them authority over evil spirits.
These were his instructions: "Take nothing for the journey
except a staff – no bread, no bag, no money, in your belts,
wear sandals but not an extra tunic" (Mark 6:7-9)