

**Welcome!** As our Lord Jesus Christ said, Peace be with you. Wherever you come from and wherever you are on your journey of faith, we are glad you are with us. Let us enter into God's presence together.

# **Morning Prayer Rite I**

First Sunday of Advent November 30, 2025 10:00 a.m.

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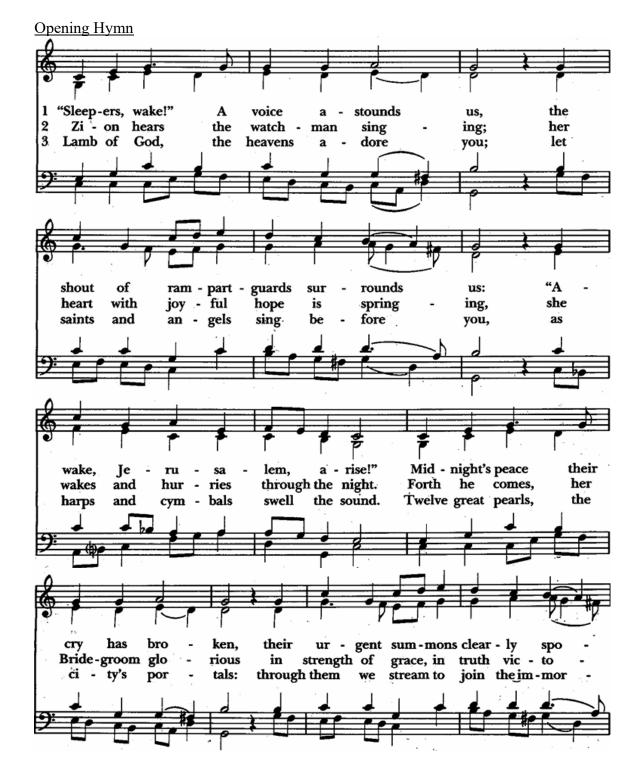
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You are invited to use the prelude as a time for quiet meditation.

**Prelude** 

"Conditor alme siderum"
"Wachet auf"
Based on hymns 60 and 61

Roberta Rowland-Raybold Wayne L. Wold





Words: Philipp Nicolai (1556-1608); tr. Carl P. Daw, Jr. (b. 1944)

Music: Wachet auf, melody Hans Sachs (1494-1576); adapt. Philipp Nicolai (1556-1608); arr. and harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

### **Opening Sentence**

Officiant

Watch ye, for ye know not when the master of the house cometh, at even, or at midnight, or at the cock-crowing, or in the morning; lest coming suddenly he find you sleeping. *Mark* 13:35, 36

#### Confession of Sin

The Officiant says to the people

Dearly beloved, we have come together in the presence of Almighty God our heavenly Father, to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his holy Word, and to ask, for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things that are necessary for our life and our salvation. And so that we may prepare ourselves in heart and mind to worship him, let us kneel in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

Silence may be kept. Officiant and People together, all kneeling

Almighty and most merciful Father,
we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep,
we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts,
we have offended against thy holy laws,
we have left undone those things which we ought to have done,
and we have done those things which we ought not to have done.
But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us,
spare thou those who confess their faults,
restore thou those who are penitent,
according to thy promises declared unto mankind
in Christ Jesus our Lord;
and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake,
that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life,
to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

The officiant says

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant us absolution and remission of all our sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. **Amen.** 

## The Invitatory and Psalter

All stand

Officiant Lord, open thou our lips.

People And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

Officiant and People

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

#### Advent Wreath Lighting & Venite

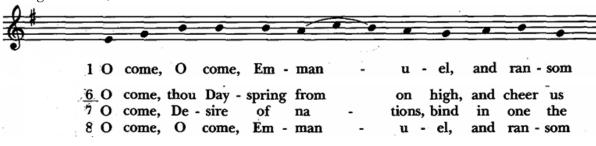
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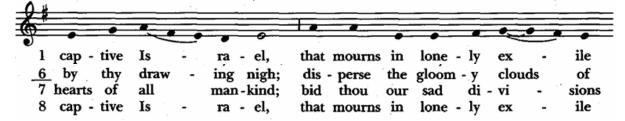
Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come. But know this, that if the goodman of the house had known in what watch the thief would come, he would have watched, and would not have suffered his house to be broken up.

Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh. *Matthew 24:42–44* 

Officiant: Our King and Savior draweth nigh:

People: O come, let us adore him.







1 here un - til the Son of God

ap - pear.

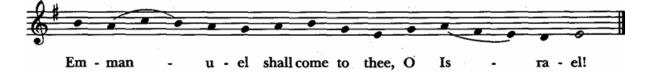
Re-joice! Re-joice!

6 night, and death's dark shad-ow put

to flight. of Peace.

7 cease, and be thy self our King 8 here un til the Son of God

d ap - pear.



Words: Latin, ca. 9th cent.; ver. Hymnal 1940, alt.

Music: Veni, veni, Emmanuel, plainsong, Mode 1, Processionale, 15th cent.;

adapt. Thomas Helmore (1811-1890)

LM with Refrain

Officiant: Our King and Savior draweth nigh:

People: O come, let us adore him.

The people are seated

#### Psalm 122

The antiphon is first sung by a cantor, then repeated by all.



The verses are sung by a cantor. All sing the antiphon where indicated.

<sup>1</sup>I was glad when they said to me,

"Let us go to the house of the LORD."

<sup>2</sup>Now our feet are standing

within your gates, O Jerusalem.

<sup>3</sup>Jerusalem is built as a city

that is at unity with itself;

<sup>4</sup>to which the tribes go up, the tribes of the LORD,

the assembly of Israel, to praise the name of the LORD. Antiphon

<sup>5</sup>For there are the thrones of judgment,

the thrones of the house of David.

<sup>6</sup>Pray for the peace of Jerusalem:

"May they prosper who love you.

<sup>7</sup>Peace be within your walls

and quietness within your towers.

<sup>8</sup>For the sake of my kindred and companions,

I pray for your prosperity.

<sup>9</sup>Because of the house of the LORD our God,

I will seek to do you good." Antiphon

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## First Reading

Reader: A Reading from the Prophet Isaiah:

(Isaiah 2:1-5)

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

In days to come

the mountain of the Lord's house

shall be established as the highest of the mountains,

and shall be raised above the hills;

all the nations shall stream to it.

Many peoples shall come and say,

'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,

to the house of the God of Jacob;

that he may teach us his ways

and that we may walk in his paths.'

For out of Zion shall go forth instruction,

and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

He shall judge between the nations,

and shall arbitrate for many peoples;

they shall beat their swords into ploughshares,

and their spears into pruning-hooks;

nation shall not lift up sword against nation,

neither shall they learn war any more.

O house of Jacob,

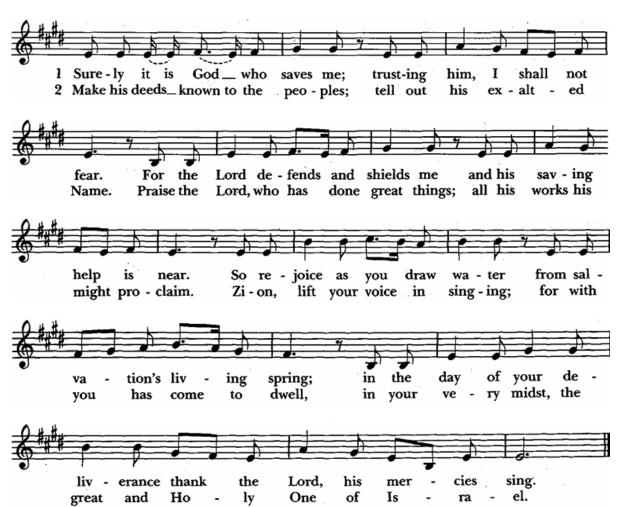
come, let us walk

in the light of the Lord!

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

# 9 The First Song of Isaiah Ecce, Deus



Words: Carl P. Daw, Jr. (b. 1944); para. of The First Song of Isaiah Music: Thomas Merton, Ray W. Urwin (b. 1950)

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# Second Reading

Reader: A Reading from the letter to the Romans:

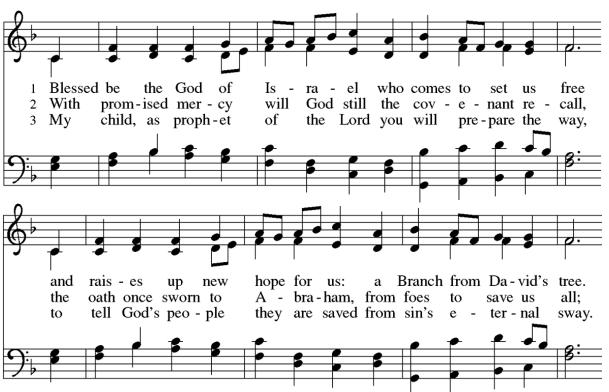
(Romans 13:11-14)

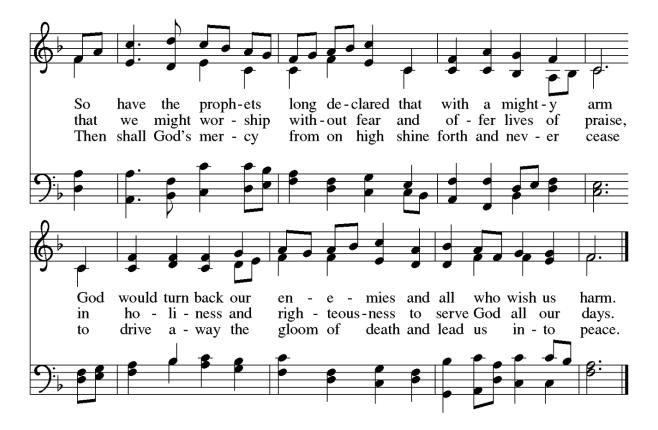
You know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Canticle All Stand

# 16 The Song of Zechariah Benedictus Dominus Deus





Text: Carl P. Daw Jr., b. 1944

Music: FOREST GREEN, English folk tune; arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872-1958
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### **Third Reading**

Reader: A reading from the Gospel of Matthew:

(Matthew 24:36-44)

Jesus said to the disciples, "But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and

would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

The Word of the Lord. Reader: People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon The Rev. Dcn. Bob Bagley

### The Apostles' Creed

Officiant and People together, all standing

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### The Prayers

The People stand or kneel

Officiant The Lord be with you. People And with thy spirit.

Officiant Let us pray.

# Officiant and People

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

#### Then follows this set of Suffrages

- V. O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;
- R. And grant us thy salvation.
- V. Endue thy ministers with righteousness;
- R. And make thy chosen people joyful.
- V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
- R. For only in thee can we live in safety.
- V. Lord, keep this nation under thy care;
- R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.
- V. Let thy way be known upon earth;
- R. Thy saving health among all nations.
- V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
- R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.
- V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;
- R. And sustain us with thy Holy Spirit.

### The Collect of the Day

Almighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

# A Collect for Sundays

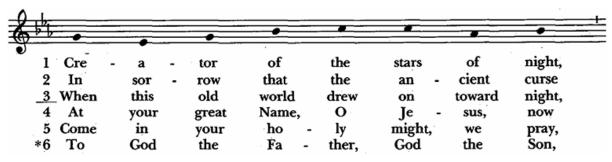
O God, who makest us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of thy Son our Lord: Grant us this day such blessing through our worship of thee, that the days to come may be spent in thy favor; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

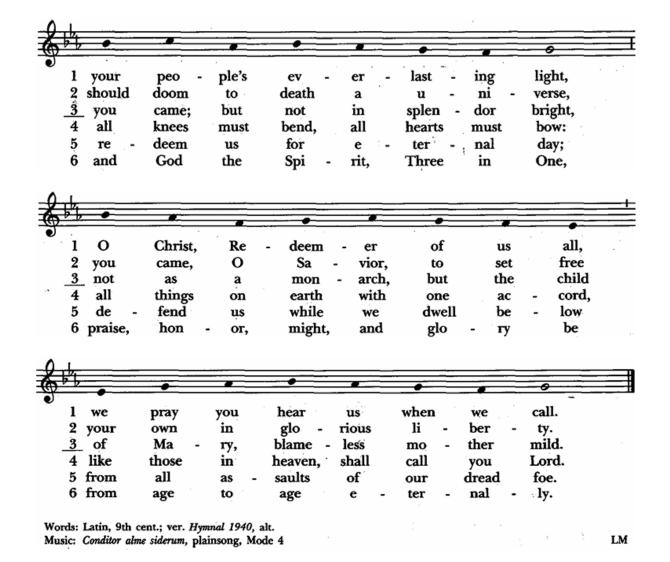
#### Prayer for Mission (Together)

O God, who hast made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and didst send thy blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after thee and find thee; bring the nations into thy fold; pour out thy Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of thy kingdom; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Office Hymn

An offering will be taken up during the hymn.





### Prayers of the People

The person appointed says

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world, praying "Come, O Lord, and save us".

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may

agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love. We pray unto thee:

#### Come, O Lord, and save us.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers, especially Sean our Presiding Bishop, and Matthew our own Bishop, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments. We pray unto thee:

#### Come, O Lord, and save us.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present, and to the staff, volunteers and guests of the Hospitality Center, Racine Vocational Ministries, and the Brown Bag Lunch; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life. We pray unto thee:

#### Come, O Lord, and save us.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, especially Donald the President of the United States, Tony the Governor of Wisconsin, and Cory the Mayor of Racine, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

We pray unto thee:

### Come, O Lord, and save us.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty. We pray unto thee:

# Come, O Lord, and save us.

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sickness, or any other adversity. We pray unto thee:																	
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We give thanks to thee for all the blessings of our lives, [especially: \_\_\_\_\_]. We pray unto thee:

### Come, O Lord, and save us.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear [especially \_\_\_\_\_], beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, blessed Luke, blessed James DeKoven, all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom. We pray unto thee:

Come, O Lord, and save us.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.** 

#### Announcements

# The General Thanksgiving

Officiant and People

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all men.

We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ, for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful; and that we show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord,

to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost,

be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

#### A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

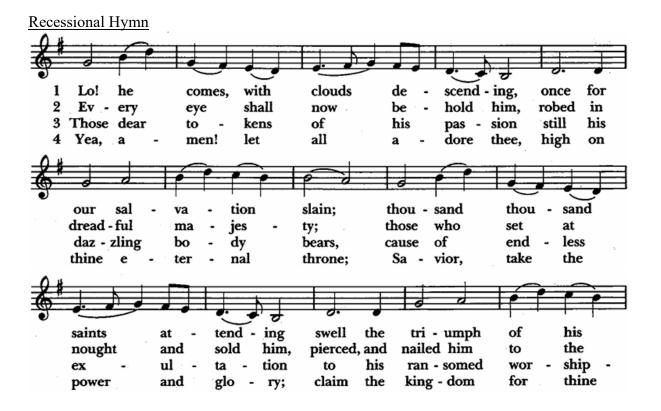
#### Officiant:

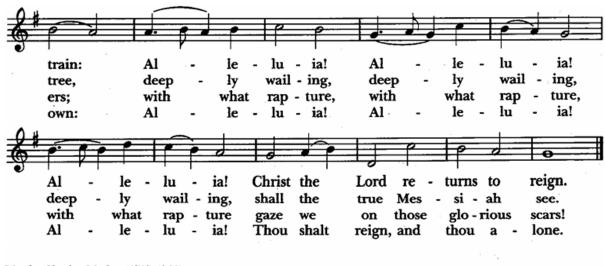
Almighty God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication unto thee, and hast promised through thy well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name thou wilt be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. **Amen.** 

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** *Romans* 15:13





Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

Music: Helmsley, melody Augustine Arne (1710-1778)

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Postlude

"Wachet auf"

Johann Gottfried Walther

We welcome you in the name of the Risen Lord. Please join us for fellowship in Simpson Hall immediately following the service – coffee, juice and snacks are available.

#### TODAY'S MINISTERS

ACOLYTE/S: Zar Telfeyan

ALTAR GUILD: Debbie Bruno

FIRST READER: Cindy Ganzel

**SECOND READER:** Marshall Cushman

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: Becky Turk

PARISH PERSON OF THE DAY: Judy Panyk

**USHERS:** Gregory Rawlinko, David Groth

**CANTOR**: Jim Cook

**SUNDAY SCHOOL VOLUNTEER:** Geoff Greeley

**COFFEE HOUR:** All Parishioners

**NEXT WEEK COFFEE HOUR:** Birthday Sunday

#### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

For our Parish

#### For those who are Sick or in Need or Homebound

Bethany, Laandan, Tony, Ron, Gerald, Jean, Olivia, Katie, Sally, Heather, Leah, George, Gregory, Andrea, DaMary, Elaine, Monte, John **Homebound**: Barbara, Jeanne, Bill

#### For the Episcopal Ministries in Racine:

Congregations of St. Luke's and St. Michael's
Brown Bag Ministry
Diocese of Wisconsin Hospitality Center
Racine Vocational Ministry
The DeKoven Center

#### For the Church: In the World

The Anglican Church of Australia
St. Marc's Church & school in Jeanette, Haiti
Cadnet Ednerson and Charline Irossaint

# For Those Who Have Departed

Stan Timm, Janel, Chris

#### **Special Offerings**

Cash or checks in the offering that are not designated for regular needs will be given to the following **Brown Bag Ministry.** Thank you for your generous support of this ministry.

Altar flowers are given by David Groth to the glory of God and in honor of his friend, Tom

#### **Christmas Flowers and Music**

The gorgeous poinsettias on the altar at Christmas are only possible through the generosity of parishioners and parish groups. If you would like to make a donation in memory of or in thanksgiving for loved ones, please make out a check to St. Luke's and put "Christmas Flowers" on memo line. Envelopes are available, or you can mail your donation to the parish office. Please be sure to include the names of person(s) and/or the reason (thanksgiving or memorial) the flowers are being given. Donations towards the music program and Christmas singers are also welcome. Please indicate if the donation is for Christmas flowers, Christmas music, or to split between both. Thank you!

## **Salvation Army Angel Tags**

The people of St. Luke's have participated in the Salvation Army Angel Tree program for close to 40 years. Local families are referred to the Salvation Army for help providing Christmas gifts. Angel tags will be available in the Parish Hall following worship for the next several weeks and include age, gender, and desired Christmas gift.

- You can help by taking an Angel tag, purchasing a gift, and returning it to St. Luke's by Sunday, December 14, 2025.
- Suggested amount to spend is \$25. <u>Please return all gifts unwrapped!</u>
- If you would like to participate but are unable to shop, please contact Cindy Ganzel and she will gladly shop on your behalf

The gifts will be taken to the Salvation Army in Racine by the deadline for pickup by the Angel families. Thank you for helping to brighten the life of a Racine child this Christmas!

# **Estimate of Giving**

If you have not filled out an Estimate of Giving pledge sheet for 2026, and would still like to, they will be available on the clip board by the door to Simpson Hall for the remainder of the year. They can be dropped in the offertory plate. You can also fill one out anytime online by scanning this code:

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