

Sending Hymn: Silent Night, Holy Night! (LBW #65 all vss.)

Dismissal: Glory to God in the highest! **And peace to God's people on earth!**
Go in joy. Embody God's redeeming grace. **Thanks be to God.**

Mark your calendars:

- December 24th: Christmas Eve Service 4pm at Nora
- December 28th: 9:30am at Kirkebo

Perley Parish
Christmas Eve
December 24, 2025

Prelude and Bell

Gathering Hymn: Oh, Come, All Ye Faithful (LBW #45 all vss.)

Welcome and Announcements:

- 9:30 service at Kirkebo December 28th

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, Wonderful Counselor, Mighty Savior, Prince of Peace. **Amen.**

Trusting in God's steadfast love and faithfulness, let us confess our sin. Reconciling God, **we yearn for your presence to transform our grief, pain, and despair. We confess that we have not always prepared room in our hearts for your love; we have not always recognized your presence among us; we have not always embraced your message of peace. We cry out, weary with the burden of violence, oppression, and fear. We confess our failure to make room for those seeking refuge; our participation in violent systems that harm your innocent ones; our reluctance to embody your good news. Be born in us today and teach us to sing the joyful song of your salvation. Amen**

God's grace upon grace flows over you. Christ's presence redeems the whole creation. Your sins are forgiven. Let the earth rejoice and be glad! **Amen**

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, you made this holy night shine with the brightness of the true Light. Grant that here on earth we may walk in the light of Jesus' presence and in the last day wake to the brightness of his glory; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**

Psalm 96 (read responsively)

O sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth. **Sing to the Lord, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day.** Declare his glory among

the nations, his marvellous works among all the peoples. **For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised; he is to be revered above all gods.** For all the gods of the peoples are idols, but the Lord made the heavens. **Honour and majesty are before him; strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.** Ascribe to the Lord, O families of the peoples, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength. **Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; bring an offering, and come into his courts.** Worship the Lord in holy splendour; tremble before him, all the earth. **Say among the nations, ‘The Lord is king! The world is firmly established; it shall never be moved.** He will judge the peoples with equity.’ Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; let the sea roar, and all that fills it; **let the field exult, and everything in it. Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy** before the Lord; for he is coming, for he is coming to judge the earth. He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with his truth.

First Reading: Isaiah 9:2-7

Second Reading: Titus 2:11-14

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

The Holy Gospel according to Luke 2:1-20: Glory to you O Lord

The Gospel of our Lord, **Praise to you, O Christ**

Message

Hymn of the Day/Offering: It Came upon the Midnight Clear (LBW #54 vss.)

Offering Response: *We give thee but thine own, whatever that gift may be. All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O, Lord, from thee.*

Apostle’s Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy catholic Church, the communion of the saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen

Prayers of the people Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Empowered by the news of Christ’s birth, let us pray boldly for the church, creation, and all who are in need. **Amen.**

Lord’s Prayer

As brothers and sisters in Christ, let us pray together the prayer that Jesus taught us.

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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen

Meal

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all. Amen

Words of Institution

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory. **Pour out your Holy Spirit, that by this Holy Communion we may know the unity we share with all your people in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.** Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, **all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.**

Come to the table of grace. Receive the gift of new life.

Prayer after Communion:

Incarnate God, you are among us at this table. May we treasure this gift and ponder in our hearts the mystery of your presence. Move us to discover the wonders of your love in the everyday moments of our lives, through Christ born in us. **Amen.**

Bell

Blessing: The triune God, glorious Mystery, holy Incarnate One, abiding Comforter, bless you with endless grace, peace, and joy. **Amen.**