

Fourth Sunday of Advent DECEMBER 17-18, 2022

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Saturday Spoken Vespers - 5pm

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Thanksgiving for Light
Prayer of the Day
Lighting of the Advent Wreath
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Creed, Prayers and Peace
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Communion
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Blessing & Sending

Rev. Erik Young

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Sunday Contemporary - 5pm

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Song of the Day
Creed, Prayers & Peace
The Words of Communion
Lord's Prayer & Distribution
Song of Praise
Blessing & Sending
Closing Song & Dismissal



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YOU BELONG HERE

We welcome you to our congregation this weekend! We are glad to have you with us. We celebrate Holy Communion at every service. If you are a baptized Christian, please join us at the Lord's Supper. We ask that you come down the center aisle as directed and receive your wafer and wine as you walk back to your seat.

If you are new to us, everything you need for worship is projected on the screen and in this bulletin. Please feel free to use the red hymnal found in your pew, if you are more comfortable. The pages and hymn numbers are to the left of this bulletin.

Please join us for coffee after worship in the lobby.

Should you need a bathroom, they are through the glass doors in the back of the nave (sanctuary) and down the hallway on your left. A family/handicap accessible restroom with baby changing station is available in the front lobby (Peach Street entrance).

TODAY'S THEME

A note of joyful expectation marks today's worship. Isaiah announces that the desert shall rejoice and blossom, and Jesus points to the unexpected and transforming signs of God's reign. We wait with patience for the coming of the Lord, even as we rejoice at his presence among us this day: in word and holy supper, in church and in our homes, in silent reflection and in works of justice and love. We pray that God would open our eyes and ears to the wonders of Christ's advent among us.

Today's Bible Readings

Isaiah 7:10-16	Pew Bible p. 554
Romans 1:1-7	Pew Bible p. 913
Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19	Pew Bible p. 470
Matthew 1:18-25	Pew Bible p. 783

Today's Message "St. Joseph" by Rev. Erik Young

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. With your abundant grace and might, free us from the sin that hinders our faith, that eagerly we may receive your promises, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

PSALM RESPONSE:



Psalm 80:7

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OUR PRAYER LISTS:

Members: Gayle Matthis, Joan Wheeler, Laurie Sanders, David Roberts, Lynne Schrimper, Robert Schlaufman, Kellie Montifiori, Sharon Hetrick, Judy Crissman, Amy Nupp, and Sandy Alwens.

Cancer treatments: Denny Sanders, Ellen Stevens

Friends of the congregation: Jeff LaLonde, Ryan Meyers, Sami D, Jamey Price, Ken Marshall, Amanda VanLoon, Richard D., Ernie Winter, Jarod Stolz, Fran Moriarty, Keri Schmidt, Brian Boam, Kay Knobloch, Audrey Hetrick, Astro Rys, the family of Bill Angelo, and Sue Polchlopek.

Cancer Friends: Bishop Lozano, Pastor Ken Larson, Lee S, Janie G, Karen B, Norm S, Tony Paggio, Vicki Hanson, Edward Scarpitti, Beaty Emch, Ruth Stiles, Admiral Brent Scott, Katrina, Arlene Rick, Glicerica Conuel, Becky and Nicole C.

WORSHIP WITH US (On YouTube)!

You are invited to worship with us in person or online (go to www.StJohnsErie.org and click on the “Worship With Us” tab), or join us via YouTube at www.YouTube.com/StJohnsErie. You can also find our channel by searching “StJohnsErie” on YouTube. Join us for our regular weekend worships: **5:00 PM Saturday Vesper Worship + 10:00 AM Sunday Morning Liturgical Worship + 5:00 PM Contemporary Worship**

We would like to thank Nolan Durst and St. John’s Bell Choir for their gift of music today.

+ ST JOHN’S VISION STATEMENT +

Loved by God, alive in Christ Jesus, and guided by the Holy Spirit, St. John’s unconditionally serves God’s people and shares Christian love.