

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH OF  
GAINESVILLE FLORIDA  
1801 NW 5<sup>TH</sup> Avenue

Fourth Sunday of Advent  
December 19, 2021  
Pastor Ron Biehl



The Annunciation by Carl Bloch circa 1865

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**THE PRELUDE Partita on “Num Komn, Der Heiden Heiland”**

**1. Choral, 2. Fanfare, 3. Bicinium, 4. Omamentation, 5. Trio, 6. Fugue**

**By Jacob B. Weber**

*(Please stand.)*

**THE WELCOME AND SHARING OF THE PEACE**

**THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE**

P: Jesus Christ is the Light of the world,

**C: the light no darkness can overcome.**

P: Let Your light scatter the darkness

**C: and illumine Your Church.**

P: Let us pray.

O Lord, let the lighting of these candles signify that You are the light that shines in all the darkness of our lives. As we wait, watch, hope, and pray, guide us all to reflect Your light and let it shine; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

**We Light the Advent Candle**

**Verse 1**

We light the Advent candle  
And wait for Christ to come.  
With hope, we trust the promise  
That He will bring us home.  
Our hope is in our Savior  
Who wins for us God’s favor.  
We wait with growing light  
Till God makes all things right!

**Verse 3**

We light the Advent candle  
And sing with cheerful heart.  
With joy, we spread the message—  
A blessing to impart.  
Our joy is never ending;  
The Son to us is sending.  
We wait with growing light  
Till God makes all things right!

**Verse 2**

We light the Advent candle  
And thank the Lord for rest.  
With peace, we know our Jesus  
Has come to be our guest.  
This peace beyond all knowing  
Within our hearts is glowing.  
We wait with growing light  
Till God makes all things right!

**Verse 4**

We light the Advent candle  
And share the wondrous Word.  
With love, we tell of Jesus  
Till all around have heard.  
God’s love is for each nation  
Throughout His whole creation.  
We wait with growing light  
Till God makes all things right!

**THE INVOCATION**

*LSB 184*

*(Please continue standing or kneel.)*

**THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

*LSB 184*

<b>THE GLORIA PATRI</b>		<i>LSB 186</i>
<b>THE KYRIE</b>		<i>LSB 186</i>
<i>(Please stand.)</i>		
<b>THE SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY</b>		<i>LSB 189</i>
<i>(Please be seated.)</i>		
<b>THE FIRST READING</b>	<i>Micah 5:2–5a - ESV Bible Page 778 - Large Page 926</i>	
<b>THE EPISTLE READING</b>	<i>Hebrews 10:5–10 - ESV Bible Page 1006 – Large Page 1194</i>	
<b>ALLELUIA VERSE</b>		<i>LSB 190</i>
<b>THE HOLY GOSPEL</b>	<i>Luke 1:39-56- ESV Bible Page 856 - Large Page 1017</i>	
<b>THE NICENE CREED</b>		<i>LSB 192</i>
<i>(Please be seated.)</i>		
<b>THE CHILDREN’S MESSAGE</b>		<b>Stephanie Karolus</b>
<b>A HYMN</b>	<b>O Come, O Come, Emmanuel</b>	<i>LSB 357</i>
<b>THE SERMON “3 Words to Take With You”</b>	<b>Isaiah 7:14</b>	<b>Pastor Ron Biel</b>
<i>(Please stand.)</i>		
<b>THE HYMN OF PRAISE</b>	<b>Savior of the Nations, Come</b>	<i>LSB 332</i>
<b>THE ANNOUNCEMENTS</b>	- Prayer Requests may be texted to <b>352-448-7240</b>	
<i>(Please stand.)</i>		
<b>THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH</b>		
<b>THE LORD’S PRAYER</b>		<i>LSB 179</i>
<b>BENEDICTION FOR FOLKS AT HOME</b>		<i>LSB 202</i>
<i>(Please be seated.)</i>		
<b>THE OFFERING</b>		
<b>THE VOLUNTARY</b>	<b>Nun Komn, Der Heiden Heiland, BWV 599 – By J.S. Bach</b>	
<i>(Please stand.)</i>		
<b>THE OFFERTORY</b>		<i>LSB 192</i>
<b>THE OFFERTORY PRAYER</b>		
<b>THE PREFACE AND PROPER PREFACE</b>		<i>LSB 194</i>
<b>THE SANCTUS</b>		<i>LSB 195</i>
<b>THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION</b>		
<b>THE PAX DOMINI</b>		<i>LSB 197</i>

**THE AGNUS DEI**

*LSB 198*

*(Please be seated.)*

**THE DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION**

**THE COMMUNION MUSIC**

**LSB 354** Arise, O Christian People

**LSB 340** Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates

**LSB 338** Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

*(Please stand.)*

**THE NUNC DIMITTIS**

*LSB 199*

**THE POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE AND COLLECT**

*LSB 200*

**THE SALUTATION AND BENEDICAMUS**

*LSB 201*

**THE BENEDICTION**

*LSB 202*

**THE POSTLUDE**

**Bereden vag for Herran (Prepare the Royal Highway) – By Paul Manz**



# Information

**Wednesday 12/22/2021**

**Bell Choir Rehearsal** at 5:30pm

**Adult Choir Rehearsal** at 5:30pm

**Friday 12/24/2021**

**Christmas Eve Services are December 24<sup>th</sup> at  
5:00pm no Holy Communion  
and 7:00pm with Holy Communion**

**SUNDAY 12/26/2021**

**Coffee & Donuts** before and after Worship  
**Worship with Holy Communion** at 10:00am  
**College Lunch** On Break

**Card Ministry** – 1/3 at 1:00pm in FLC Library  
**Miriam Circle** – 1/11 at 10:00am in FLC Library

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## **Readings – Dec 26<sup>th</sup>**

First Reading – *Exodus 13:1-3a, 11-15*

Epistle Reading – *Colossians 3:12-17*

Gospel Reading – *Luke 2:22-40*

## **Birthdays this week**

Harriet Gregalot – 12/21

Jean Halabrin – 12/22

Jenny Luna-Victoria – 12/22

Michelle Langkop – 12/26

**Flowers provided today by Shirley Bagnall  
in the glory of God and in memory of her  
husband Larry, whose birthday is today**

## **Anniversary this week**

David & Sandy Smith 12/20

**Prayer Request Sheet available in the  
Narthex or contact the office.**

## **Serving Today**

### **Altar Guild**

Mary Brabham  
Leeann Lee

### **College Lunch**

On Break

### **Lector**

Marge Polkowski

### **Production Team**

Jim Gorske  
Stephen Lane  
Jared Partridge

### **Card Ministry**

Marge Polkowski

### **Communion Assist**

Roberta Partridge

### **Music**

Hye Jin Park,  
Pianist/Organist

### **Ushers**

Brandi Dotson  
John Dudeck  
Tom Kucharek  
Jorge Rojas

## First Lutheran Church Staff

**Pastor John Glover**  
Senior Pastor

**Hye Jin Park**  
Director of Music

**Leeann Lee**  
Church Administrator

**Stephanie Karolus**  
Director of Christian Education

**Angie Burr**  
Director of Open Arms Child Development

### INFORMATION FOR VISITORS

**Please stop and speak with Pastor John or DCE Stephanie**

\*The bold portions are the parts the congregation say together.

\*The Holy Gospel are the Words of Jesus and spoken by the Pastor

\*Creeds are our statements of faith.

\*Sanctus recalls the words of the prophet Isaiah.

\*Prayers of the Church are prayers for others throughout the world, family, and friends.

\*Confession and Absolution we confess our sins to God and Pastor grants us forgiveness

\*Holy Communion is celebrated every Sunday

Baptized Christians who:

-come confessing their sins to God

-desire to live a new life in Christ

-believe in Jesus Christ as the only Savior from sin

-recognize the true bodily presence of the Lord

Jesus in and with the bread and the wine.

Young people may come forward with their parents for a blessing.

Gluten free wafers and grape juice are available.

Available in the Narthex

Cry Room

Children's Bags

Bathrooms



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