

**May the God  
of hope fill  
you with all  
joy and peace  
as you trust  
in him, so  
that you may  
overflow with  
hope by the  
power of the  
Holy Spirit.**

**- Romans 15:13 -**



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**NAZARETH LUTHERAN CHURCH of SOUTH BRISBANE**  
**SERVICE WITH HOLY COMMUNION**

**2 Advent — 7<sup>th</sup> December, 2025**

**HYMNS: 305, 1, 12, 282, 18**

***“Be Alive in Christ and make Him known”***

*We do this by growing spiritually in God's Word, allowing God to use us to grow His Church, by being Christ focused, being community focused and being inclusive.*

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**Our Sunday Services are livestreamed to our YouTube Channel [@nazarethlutheran](#)**

**Welcome Visitors! Please join us for a cuppa and fellowship after service.**

 Welcome

P: The Root of Jesse will spring up, one who will arise to rule over the nations;

C: the Gentiles will hope in him.  
(Rom 15:12 NIV)

Invocation

♪P: In the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.

♪C: Amen.

 Lighting of the Advent Wreath (2<sup>nd</sup> Candle: Peace)

Hymn No: 2 O come, O come, Immanuel (*Verse 2 only*)

O come, Thou rod of Jesse, free  
Thine own from Satan's tyranny;  
From depths of hell Thy people save,  
And give them victory o'er the grave:

*Rejoice, rejoice! Immanuel  
Shall come to thee, O Israel.*

 Hymn No: 305 Today Thy mercy calls us

Confession of Sins and Absolution

P: Dear friends in Christ: let us draw near to God our Father with a true heart to confess our sins, and ask him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

♪P: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

♪C: He made heaven and earth.

♪P: I said, I will confess my sins to the Lord.

♪C: Then he forgave the guilt of my sin.

C: Almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor helpless sinner, confess to you all my sins, and repent of all the evil I have done. I have deeply displeased you and deserve your punishment in time and in eternity. But I am sorry for my sins, and I ask you, for the sake of the holy innocent sufferings and death of your dear Son Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me. Amen.

P: I ask each of you in the presence of God who searches the heart: Do you confess that you have sinned, and do you repent of your sins? **I do.**

P: Do you believe that Jesus Christ has redeemed you from all your sins, and do you desire forgiveness in his name? **I do.**

P: Do you intend with the help of the Holy Spirit to live as in God's presence, and to strive daily to lead a holy life, even as Christ has made you holy? **I do.**

P: Christ gave to his church the authority to forgive the sins of those who repent, and to declare to those who do not repent that their sins are not forgiven. Therefore, upon your confession, I, as a called and ordained servant of the word, announce the grace of God to all of you, and on behalf of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.

P: Peace be with you.

C: Amen.

### Psalm No: 72:1-7,18,19

P: Endow the king with your justice, O God, the royal son with your righteousness.

C: **May he judge your people in righteousness, your afflicted ones with justice.**

P: May the mountains bring prosperity to the people, the hills the fruit of righteousness.

C: **May he defend the afflicted among the people and save the children of the needy; may he crush the oppressor.**

P: May he endure as long as the sun, as long as the moon, through all generations.

C: May he be like rain falling on a mown field, like showers watering the earth.

P: In his days may the righteous flourish and prosperity abound till the moon is no more.

C: Praise be to the Lord God, the God of Israel, who alone does marvellous deeds.

P: Praise be to his glorious name forever; may the whole earth be filled with his glory.

C: Amen and Amen.

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

 Kyrie

♫ALL: Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, Lord, have mercy.

### Doxology

♫P: Glory to God in the highest

♫C: and on earth peace, among those with whom he is pleased. We praise you, we bless you, we worship you, we glorify you, we give thanks to you for your great glory. O Lord God, heavenly king, God, the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only begotten Son, Jesus Christ, O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father: You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. You take away the sin of the world; receive our prayer. You are seated at the right hand of God the Father; have mercy on us. For you alone are holy, you alone are Lord, you alone, O Christ, with the Holy Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.


♫P: The Lord be with you.

♫C: And also with you.

### Prayer of the Day – (Collect)

P: Let us pray that we are ready for Christ's coming.

C: Merciful God, you sent your messengers to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation. Turn us away from our sins, so that we greet our coming redeemer, Jesus Christ, with joy. For he lives with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.



 **First Reading:** Isaiah 11:1-10 The Longed-For Messiah

*After the reading:* This is the Word of the Lord

*Please respond:* Thanks be to God.

**Second Reading:** Romans 15:4-13 Good News for the Gentiles

*After the reading:* This is the word of the Lord.

  Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

**Gospel Reading:** Matthew 3:1-12 The Kingdom of Heaven is at Hand!

*Before the reading*  **C** Glory be to you, O Lord.

*After the reading*  **C** Praise be to you, O Christ.

**C:** Lord Jesus, thank you for coming and bringing the kingdom of Heaven. Lead us to repent, and fill us with your Spirit. Amen.

### The Nicene Creed

**All:** I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary, and was made man, and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of the Father. He will come again with glory to judge the living and the dead; whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who together with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church; I acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.



♫C: Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts;  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

### The Lord's Prayer

All: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name; your kingdom come;  
your will be done on earth, as it is in heaven; give us this day our  
daily bread; and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin  
against us; and lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory, are yours, now and  
forever. Amen.

### ♫The Words of Institution

#### The Peace

♫P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

♫C: Amen.

#### Lamb of God

♫C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have  
mercy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the  
world; have mercy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the  
sin of the world; grant us your peace. Amen.



#### The Distribution

*Gluten Free wafers and non-alcoholic wine are available upon request.*

#### Dismissal

P: The body of our Lord Jesus Christ and his precious blood strengthen  
and preserve you in body and soul to life eternal. Go in peace † and  
with joy.

C: Amen.



## The Song of Simeon

♫C: Lord, now let your servant depart in peace according to your word. For my eyes have seen your salvation which you have prepared in the presence of all people; A light to reveal you to the nations and the glory of your people Israel. Glory to the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, As it was in the beginning is now and will be for evermore. Amen.

♫P: The Lord be with you.

♫C: And also with you.

♫P: O give thanks to the Lord for he is good! Hallelujah!

♫C: For his love endures for ever! Hallelujah!

## Prayer after Communion

♫P: Let us pray. We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through this healing gift; and we pray that through it you would graciously strengthen us in faith toward you and in love toward one another; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever

♫C: Amen.

♫P: Let us bless the Lord.

♫C: God be praised for evermore.

## The Blessing

♫P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favour † and give you peace.

♫C: Amen. Amen. Amen.



♫ Hymn No: 18 Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates