## THE LUTHERAN CHURCH – MISSOURI SYNOD IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH – HAY CREEK 24686 OLD CHURCH ROAD, RED WING, MN 55066

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The Second Sunday in Advent

Diving Service: Setting One

**December 8, 2019** 

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**VISITORS – WE WELCOME YOU** to this house of prayer this morning. May you feel at home among friends as we worship together. We invite you to sign your name in the guest book in the back of the church and hope you will return again soon.

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Prayer of the Church
P: Lord, in Your mercy,
C: hear our prayer.

Closing Hymn: #343, "Prepare the Royal Highway"

Chimes/Silent Prayer Announcements Meal Prayer Postlude

## **POTLUCK TODAY**

Everyone is welcome to attend the potluck after church this morning! Stay for some food and fellowship. We will share a meal and sing some Christmas carols afterwards. Following the conclusion of the sing-along, the mentors and mentees will do games and have a gift exchange.

## **LIFE QUOTE**

**December 8** "The beginning of the Christmas Gospel reminds us of Mary's condition. She is pregnant, with child ... The growth and development of a baby in the womb from just two tiny cells is a miracle ... After five weeks, the embryo is the size of a grain of rice. It has a brain and spinal cord. After six weeks, the heart is beating and you can see the eyes, ears, and head. After seven weeks, the arms, legs, and nose are visible. After eight weeks, the baby is only two centimeters long, but you can still see its fingers and toes. The perfect alignment and connection of every cell is a wondrous miracle. In the growth and development of every baby, we are participants in God's gracious miracle of creation and new life." Bishop John F. Bradosky, North American Lutheran Church – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org