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**The Third Sunday in Advent**

**December 13, 2015**

**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.

**The Service of Holy Baptism for Kaden William Dicke**

Prelude  
Welcome  
Ringing of the Bell

Opening Hymn: #335, "O Bride of Christ, Rejoice"

Introit of the Day, prayed responsively .....worship insert

Collect of the Day, spoken by Pastor

**Baptismal Liturgy**

Invocation  
Address  
Exorcism  
Sign of the Cross  
Prayer  
Holy Gospel: Mark 10:13-16  
Lord's Prayer ..... back cover of the hymnal  
Blessing  
Pledge of the Sponsors: Alan Dicke, Bradley Huneke  
Blessing  
Confession of the Apostles' Creed ..... back cover of the hymnal  
Baptism of Kaden William Dicke  
Blessing  
Placing of the White Garment

Lighting of the Baptismal Candle  
Prayer  
Peace

Baptismal Hymn: #591, "This Is the Spirit's Entry Now"

Old Testament Reading .....Zephaniah 3:14-20

Response

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

Choral Offering: "Out of the Wintry Gloom" Carpenter/Shepherd

Epistle ..... Philippians 4:4-7

Response

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia #952

Holy Gospel ..... Luke 7:18-28

Responses

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 7th chapter.

**C: Glory to You, O Lord.**

*(The Gospel is read.)*

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to You, O Christ!**

Hymn of the Day: "Rejoice the Lord is King!"

Text: Charles Wesley Tune: Darwall's 148th

1)

Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King adore;

Rejoice, give thanks, and sing, And triumph evermore:

Lift up your heart,

Lift up your voice; Rejoice; again I say, Rejoice!

2)

Our Savior Jesus reigns, The God of truth and love;

When He had purged our stains, He took His seat above:

Lift up your heart,

Lift up your voice; Rejoice; again I say, Rejoice!

3)  
His kingdom cannot fail; He rules o'er earth and heaven;  
The keys of death and hell Are to our Jesus given:  
Lift up your heart,  
Lift up your voice; Rejoice; again I say, Rejoice!

4)  
He sits at God's right hand Till all His foes submit  
And bow to His command And fall beneath His feet:  
Lift up your heart,  
Lift up your voice; Rejoice; again I say, Rejoice!

Sermon: "Rejoice in the Lord Always!"  
Offering

Prayer of the Church  
P: Let us pray to the Lord.  
**C: Lord, have mercy.**

Blessing  
P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the  
communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**C: Amen.**

Closing Hymn: #515, "Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers"

Chimes and Silent Prayer  
Announcements  
Postlude

### CHRISTMAS POTLUCK - TODAY

A Christmas potluck sponsored by the Ladies Aid will be held directly following the worship service this morning. Everyone is invited to attend!

### MILITARY DOOR OFFERING

This morning we will receive a collection in thanksgiving for the men and women of our congregation who serve faithfully in the armed forces of our nation. The amount collected will be divided evenly between these brothers and sisters for a Christmas gift from their home congregation. Please use the basket at the back of the sanctuary if you would like to provide a donation.

### GOODHUE COUNTY CHRISTMAS PROJECT DONATIONS DUE TODAY

All items for the Christmas project are due today. Please place all gifts under the Christmas tree in the social room. If you have forgotten your item, please speak with Bobbi Langhans as soon as possible to arrange for the delivery of your gift. Thanks so much to everyone who participated this year!

### CONFIRMATION MENTORSHIP EVENT

The confirmation mentorship event for all 8th grade students will begin following the service this morning. We will stay for the Christmas potluck and then enjoy an afternoon of caroling and refreshments. If you have questions, please speak with Bonnie Kassen.

### LIFE QUOTE

**December 13** "He whom nothing can contain has been contained in a womb. He is in the Father's bosom and His Mother's embrace. How can this be, but as He knows and willed and was well pleased. Fleshless as He was, He willingly took flesh. And He Who Is became what He was not, for us. And while departing not from His own nature, He shared in our nature's substance. So Christ was born with dual natures, wishing to replenish the world on high. Christ is born! Glorify Him!" *Father Barnabas Powell, Cumming, Georgia – A "Life Quote" from Lutherans For Life •*  
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