

WELCOME TO ELK LAKE BAPTIST CHURCH

December 20, 2009

“LOVE”

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Entering Into God's Presence

Advent Reading - Luke 1:39-56

Lighting the Advent Candles

Advent Hymn #249 - **“O Come, All Ye Faithful”**

Advent Prayer (see back page)

Worshipping God

Song - **“You Are Worthy of My Praise”**

Song - **“I Will Call Upon the Lord”**

Pastoral Prayer

Hymn #243 - **“Emmanuel”**

Prayer and Song for Children and Leaders

Children leave

The following programs are offered:

- Nursery care for children ages 0-3

- TweenTeam for ages 10 and up

Listening to God

Scripture Reading - Luke 2:1-20

{**Red Bible** - pg.992; **Burgundy Bible** - pg. 1242}

Leader: “This is the word of the Lord”

People: “Thanks be to God”

Taize Song - **“In The Lord”**

Sermon - Daniel McDougall - **“Joy”**

Communion With God

Communion Hymn #292 - **“Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne”**

Communion

Closing Hymn #281 - **“What Child is This?”**

We are Sent Into The World

Benediction

Dispersal - “Go in Peace”

Postlude

TO OUR GUESTS

We welcome those who are visiting with us this morning as we celebrate the Lord's presence. Please sign the guest book in the foyer and join us after the service for coffee and conversation in our Fellowship Hall.

OUR MISSION

Our mission is to be an outreaching Christian community that is learning to follow the teaching of Jesus and growing together in passionate, worshipful love for God. Prayerfully listening to God, and energized by the Holy Spirit, we will serve Him where He leads us, locally and globally, bearing witness to the gospel in word and deed, with the abundant resources and gifts God has granted us.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

~ **We welcome back Daniel McDougall** for part three of his Advent sermon series. Ryan Johnston will preach on December 27th, the final Sunday before Les Biggs returns. If you need to reach Ryan before the end of the month, you can leave a message on his cell during mid-week - (250) 884-7583.

~ **Next Sunday will mark the end of the Christmas season.** We will be celebrating this occasion by filling the service with classic Christmas Hymns. In addition, Dale Armstrong will be sharing part of his testimony as to how God is working in his life. Please join us for this celebration of Jesus' birth.

~ **The Baptist Women Christmas Jam, Jelly and Pie Sale** was a **great success** again this year. By extending the sale for another week we have brought our **total amount raised to \$566.75!** The Baptist Women thank each and every one who helped with the sale and who generously purchased items from us to give us this grand total. The money will be put to good use, of this you can be sure! Many thanks!

~ **The custodial position has been filled by Rick and Lynn Rancourt, effective immediately!** We thank Donna Armstrong for her faithful, good work every week and wish her well in her new endeavours. We welcome the Rancourts to this new position!

THIS WEEK AT ELK LAKE BAPTIST

Friday

Christmas Day

PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY

~ Brandon Wagemaker and Wendy

~ Bonnie Jarvis and Anne

~ Norman Ryder (son of Glenn & Velma) - serious surgery

~ Those who are shut in and lonely at Christmas

YOU ARE WORTHY OF MY PRAISE

1. I will worship (echo)
With all of my heart (echo)
I will praise You (echo)
With all of my strength (all my strength)
I will seek You (echo)
All of my days (echo)
I will follow (echo)
All of Your ways (all Your ways).

Chorus:

*I will give You all my worship,
I will give You all my praise.
You alone I long to worship,
You alone are worthy of my praise.*

2. I will bow down (echo)
Hail You as king (echo)
I will serve You (echo)
Give You everything (everything)
I will lift up (echo)
My eyes to Your throne (echo)
And I will trust You (echo)
I will trust You alone (You alone).

I WILL CALL UPON THE LORD

I will call upon the Lord
Who is worthy to be praised.
So shall I be saved from my enemies.
I will call upon the Lord.

The Lord liveth, and blessed be the Rock,
And let the God of my salvation be exalted.
The Lord liveth, and blessed be the Rock,
And let the God of my salvation be exalted.

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Advent Prayer

Lord, prepare us for your coming.

In our prayers today

We try to come to you,

Sure that you will come the rest of the way.

Lord, prepare us for your coming – in the church

Open our church to the free flow of the refreshing Spirit.

Give to this church a new vision of hope.

Lord in your mercy,

HEAR OUR PRAYER

Lord, prepare us for your coming – in the community

May love motivate our care for Victoria

May love heal the social ills which drag many of our neighbour
into despair

Lord in your mercy

HEAR OUR PRAYER

Lord prepare us for your coming – in those in need.

There are those we know who are ill now,

Struggling this morning to handle the pain

We pray that your presence be with them

Lord in your mercy,

HEAR OUR PRAYER

Advent Lord, come ever nearer.

Come to rejuvenate our faith.

Come to fortify our social conscience.

Come to open wider our eyes of wonder.

So that when the Savior comes,

He may steal into our heart – and find them ready.

Come, Lord Jesus

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