

Welcome to Edison Lutheran Church

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Lutheran Church

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Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 22, 2024

10:30 am

Welcome to worship!

Masks are welcome. If you are joining us from your car,
please tune your radio to 98.7 FM or join us for the
livestream via Facebook or our website, elcbow.org.

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Holy Communion

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Welcome to worship.

If you are a visitor with us, thank you for being here. We invite you to sign our attendance book and the guest book in the Narthex. **Children are welcome** in worship. *Children's bulletins* are available from the ushers. Also, Children's Activity Bags, located in the back of the sanctuary on the right side to use during the service.

We celebrate Holy Communion every Sunday and extend the invitation to all who are baptized to receive Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of sin.

◆ *indicates the congregation stands as able*

Prayer cards are available in the pews. If you have a prayer concern or a thanks that you would like included in the Prayers of the People, fill out the card and ushers will collect them from end of pews after Prayer of the Day.

Gathering

10:25 am Pre-Service Music for meditation and quiet gathering.

BELL TOLL

WELCOME AND GREETING

PRELUDE

"All Earth Is Hopeful"

(tune: Toda la tierra) - setting, Lynette L. Maynard
For the TEXT, see ELW 266.

◆ CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

AM Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,
who looks upon us in compassion,
forgives our sin,
and heals our lives.

C Amen.

AM Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

AM Have mercy, O God,

**C against you, you alone,
we have sinned.**

**In your compassion,
cleanse us from our sin
and take away our guilt.
Create in us a new heart
and give us a steadfast spirit.**

**Do not cast us away,
but fill us with your Holy Spirit
and restore your joy within us.
Amen.**

P As tender as parent to child,
so deep is God's compassion for you.
As high as heaven is above earth,
so vast is God's love for you.
As far as east is from west,
so far God removes your sin from you.
In the name of Jesus Christ and by his authority
I forgive you all your sins.

C Amen.

THE ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING

"Light the Advent Candle"

- arr. Ruth Elaine Schram

Verse 1: As we light the Advent candle
(Choir only) with the light of hope (peace, love, joy) burning bright,
faithfully we wait for His coming;
faithfully it shines through the night.
In our humble hearts a fire burns as well;
hear the prayer these flames would tell.

Verse 2: Choir and Congregation

As we light the Ad - vent can - dle with the light of love burn - ing
bright, faith - ful - ly we wait for His com - ing;
faith - ful - ly it shines through the night. In our hum - ble hearts a
fire - burns as well; hear the prayer these flames would - tell.

* peace, love, joy

(Interlude with optional narration)

Verse 3: Choir and Congregation

As we light the Ad - vent can - dle with the light of love burn - ing bright,
faith - ful - ly we wait for His com - ing; faith - ful - ly it shines through the night.
In our hum - ble hearts a fire - burns as well; hear the prayer these flames would -
tell. O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som cap - tive Is - ra - el.

* peace, love, joy

Postlude: Hear the humble prayer these flames would tell:
(Choir only) Come, O come, Emmanuel.

◆ GREETING

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

C **And also with you.**

◆ KYRIE

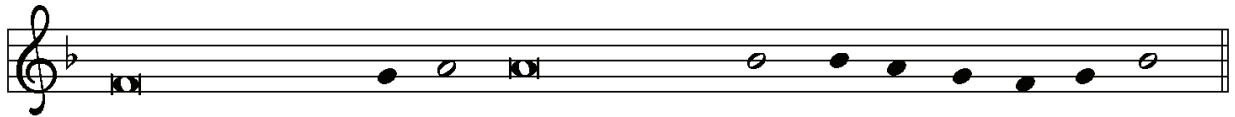
ELW Setting 6



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



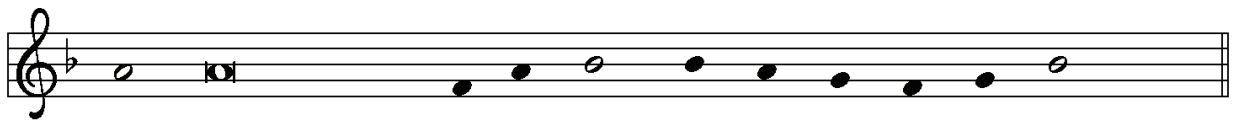
For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



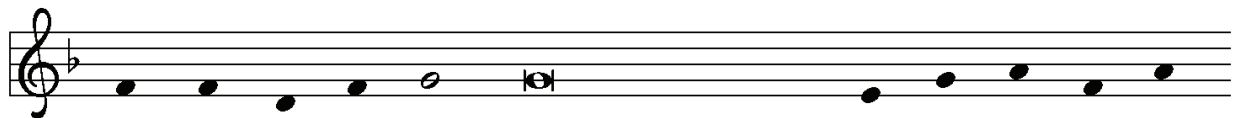
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of



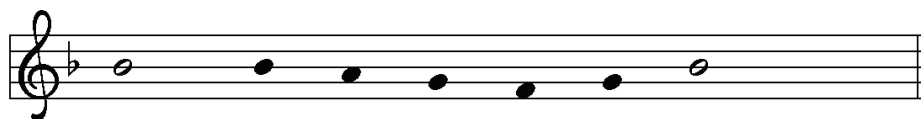
God, and for the uni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



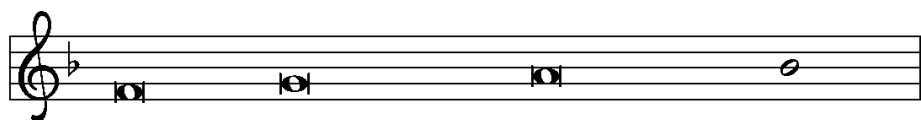
For this ho - ly house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and



praise, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gracious Lord.



A - men.

◆ HYMN OF PRAISE

ELW Setting 6



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.



Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and



hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and



join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:



Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to



God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

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3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -

gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

Final refrain

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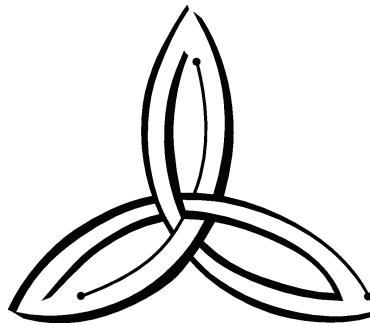


◆ PRAYER OF THE DAY

AM Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. With your abundant grace and might, free us from the sin that binds us, that we may receive you in joy and serve you always, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

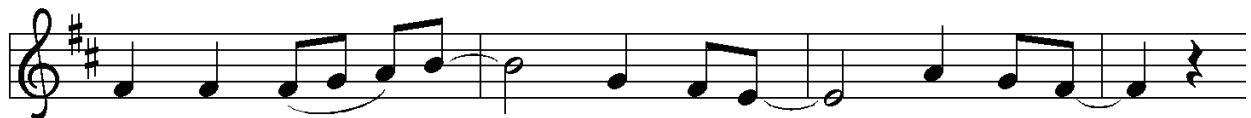
(Please pass prayer cards to the aisle.)



Word

◆ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ELW Setting 6



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

◆ HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 1:39-45

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the first chapter.

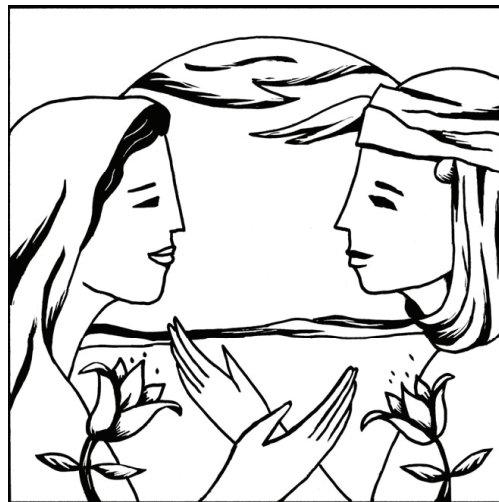
C Glory to you, O Lord.

Elizabeth, John's mother, and Mary, the mother of Jesus, are two women filled with the Holy Spirit and with faith. In Elizabeth's inspired greeting and Mary's song of praise we hear of a saving God who remembers, scatters, lifts up, and fulfills all things.

³⁹ In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, ⁴⁰ where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. ⁴¹ When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit ⁴² and exclaimed with a loud cry, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. ⁴³ And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? ⁴⁴ For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leaped for joy. ⁴⁵ And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her by the Lord."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

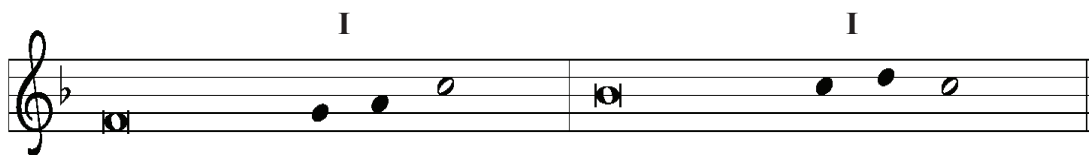
C Praise to you, O Christ.



PSALM

Luke 1:46b-55 (Mary's Song)

You, Lord, have lifted up the lowly. (Lk. 1:52)



^{46b} My soul proclaims the greatness [|] of the Lord,
⁴⁷ my spirit rejoices in [|] God my Savior,
⁴⁸ **for you, Lord, have looked with favor on your [|] lowly servant.**
From this day all generations will [|] call me blessed:
⁴⁹ you, the Almighty, have done great [|] things for me
and holy [|] is your name.
⁵⁰ **You have mercy on [|] those who fear you,**
from generation to [|] generation.
⁵¹ You have shown strength [|] with your arm
and scattered the proud in [|] their conceit,
⁵² **casting down the mighty [|] from their thrones**
and lifting [|] up the lowly.
⁵³ You have filled the hungry [|] with good things
and sent the rich [|] away empty.
⁵⁴ **You have come to the aid of your [|] servant Israel,**
to remember the prom- [|] ise of mercy,
⁵⁵ the promise made [|] to our forebears,
to Abraham and his chil- [|] dren forever.





◆ HYMN OF THE DAY "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" ELW 257

Verses 1,2,3, and 4



1 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som cap - tive
 2 O come, O Wis - dom from on high, em - brac - ing all things
 3 O come, O come, O Lord of might, as to your tribes on
 4 O come, O Branch of Jes - se, free your own from Sa - tan's



Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile here
 far and nigh: in strength and beau - ty come and stay;
 Si - nai's height in an - cient times you gave the law
 tyr - an - ny; from depths of hell your peo - ple save,



un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
 teach us your will and guide our way. Re-joyce! Re-joyce!
 in cloud, and maj - es - ty, and awe.
 and give them vic - t'ry o'er the grave.



Em - man - u - el shall come to you, O Is - ra - el.

Text: *Psalterium Cantionum Catholicarum*, Köln, 1710; tr. composite
 Music: VENI, EMMANUEL, French processional, 15th cent.
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◆ APOSTLES' CREED

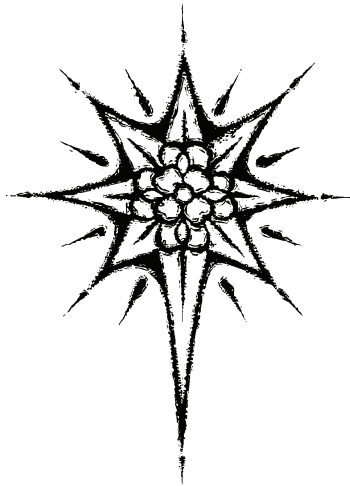
I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.*
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.

Amen.

*Or, "he descended into hell," another translation of this text in widespread use.



◆ PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

AM Lord, in your mercy, **C** receive our prayer.

Meal

◆ THE PEACE IS SHARED

AM The peace of the Lord be with you all. **C And also with you.**

*The peace is shared with one another with the words,
“The peace of the Lord,” or similar words.*

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OFFERTORY: “The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came”
(tune: Gabriel’s Message) - setting, Paul Manz

◆ OFFERTORY HYMN “As The Grains of Wheat” **ELW 465**

Refrain



As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were
gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from
all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.

◆ THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

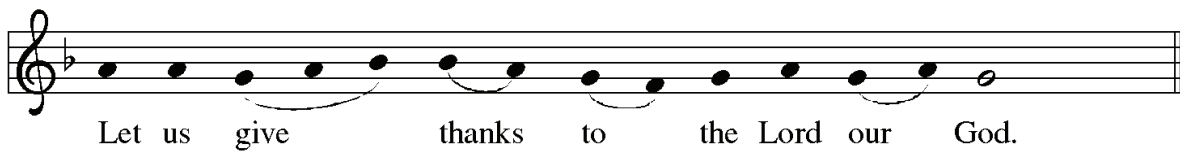
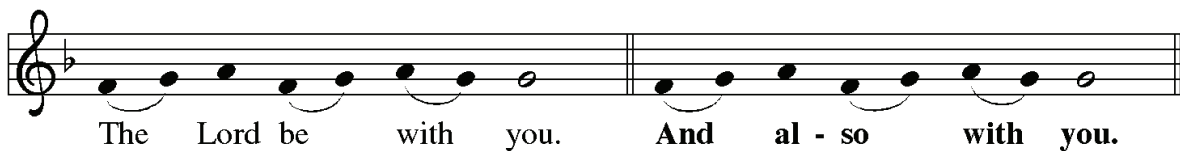
P Let us pray.

C **Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**



◆ THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

ELW Setting 9



P "It is indeed right, our duty and our joy

.... We praise your name and join their unending hymn:...."

ELW Setting 6

Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow-er and might,
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The musical score is written on four staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are: "Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow-er and might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est." The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a final cadence on the fourth staff.



P In the night in which he was betrayed

Do this for the remembrance of me.

◆ LORD'S PRAYER

- ~ **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.**
- ~ **Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**
- ~ **For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

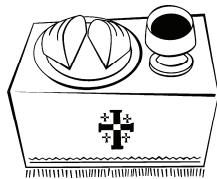
HYMNS DURING COMMUNION

"Lamb of God"

ELW Setting 6

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -
way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

- "The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came" - **ELW 265**
 "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" - **ELW 254**
 "All Earth Is Hopeful" - **ELW 266**
 "Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers" - **ELW 244**
 "Come Now, O Prince of Peace" - **ELW 247**
 "He Came Down" - **ELW 253**
 "My Soul Proclaims Your Greatness" - **ELW 251**



COMMUNION *All who are baptized in the common faith of Jesus Christ crucified are welcome to receive communion. We believe that the body and blood of our Lord is truly present in the sharing of bread and wine. Children are welcome to commune at the discretion of their parents. Those who do not receive the bread and wine are welcome to receive a blessing. White grape juice is also available.*

If you desire to commune at the altar rail: Holy Communion at the altar is served in groups. To prevent crowding, please wait in your place until directed by the Ushers. Be sure to bring your cup with you. At the altar rail, you'll be served a small piece of bread and have wine or grape juice poured into your cup. After you have communed, wait for the pastor to dismiss you back to your place.

If coming forward is difficult: Please let an usher know that you would like to receive communion at your seat. After those coming to the altar have been served, Pastor will bring communion to you at your seat.

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Sending

ANNOUNCEMENTS

◆ BENEDICTION

P The peace of God,
Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit,
keep your hearts and your minds
in Christ Jesus our Lord.

C Amen.



◆ SENDING HYMN "Canticle of the Turning"

ELW 723

All Verses



1 My soul cries out with a joy - ful shout that the
 2 Though I am small, my . . . God, my all, you . . .
 3 From the halls of pow'r to the for - tress tow'r, not a
 4 Though the na - tions rage from . . age to age, we re -



God of my heart is great, and my spir - it sings of the
 work great . . things in me, and your mer - cy will last from the
 stone will be left on stone. Let the king be - ware for your
 mem - ber who holds us fast: God's mer - cy must de -



won - drous things that you bring to the ones who wait.
 depths of the past to the end of the age to be.
 jus - tice tears ev - 'ry ty - rant . . . from his throne.
 liv - er us from the con - quer - or's crush - ing grasp.



You fixed your sight on your ser - vant's plight, and my
 Your ver - y name puts the proud to shame, and to
 The hun - gry poor shall . . weep no more, for the
 This sav - ing word that our fore - bears heard is the



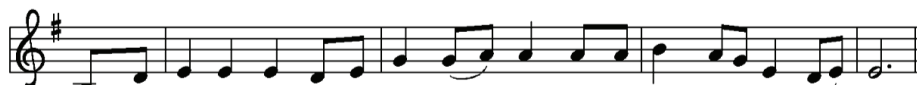
weak - ness you did not spurn, so from east to west shall my
 those who would for you yearn, you will show your might, put the
 food they can nev - er earn; there are ta - bles spread, ev - 'ry
 prom - ise which holds us bound, till the spear and rod can be



name be blest. Could the world be a - bout to turn?
 strong to flight, for the world is a - bout to turn.
 mouth be fed, for the world is a - bout to turn.
 crushed by God, who is turn - ing the world a - round.



Refrain
 My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your jus - tice burn.



Wipe a - way all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is a - bout to turn.

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◆ SENDING

AM Go in peace. Prepare the way for Emmanuel.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE:

“Oh, Come, Emmanuel”

- Wilbur Held



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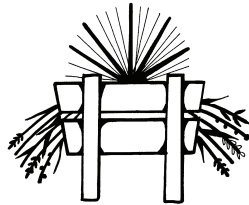
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Presiding Minister	Pastor John Guthridge	Pastor John Guthridge
Music Ministers	Barbara Fredrickson Peter Blau Ormsby	Barbara Fredrickson Peter Blau Ormsby
Assisting Minister	Will Benson	Darla Jensen
Acolyte	Eva Kllogjeri	Jon Benson
Lector	Terri Olsen	Jenifer Troxel
Greeters	Shirley Brick Judy Bendtsen	Inger Conner Jean Miller
Ushers	Larry Olsen Jean Miller	Tom Wake Debbie Conijn
Altar Guild	Terri Olsen Susie Forsythe	Judy Sheahan RuthAnne Pocock
Fellowship Hosts	Parrish Life	Bob & Anne Kuntz Stephanie & Jeff Knutzen
Flowers	Altar Guild	Altar Guild
Council Member of the Day	Cheryl Conner	Brenda Geary



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Christmas Eve Schedule

	Serving Sunday Christmas Eve 5:00 pm	Serving Next Sunday Christmas Eve 9:00 pm
Presiding Minister	Pastor John Guthridge	Pastor John Guthridge
Music Ministers	Barbara Fredrickson Peter Blau Ormsby	Barbara Fredrickson Peter Blau Ormsby
Assisting Minister	Bonnie Bowers	Linda Larson
Acolyte	Kaycee Stubben	Eva Kllogjeri
Lector	Karen Kerley Chris Omdal	Karen Kerley Kris Merritt
Greeters	Christie Peterson Carrie Omdal	Jerry Sells Judy Sheahan
Ushers	Stephanie Knutzen Gordy Dahl	Brad Wyman Carrie Omdal
Altar Guild	Susie Forsythe	Julie Rousseau Judy Sheahan
Fellowship Hosts	N/A	N/A
Flowers	Altar Guild	Altar Guild
Council Member of the Day	Christie Peterson	John Johnson



Edison Lutheran Church - Welcoming.....Nurturing.....Serving



Scripture Readings for next Sunday, December 29, are:

Lessons and Carols

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