

Vasa Lutheran Church

The Genealogy of Jesus

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Sunday, January 1, 2023

ANNOUNCING THE DAY Psalm 132:11-12

L: The LORD swore to David a sure oath from which he will not turn back:

C: One of the sons of your body I will set on your throne.

L: If your sons keep my covenant and my decrees that I shall teach them,

C: their sons also, forevermore, shall sit on your throne.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
the Word made flesh,
our life and our salvation.

Amen.

Trusting the goodness and lovingkindness of God our Savior,
let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God of life,

**you promise good news of great joy for all people,
and call us to be messengers of your peace.**

**We confess that too often we hoard our joy,
our resources, and our security.**

We nurture conflict and build barriers.

**We neglect the needs of our neighbors
and ignore the groaning of creation.**

Have mercy on us.

Where we are self-centered, open our hearts.

Where we are reluctant, give us courage.

Where we are cynical, restore our trust.

Renew us with your grace

and give us again the hope of eternal life in you.

Amen.

Hear the good news:

We are children of God and heirs of God's promises
through the outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

In † Jesus we are forgiven and redeemed.

Sing with joy, for all the ends of the earth
shall know the salvation of God. **Amen.**

HOLDEN EVENING PRAYER—SERVICE OF LIGHT

We will begin on page 2 and continue through page 6.

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Holy God, **you blessed Jesus with a rich line of diverse and interesting ancestors. Bless our families; those related by blood and those brought to us by love. For the sake of Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 1:1-17 An account of the genealogy of Jesus the Messiah, the son of David, the son of Abraham.

Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac the father of Jacob, and Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers, 3 and Judah the father of Perez and Zerah by Tamar, and Perez the father of Hezron, and Hezron the father of Aram, 4 and Aram the father of Aminadab, and Aminadab the father of Nahshon, and Nahshon the father of Salmon, 5 and Salmon the father of Boaz by Rahab, and Boaz the father of Obed by Ruth, and Obed the father of Jesse, 6 and Jesse the father of King David.

And David was the father of Solomon by the wife of Uriah, 7 and Solomon the father of Rehoboam, and Rehoboam the father of Abijah, and Abijah the father of Asaph, 8 and Asaph the father of Jehoshaphat, and Jehoshaphat the father of Joram, and Joram the father of Uzziah, 9 and Uzziah the father of Jotham, and Jotham the father of Ahaz, and Ahaz the father of Hezekiah, 10 and Hezekiah the father of Manasseh, and Manasseh the father of Amos, and Amos the father of Josiah, 11 and Josiah the father of Jechoniah and his brothers, at the time of the deportation to Babylon.

And after the deportation to Babylon: Jechoniah was the father of Salathiel, and Salathiel the father of Zerubbabel, 13 and Zerubbabel the father of Abiud, and Abiud the father of Eliakim, and Eliakim the father of Azor, 14 and Azor the father of Zadok, and Zadok the father of Achim, and Achim the father of Eliud, 15 and Eliud the father of Eleazar, and Eleazar the father of Matthan, and Matthan the father of Jacob, 16 and Jacob the father of Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom Jesus was born, who is called the Messiah.

So all the generations from Abraham to David are fourteen generations; and from David to the deportation to Babylon, fourteen generations; and from the deportation to Babylon to the Messiah, fourteen generations.

SERMON

HOLDEN EVENING PRAYER CONTINUES

The Annunciation and the Magnificat are on page 7.

We will not sing the Litany and Prayers found on page 8 and 9.

PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION: Each petition will end with the words: Lord, in your mercy. Please respond with: **hear our prayer.**

GENEROSITY MOMENT:

CONSECRATION OF COMMUNION ELEMENTS:

Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life:

Blessed are you for the birth of creation.

Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light.

Blessed are you for your promise to your people.

Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams.

Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will.

Blessed are you for your Son Jesus, the Word made flesh.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

With this bread and cup
we remember your Word dwelling among us,
full of grace and truth.
We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection.
We look with hope for his coming.

Come, Lord Jesus.

Holy God, we long for your Spirit.

Come among us.

Bless this meal.

May your Word take flesh in us.

Awaken your people.

Fill us with your light.

Bring the gift of peace on earth.

Come, Holy Spirit.

All praise and glory are yours,
Holy One of Israel,
Word of God incarnate,
Power of the Most High,
one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

L. Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**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**

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION: *We will kneel at the railing for communion today. Children are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing. There are gluten free wafers and alcohol free wine for those with dietary restrictions.*

BLESSING AND PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: The body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ be with you now and forever. Amen.

PRAYER God our redeemer, **you have fed us at this table with gifts of grace, truth, and life. As you have gathered us in joy, send us forth as messengers of your peace. Make us shine with the good news of your glory, born to us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HOLDEN EVENING PRAYER FINAL BLESSING

The final blessing is found on page 9.



**Scott Sorenson, Max Tilderquist, Irene Carpenter, Jessie Otto,
Paul Mikaelsen, and Eileen Anderson.**

PARISH PULSE:

December 18, 2022

Participating in Worship: 127

Total Offerings: \$ 2,070.00

PARISH PULSE:

December 24, 2022

Participating in Worship: 116

December 25 & 28, 2022

Participating in Worship: 43

(+ 16 concurrent views)

Total Offering (all Services)

\$ 5,736.11



American Red Cross

The next Vasa Blood Drive is January 19th (1pm-7pm) and January 20th (9am-2pm). To schedule an appointment, Call 1-800-733-2767 or visit www.RedCrossBlood.org.



Due to unexpected cost increases for cedar shakes and the cedar posts for the gazebo, the church is in need of more funding for that project. We presently has about \$4,500 set aside for the cost, but the total bill is closer to \$20,000 for labor and materials. As you consider your end-of-the-year giving, please contemplate a donation to Vasa's gazebo

THIS WEEK AT VASA...

Monday, Jan 2: Team Meetings

- 5:00pm Finance
- 6pm Parish Life
- 7pm Property

Tuesday, Jan 3:

- 9:30am Coffee & Conversation

Wednesday, Jan 4:

- NOON Community Dinner
Reservations due.
- 5:30 -6:30 Faith Formation
(including 7th/8th Confirmation
5:45-6:45)
- 6:45 Wednesday Evening



COMMUNITY DINNER

Community Dinner reservations are due by Noon this Wednesday. The meal is January 11. Take-out orders will be ready at 5pm, and Dine-In begins at 5:30.

The Christmas Tree and decorations will be taken down after worship next Sunday, January 8th. Anyone who wishes to help, please join us!

MUSIC FOR SUNDAY, JANUARY 1, 2023

Holden Evening Prayer - Processional #91705

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Holden Evening Prayer: Evening Hymn/Joyous light

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