

# Sermon Notes

## *Look around the Stable* “Provision for the Journey”

Saddlebag, Blanket, Bread and Sandals

- God has a long track record of providing provision for the journey.  
“Because of your great compassion (Oh Lord God Almighty) you did not abandon them (Israel) in the desert.” (Nehemiah 9:19)
- Jesus is the daily provision that we still need today.
- The clearest and most enduring means of provision for believers are our Lord’s Means of Grace: the water of Holy Baptism and the bread and wine of Holy Communion.
- I pray these things for your life:
  - That the Lord show you His provision every day. It’s always there; do you see it?
  - That the Lord remind you He is the Bread of Life. With Him, you will never hunger.
  - That the Lord encourage you to prepare your heart to welcome Him anew daily.

*Assisted listening devices are available at the sound booth in the back of the church sanctuary. Please ask an usher if you need assistance.*

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Order of Service for the  
4<sup>th</sup> Weekend in Advent  
December 20-21, 2025



**St. Michael Lutheran Church**



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## Saturday 5:30pm Worship

**Prelude** "O Come, All Ye Faithful"

**Welcome & Greetings**

**Carol** "The Night Will Soon Be Ending" #337, v. 1-4

**Invocation**

**Confession & Absolution**

**Carol** "Angels from the Realms of Glory" #367, v. 5

**Scripture Readings**

Nehemiah 9:19-21  
John 6:22-35

**Carol** "O Little Town of Bethlehem" #361

**Sermon** Pastor Dave Bass

**Apostles' Creed**

**Offering** "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence"

**Prayers & The Lord's Prayer**

**Holy Communion**

"Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence" #621

"Let the Earth Now Praise the Lord" #352

**Blessing**

**Carol** "The Night Will Soon Be Ending" #337, v. 1, 5

## Sunday 9:30am Worship

**Prelude** "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming"

**Welcome & Greetings**

**Carol** "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

**Invocation**

**Confession & Absolution**

**Handbell Anthem** "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

**Scripture Readings**

Nehemiah 9:19-21  
John 6:22-35

**Children's Message**

**Carol** "O Little Town of Bethlehem" #361

**Sermon** Pastor Dave Bass

**Apostles' Creed**

**Offering** "A New Noel"

**Prayers & The Lord's Prayer**

**Holy Communion**

"Let the Earth Now Praise the Lord" #352

"The Night Will Soon Be Ending" #337

**Blessing**

**Carol** "Hark the Herald Angels Sing (King of Heaven)"

## Announcements

### Weekend Worship

Saturday, December 20

5:30pm in sanctuary

Sunday, December 21

9:30am in sanctuary



### Christmas Eve Worship

Wednesday, December 24

5:30pm family

8:00pm, 10:00pm candlelight



On **Christmas Eve**, all are invited to join us to celebrate the birth of Jesus at 5:30pm with a family worship service or for worship with candlelight and carols at 8:00pm and 10:00pm.

Then, join us for a special **Christmas** morning worship service on December 25 at 9:30am!

The **following weekend** (December 27 and 28), we will be holding a Saturday evening worship service at 5:30pm and a Sunday morning service at 9:30am. All services will be held in our church sanctuary.

### Christmas Day Worship

Thursday, December 25

9:30am in sanctuary



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### Weekend Worship

Saturday, December 27

5:30pm in sanctuary

Sunday, December 28

9:30am in sanctuary



Join us in celebrating three special **retirees** from St. Michael in January: Bob Jablonski, Diane Jablonski and Sue Hampel. If you have a gift or note for any of these retirees, please send it to the St. Michael office by Friday, January 9 to the attention of Stephanie Bellino. If you have any questions, please email Stephanie at [stephanie.bellino@gsmllcs.org](mailto:stephanie.bellino@gsmllcs.org).

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