

# Peace Ev. Lutheran Church

Central Avenue at 171st Place  
Oak Forest, Illinois 60452  
Rev. David T. Mensing, Pastor

## The Sunday after Christmas

December 30, 2018

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*Hymn 106: "The People that in Darkness Sat"*

*Opening Liturgy— Order of Service, Hymnal, p. 5ff.*

*Epistle Lesson: Galatians 4:1-7*

*Gospel Lesson: Luke 2:25-40*

*The Apostles' Creed (Hymnal, p. 12)*

*Hymn 139: "In His Temple Now Behold Him!"*

*The Sermon— Gospel Text: Luke 2:25-32*

*Theme: The Blessed RESULT of Taking the Christchild  
Up into Our Arms of Faith*

*I. He brings PEACE to our hearts;*

*II. He brings PURPOSE to our lives;*

*III. He brings HOPE to our future.*

*The Offering ... "to prove the sincerity of your love." (II Cor. 8:8)*

*General Prayer and The Lord's Prayer*

*Hymn 138: "Thou Light of Gentile Nations"*

*Collect for the Church*

*Congregation: "Amen."*

*The Benediction of the Lord*

*Congregation: "Amen, Amen, Amen!"*

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## Announcements for the Week

For spiritual care during the week, particularly in case of serious illness or urgency, please call Pastor Mensing, either at his **study** here at church, (708) 532-4288, at **home** at the parsonage, (708) 532-9035, or on his **cell phone**, (708) 601-3943.

**VISITORS** are always welcome to attend our services. Please register in our Guest Book, and leave also your address and telephone number if you would like our Pastor to contact you further. And please come again!

**TODAY, December 30th** —Immediately following the service, a **GROUP Communion Announcement** for the Lord's Supper on **New Year's Eve** and also on **Sunday**, January 6th.

The customary **Holiday Recess** from all regularly scheduled classes is being observed until Monday, **January 7th**.

Monday, December 31st

## New Year's Eve

**8:00 p.m., The Divine Worship Service** with *Holy Communion* for our members who announced beforehand and examined themselves according to the Apostle Paul's injunction (I Corinthians 11:28)

Ⓞ Lord Christ, our Savior dear,  
be Thou ever near us!

Grant us now a glad new year!

Amen, Jesus, hear us!

**Saturday, January 5th** **Pastoral Preparation Time** for Sunday; also for special meetings and for such consultations as are of an urgent nature. Please call ahead if possible.

Next Sunday, January 6th **The Epiphany of Our Lord**

— 8:30 a.m., **Sunday School** and **Adult Bible Class** for all.

—10:00 a.m., **The Divine Worship Service** also for all, with *Holy Communion* for our members who announced.

— 2:30 p.m., **Sunday School Teachers' Training Class**

*A Happy and Blessed New Year to all of you!*