

St. John Lutheran Church
 Ellsworth Road at King Street
 Peabody, Massachusetts 01960
 www.stjohnpeabody.org

The Rev. Raymond H. Phyles Pastor (phone 531-2264)	Mrs. Margaret Knowlton Organist
Second Sunday in Advent	December 7, 2007
Service of Holy Communion III	9:30 a.m.

Preparation

*The Prelude	Enter quietly to worship
*The Corporate Confession and Forgiveness	p.193
#*The Entrance Hymn (4)	(Sts.1, 4, 5, 6) # 23
*The Greeting (5)	p. 99
*The Kyrie (6)	p. 99
*The Hymn of Praise (7)	p.102
*The Prayer of the Day (8)	p. 13
Lighting of the Advent Wreath (sts. 2)	# 34
The First Lesson (9)	Isaiah 40: 1-11
The Psalm 85: 8-13	p. 254
The Second Lesson (12)	II Peter 3: 8-15a
*The Alleluia (14)	p.103
*The Holy Gospel (15, 16)	Mark 1: 1-8
The Sermon	Pastor Phyles
*The Hymn of the Day (19)	# 203
*The Nicene Creed (20)	p.105
The Prayers (22)	p.106
The Offering (25)	p.107
*The Offertory (25)	p.107
*The Offertory Prayer (26)	p.108
*The Great Thanksgiving (28)	p.109
*The Preface Hymn (29)	p.110
*The Prayer of Institution	p.111
*The Lord's Prayer (either version)	p.112
*The Communion (Lamb of God) (36, 37)	p.114
*The Post-Communion Canticle (39)	p.116
*The Post-Communion Prayer (40)	p.117
*The Dismissal Hymn	# 26
*The Postlude	Depart joyfully to serve

***Congregation Standing**

Lay Assistant: Sue Reed
Lector: Phil & Sue Reed
Ushers: Chip & Shannon Bott
Nursery: Heather & Kristin

Please disable all cellphones and other devices upon entering the sanctuary. Thank you.

The flowers on the Altar this morning have been presented by Judy Othote to the glory of God and in loving memory of Richard Othote.

We extend a warm welcome to all visitors worshipping with us today. Please sign our Guest Book before you leave, and please join us downstairs following the service for coffee and refreshments.

We also welcome Susan Danczewicz to the organ console to give musical leadership to our worship in Margaret Knowlton's absence. We extend our condolences to Margaret who is mourning the death of her brother this past week.

We shall use Setting III of the liturgy today.

The Bible study will meet this Wednesday evening at 7:30 here at the church. All are welcome.

The Coat Drive ends today. Please leave any clean and wearable winter clothing in the large carton downstairs, to be delivered to those in need. Our thanks to Linda Berg for taking charge of this ministry.

Christmas Poinsettias to beautify the chancel for our Christmas Eve celebration are available this year from Evans Florist for \$10.00 per plant. Please place your order on the reservation sheet posted downstairs by December 14 and please pay Raudna Pelletier.

The Flower Chart for 2009 is posted downstairs. Please sign for the Sunday(s) that you wish. The cost remains \$30.00 per Sunday.

Liturgical calendars for 2009 are available downstairs on the cabinet shelf. Our sincere thanks go to the Conway, Cahill-Brodeur Funeral Home for their generous gift of these calendars again this year.

We invite you to send one Christmas greeting to fellow members here to the church, to be displayed downstairs, and to contribute money saved to providing food for the hungry.

Our WELCA women will meet next Sunday, December 14, to make Goody Bags to be delivered to our sick and shut-in. All women are invited to contribute goodies and their creativity to this project at Christmas.

A sister congregation in Bethlehem, PA, is requesting help in finding housing for a young student from Slovenia. Saso Zver will begin at the Berklee College of Music in January. If you know of anyone who might be willing to provide housing for him, please let Pastor know.

We ask your prayers and concern for these members and friends of St. John today and throughout the coming week.

Ellen Hepburn	Sylvia Moynihan	David Fredricksen
Dorothy Fender	Gary Garaputo	George Winsor
+	+	+

We join with those who mourn in remembering before God and one another those who have departed in the sign of the faith.

Brian Kevin Sisolak - 12/1/97	Richard Daniel Othote - 12/8/96
Aune Ellen Laitinen - 12/2/88	Aina Mietala Lahtinen - 12/9/86
Mary Kankalo - 12/3/70	Marie Slate - 12/9/91
Karin Lindsay Carlson - 12/4/00	Matti Berg - 12/13/70
Gertrude Elizabeth Barry - 12/6/92	Ruth Wrenn - 12/13/04