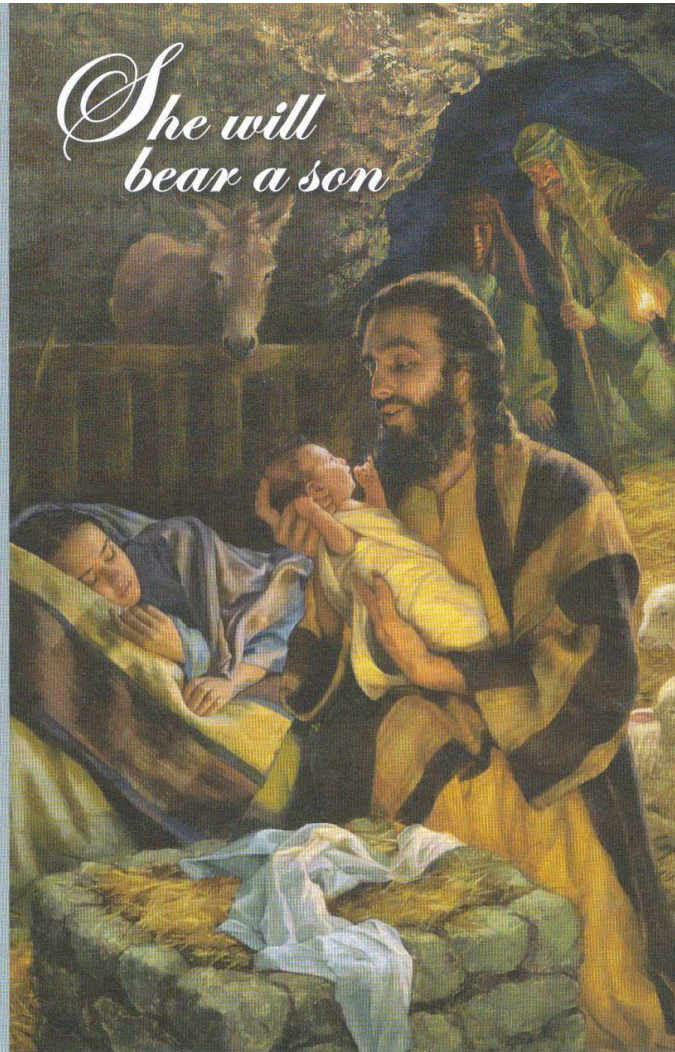


*She will  
bear a son*



*“Despite the Christmas decorations and sales since October, Christmas preparations’ have been going on since before creation, for they have their source in the heart of God. The preparations found their fulfillment in the birth at Bethlehem. We have a Savior, Jesus Christ.*”

**Amazing Grace Lutheran Church**  
**Preaching the Ancient Gospel in the Modern World**

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**Worship Leader:**  
**Commissioned Deacon, Mr. Wally Bostelmann**

**Welcome to Amazing Grace Lutheran Church!** You enter this church not as a stranger, but as a child of God, joining in worship with our Christian family. Come then, with joy in your hearts and thanks on your lips, offering Him your love and service. **Please worship with us again!** You are always invited to join with us in our mission to our community and world.

*Amazing Grace Lutheran Church exists to share the life-changing  
Good News of God's love through Jesus Christ  
with all peoples and to nurture them in His Word.*

**Holy Communion** will be celebrated the first, third and fifth Sunday of each month. As Lutheran Christians, we affirm that Jesus is our Savior and Lord, that His body and blood are really present “in, with, and under” the bread and wine for our forgiveness, life, and salvation, and that we intend to grow spiritually, with the help of the Holy Spirit, in a committed life in Christ and His Church. You are invited to commune with us if you are a baptized believer in Christ, **who:**

- † has been instructed in the Christian faith,
- † repents of all your sins, seeking to turn away from sin and to forgiveness.
- † believes in the Real Presence of Jesus in the sacrament - that with the bread and wine we receive the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of sin, life, and salvation.

**We Reach Out**

**Sunday Worship:** 10:00 a.m.

**Sunday School:** 9:00 a.m.

**Wednesday Worship:** During Lent & Advent 7:00 p.m.

**Amazing Ladies/Men's Bible Study:** Wednesday evenings 7:00 p.m. except during Lent & Advent

**Praise Team Practice:** Wednesday 5:15 p.m. Musicians – 5:45 Praise Team & Musicians

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**Congregational President:** Jim Devan 834-8143

**You Say: “I’m not smart enough”**

**God Says: I give you wisdom**

**I Corinthians 1:30**

December 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2007  
4<sup>th</sup> Sunday In Advent

**The Order of Worship**

*“Come Holy Spirit”*

**Welcome**

**Devotional**

*“O Come All Ye Faithful”*

**Opening Prayer**

**Confession of Sins and Assurance of Forgiveness**

Please be prepared to follow the Scripture readings in your Bible.  
After the text is revealed and you have found it, reply with “Amen”.

**First Reading**

*Isaiah 7:10 – 17*

**Response: Thanks Be To God!**

**Epistle**

*Romans 1:1 – 7*

**Response: Thanks Be To God!**

**Children's Message**

**Gospel**

*Matthew 1:18 – 25*  
*(Visual Bible DVD)*

*“Seek Ye First”*

**Sermon**

*“Change Time”*

**Statement of Faith**

**Offerings & Tithes**

*“I Will Celebrate”*

*“Silent Night”*

**Raven Bailey**

**Testimonials**

**The Prayers of the Church**

**The Lord's Prayer (sing)**

**Closing Blessing**

*“Lord, I Lift Your Name On High”*

**Recognition of Guests**

**Announcements**

*“Lord, I Lift Your Name On High”*

**We pray the LORD has touched you in a special way today.**

**Tell someone this week about Jesus and bring them to church with you next Sunday!**

**THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE**

Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	Christmas Eve Service
Wednesday	10:00 a.m.	Christmas Day
Sunday 12/30	9:00 a.m.	Sunday school & Bible Class
	10:00 a.m.	Worship Service

**The Prayer Family** we are lifting up this week is the **Mays Family**: Jo

**Dec. 30<sup>th</sup>: Read ahead and be fed:** 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Isaiah 63:7-14; Epistle: Galatians 4:4-7;

Gospel: Matthew 2:13-23

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**10:00 a.m.**

**Sunday School:**

**9:00 a.m.**

<u>Attendance</u>					
October		November		December	
10/7	42	11/4	38	12/2	58
10/14	48	11/11	35	12/5	24
10/21	48	11/18	41	12/9	37
10/28	46	11/25	44	12/12	20
		11/28	17	12/16	44
				12/19	40

**Service Schedule**

<b>Readers</b>	<b>Nursery</b>	<b>Welcome Committee</b>	<b>Acolytes</b>
12/23 Lynne Bethel	Michelle Smeyne	Connie McGhee	Jarrold Bethel
12/30 Norbert Thiel	Linda Couch	Cynthia Blocker	Brittney Jones
1/6 Gwen Robinson	Michelle Smeyne	Connie McGhee	Georgia Smeyne
1/13 M.Brakebusch	Cynthia Blocker	Linda Couch/Laverne Johnson	Jarrold Bethel