

### **Christmas Eve: Wednesday, December 24, 2025**

#### **4:00 p.m. Family Christmas Eve Service**

with Pastor Ines Fischer

Church of the Ascension on the Mount of Olives

#### **5:00 p.m. International Service in Bethlehem**

in Arabic, English, and German with Bishop Dr. Sani Ibrahim Azar, Rev. Ashraf Tannous, and Provost Joachim Lenz

Lutheran Christmas Church, Bethlehem

#### **10:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Service at the Church of the Redeemer**

with Provost Joachim Lenz, Music: Peter-Michael Seifried, Director of Church Music

Church of the Redeemer, Old City of Jerusalem

Afterwards: **Hike to Bethlehem** with spiritual reflections led by Ann-Kathrin Hasselmann and Georg Roessler. The group will walk to the Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem, where a service will be held on Christmas morning to conclude the walk. From Bethlehem, participants will return to Jerusalem by bus or taxi. Please note: This walk is a private, group activity, and participation is at your own risk; the church does not provide insurance coverage. Participants are responsible for appropriate clothing, sure footing, and, if necessary, insurance coverage. Return transportation must be arranged privately; participants are welcome to join.

Please note: This is a private event, and participants are encouraged to arrange their own transportation back to Jerusalem.

### **Christmas: Thursday, December 25, 2025**

#### **10:30 a.m. Christmas Day Service with Holy Communion**

Sermon: Pastor Ines Fischer Music: Peter-Michael Seifried, Director of Church Music

Church of the Redeemer, Old City of Jerusalem

#### **3:00–3:30 p.m. Organ Music for Christmas “Jingle Bells”**

Especially for families with children, Music: Peter-Michael Seifried, Director of Church Music

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#### **5:30–6:00 p.m. Organ Music for Christmas “Meditative and Festive”**

Music: Peter-Michael Seifried, Director of Church Music

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### **Boxing Day: Friday, December 26, 2025**

#### **4:30 p.m. Festive Christmas Family Caroling**

Singing of Christmas carols

with Pastor Ines Fischer and Peter-Michael Seifried, Director of Church Music

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### **Sunday after Christmas, December 28, 2025**

#### **10:30 a.m. Service on the First Sunday after Christmas**

with Bishop Dr. Sani Ibrahim Azar and Provost Joachim Lenz.

Music: Peter-Michael Seifried, Director of Church Music

Church of the Redeemer, Old City of Jerusalem

New Year's Eve: Wednesday, December 31, 2025

7:00 p.m. **Service to conclude the year.**

Sermon: Provost Joachim Lenz. Music: Peter-Michael Seifried, Director of Church Music