

Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church
Sunday, December 26, 2021
10:00 AM

Ministers: The people of Faith Lutheran Church

Lessons & Carols



**This is Christ's church.
There is a place for you here.**

We are the church that shares a living, daring confidence in God's grace.

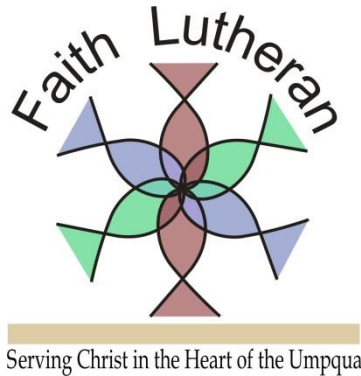
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questions, complexities and all.**

Join us as we do God's work in Christ's name for the life of the world.

First Sunday of Christmas
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Listening Devices for hearing enhancement are available in the back of the sanctuary.

Please ask an usher for assistance.



GATHERING

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The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Music to prepare us for worship.

WELCOME

Pastor Jane Baker

One: This is the day the Lord has made.

Many: **Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

One: We are a church that shares a living, daring confidence in God's grace.

Many: **Liberated by our faith, we embrace everyone as a whole person, with questions, doubts, complexities and all. We are moved by God's grace to welcome all who have ever felt marginalized, no matter your gender identity, sexual orientation, age, race, ethnicity, marital status, or faith background. We welcome you as we worship, learn, and share Christ's love together.**

Please stand as you able.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

One: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the Maker of heaven and earth, the Word made flesh, the Lord and giver of life.

Many: **Amen.**

One: Amid the darkness of this world, let us confess our sin and welcome the light of God's forgiveness.

Silence is kept for reflection.

One: God of grace and truth,

Many: **in Christ Jesus you come among us as light shining in the darkness. We confess that we have not welcomed the light, and have not trusted the good news of great joy. Forgive us and renew our hope, so that we may live in the fullness of your love, trusting in the grace of Christ our Lord. Amen.**

One: The angel said, You shall call his name Jesus for he will save his people from their sins. With great joy, I announce to you the entire forgiveness of your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the †Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Many: **Amen.**

LITANY

One: The people who have walked in darkness have seen a great light.

Many: **The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.**

One: Those who dwelt in the land of deep darkness, on them light has shined.

Many: **We have beheld Christ's glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father.**

One: To us a child is born, to us a Son is given.

Many: **In him was life, and the life was the light of all people.**

GREETING

One: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Many: **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

One: The Lord be with you.

Many: **and also with you.**

One: Let us pray. . . . Shine into our hearts the light of your wisdom, O God,

Many: **and open our minds to the knowledge of your word, that in all things we may think and act according to your good will and may live continually in the light of your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**



WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

LESSONS AND CAROLS

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| First Lesson | “Birth of Jesus in Bethlehem” | Luke 2:1-7 |
| Carol | “Once in Royal David’s City” | |
| Second Lesson | “Adoration of the Shepherds” | Luke 2:8-20 |
| Carol | “O, Little Town of Bethlehem” | |
| Third Lesson | “Presentation in the Temple” | Luke 2:22-38 |
| Carol | “In the Bleak Midwinter” | |
| Fourth Lesson | “Visit of the Magi” | Matthew 2:1-12 |
| Carol | “The First Noel” | |
| Fifth Lesson | “The Word Becomes Flesh” | John 1:1-14 |
| Carol | “On Christmas Day” | |

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

(After each petition the congregation will respond, “Receive our prayer”)

Prayers of the Faithful

One: Joining our voices with the heavenly host and Christians throughout time and space, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

One: You come to us in gatherings of your church across the globe. Unite us with those who celebrate your birth even when they are weighed down by grief, loss, poverty, hunger, or injustice. Merciful God,

Many: **Receive our prayer.**

One: You come to us in the diverse splendor of the universe. Grant us the humility to trust our place in the network of creation, that we live in service to you and the natural world. Merciful God,

Many: **Receive our prayer.**

One: You come to us through relationships of many kinds: families, friendships, communities, and nations. Guide us in these relationships, that we recognize the Christ child in one another and show your love to those most vulnerable. Merciful God,

Many: Receive our prayer.

One: You come to us through people whom the world forgets. Poor shepherds and an imprisoned Apostle Paul announced your good news. Send your Spirit to all who are imprisoned, struggling with addiction, unwell, or in any need this day: Diane A. Gary A. Mark A. Amanda B. Karen F. Phil N. Nick R. Ken R. Sarah & Family, Samantha T. Skip T. Rita W, Sherry W. Tracey, Cassie, Baxter. We pray for those whose names we silently lift up to you. May they all know your healing light and love. Merciful God,

Many: Receive our prayer.

One: You come to us in acts of justice and forgiveness. Open our hearts to forgive one another, without permitting injustice. Supply us with the wisdom to be clothed with love, binding all things together in perfect harmony. Merciful God,

Many: Receive our prayer.

One: You come to us through those who have died yet live with you forever. We give thanks for their lives and their faith. Merciful God,

Many: Receive our prayer.

One: Rejoicing in your Word made flesh among us, we commend these prayers to you, confident of your grace and love made known to us in Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Christ

Please stand if you are able.

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

One: The Lord be with you.

Many: **And also with you.**

One: Lift up your hearts.

Many: **We lift them to the Lord.**

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Many: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

One: Holy God, Creator of all and Source of life, at the birth of time your word brought light into the world. In the fullness of time, you sent your Word, born of Mary, to shine in our darkness and to make us your daughters and sons.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying, this cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his birth and life among us, his death and resurrection, we await his coming again when all things will be restored in him. By your Spirit bless this bread and cup, that held and nourished by you, we may live as your children, shining with the light of your Son.

Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever. **Amen.**



LORD'S PRAYER

One: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us join hands and hearts and pray as Jesus taught us.

Many: **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

Please be seated

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

One: Joy to the world! The Lord is come. Let every heart receive your Savior.

DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

(Today we celebrate Christ's presence among us as he comes to us with grace and forgiveness in the ordinary bread and wine of the Holy Eucharist. The cups contain red wine and white grape juice. We have Gluten-Free bread available. At Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church, ALL are welcome to receive communion.)

Carol

"O Come All Ye Faithful"

Video

Please stand as you are able.

COMMUNION BLESSING

One: May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

Many: **Amen.**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

One: God of wonder, in Jesus we behold the light of the world come near. As you have come among us now, send us out in joy, hastening to share the good news of your love. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit dwelling among us now and forever.

Many: **Amen.**

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

BLESSING

One: God is the Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. God grant you grace and peace at the dawn of this new year.

Many: **Amen.**

One: All flesh is grass, but the word of God remains forever. God who is eternal keep you in hope of the resurrection.

Many: **Amen.**

One: The past, the present, and the future rest in God's hands. God guard your coming in and your going forth, this new year and forevermore.

Many: **Amen.**

One: Almighty God, Father, †Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

Many: **Amen.**

Please be seated

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand as you are able.

SENDING SONG

"Joy to the World"

Video

DISMISSAL

One: Glory to God in the highest!

Many: Peace to God's people on earth!

One: Go in peace. Share the joy of Christ.

Many: Thanks be to God.





Bring non-perishable food items to Worship Services December 19th,
Christmas Eve, December 26th, and January 2nd to place at the manger to
be donated to
The FISH of Roseburg Food Pantry.

What better way to honor the birth of Jesus than to feed his people?

Most Needed Items:

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| Pasta | Mac & Cheese | Chili |
| Baby Food | Baby Formula | Diapers |
| Cereal | Canned fruit | Tuna |
| Canned Veggies | Canned Soup | Peanut Butter |
| Small bottles of cooking oil | | |

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