



First Sunday of Christmas

December 29, 2024 -- 9:30 AM

Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church
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Church Office Hours:

Tuesday – Friday: 10 am to 4 pm

Pastors: Matt & Janine Goodrich

Ministers: All the people of God

This is Christ's church.

There is a place for you here.

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

Listening Devices for hearing enhancement are available in the back of the sanctuary. Please ask an usher for assistance.

Large print bulletins are available in the back of the sanctuary. Please see an usher for your copy. Feel free to take this copy home for reference during the week.

GATHERING

In Jesus' Name

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

Music to prepare us for worship.

WELCOME

Presider: We gather here to recall the mystery of our redemption. Though sin drew us away from God, God never stopped loving us. The prophets told of the coming of a Messiah who would initiate a reign of justice and peace. This promise was fulfilled in the incarnation of Jesus Christ. Let us now reflect with joy on this wondrous mystery.

FIRST LESSON

GENESIS 3:1-19

CHRISTMAS CAROL

"Joy to the World"

ELW #267

**Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her King;
let ev'ry heart prepare him room and heav'n and nature sing,
and heav'n and nature sing, and heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing.**

**No more let sins and sorrows grow nor thorns infest the ground;
he comes to make his blessings flow far as the curse is found,
far as the curse is found, far as, far as the curse is found.**

**He rules the world with truth and grace and makes the nations prove
the glories of his righteousness and wonders of his love,
and wonders of his love, and wonders, wonders of his love.**

PRAYER

**Lord of mercy, despite our sinfulness, you never stopped loving us.
Fill our hearts with your mercy, that we may forgive others. Amen.**

CHRISTMAS CAROL *"Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming"*

ELW #272

Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming from tender stem hath sprung!
Of Jesse's lineage coming as seers of old have sung.
It came, a flow'r so bright, amid the cold of winter when half-spent was the night.
Isaiah 'twas foretold it, the Rose I have in mind:
With Mary we behold it, the virgin mother kind.
To show God's love aright, she bore to us a Savior when half-spent was the night.

PRAYER

Lord, you promised that your reign would bring the justice that would never end.
May we help to bring this justice in our time. Amen.

THIRD LESSON:

ISAIAH 11:1-10

CHRISTMAS CAROL *"It Came upon the Midnight Clear"*

ELW #282

It came upon the midnight clear, that glorious song of old,
from angels bending near the earth to touch their harps of gold:
"Peace on the earth, good will to all, from heaven's all-gracious King."
The world in solemn stillness lay, to hear the angels sing.
And you, beneath life's crushing load, whose forms are bending low,
who toil along the climbing way with painful steps and slow,
look now! for glad and golden hours come swiftly on the wing.
O rest beside the weary road, and hear the angels sing!
For lo! the days are hastening on, by prophet seen of old,
when with the ever-circling years shall come the time foretold
when peace shall over all the earth its ancient splendors fling,
and the whole world send back the song which now the angels sing.

PRAYER

Lord, we wait for the day of your peace.
May we help to bring this peace in our families, our communities, and our world.
Amen.

MESSAGE

CHRISTMAS CAROL

"Once in Royal David's City"

ELW #269

Once in royal David's city stood a lowly cattle shed,
where a mother laid her baby in a manger for His bed:
Mary was that mother mild, Jesus Christ her little Child.

He came down to earth from heaven who is God and Lord of all,
and His shelter was a stable, and His cradle was a stall:
with the poor, and meek, and lowly, lived on earth our Savior holy.

And our eyes at last shall see Him, through His own redeeming love;
for that Child so dear and gentle is our Lord in heav'n above,
and He leads His children on to the place where He is gone.

PRAYER

God, you are always with us.

May we always trust in your presence and share it with those around us. Amen

FIFTH LESSON

LUKE 1:26-38

CHRISTMAS CAROL

"The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came"

ELW #265

The angel Gabriel from heaven came, his wings as drifted snow, his eyes as flame;
"All hail," said he to meek and lowly Mary, "most highly favored lady." Gloria!

"I come from heav'n to tell the Lord's decree: a blessed virgin mother you shall be.
Your Son shall be Immanuel, by seers foretold, most highly favored lady." Gloria!

Then gentle Mary meekly bowed her head; "To me be as it pleases God," she said.
"My soul shall laud and magnify his holy name." Most highly favored lady, Gloria!

PRAYER

Lord, you asked Joseph and Mary to trust in you.

May we come to share in their trust and always rely on you. Amen.

CHRISTMAS CAROL

"Away in a Manger"

ELW #284

Away in a manger, no crib for a bed,
the little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head;
the stars in the heavens looked down where He lay,
the little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing, the Baby awakes,
but little Lord Jesus, no crying He makes.
I love Thee, Lord Jesus, look down from the sky
and stay by my side until morning is nigh.

Be near me, Lord Jesus; I ask Thee to stay
close by me forever, and love me, I pray.
Bless all the dear children in Thy tender care,
and fit us for heaven, to live with Thee there.

PRAYER

Lord, you came to us in humility and vulnerability.
May we always show loving care to those around us, especially those in most need.
Amen.

SEVENTH LESSON

MATTHEW 2:1-12

CHRISTMAS CAROL

"The First Noel"

ELW #300

The first Noel the angel did say was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;
in fields where they lay keeping their sheep,
on a cold winter's night that was so deep.
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel, born is the King of Israel.

They looked up and saw a star shining in the east, beyond them far;
and to the earth it gave great light, and so it continued both day and night.
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel, born is the King of Israel.

And by the light of that same star three Wise Men came from country far;
to seek for a king was their intent, and to follow the star wherever it went.
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel, born is the King of Israel.

This star drew nigh to the northwest, o'er Bethlehem it took its rest;
and there it did both stop and stay, right over the place where Jesus lay.
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel, born is the King of Israel.

Then entered in those Wise Men three, full reverently upon the knee,
and offered there, in his presence, their gold and myrrh and frankincense.
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel, born is the King of Israel.

PRAYER

Lord, you are the giver of all good gifts.
May we always remember to share our gifts with others for the glory of your name.
Amen.

EIGHTH LESSON

JOHN 1:1-14

CHRISTMAS CAROL

"Oh, Come, All Ye Faithful"

ELW #283

Oh, come, all ye faithful, Joyful and triumphant!
Oh, come ye, oh come ye to Bethlehem. Come and behold him, Born the King of
angels;

Refrain: Oh, come, let us adore him; Oh, come, let us adore him;
Oh, come, let us adore him, Christ, the Lord.

The highest, most holy, light of light eternal, born of the virgin, a mortal he comes;
Son of the Father, now in flesh appearing! *Refrain:*

Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning; Jesus, to thee be all glory giv'n.
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing; *Refrain:*

PRAYER

God of power and might, you are beyond all time and space.
May we never fail to recognize your majesty and give praise to you in all we do.
Amen

CHRISTMAS CAROL

"Go, Tell it on the Mountain"

ELW #290

Refrain: **Go, tell it on the mountain over the hills and everywhere
Go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born**

**While shepherds kept their watching o'er silent flocks by night
Behold throughout the heavens there shone a Holy light. *Refrain:***

**The shepherds feared and trembled when, lo! Above the Earth
Rang out the angel chorus that hailed our Savior's birth. *Refrain:***

**Down in a lowly manger our humble Christ was born
And brought us all salvation that blessed Christmas morn. *Refrain:***

PRAYER

**Lord, you call us to be your witnesses to the ends of the earth.
Fill our words with power that we may proclaim your good news and draw all
people to you. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

A.M.: After each petition of *"God of grace"*,
the congregation will respond, **"receive our prayer"**.

OFFERING

Offering plates are in the back of the Sanctuary for your gift, or you may mail to
Faith Lutheran Church - PO Box 2349 Roseburg OR 97470
or you may give an offering online on our website www.faithroseburg.org
or through the Tithl.ey app, download instructions are in the welcome center.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Christ

SHARING OF THE PEACE

Presider: The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

All: And also with you.

Presider: Let us greet one another with a sign of God's peace.

TABLE PRAYER

Presider: Glory to God in the highest,

All: And peace to God's people on earth.

Presider: Blessed are you, Prince of peace. You rule the earth with truth and justice.

All: Send your gift of peace to all the nations of the world.

Presider: Blessed are you, Son of Mary. You share our humanity.

All: Have mercy on the sick, the dying, and all who suffer this day.

Presider: Blessed are you, Son of God. You dwell among us as the Word made flesh.

All: Reveal yourself to us in word and sacrament that we may bear your light to all the world.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

Presider: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray.

All: 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.

You may be seated.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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.

*After you receive the Sacrament,
you may take time to pray at the altar rail if you wish.*

At Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church, ALL are welcome to receive communion.

CHRISTMAS CAROL

"The Bells of Christmas"

ELW #298

The bells of Christmas chime once more; the heavenly guest is at the door
He comes to earthly dwellings still with new year gifts of peace, good will

This world though wide and far outspread, could scarcely find for you a bed
Your cradle was a manger stall, no pearl nor silk nor kingly hall.

Now let us go with quiet mind, the swaddled babe with shepherds find,
To gaze on him who gladdens them the loveliest flow'r of Jesse's stem

Oh join with me, in gladness sing, to keep our Christmas with our King,
Until our song, from loving souls, like rushing mighty water rolls!

O patriarchs' Joy, O prophets' Song, O Dayspring bright, awaited long
O son of Man, incarnate Word, Great David's Son, great David's Lord

Come, Jesus, glorious heav'nly guest, and keep your Christmas in our breast
Then David's harpstrings, hushed so long, shall swell our jubilee of song.

CHRISTMAS CAROL

"Angels We Have Heard on High"

ELW #289

Angels we have heard on high, sweetly singing o'er the plains,
and the mountains in reply echoing their joyous strains.

Gloria in excelsis Deo, gloria in excelsis Deo.

Shepherds, why this jubilee? Why your joyous strains prolong?
What the gladsome tidings be which inspire your heav'nly song?

Gloria in excelsis Deo, gloria in excelsis Deo.

Come to Bethlehem and see him whose birth the angels sing;
come, adore on bended knee Christ the Lord, the newborn King.

Gloria in excelsis Deo, gloria in excelsis Deo.

BLESSING

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

A.M.: Generous God, in bread and cup you have revealed your glory for all people to see together.

All: Nourished by this meal, send us out to proclaim your good news of liberation and release, brought to birth in Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

BENEDICTION

You may be seated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand as you are able.

CHRISTMAS CAROL *“Jesus, What a Wonderful Child”* **ELW #297**
(sing twice)

**Jesus, Jesus, oh what a wonderful child.
Jesus, Jesus, so holy, meek and mild.
New life, new hope, the child will bring.
Listen to the angels sing: Glory, glory, glory, let the heavens ring!**

DISMISSAL

A.M.: May you be filled with the wonder of Mary, the obedience of Joseph, the joy of the angels, the eagerness of the shepherds, the determination of the magi, and the peace of the Christ child. Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Music to send us on our way into the world.



Serving Christ in the Heart of the Umpqua

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YouTube: *Faith Lutheran Church, Roseburg*

Pray for those in need of healing and for those with on-going cares and concerns:

Pastor Matt, Dwayne, Clarissa, Linda, Melinda and John, Jan, Becky, Erin, Cheryl & Marcie, Wendy, Nancy, Linda, Beverly, Teresa, Jon, John, Lynn & Dwayne, Ian, Kathy, Joyce, Torr and Platt, Kimberly, David, Klaus, Paige, Tim, Louise, Mel, Gary, Mark, Lori, Jessi, Pat, Cindy, Karen, Sonia, Lynn, Aaron, Dennis,

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Click **SEARCH** It is super simple!!

If you have a special need ~ PLEASE let the church know if there are any needs or concerns that you may have. Like groceries picked up, prescriptions picked up, etc.

You can call 541-672-2231 or email: office@faithroseburg.org



Please remember that in January the prayer list will be updated and reflect a much shorter list.

If you or your loved one need "on-going" prayer ~ please let the Pastors or Jackie know and your request will be honored as long as needed.

Thank you for understanding.

Meals at the Manger



Together, we can!

***Bring Non-Perishable Food Items
and/or a monetary donation to Worship Services***

December

22nd - 9:30 a.m.

Christmas Eve December 24th - 7:00 p.m.

December 29th - 9:30 a.m.

***to be placed at the Manger at Faith Lutheran Church
benefitting The FISH of Roseburg***

Most needed items:

canned fruit, canned meat, peanut butter, cereal, pasta, mac & cheese, chili, baby food, formula

Faith Lutheran Church,

Serving Christ in the Heart of the Umpqua!

Your donations will be matched by Helping Hands

Helping Hands will match the first \$1,000 monetary donations.

Helping Hands will donate \$500 to match 1000 pounds of food.

December 29th through January 5th, 2025

Sunday – December 29, 2024

- 8:15am Crossroads rehearsal - SA
- 9:30am Worship – SA
- 10:30am Coffee and refreshments - FH
- 7:00pm Mt Nebo AA Group – AT
- 7:00pm Alanon Meeting – SSR

Monday – December 30, 2024

-Pastors' Day off
- 1:00pm..... Watercolor Fellowship - AT

Tuesday – December 31, 2024

- 4:30pm..... Crossroads Rehearsal – Canceled Today

Wednesday – January 1, 2024

- 10:30am Bible Study at St. George's ~ is on hold until January 8, 2025
- 6:00pm Twisted Sisters AA (Women only) – SSR
- 7:00pm Learning to Live Again NA Group – AT

Thursday – January 2, 2024

- 1:00pm..... Lydia's Ladies - home of Jane Hill
- 2:30pm..... Brewed Theology – Brix upper room
- 6:30pm..... Brewed Theology – Brix upper room
- 7:00pm..... Mt Nebo AA Group – AT

Friday – January 3, 2024

Saturday – January 4, 2024

Sunday – January 5, 2024

- 8:15am Crossroads rehearsal - SA
- 9:30am Worship – SA
- 10:30am Celebration of January's Anniversaries & Birthdays - FH
- 7:00pm Mt Nebo AA Group – AT
- 7:00pm Alanon Meeting – SSR

KEY

FH = Fellowship Hall
FLY = Youth Room
CR = Conference Room
SA = Sanctuary
AT = Atrium
SSR = Sunday School
Rooms
ABS = Adult Bible Study
(behind sanctuary)
PO = Pastors office