

Welcome to Faith Lutheran Church!

December 20, 2023 | 3rd Wednesday of Advent

Welcome & Prayer

*Opening Song – “O Come, O Come Emmanuel”

*Invocation

We meet in the strong name of our God;

We praise You, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

*Advent Litany

The King of kings is drawing near.

The Savior of the world is here.

Swing wide your doors, remove their bars.

Give room to Him who rules the stars.

That Christ alone our King may be,

Our Savior through eternity!

Marvel now, all heaven and earth,

That our God chose such a birth.

Dear Lord, our hearts awaken,

In faith to stand unshaken.

Good Christian friends, rejoice, with heart and soul and voice!

He has opened heaven's door, and we are blessed forevermore!

Advent Wreath Lighting & Prayer – Love

Advent Video

*Scripture – Psalm 130:1-6

Message – Alice Nielsen

*Prayer of the Evening

Dear Jesus, thank You for coming to us in Bethlehem! As we prepare to celebrate Your birth, refocus us on love over hurt feelings and on people over things. Change our hearts and minds so that we can welcome You with joy at Your Second Coming. Amen.

*Lord's Prayer & Blessing

*Closing Song – “Advent Song”

Go in Peace to Love and Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand if you are able.

Scripture – Psalm 130:1-6

¹ Out of the depths I cry to You, LORD; ² Lord, hear my voice. Let Your ears be attentive to my cry for mercy. ³ If You, LORD, kept a record of sins, Lord, who could stand? ⁴ But with You there is forgiveness, so that we can, with reverence, serve You. ⁵ I wait for the LORD, my whole being waits, and in His word I put my hope. ⁶ I wait for the Lord more than watchmen wait for the morning, more than watchmen wait for the morning.

Thank you to tonight's ...

Altar Prep: Altar Prep Team | Advent Potluck: Justin Spieker, Laura Hamann

Advent Wreath Lighting & Prayer: Haley Eilts, Annabelle Simington

Counters: Larry Wigen, Becky Simons | Greeters: Gavin Patten and mentor,

Troy Rosendahl | Instrumentalist: Gloria McKenney | Message: Alice Nielsen

Scripture Reader: Nolan Kelley | Camera: Becky Simons | Computer: Brittany Spieker

Sound: Brett Eilts | Lead Tech: Jacob Weeks | Worship Leader: Pastor Ben Unseth

Confirmation Note

**Tonight, Wednesday, Dec. 20,
Confirmation will meet in the Discipleship Room.**

Advent and Christmas Schedule

**Sunday, Dec. 24
4th Sunday of Advent
and Christmas Eve**

9:00 a.m. Regular Worship Service
5:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Candlelight
Worship Service

**Sunday, Dec. 31
New Year's Eve**

9:00 a.m. Regular Worship Service