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Faith Lutheran Church Green Bay, Wisconsin

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- congregation stands. - congregation sits. - congregation kneel or sit as you are able. - congregation sings. - Congregation responds in **bold** print.

If you are uncomfortable standing or kneeling, you may choose to sit.

### **Reminders** in Preparation for Service:

- Please sign the red record of fellowship book to keep our records up to date.
- Out of respect for God's house and for those preparing for service, please maintain a quiet atmosphere prior to service by holding conversations in the narthex.
- While corporate confession and absolution is present at most services, if you would like to meet with Pastor privately, please speak with him to schedule a time for confession.
- Children are welcomed into our service and encouraged to participate with the rest of the congregation. If they do need some "wiggle room," you may move to the Wiggle Room (located in the narthex area), until they are ready to return to the service.

Visitors and Guests: Welcome to Faith Lutheran Church. We are blessed to have you with us.

- While most of what you will need for service is found in this service folder, if the indication LSB appears, it refers to the Lutheran Service Book, which is found in the hymnal rack on the back of the pew in front of you.
- Please speak with Pastor before receiving the Lord's Supper. If you do not have the opportunity before service begins, you are welcome to receive a blessing during communion. Please indicate this desire by crossing your arms during the distribution of the sacrament.

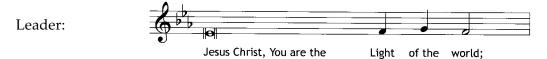
**College Students:** Please let us know how we can assist you during your time away from home. Be sure to introduce yourself to Pastor or Deaconess before leaving and indicate your university and contact information in the red record of fellowship book.

Prelude Adult Choir "Remember Christians All"
- Thomas Ravenscroft, arr. R. Proulx

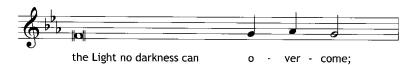
### **EVENING PRAYER**

(adapted from *Holden Evening Prayer*)

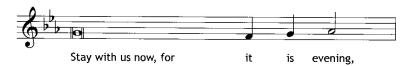
## Service of Light



Congregation:



Leader:



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#### EVENING HYMN



- 1. Joy-ous light of heav-'nly glo ry, lov ing
- 2. In the stars that grace the dark ness, in the
- 3. You who made the heav-en's splen dor, ev-'ry



glow of God's own face, you who sing cre-a-tion's blaz-ing sun of dawn, of the light of peace and danc-ing star of night, make us shine with gen-tle



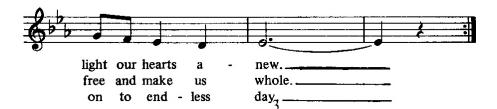
sto - ry, shine on ev 'ry land and race. Now as wis - dom, we can hear your qui - et song. Love that jus - tice, let us each re-flect your light. Might - y



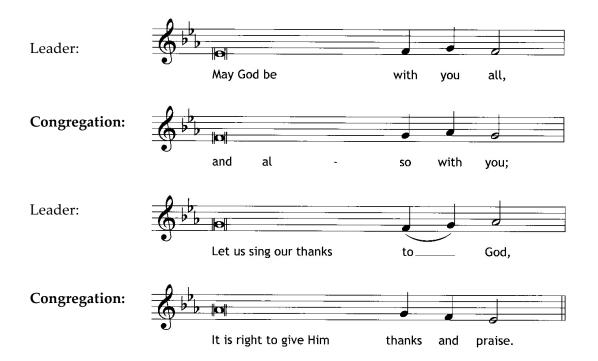
eve - ning falls a - round us, we shall raise our songs to fills the night with won - der, love that warms the wea - ry God of all cre - a - tion, gen - tle Christ who lights our



you, God of day - break, God of shad - ows, come and soul, Love that bursts all chains a - sun - der, set us way, Lov-ing Spir - it of sal - va - tion, lead us



### **EVENING THANKSGIVING**



Leader: Blessed are you, Creator of the universe–from old You have led Your people Israel by night and day. May the light of Your Christ make our darkness bright, for Your Word and Your presence are the light of our pathways, and You are the light and life of all creation.



### **PSALMODY**

## **Incense Psalm**



Leader:

May our prayers come before You, O God, as incense, and may Your presence surround and fill us, so that in union with all creation, we might sing Your praise and Your love in our lives.

### ALL: Amen.

**PSALM 85** (Read responsively)

Lord, You were favorable to Your land; you restored the fortunes of Jacob.

You forgave the iniquity of Your people; You covered all their sin.

You withdrew all Your wrath; you turned from Your hot anger.

Restore us again, O God of our salvation, and put away Your indignation toward us!

Will You be angry with us forever?
Will You prolong your anger to all generations?

Will You not revive us again, that Your people may rejoice in You?

Show us Your steadfast love, O Lord, and grant us Your salvation.

Let me hear what God the Lord will speak, for He will speak peace to His people, to His saints; but let them not turn back to folly.

Surely His salvation is near to those who fear Him, that glory may dwell in our land.

Steadfast love and faithfulness meet; righteousness and peace kiss each other.

Faithfulness springs up from the ground, and righteousness looks down from the sky.

Yes, the Lord will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase.

Righteousness will go before Him and make His footsteps a way.

Glory be to the Father and to the \* Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

READING 1 John 3

See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

Everyone who makes a practice of sinning also practices lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he appeared in order to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him keeps on sinning; no one who keeps on sinning has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Whoever practices righteousness is righteous, as he is righteous. Whoever makes a practice of sinning is of the devil, for the devil has been sinning from the beginning. The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the works of the devil. No one born of God makes a practice of sinning, for God's seed abides in him; and he cannot keep on sinning, because he has been born of God. By this it is evident who are the children of God, and who are the children of the devil: whoever does not practice righteousness is not of God, nor is the one who does not love his brother.

For this is the message that you have heard from the beginning, that we should love one another. We should not be like Cain, who was of the evil one and murdered his brother. And why did he murder him? Because his own deeds were evil and his brother's righteous. Do not be surprised, brothers,[c] that the world hates you. We know that we have passed out of death into life, because we love the brothers. Whoever does not love abides in death. Everyone who hates his brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life abiding in him.

By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers. But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him? Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth.

By this we shall know that we are of the truth and reassure our heart before him; for whenever our heart condemns us, God is greater than our heart, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence before God; and whatever we ask we receive from him, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. And this is his commandment, that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. Whoever keeps his commandments abides in God, and God in him. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit whom he has given us.

O Lord, have mercy on us. Thanks be to God.

## HYMN: "O Lord, How Shall I Meet You" - LSB #334, stanzas 1, 3, 7



## **HOMILY:** Vicar David Scarborough

#### Adult Choir: "Comfort, Comfort" arr. Richard Proulx Offering

Did you know that your offering supports the work of Camp Luther, our outdoor ministry partner, that serves over 5,000 people a year by sharing the Gospel in the beautiful north woods of Wisconsin?

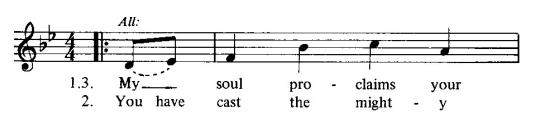


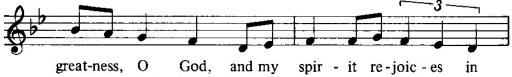
### The Annunciation

Luke 1:26-28, 30-32, 38

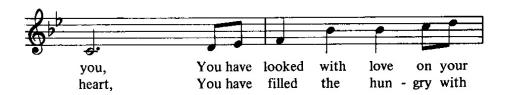
An angel went from God to a town called Nazareth to a woman whose name was Mary. The angel said to her, "Rejoice, O highly favored, for God is with you. You shall bear a child, and his name shall be Jesus, the Chosen One of God Most High." And Mary said, "I am the servant of may God, I live to do your will."

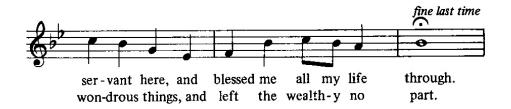
## MAGNFICAT (Mary's Song - Luke 1:46-55)

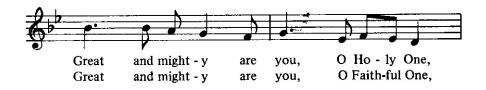




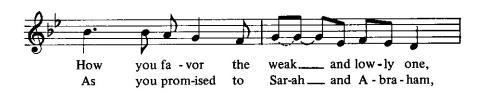
down from their thrones, and up lift - ed the hum-ble of







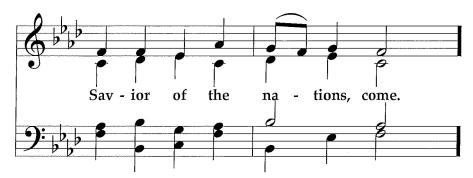








### **Antiphon:**



- For peace and salvation, we pray to You:
- For peace between nations, for peace between peoples, we pray to You:
- For all Your servants who live out Your gospel, we pray to You:
- For all those who govern, that justice might guide them, we pray to You:
- For all those who labor in service to others, we pray to You:
- Grant weather that nourishes all of creation, we pray to You:
- Keep watch on our loved ones and keep us from danger, we pray to You:
- For all the beloved who rest in Your mercy, we pray to You:
- Help us, comfort us, all of our days, we pray to You:
- Keep us, hold us gracious God, we pray to You:

#### LORD'S PRAYER

Lord remember us in Your love and teach us to pray:

Our Father who art in heaven,
 hallowed be Thy name,
 Thy kingdom come,
 Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;
 Give us this day our daily bread;
 and forgive us our trespasses,
 as we forgive those who trespass against us;
 and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever.
 Amen.

## BLESSING





## HYMN: "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" - LSB #357, stanzas 1, 2, 3 and 7

- 1. O come, O come, Emmanuel,
  And ransom captive Israel
  That mourns in lonely exile here
  Until the Son of God appear.
  Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
  Shall come to Thee, O Israel.
- 2. O come, Thou Wisdom from on high, Who ord'rest all things mightily; To us the path of knowledge show, And teach us in her ways to go. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel Shall come to Thee, O Israel.
- 3. O, come, O, come, Thou Lord of might, Who to Thy tribes on Sinai's height In ancient times didst give the Law, In cloud and majesty and awe. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel Shall come to Thee, O Israel.
- 7. O come Desire of Nations, bind In one the hearts of all mankind; Bid Thou our sad divisions cease, And be Thyself our King of Peace Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel Shall come to Thee, O Israel.

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## Advent and Christmas Season Service Schedule

Midweek Services (Wednesdays at 6:30 pm)
December 17

Christmas Eve Services (Wednesday, Dec 24) 1:00 pm Festival Service with Adult Choir 4:30 pm Service with Children's Choir 7:00 pm Festival Service with Handbells 10:00 pm Vigil Service

Christmas Day Service (Thursday, Dec. 25) 10:00 am Christmas Day Service with Holy Communion

New Year's Eve (Wednesday, Dec. 31) 6:30 pm New Year's Eve Service with Holy Communion