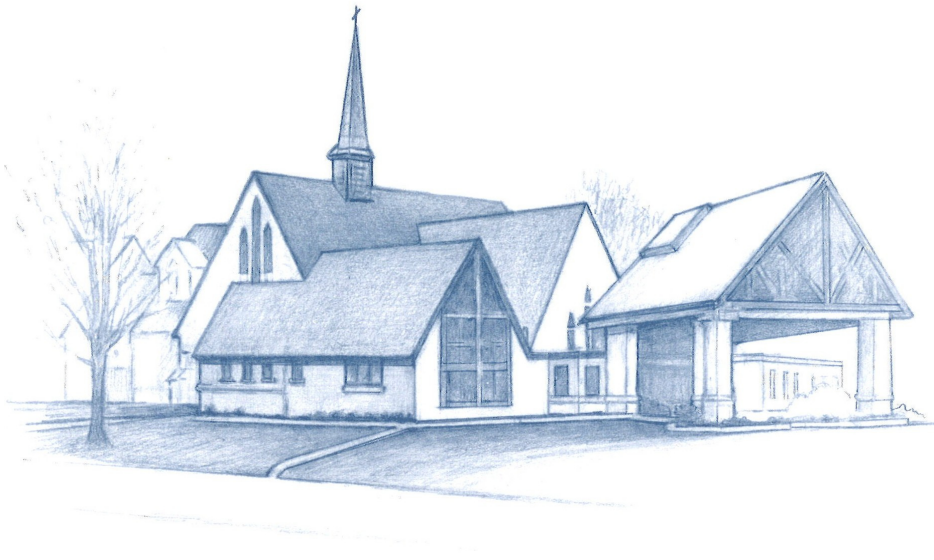


Mid-week Advent Service - 1

December 3, 2025, 6:30 p.m.



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.

Prelude

"O Lord, How Shall I Meet You" - arr. Ken Kosche

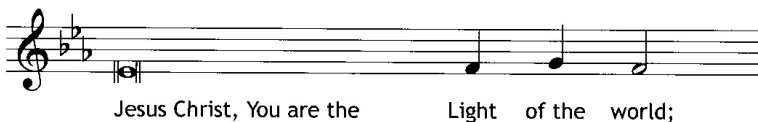
EVENING PRAYER

(adapted from *Holden Evening Prayer*)

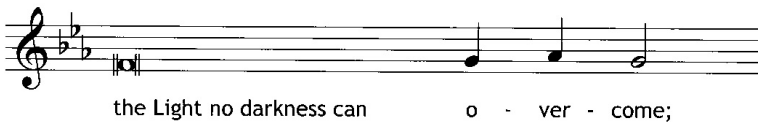


Service of Light

Leader:



Congregation:



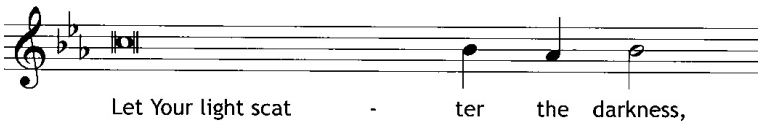
Leader:



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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



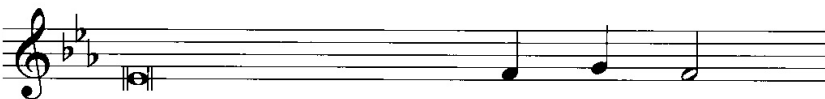
you, God of day - break, God of shad - ows, come and
soul, Love that bursts all chains a - sun - der, set us
way, Lov - ing Spir - it of sal - va - tion, lead us



light our hearts a - new. _____
free and make us whole. _____
on to end - less day. _____

EVENING THANKSGIVING


Leader:



May God be with you all,

The musical notation is on a single staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody starts with a whole rest, followed by a half note G4, a quarter note A4, and a half note B4.


Congregation:



and al - so with you;

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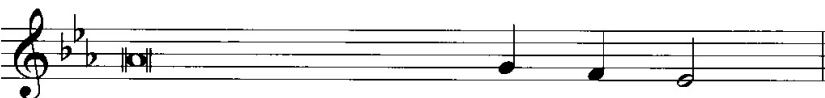
Leader:



Let us sing our thanks to God,

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Congregation:



It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

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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.



A - - - men.

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PSALMODY

Incense Psalm



Let my prayer rise up like in-cense be-fore You, the lift-ing up of my hands as an of-fer-ing to



You._____ O God I call to You come to me now; O hear my voice when I



call to You._____ Let my prayer rise up like in-cense be - fore You, the



lift-ing up of my hands as an of-fer-ing to You._____ Keep watch with - in me, God;



deep in my heart may the light of Your love be burn - ing bright._____



Let my prayer rise up like in-cense be - fore You, the lift-ing up of my hands as an



of-fer-ing to you._____ All praise to the God of all, Cre - a - tor of life; all



praise be to Christ and the Spi-rit of love._____ Let my prayer rise up like



in-cense be - fore You, the lift-ing up of my hands as an of-fer-ing to You._____

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 50:1-6, 22-23 (Read responsively)

The Mighty One, God the Lord,
speaks and summons the earth
from the rising of the sun to its setting.

**Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty,
God shines forth.**

Our God comes; he does not keep silence;
before him is a devouring fire,
around him a mighty tempest.

**He calls to the heavens above
and to the earth, that he may judge his people:**

“Gather to me my faithful ones,
who made a covenant with me by sacrifice!”

**The heavens declare his righteousness,
for God himself is judge!**

“Mark this, then, you who forget God,
lest I tear you apart, and there be none to deliver!

**The one who offers thanksgiving as his sacrifice glorifies me;
to one who orders his way rightly
I will show the salvation of God!”**

**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 1-2

The Word of Life

That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we looked upon and have touched with our hands, concerning the word of life—the life was made manifest, and we have seen it, and testify to it and proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and was made manifest to us—that which we have seen and heard we proclaim also to you, so that you too may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. And we are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

Walking in the Light

This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

Christ Our Advocate

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world. And by this we know that we have come to know him, if we keep his commandments. Whoever says “I know him” but does not keep his commandments is a liar, and the truth is not in him, but whoever keeps his word, in him truly the love of God is perfected. By this we may know that we are in him: whoever says he abides in him ought to walk in the same way in which he walked.

The New Commandment

Beloved, I am writing you no new commandment, but an old commandment that you had from the beginning. The old commandment is the word that you have heard. At the same time, it is a new commandment that I am writing to you, which is true in him and in you, because the darkness is passing away and the true light is already shining. Whoever says he is in the light and hates his brother is still in darkness. Whoever loves his brother abides in the light, and in him there is no cause for stumbling. But whoever hates his brother is in the darkness and walks in the darkness, and does not know where he is going, because the darkness has blinded his eyes.

I am writing to you, little children,
because your sins are forgiven for his name's sake.
I am writing to you, fathers,
because you know him who is from the beginning.
I am writing to you, young men,
because you have overcome the evil one.
I write to you, children,
because you know the Father.
I write to you, fathers,
because you know him who is from the beginning.
I write to you, young men,
because you are strong,
and the word of God abides in you,
and you have overcome the evil one.

Do Not Love the World

Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world—the desires of the flesh and the desires of the eyes and pride of life—is not from the Father but is from the world. And the world is passing away along with its desires, but whoever does the will of God abides forever.

Warning Concerning Antichrists

Children, it is the last hour, and as you have heard that antichrist is coming, so now many antichrists have come. Therefore we know that it is the last hour. They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would have continued with us. But they went out, that it might become plain that they all are not of us. But you have been anointed by the Holy One, and you all have knowledge. I write to you, not because you do not know the truth, but because you know it, and because no lie is of the truth. Who is the liar but he who denies that Jesus is the Christ? This is the antichrist, he who denies the Father and the Son. No one who denies the Son has the Father. Whoever confesses the Son has the Father also. Let what you heard from the beginning abide in you. If what you heard from the beginning abides in you, then you too will abide in the Son and in the Father. And this is the promise that he made to us—eternal life.

I write these things to you about those who are trying to deceive you. But the anointing that you received from him abides in you, and you have no need that anyone should teach you. But as his anointing teaches you about everything, and is true, and is no lie—just as it has taught you, abide in him.

Children of God

And now, little children, abide in him, so that when he appears we may have confidence and not shrink from him in shame at his coming. If you know that he is righteous, you may be sure that everyone who practices righteousness has been born of him.

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

HYMN: "O Lord, How Shall I Meet You" - *LSB #334*, stanzas 1, 2, 6



1. O Lord, how shall I meet You, How wel - come You a - right?
2. Your Zi - on strews be - fore You Green boughs and fair - est palms;
7. He comes to judge the na - tions, A ter - ror to His foes,



Your peo - ple long to greet You, My hope, my heart's de - light!
And I too will a - dore You with joy - ous songs and psalms.
A light of con - so - la - tions And bles - sed hope to those



O kin - dle, Lord most ho - ly, Your lamp with in my breast
My heart shall bloom for - ev - er For You with praise - es new
Who love the Lord's ap - pear - ing. O glo - rious Sun, now come,



To do in spir - it low - ly All that may please You best.
And from Your name shall nev - er With - hold the hon - or due.
Send forth Your beams so cheer - ing, And guide us safe - ly home.

HOMILY: Vicar David Scarborough

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The Annunciation

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

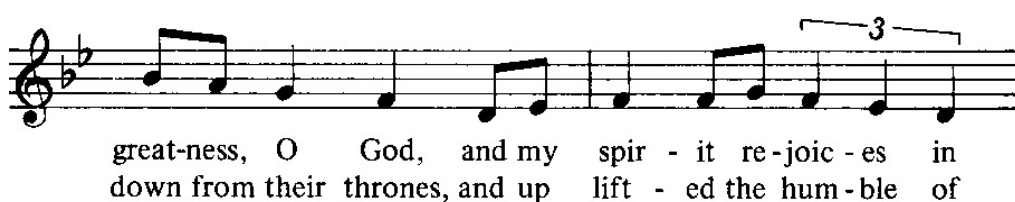
An angel went from God to a town called Nazareth to a woman whose name was Mary. The angel said to her, "Rejoice, O highly favored, for God is with you. You shall bear a child, and his name shall be Jesus, the Chosen One of God Most High." And Mary said, "I am the servant of my God, I live to do your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

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

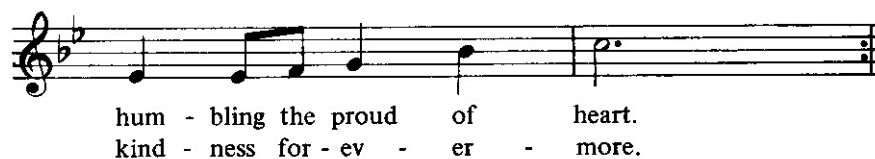
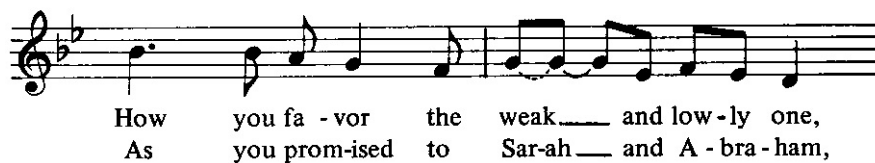
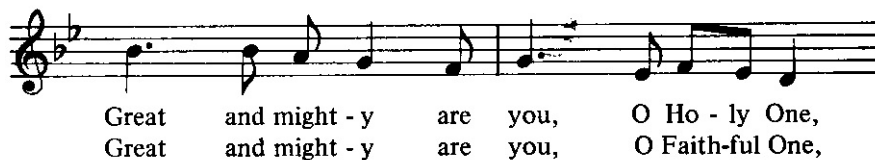
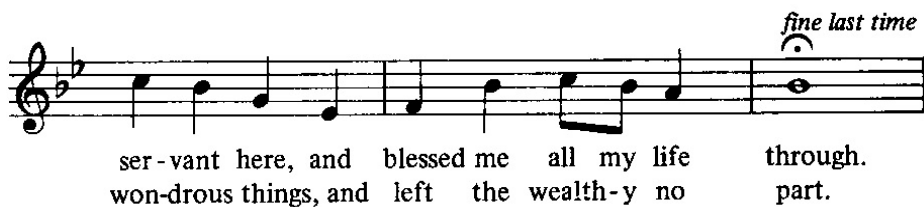
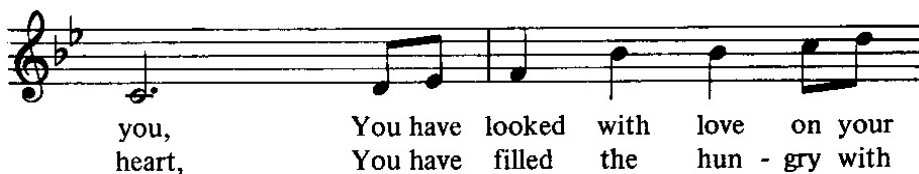
All:



1.3. My soul pro - claims your
2. You have cast the might - y



great-ness, O God, and my spir - it re-joic - es in
down from their thrones, and up lift - ed the hum - ble of





LITANY AND PRAYERS

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

Leader: *All:*



Let us bless our God: praise and thanks to you.

Presider:



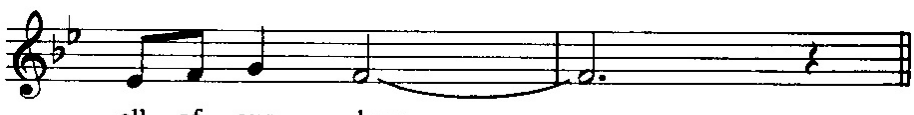
May God, Cre - a - tor bless us and keep us, may



Christ be ev - er light for our lives, may the



Spir - it of Love be our guide and path, for



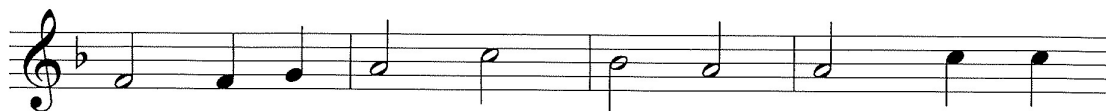
all of our days. _____

All:



A - men.

HYMN: "Now Rest Beneath Night's Shadow" - LSB #880



1. Now rest be - neath night's sha - dow The wood - land,
 2. The ra - dant sun has van - ished, Its gold - en
 3. Now all the heav'n - ly spen - dor Breaks forth in
 4. Lord Je - sus, since You love me, Now spread Your



field and mead - ow; The world in slum - ber lies.
 rays are ban - ished From dark - 'ning skies of night;
 star - light ten - der From myr - iad worlds un - known;
 wings a - bove me And shield me from a - larm.



But you, my heart, a - wak - ing And prayer and mu - sic
 But Christ the Sun of glad - ness, Dis - pel - ling all our
 And, we this mar - vel see - ing, For - get our self - ish
 Though Sa - tan, would de - vour me, Let an - gel guards sing



mak - ing, Let praise to your Cre - a - tor rise.
 sad - ness, Shines down on us in warm - est light.
 be - ing For joy of beau - ty not our own.
 o'er me: This child of God shall meet no harm.

5. My loved ones, rest securely.
 For God this night will surely
 From peril guard your heads.
 Sweet slumbers may he send you
 And bid His hosts attend you
 And through the night watch o'er your beds.

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Advent and Christmas Season Service Schedule

Midweek Services (Wednesdays at 6:30 pm)
December 10, and 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