

CALAMUS LUTHERAN PARISH

Faith Lutheran Church

8:00 a.m.

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

10:30 a.m.

Second Sunday of Christmas

January 5, 2020

Welcome in Jesus' name. Please consider using the prelude as a time for meditation and silent prayer. This is the ideal time for quiet preparation, as we come to worship God. Holy Communion is celebrated today. All who are baptized into Christ Jesus are invited forward to receive Holy Communion. Those not communing may come forward to receive a blessing.

Prelude

Ringing of the Bell

Welcome and Announcements

HOLY COMMUNION

*Setting: "Now the Feast and Celebration" and
"Service of the Word" (ELW page 211)*

GATHERING

(* *Indicates to please stand as you are able.*)

*** CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God,
who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C: Amen.

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

P: Gracious God,

C: Have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C: Amen.

*** GATHERING HYMN: “The First Noel” – ELW 300**

*** GREETING**

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

C: And also with you.

*** ♪ HYMN OF PRAISE** *(next two pages)*

Refrain

Congregation:

Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion,
all of cre - a - tion sings for joy
to the God of life and love and
free - dom: praise and glo - ry for ev -
er - more!

Verse 1

Congregation or Congregation 1:

1. Now is the feast of the Lamb once
slain, whose blood has freed and u -
nit - ed us to be one great peo - ple of
God. *to Refrain*

Verse 2

Congregation or Congregation 2:

2. Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and
might, all hon - or and glo - ry to Christ
for ev - er. *to Refrain*

Verse 3

Congregation:

3. For God has come to dwell with us, to
make us peo - ple of God; to make
all things new. *to Refrain*

* PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: O God our redeemer, you created light that we might live, and you illumine our world with your beloved Son. By your Spirit comfort us in all darkness, and turn us toward the light of Jesus Christ our Savior who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever

C: Amen.

You may be seated.

WORD

Old Testament Reading: Jeremiah 31:7-14

L: A reading from Jeremiah.

⁷ For thus says the LORD:

Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob,
and raise shouts for the chief of the nations;
proclaim, give praise, and say,

“Save, O LORD, your people, the remnant of Israel.”

⁸ See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north,
and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth,
among them the blind and the lame,
those with child and those in labor, together;
a great company, they shall return here.

⁹ With weeping they shall come,
and with consolations I will lead them back,
I will let them walk by brooks of water,
in a straight path in which they shall not stumble;
for I have become a father to Israel,
and Ephraim is my firstborn.

¹⁰ Hear the word of the LORD, O nations,
and declare it in the coastlands far away;
say, “He who scattered Israel will gather him,
and will keep him as a shepherd a flock.”

¹ For the LORD has ransomed Jacob,
and has redeemed him from hands too strong for him.

¹² They shall come and sing aloud on the height of Zion,
and they shall be radiant over the goodness of the LORD,
over the grain, the wine, and the oil,
and over the young of the flock and the herd;
their life shall become like a watered garden,
and they shall never languish again.

¹³ Then shall the young women rejoice in the dance,
and the young men and the old shall be merry.
I will turn their mourning into joy,

I will comfort them, and give them gladness for sorrow.
14 I will give the priests their fill of fatness,
and my people shall be satisfied with my bounty,
says the LORD.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 147:12-20 (*read responsively*)

Praise the LORD, O Jerusalem!

Praise your God, O Zion!

**13 For he strengthens the bars of your gates;
he blesses your children within you.**

14 He grants peace within your borders;
he fills you with the finest of wheat.

**15 He sends out his command to the earth;
his word runs swiftly.**

16 He gives snow like wool;
he scatters frost like ashes.

**17 He hurls down hail like crumbs—
who can stand before his cold?**

18 He sends out his word, and melts them;
he makes his wind blow, and the waters flow.

**19 He declares his word to Jacob,
his statutes and ordinances to Israel.**

20 He has not dealt thus with any other nation;
they do not know his ordinances. Praise the LORD!

New Testament Reading: Ephesians 1:3-14

L: A reading from Ephesians.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the
heavenly places, ⁴ just as he chose us in Christ before the
foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in

love. ⁵ He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, ⁶ to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. ⁷ In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace ⁸ that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight ⁹ he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, ¹⁰ as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. ¹¹ In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, ¹² so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. ¹³ In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; ¹⁴ this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

*** GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Congregation:

Al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we
go? You have the words of e - ter - nal
life. Al - le - lu - ia! *Optional Repeat*

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, chapter one.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

*** Gospel: John 1:10-18**

He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. ¹¹ He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. ¹² But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, ¹³ who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

¹⁴ And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth. ¹⁵ (John testified to him and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me.'") ¹⁶ From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. ¹⁷ The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. ¹⁸ No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

You may be seated.

CHILDREN’S SERMON – Pastor Bill

SERMON – Pastor Bill

You may remain seated for the hymn.

HYMN OF THE DAY: “Love Has Come” – ELW 292

*** CONFESSION OF FAITH**

P: Using the words of the Apostles’ Creed, let us confess our holy faith:

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*** PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

(Each petition ends: P: Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.)

*** PEACE**

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Greet one another with a sign of Christ’s peace and be seated.

MEAL

OFFERING

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

*** OFFERTORY**

Refrain
Congregation:

As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were
gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread;
so may all your peo-ple from all the ends of earth be
gath-ered in - to one in you.

Verses

1. As this cup of bless-ing is shared with-in our midst
2. Let this be a fore-taste of all that is to come *when to Refrain*
may we share the pres - ence of your love.
all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

*** OFFERTORY PRAYER**

P: Generous God,

C: you have given us life, this community, and these gifts of the earth that become the meal of your grace. Move in our hearts, that we might use your gifts to bring hope and blessing wherever we go, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*** GREAT THANKSGIVING**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

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

C: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty, and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn.

Congregation:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and
might; Heav - en and earth are filled with your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est!
Bless - ed is the One who comes in your name. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!

*** WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

*** LORD'S PRAYER**

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

C: 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.

*** INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

P: Love has come: God's love for all people.

Come and eat, for Christ invites you.

You may be seated.

SERVICE MUSIC

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Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Music: *Bread of Life*, Jeremy Young, b. 1948
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COMMUNION

All who are baptized into Christ Jesus are invited forward to receive Holy Communion. Those not communing may come forward to receive a blessing. Please proceed forward at the direction of the ushers.

Gluten-free wafers and white grape juice are available during Holy Communion. Indicate to the Assisting Minister if this is your preference.

Hymn Sung During Distribution: “Bright and Glorious Is the Sky” – ELW

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P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ
strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

* POST COMMUNION CANTICLE

Congregation:



1. Praise to you, O God of mer - cy:
2. From of old you loved and sought us:

Thanks be to you for ev - er! Rais - ing high the
Thanks be to you for ev - er! Truth and jus - tice

weak and low - ly: Thanks be to you for ev - er!
you have taught us: Thanks be to you for ev - er!

Strong is your faith - ful-ness, strong is your
love, re - mem - b'ring your cov-e-nant of
life with us. 3. Praise to you, O
God of mer - cy: Thanks be to you for ev - er!
Rais - ing high the weak and low - ly: Thanks be to you for
ev - er! Thanks be to you for ev - er!

*** POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

P: Emmanuel, God with us,
you grace us with life and breath and give us bread for the
journey. Send us out in service to this world that you love,
telling the amazing news of your coming to be Savior and Lord
of all.

C: Amen.

SENDING

*** BLESSING**

P: Grace from God's own heart, peace from the Child in the
manger, and strength from the Spirit of life be blessing for you
today and forever.

C: Amen.

*** SENDING HYMN: "As with Gladness Men of Old"**

*** DISMISSAL**

P: Christ is born! Go tell it on the mountain and everywhere.

C: Thanks be to God.

Ring of the Bell

Postlude

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Those to keep in prayer this week: Kim Steffens, Rebecca Hurt, Tim Burke, Jim Goddard, Coral Hesse, Velda Holloman, Nan Waldorf, Ray Johnson, Ruth Braet, Dale Jacobs, Ellen Bauer, Glenda Oldaker, Michele Scheper, Chance Dexter, Darcy Aune, Bruce Aune, Kelly Meyer, Donna Ploog, Joyce McCutcheon, Colleen Clausen Olson, Christian Bousset, Barb Johnson, June Reimers, George Tulley, Ethan Friedrich and Vicki Sharp; the homebound: Bus Seastrand, Rusty Porth, Ed Meadows, Oscar Shelton, Norman Bousset, Hazel Richards, Ron Gasper, Geri Schutt and Myrna Kay Petersen.

Pastor: Rev. William Runaas, Jr.

Pianist: Faith: Rachel Bousset

Organist: Our Savior’s: Jason Bousset or Linda Whitman

Altar Ministry: Faith: Diane Christensen

Greeter: Faith: Doreen Henning

Acolytes: Faith: Kalloway Whitman

Our Savior’s: Noelle Steines

Lectors: Faith: Doreen Henning

Our Savior’s: Brian Bousset

Communion Assistants: Faith: Doreen Henning

Our Savior's: Cindy Burke

Ushers: Faith: Daryl Henning, Doreen Henning,
Blaine Henning, Kayla Henning

Our Savior's: Brian Boussetot

Cleaners: Our Savior's: Brain Boussetot and Mary Timmmerman

This Week At A Glance

Week starting January 5

Sunday	8:00 a.m. – Worship Service at Faith
	9:25 a.m. – Sunday School at Our Savior's
	10:30 a.m. – Worship Service at Our Savior's
Wednesday	Noon – Lydia Circle at Garden Café in DeWitt
Friday	9:30 a.m. – Naomi Circle at Garden Café in DeWitt
Sunday	8:00 a.m. – Worship Service at Faith
	9:25 a.m. – Sunday School at Our Savior's
	10:30 a.m. – Worship Service at Our Savior's

Financial reports, budgets, and audit reports are due in the church office by January 13, 2020.
Annual Meetings on Sunday, January 26, will follow worship at Faith and Our Savior's.

Feeding the Children – There is a need for single-serve items; pop-open cans of chicken, tuna, pasta, soup, and snacks to put in the bags that go home with five Cal/Wheat elementary students every Friday.

Please start saving cancelled stamps to raise funds for Lutheran World Relief. Cut the stamp off the envelope leaving ¼ inch around it. Place the stamps in the containers by the guest registers at both churches.

Faith:

Worship Attendance, December 29, 2019.....	26
Offering, December 29, 2019.....	\$3,141.00
Needed weekly to meet budget.....	\$2,182.00

Our Savior's:

Worship Attendance, December 29, 2019.....	30
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