

CALAMUS LUTHERAN PARISH

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

8:00 a.m.

Faith Lutheran Church

10:30 a.m.

First Sunday of Christmas

December 30, 2012

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.

Prelude

Ringling of the Bell

Welcome and Announcements

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Evangelical Lutheran Worship, page 210

*(*Please stand, if you are able)*

GATHERING

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS** – pages 211—212

***GATHERING SONG:** *Congregation selection of two hymns*

***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.

*** ♪ CANTICLE OF PRAISE:** *“Glory to God...”* – page 213 - 215

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Shine into our hearts the light of your wisdom, O God, and open our
minds to the knowledge of your word, that in all things we may think
and act according to your good will and may live continually in the light
of your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy
Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen

WORD

First Reading: 1 Samuel 2:18—20, 26

L: A reading from 1 Samuel.

Samuel was ministering before the LORD, a boy wearing a linen ephod. His mother used to make for him a little robe and take it to him each year, when she went up with her husband to offer the yearly sacrifice. Then Eli would bless Elkanah and his wife, and say, "May the LORD repay you with children by this woman for the gift that she made to the LORD"; and then they would return to their home.

Now the boy Samuel continued to grow both in stature and in favor with the LORD and with the people.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 148 (*To be read responsively by whole verse*)

Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD from the heavens;
praise him in the heights!

Praise him, all his angels;

praise him, all his host!

Praise him, sun and moon;

praise him, all you shining stars!

Praise him, you highest heavens,

and you waters above the heavens!

Let them praise the name of the LORD,

for he commanded and they were created.

He established them forever and ever;

he fixed their bounds, which cannot be passed.

Praise the LORD from the earth,

you sea monsters and all deeps,

fire and hail, snow and frost,

stormy wind fulfilling his command!

Mountains and all hills,

fruit trees and all cedars!

Wild animals and all cattle,

creeping things and flying birds!

Kings of the earth and all peoples,

princes and all rulers of the earth!

**Young men and women alike,
old and young together!**

Let them praise the name of the LORD,
for his name alone is exalted;
his glory is above earth and heaven.

**He has raised up a horn for his people,
praise for all his faithful,
for the people of Israel who are close to him.
Praise the LORD!**

Second Reading: Colossians 3:12—17

L: A reading from Colossians.

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

*** ♪ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: “Alleluia. Lord, ...”** – page 216

P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke, the second chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

***GOSPEL: Luke 2:41—52**

Now every year his parents went to Jerusalem for the festival of the Passover. And when he was twelve years old, they went up as usual for the festival. When the festival was ended and they started to return, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. Assuming that he was in the group of travelers, they went a day's journey. Then they started to look for him among their relatives and friends. When they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem to search for him. After

three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. When his parents saw him they were astonished; and his mother said to him, "Child, why have you treated us like this? Look, your father and I have been searching for you in great anxiety." He said to them, "Why were you searching for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" But they did not understand what he said to them. Then he went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them. His mother treasured all these things in her heart.

And Jesus increased in wisdom and in years, and in divine and human favor.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

HOMILY: Dan Burke, Our Savior's; Mark Witte, Faith
Silence for reflection

***HYMN OF THE DAY:** *Congregation selection of two hymns*

***NICENE CREED**

P: Let us confess our holy faith:

C: We believe in one God,

**the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

For us and for our salvation

**he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again from the dead
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen**

***PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

*(Each petition ends with P: Lord, in your mercy,
C: hear our prayer.*

***PEACE**

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

THANKSGIVING

OFFERING

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

***THANKSGIVING FOR THE WORD**

P: Let us pray.

O God of justice and love, we give thanks to you that you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, awaken us to the needs of others, and at the end bring all the world to your feast; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever.

C: Amen

***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.

SENDING

*BLESSING

P: Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen

*SENDING SONG: *Congregation selection of two hymns*

*DISMISSAL:

P: Go in peace. Christ is with you.

C: Thanks be to God.

Ringling of the Bell

Postlude

Alternate Worship Texts: *Sundays & Seasons*, copyright 2013 Augsburg Fortress

Organist:		Jason Boussetot
Altar Ministry:	Faith:	Dave & Terri Boussetot
Greeter:	Faith:	Terri Boussetot
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Lector:	Our Savior's:	Kay Olson
	Faith:	Shirley Ferguson
Ushers:	Our Savior's:	Darin Doerscher, Brian Boussetot, Dylan Boussetot, Mark Olson
	Faith:	Mark Witte, Gary Braet, Dirk Braet, Brian Tulley
Cleaners:	Our Savior's:	Brian Boussetot, Dylan Boussetot

Welcome to our guests and visitors. We are glad to have you worship with us this morning. Please come back to worship with us again.

There is a "**cry room**" available in the back of each church, if you would like to make use of the accommodations.

Those to keep in prayer this week: For all those who are ill: Mary Morehead, Claire Wallace, Julie Coopman, Nancy Schebler, Tom Wright, Caleb May, Josie Watham, Alex Luedtke, Nancy Ramige, Signe Rock,

Myrtle Koslofsky, Ed Youngers, Florence Petersen, Evelyn Stueland and Myrna Kay Petersen; For Kayla Dohrmann, Christopher Holmes, Jeremy Koch, Brian Holmes and all others serving in the military.

There is no Sunday School or Adult Class this morning. Classes resume January 6 at Faith Church.

All committee reports and organization reports for the annual reports are due in the church office.

A reminder to all First Communion people: a training session for becoming acolytes will be held January 9 at 7:45 p.m. at Faith Church.

This Week At A Glance

Today	8:00 a.m. -	Worship Service at Our Savior's Church
	10:30 a.m. -	Worship Service at Faith Church
Sunday	8:00 a.m. -	Worship Service at Our Savior's Church
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Our Savior's:

Worship Attendance, December 23	55
Attendance, Christmas Eve	150

Faith: Worship Attendance, December 23	65
Offering, Sunday, December 23.....	\$1,893.00
Needed Weekly to Meet Budget	\$1,843.00
Attendance, Christmas Day.....	62
Offering, Christmas.....	\$1,047.00

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