



January 30th, 2022

*ELW Setting 3
4th Sunday of epiphany*

*We welcome you with open
arms and open hearts*

Faith Lutheran Church is a Christ-centered, Bible-reading, welcoming spiritual home for seekers, believers, and everybody between. We're a family of God "because God first loved us." (1 John 4:19) Because you're here, you're part of the family—welcome Young children are welcome in the service. If you are new to Faith we would like to be in touch with you. Please share your contact information with the church office, 406-363-2964,

Welcome to Faith and thank you for coming!

God Gathers the Body of Christ

Prelude

Call to Worship

Am: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you!**

**Accompanist
Susan Peterson**

(AM: Any prayer requests? Please notify the church office to submit names of those you wish to be included in the prayers. No formal offering will be taken today. Please leave in the offering plate on the table in the narthex.)

GATHERING/ Confession & Absolution:

PM: The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

In the name of the Father,

and of the ✠ Son,

and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

PM: 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.

ALL: Amen.

PM: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

(The assembly kneels or stands. Silence is kept for reflection.)

PM: Most merciful God,

ALL: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

PM: 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.
Amen.

Gathering Hymn

“Christ Be Our Light ”

ELW #715

**Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people,
light for the world to see.**

Refrain

**Christ, be our light!
Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in your church gathered today.**

**Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has pow'r to save us.
Make us your living voice. Refrain**

**Longing for food, many are hungry.
Longing for water, many still thirst.
Make us your bread, broken for others,**

shared until all are fed. Refrain

Longing for shelter, many are homeless.

Longing for warmth, many are cold.

**Make us your building, sheltering others,
walls made of living stone. Refrain**

Many the gifts, many the people,

many the hearts that yearn to belong.

Let us be servants to one another,

signs of your kingdom come. Refrain

Greeting

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

All: And also with you!

Kyrie

AM: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

AM: For the peace from above,

and for our salvation,

let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

AM: For the peace of the whole world,

for the well-being of the Church of God,

and for the unity of all,

let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

AM: For this holy house,
and for all who offer here their worship and praise,
let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

AM: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

All: Amen.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

ELW# 140

ALL: This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,
whose blood set us free to be people of God.**

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**Power, riches, wisdom and strength,
and honor, blessing, and glory are his.**

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**Sing with all the people of God,
and join in the hymn of all creation:**

**Blessing, honor, glory, and might
be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.**

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign.

Alleluia.

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Prayer of the Day

AM: Let us pray.

Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and love; and that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

(A brief silence is kept before the prayer. The assembly is seated.)

AM: Please be seated for the readings

God Speaks to Us in The Word

First Reading: Jeremiah 1:4-10

Lector: A reading from Jeremiah:

(God calls Jeremiah to be a prophet and consecrates him in the womb. Jeremiah's task is to preach God's word amid the difficult political realities of his time, before the Babylonian exile. He is to make God known not only to Judah, but also to the nations.)

4Now the word of the Lord came to me saying,

5“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,
and before you were born I consecrated you;
I appointed you a prophet to the nations.”

6Then I said, “Ah, Lord God! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy.” 7But the Lord said to me,

“Do not say, ‘I am only a boy’;
for you shall go to all to whom I send you,
and you shall speak whatever I command you.

8Do not be afraid of them,
for I am with you to deliver you,
says the Lord.”

9Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the Lord said to me,
“Now I have put my words in your mouth.

10See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms,
to pluck up and to pull down,
to destroy and to overthrow,

to build and to plant.”

Psalm 71:1-6

(From my mother’s womb you have been my strength. (Ps. 71:6))

1In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge;
let me never be put to shame.

**2In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free;
incline your ear to me and save me.**

3Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe;
you are my crag and my stronghold.

**4Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked,
from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor.**

5For you are my hope, O Lord God,
my confidence since I was young.

**6I have been sustained by you ever since I was born; from my mother’s womb
you have been my strength;
my praise shall be always of you.**

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 13:1-13

(Christians in Corinth prided themselves on their spiritual gifts. Paul reminds them that God gives us many gifts through the Holy Spirit, but the purpose behind all of them is love, the kind of love that God showed us in Jesus Christ.)

1If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. 2And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. 3If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

4Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant 5or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; 6it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. 7It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

8Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. 9For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; 10but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. 11When I was a

child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. 12For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. 13And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

L: The word of the Lord....

C: Thanks be to God.

Kids' Talk

Gospel Acclamation

“Alleluia”

ELW p.142

(The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.)

**Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life.
Alleluia. Alleluia.**

Gospel

Luke 4:21-30

PM: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke.:

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

People in Jesus' hometown are initially pleased when he says that God will free the oppressed. Their pleasure turns to rage when he reminds them that God's prophetic mission typically pushes beyond human boundaries so that mercy and healing are extended to those regarded as outsiders.

21Then [Jesus] began to say to [all in the synagogue in Nazareth,] “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.” 22All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, “Is not this Joseph's son?” 23He said to them, “Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, ‘Doctor, cure yourself!’ And you will say, ‘Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.’” 24And he said, “Truly I tell

you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown. 25But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; 26yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. 27There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian." 28When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. 29They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. 30But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ!

Sermon

Pastor Paul

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Although I Speak with Angel's Tongue”

ELW# 644

1 Although I speak with angel's tongue,
my faith, my knowledge all surpass,
but have no love, my gifts are vain
as clanging gong or blaring brass.

2 For love is patient, love is kind,
and never vain with boasting pride;
love bears all things, all things endures.
All things must end; love will abide.

3 For now we peer at darkened glass;
our visions end; our tongues all cease.
In part we know, in part now see:
then we will see love face to face.

4 The gifts are many, the Body one,
and into one are all baptized.
Beloved, share one heart, one mind,
one hope, one faith, one love in Christ.

The Apostles Creed.

AM: Let us Confess our faith with the words of The Apostles Creed.

**All: 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 to the dead.***

**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.**

The Prayers of the Church

The Spirit of the Lord is poured out upon us in abundance; so we are bold to pray for the church, the world, and all that God has made.

(A brief silence.)

Guide your church in the ways of faith, hope, and love. Cultivate ministries and communities of compassion that bear witness to your enduring presence among us. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Teach us to live in humility on the earth. Curb arrogance that leads to destruction of natural resources and disregard for future generations. Inspire the work of scientists who urge us to live in harmony with your creation.

God of grace,

hear our prayer.

You are the refuge of all who seek hope and freedom. Accompany immigrants, refugees, and asylum seekers who cross borders to find safety and opportunity. Embolden leaders to draft compassionate policies on behalf of migrants and those who assist them.

God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Love bears, believes, hopes, and endures all things. Comfort with your love all who are lonely, fearful, or brokenhearted. Sustain the hope of all those who suffer in body or spirit (especially).

God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Your grace falls upon young and old alike. Bless the gifts of children in this congregation and in this community. Give us humble hearts to follow their leadership. Inspire us with their laughter, their insight, and their curiosity.

God of grace,

hear our prayer.

(Here other intercessions may be offered.)

We praise you for those who have gone before us and now see you face to face (especially). Abide with us in this mortal life until we rest in the arms of your never-ending love.

God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Since we have such great hope in your promises, O God, we lift these and all of our prayers to you in confidence and faith; through Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

Pass the Peace

PM: The peace of Christ be with you always.

ALL: And also with you.

*Take a moment to pass the peace with those around you,
and send a message of peace to those listening and watching with you.*

Jesus Comes to Us in His Supper

Dear members and friends of Faith: as you trust the God you see in Jesus, please be welcome to share in the resurrection, as a demonstration that God “loves you to death” and is present to, in, and through you now and forever. Communion will be served in individual portions

MEAL

Offering

ELW# 182:

**Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord,
and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.
Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown,
that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gather the hopes and the dreams of all;
unite them with the prayers we offer.
Grace our table with your presence,
and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.**

Offering Prayer

AM: Let us pray,

**All: Blessed are you, O God,
Sovereign of the universe.**

**You offer us new beginnings
and guide us on our journey.**

**Lead us to your table,
nourish us with this heavenly food,**

**and prepare us to carry your love
to a hungry world,
in the name of Christ our light.
Amen.**

Great Thanksgiving

ELW p.144

The presiding minister greets the assembly and invites all present to give thanks.

PM: The Lord be with you.

ALL: **And also with you.**

PM: Lift up your hearts.

ALL: **We lift them to the Lord.**

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

ALL: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

PREFACE

PM: 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.

By the leading of a star he was shown forth to all nations;
in the waters of the Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son;
and in the miracle of water turned to wine he revealed your glory.
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:

ALL: **Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of pow'r and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life:
Blessed are you for the birth of creation.
Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light.
Blessed are you for your promise to your people.
Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams.
Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will.
Blessed are you for your Son Jesus,
the Word made flesh.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Pm: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

**All: Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

PM: With this bread and cup
we remember your Word dwelling among us,

full of grace and truth.

We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection.

We look with hope for his coming.

Come, Lord Jesus.

PM: Holy God, we long for your Spirit.

Come among us.

Bless this meal.

May your Word take flesh in us.

Awaken your people.

Fill us with your light.

Bring the gift of peace on earth.

Come, Holy Spirit.

PM: All praise and glory are yours,

Holy One of Israel,

Word of God incarnate,

Power of the Most High,

one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9-13 & Luke 11:2-4

PM: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught

**All: 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 the Meal

PM: Come, taste, and see that the Lord is good.

Distribution

PM: The body of Christ, given for you.
The blood of Christ, shed for you.
Amen.

Blessing/Prayers

PM: And now may the body and blood of our Lord and Savior,
keep you in His grace.

AM: Let us Pray

**ALL: We give you thanks, gracious God,
for we have feasted on the abundance of your house.
Send us to bring good news
and to proclaim your favor to all,
strengthened with the richness of your grace
in your Son, Jesus Christ.
Amen.**

Announcements

Benediction

PM: God, who leads you in pathways of righteousness,
who rejoices over you,
and who calls you by name,
✠ bless your going out and your coming in,
today and forever.

ALL: Amen..

Sending Song

“Go, My Children, with My Blessing”

ELW #543

- 1 “Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone.
Waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own.
In my love’s baptismal river
I have made you mine forever.
Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own.”**

- 2 “Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
Here you heard my dear Son’s story,
here you touched him, saw his glory.
Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.”**

- 3 “Go, my children, fed and nourished, closer to me.
Grow in love and love by serving, joyful and free.
Here my Spirit’s power filled you,
here my tender comfort stilled you.
Go, my children, fed and nourished, joyful and free.”**

God Sends Us into The World

Dismissal

AM: Go in peace. Share the good news.

All: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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Pray for our Members and Friends...



Please call or email us with your prayer requests.

Prayers for safety and healing: Carl Russ, Micha, Karla West,
Kenny Senn,

Prayers for comfort:

Discovery:

Beehive: Yvonne Olson, Chuck Olson

Valley View: Ruth Dillon

Remington: Kathleen Gazzara

Sapphire: Bertie Senn

Incarcerated: George Davis

Thanks to our Worship Assistants!

Today	Jan 30th	Feb 6th
Accompanist	Susan Peterson	Colleen Southwick
Call To Worship		
Ushers		Helen
Lector	John Trangmoe	Nancy Osborn
Assisting Minister	Clyde Riggle	John Marten
Projection	Chad Farrenburg	Scott Southwick
Video	Rick Brown	Rick Brown

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