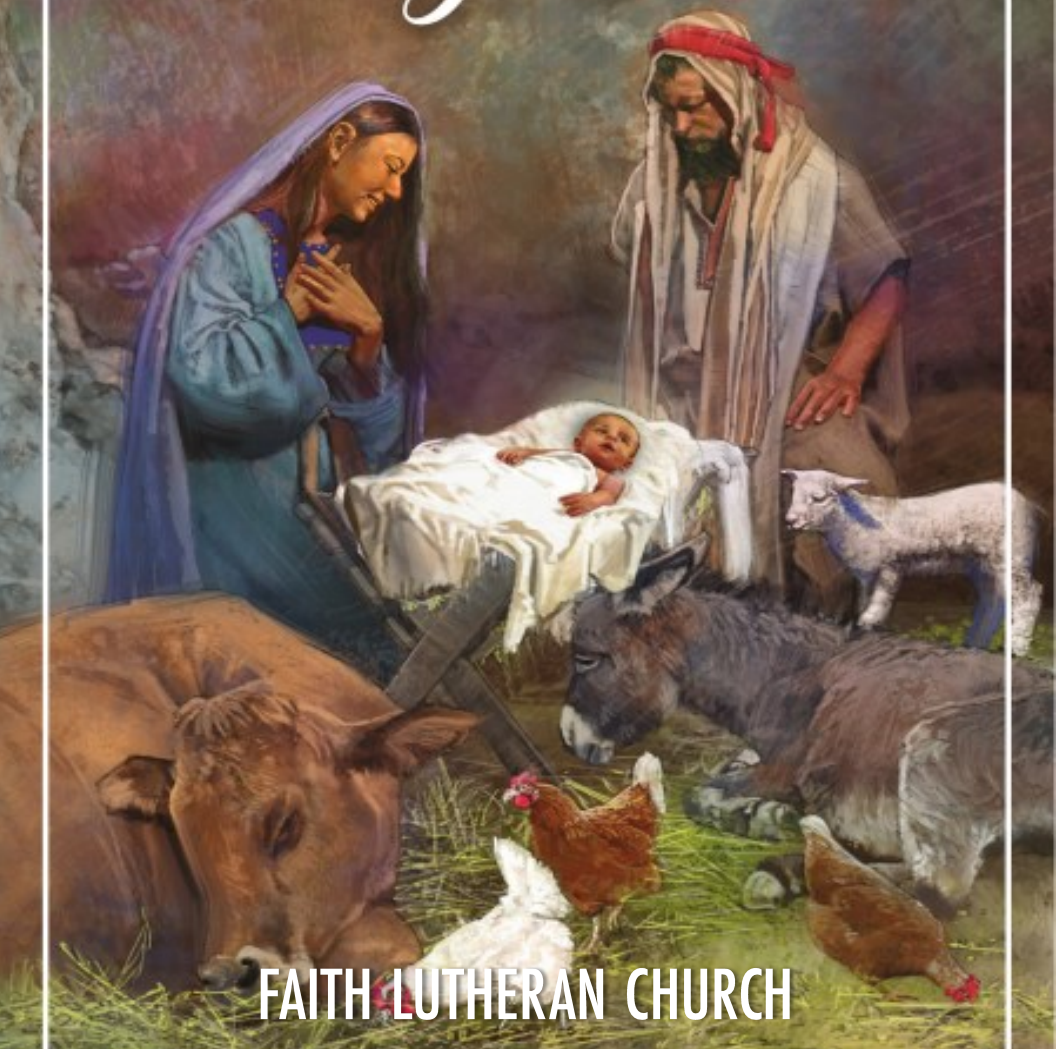


This is My Son



FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS SERVICE

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CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS SERVICE

Christmas Eve

December 24th, 2022

Pastor: Matthew Ude

Musician: Ann Sprengeler

Teachers: Ann Sprengeler

Jessica Krueger

Rebecca Lillo

Alison Brown

THIS IS MY SON

Processional: "O Come, Little Children"

Congregation and Children:

O come, little children, O come, one and all,
To Bethlehem haste to the manger so small.
God's Son for a gift has been sent you this night
To be your Redeemer, your Joy, and Delight.

He's born in a stable for you and for me;
Draw near by the bright, gleaming starlight to see,
In swaddling clothes lying, so meek and so mild,
And purer than angels, the heavenly child.

See Mary and Joseph, with love-beaming eyes,
Are gazing upon the rude bed where He lies;
The shepherds are kneeling, with hearts full of love,
While angels sing loud alleluias above.

Kneel down and adore Him with shepherds today,
Lift up little hands now and praise Him as they;
Rejoice that a Savior from sin you can boast,
And join in the song of the heavenly host.

THE PROMISED SON

PreK – K Children

For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son. John 3:16

Away in a Manger

Author (attributed to): Martin Luther

PreK-2nd Children

Away in a manger, no crib for a bed,
The little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head.
The stars in the bright sky looked down where he lay,
The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing, the baby awakes,
But little Lord Jesus, no crying he makes.
I love you, Lord Jesus; look down from the sky,
And stay by my cradle until morning is nigh.

Be near me, Lord Jesus; I ask you to stay
Close by me forever and love me, I pray.
Bless all the dear children in your tender care,
And take us to heaven to live with you there.

PreK-2nd

Jesus was a baby boy,
Came to earth to bring us joy.
God had promised us His Son,
So that sin would be undone.
What a gift our Father gave:
Jesus Christ, who's strong to save!
Thanks to Him, we are set free.
We are in God's family!

Aubrey Quade

Our heavenly Father created a perfect, sinless world. He created people to love and care for. The first two people, Adam and Eve, were created perfect and sinless too. But they disobeyed God, and sin and death entered the world. Right away, God provided a plan. He would not let His children die eternally. He would send a Savior.

McKenzie Heise

Thousands of years passed, and God's children continued to disobey God. But God kept loving them, and He did not forget His promise. When the time was right, He sent His Son—His only Son—Jesus into the world.

Mason Reyes

Jesus is the perfect Son who never sinned. He was born, He lived a perfect life, He died the death we should have died, and He rose again so we can have eternal life.

Andy Dykstra

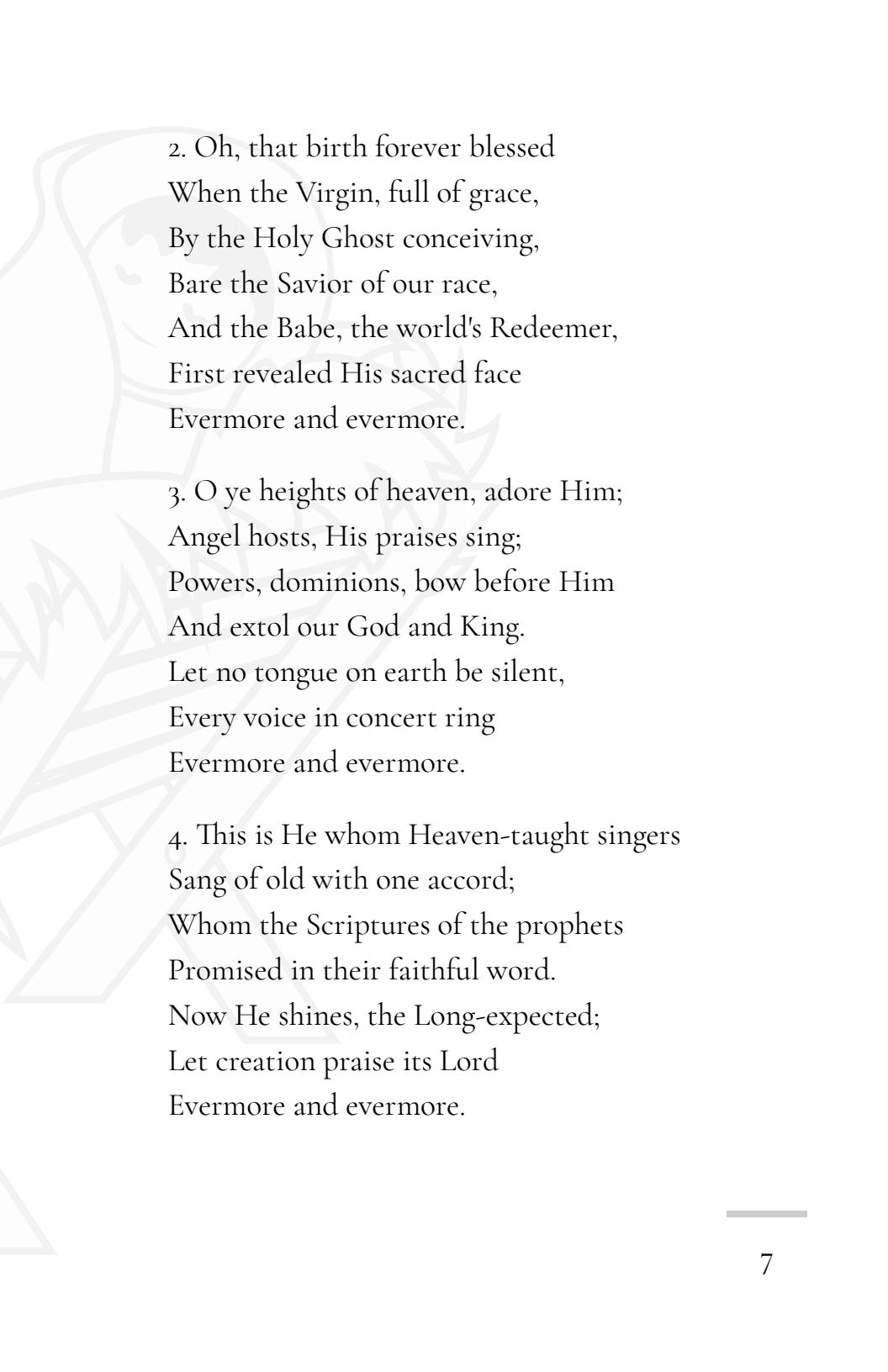
God has called each of us to be His child through faith in His perfect Son, Jesus. See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. 1 John 3:1

“Of the Father’s Love Begotten”

by Aurelius C. Prudentius, 413, cento

K - 8th Children

1. Of the Father's love begotten
Ere the worlds began to be,
He is Alpha and Omega,
He the Source, the Ending He,
Of the things that are, that have been,
And that future years shall see
Evermore and evermore.



2. Oh, that birth forever blessed
When the Virgin, full of grace,
By the Holy Ghost conceiving,
Bare the Savior of our race,
And the Babe, the world's Redeemer,
First revealed His sacred face
Evermore and evermore.

3. O ye heights of heaven, adore Him;
Angel hosts, His praises sing;
Powers, dominions, bow before Him
And extol our God and King.
Let no tongue on earth be silent,
Every voice in concert ring
Evermore and evermore.

4. This is He whom Heaven-taught singers
Sang of old with one accord;
Whom the Scriptures of the prophets
Promised in their faithful word.
Now He shines, the Long-expected;
Let creation praise its Lord
Evermore and evermore.

THE SON IN THE MANGER

Wyatt Austin

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon His shoulder, and His name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.
Isaiah 9:6

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. And the virgin's name was Mary.

Hunter Quade

And he came to her and said, "Greetings, O favored one, the Lord is with you!" But she was greatly troubled at the saying, and tried to discern what sort of greeting this might be.

Ellie Dykstra

And the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And behold,

you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call His name Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. And the Lord God will give to Him the throne of His father David, and He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of His kingdom there will be no end.”
Luke 1:26–3

Remy Golz + Millie Baggett

God sent the angel Gabriel
To Mary with great news to tell:
“Don’t be afraid. You’ll bear a son!
The King of kings, the Promised One.”
In a manger He was born,
The Son of God, on Christmas morn.

Go Tell It on the Mountain

Adapter: John W. Work

K - 8th Children

Refrain: Go tell it on the mountain,
Over the hills and everywhere;
Go tell it on the mountain
That Jesus Christ is born!

1 While shepherds kept their watching
Over silent flocks by night
Behold throughout the heavens
There shone a holy light. [Refrain]

2 The shepherds feared and trembled
When lo, above the earth
Rang out the angel chorus
That hailed our Savior's birth [Refrain]

3 Down in a lonely manger
The humble Christ was born;
And God sent us salvation
That blessed Christmas morn. [Refrain]

THE SON AND THE CROSS

Sam Austin

And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden.

Madelyn Newton

But the LORD God called to the man and said to him, “Where are you?” And he said, “I heard the sound of You in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself.” He said, “Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?”

Ellie Dykstra

The man said, “The woman whom You gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate.” Then the LORD God said to the woman, “What is this that you have done?” The woman said, “The serpent deceived me, and I ate.” Genesis 3:8–13

Elijah Wilder

From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom. And the people became impatient on the way. And the people spoke against God and against Moses, “Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we loathe this worthless food.”

Preston Thiem

Then the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died. And the people came to Moses and said, “We have sinned, for we have spoken against the LORD and against you. Pray to the LORD, that He take away the serpents from us.”

Sam Austin

So Moses prayed for the people. And the LORD said to Moses, “Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live.” So Moses made a bronze serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live. Numbers 21:4–9

Dawson Casey

And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in Him may have eternal life.

John 3:14-15

Arianna Frederick

But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons.

Kaleb Reyes

And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of His Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God. Galatians 4:4-7

K - 8th Children

From ancient times, God set in place
A plan to save the human race.
The Savior would be lifted high
And suffer on a cross and die.
We look to Jesus and we see
The Son of God who set us free.

"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

by unknown author, c. 1100

K - 8th Children

1. Oh, come, Oh, 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. Oh, come, Thou Rod of Jesse, free
Thine own from Satan's tyranny;
From depths of hell Thy people save
And give them victory o'er the grave.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

3. Oh, come, Thou Dayspring from on high,
And cheer us by Thy drawing nigh;
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night
And death's dark shadows put to flight.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

4. Oh, come, Thou Key of David, come
And open wide our heavenly home:
Make safe the way that leads on high
And close the path to misery.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

THE SON IN OUR HEARTS

Christmas Story Part One

K - 8th Children

Luke 2:1-7 And it came to pass in those days that a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be registered. ² This census first took place while Quirinius was governing Syria. ³ So all went to be registered, everyone to his own city. ⁴ Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, ⁵ to be registered with Mary, his betrothed wife, who was with child. ⁶ So it was,

that while they were there, the days were completed for her to be delivered. 7 And she brought forth her firstborn Son, and wrapped Him in swaddling cloths, and laid Him in a manger because there was no room for them in the inn.

"From Heaven Above"

by Martin Luther, 1483-1546

Congregation

1. "From heaven above to earth I come
To bear good news to every home;
Glad tidings of great joy I bring,
Whereof I now will say and sing:

2. "To you this night is born a child
Of Mary, chosen virgin mild;
This little child, of lowly birth,
Shall be the joy of all the earth.

Christmas Story Part Two

3rd - 8th Children

Luke 2:8-14 8 Now there were in the same country shepherds living out in the fields, keeping watch

over their flock by night. 9 And behold, an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were greatly afraid. 10 Then the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which will be to all people. 11 "For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. 12 "And this will be the sign to you: You will find a Babe wrapped in swaddling cloths, lying in a manger." 13 And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying: 14 "Glory to God in the highest, And on earth peace, goodwill toward men!"

Congregation

**3. "This is the Christ, our God and Lord,
Who in all need shall aid afford;
He will Himself your Savior be
From all your sins to set you free.**

**4. "He will on you the gifts bestow
Prepared by God for all below,
That in His kingdom, bright and fair,
You may with us His glory share.**

Christmas Story Part Three

6th - 8th Children

Luke 2:15-20 15 So it was, when the angels had gone away from them into heaven, that the shepherds said to one another, "Let us now go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has come to pass, which the Lord has made known to us." 16 And they came with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the Babe lying in a manger. 17 Now when they had seen Him, they made widely known the saying which was told them concerning this Child. 18 And all those who heard it marveled at those things which were told them by the shepherds. 19 But Mary kept all these things and pondered them in her heart. 20 Then the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told them.

Congregation

13. Ah, dearest Jesus, holy Child,
Make Thee a bed, soft, undefiled,
Within my heart, that it may be
A quiet chamber kept for Thee.

14. My heart for very joy doth leap,
My lips no more can silence keep;
I, too, must sing with joyful tongue
That sweetest ancient cradle-song:

15. Glory to God in highest heaven,
Who unto us His Son hath given!
While angels sing with pious mirth
A glad new year to all the earth.

Remy Golz

The Father's promises are true;
God sent His Son for me and you.
The angels sang of Jesus' birth;
The shepherds witnessed God on earth.
He fills my heart with joy and love,
The Son of God, come from above.

"Silent Night! Holy Night!"

by Joseph Mohr, 1792-1848

Congregation and Children

1. Silent night! Holy night!

All is calm, all is bright,

Round yon Virgin Mother and Child.

Holy Infant, so tender and mild,

Sleep in heavenly peace,

Sleep in heavenly peace.

2. Silent night! Holy night!

Shepherds quake at the sight;

Glories stream from heaven afar,

Heavenly hosts sing, Alleluia.

Christ, the Savior, is born!

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3. Silent night! Holy night!

Son of God, love's pure light

Radiant beams from Thy holy face,

With the dawn of redeeming grace,

Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth.

Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth.

Apostles' Creed

Congregation and Children

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, His 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. The third day he rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins, The resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.

Kaleb Reyes

For to us a child is born,

Congregation

To us a Son is given;

Kaleb Reyes

And the government shall be upon His shoulder

Congregation

And His name shall be called Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

Offering Hymn 712:3

So bring Him incense, gold, and myrrh;
Come, peasant, king, to own Him.
The King of kings Salvation brings;
Let loving hearts enthrone Him.
Raise, raise the song on high;
The virgin sings her lullaby.
Joy, joy, for Christ is born,
The babe, the Son of Mary!

PRAYERS

Pastor: We pray . . .

All Father in heaven, thank You for Your great love for us. Forgive us for the many times we disobey and stray from You. Thank You for sending Jesus to pay for our sins so that through faith in Him, we can live as Your children forever. In His name we pray. Amen.

BENEDICTION

#87 "Joy to the World, the Lord is Come"

by Isaac Watts, 1674-1748

Congregation and Children

1. Joy to the world, the Lord is come!
Let earth receive her King;
Let every heart prepare Him room
And heaven and nature sing.

2. Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns!
Let men their songs employ,
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains
Repeat the sounding joy.

3. No more let sins and sorrows grow
Nor thorns infest the ground;
He comes to make His blessings flow
Far as the curse is found.

4. He rules the world with truth and grace
And makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness
And wonders of His love.



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