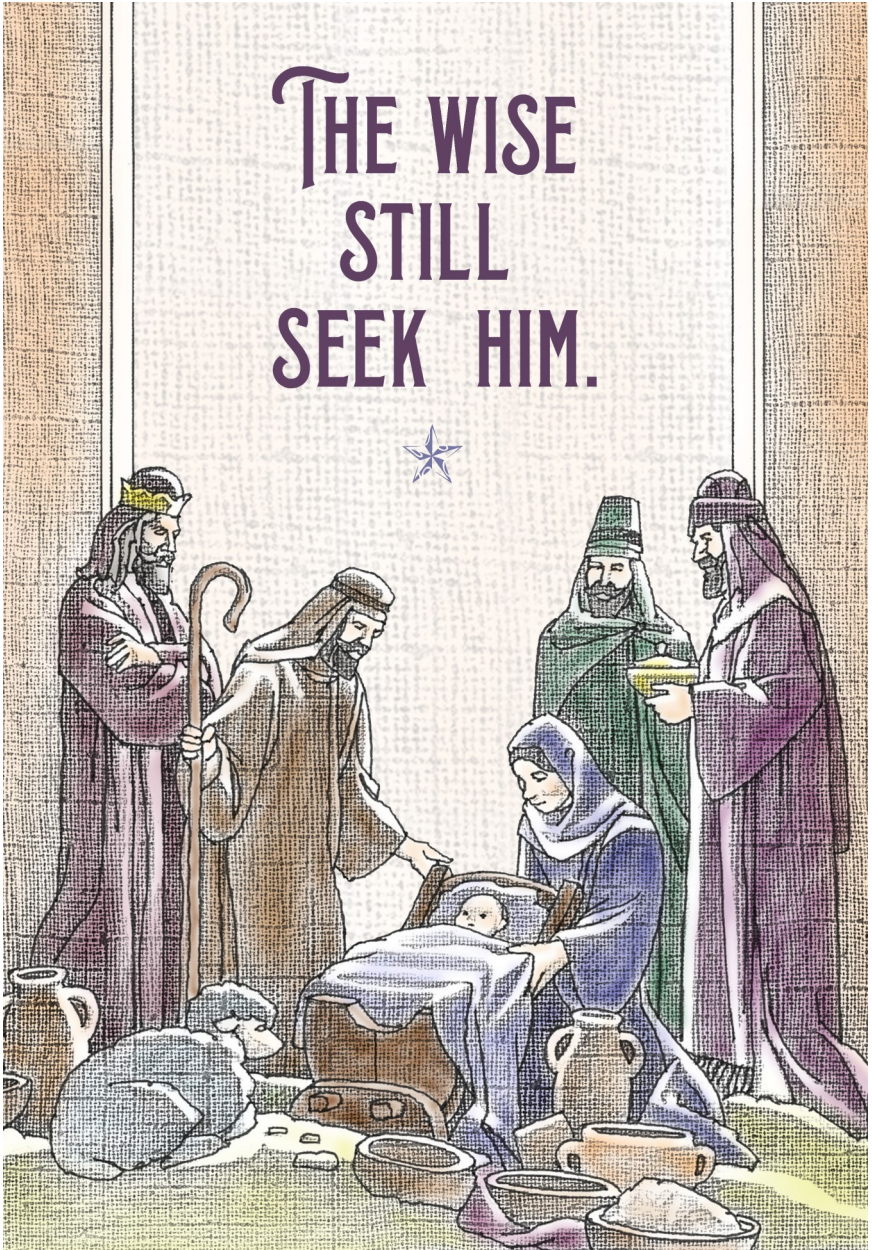


# Faith Lutheran Church

THE WISE  
STILL  
SEEK HIM.



January 12<sup>th</sup> 2025

# WELCOME

Thank you for worshipping with us today.  
Please sign the guest register in the entry  
as you leave the church today.

## TODAY'S SERVICE

January 12th 2025

Liturgy: Setting One, WS page 1

**Speaker:**

Pastor Matthew Ude

**Organist:**

Lila Brown

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# PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

## *Psalm 72:1-11*

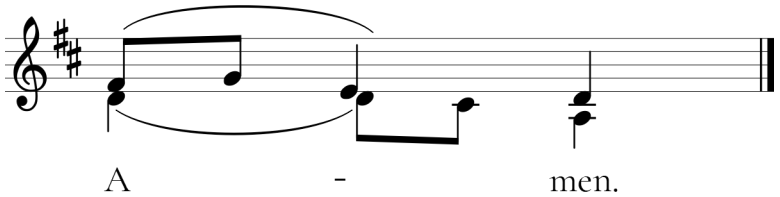
Give the king Your judgments, O God, And Your righteousness to the king's Son. <sup>2</sup> He will judge Your people with righteousness, And Your poor with justice. <sup>3</sup> The mountains will bring peace to the people, And the little hills, by righteousness. <sup>4</sup> He will bring justice to the poor of the people; He will save the children of the needy, And will break in pieces the oppressor. <sup>5</sup> They shall fear You<sup>1</sup> As long as the sun and moon endure, Throughout all generations. <sup>6</sup> He shall come down like rain upon the grass before mowing, Like showers *that* water the earth. <sup>7</sup> In His days the righteous shall flourish, And abundance of peace, Until the moon is no more. <sup>8</sup> He shall have dominion also from sea to sea, And from the River to the ends of the earth. <sup>9</sup> Those who dwell in the wilderness will bow before Him, And His enemies will lick the dust. <sup>10</sup> The kings of Tarshish and of the isles Will bring presents; The kings of Sheba and Seba Will offer gifts. <sup>11</sup> Yes, all kings shall fall down before Him; All nations shall serve Him.

# SERVICE OF THE WORD

## #136 Angels from the Realms of Glory

### INVOCATION

p In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



### CONFESSION OF SINS

p Beloved of God: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking Him, in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.

all Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer: we confess that we are sinful by nature, and have sinned against





Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and



peace to all peo-ple on earth. Lord God,



heav-enly king, al - mighty God and Fa - ther; We



wor - ship You, we give You thanks, we



praise You for Your glory. Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly



Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take away the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. You are seated at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-

ceiveour prayer For You alone are the Ho-lyOne,  
 You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High,  
 Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it, in the glo-ry of  
 God the Fa - ther. A - men.

p Let us pray . . . O God, by the leading of a star You made known Your only-begotten Son to the Gen-til-ites. Lead us, who know You by faith, to enjoy in heaven the fullness of Your divine presence; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

A - men.

## THE WORD

**Isaiah 60:1-6** Arise, shine; For your light has come! And the glory of the LORD is risen upon you. <sup>2</sup> For behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, And deep darkness the people; But the LORD will arise over you, And His glory will be seen upon you. <sup>3</sup> The Gentiles shall come to your light, And kings to the brightness of your rising. <sup>4</sup> "Lift up your eyes all around, and see: They all gather together, they come to you; Your sons shall come from afar, And your daughters shall be nursed at *your* side. <sup>5</sup> Then you shall see and become radiant, And your heart shall swell with joy; Because the abundance of the sea shall be turned to you, The wealth of the Gentiles shall come to you. <sup>6</sup> The multitude of camels shall cover your *land*, The dromedaries of Midian and Ephah; All those from Sheba shall come; They shall bring gold and incense, And they shall proclaim the praises of the LORD.

**Ephesians 3:1-12** For this reason I, Paul, the prisoner of Christ Jesus for you Gentiles-- <sup>2</sup> if indeed you have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God which was given to



me for you, <sup>3</sup> how that by revelation He made known to me the mystery (as I have briefly written already, <sup>4</sup> by which, when you read, you may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ), <sup>5</sup> which in other ages was not made known to the sons of men, as it has now been revealed by the Spirit to His holy apostles and prophets: <sup>6</sup> that the Gentiles should be fellow heirs, of the same body, and partakers of His promise in Christ through the gospel, <sup>7</sup> of which I became a minister according to the gift of the grace of God given to me by the effective working of His power. <sup>8</sup> To me, who am less than the least of all the saints, this grace was given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ, <sup>9</sup> and to make all see what is the fellowship<sup>1</sup> of the mystery, which from the beginning of the ages has been hidden in God who created all things through Jesus Christ<sup>2</sup>; <sup>10</sup> to the intent that now the manifold wisdom of God might be made known by the church to the principalities and powers in the heavenly *places*, <sup>11</sup> according to the eternal purpose which He accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord, <sup>12</sup> in whom we have boldness and access with confidence through faith in Him.

p Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it!



Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!



These words are written that we may believe that



Je-sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

## THE APOSTLES' CREED

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.

## #127 As With Gladness

### SERMON

**Matthew 2:1-12** Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, <sup>2</sup> saying, "Where is He who has been born King of the Jews? For we have seen His star in the East and have come to worship Him." <sup>3</sup> When Herod the king heard *this*, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. <sup>4</sup> And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. <sup>5</sup> So they said to

him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it is written by the prophet: <sup>6</sup> 'But you, Bethlehem, *in* the land of Judah, Are not the least among the rulers of Judah; For out of you shall come a Ruler Who will shepherd My people Israel!'" <sup>7</sup> Then Herod, when he had secretly called the wise men, determined from them what time the star appeared. <sup>8</sup> And he sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search carefully for the young Child, and when you have found *Him*, bring back word to me, that I may come and worship Him also." <sup>9</sup> When they heard the king, they departed; and behold, the star which they had seen in the East went before them, till it came and stood over where the young Child was. <sup>10</sup> When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceedingly great joy. <sup>11</sup> And when they had come into the house, they saw the young Child with Mary His mother, and fell down and worshiped Him. And when they had opened their treasures, they presented gifts to Him: gold, frankincense, and myrrh. <sup>12</sup> Then, being divinely warned in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed for their own country another way.

## God Leads Us To Behtlehem



# #129 Hail Thou Source of Every Blessing

## Offering Hymn #442:1-2

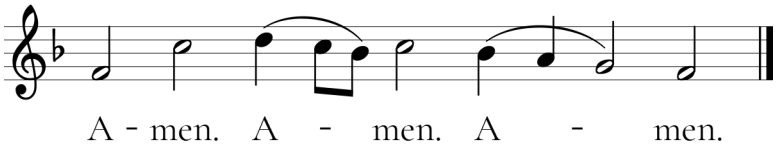
We give Thee but Thine own, whate'er the gift may be , all that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord from Thee. May we Thy bounties thus, as stewards true receive

## PRAYERS AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

# THE BENEDICTION

p The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.



## #718 O Jesus, King of Glory

## SUNDAY JANUARY 12

9am Worship Service

10 am Sunday School

10:15 am Bible Class

## TUESDAY JANUARY 14

7pm Elders Meeting

7:30pm Council Meeting

## WEDNESDAY JANUARY 15

3:45 Confirmation

## SUNDAY JANUARY 19

9am Worship Service

10 am Sunday School

10:15 am Bible Class

## FRUITS OF FAITH

General Fund- \$3648

Missions - \$ 240

School Fund - \$ 50

In memory of Gary Flagel \$25

In memory of CLC \$25

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Dale Muehlenhaupt

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Dennis Johns, Lynn Dumke

## VOTERS' MEETING

January 23, 2025 at 7pm is our annual voters' meeting.

## NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Isaiah 43:1-7

Psalms 29

Rom. 6:1-11

Luke 3:15-22

## CALL NEWS

Pastor Paul Krause of Trinity Lutheran Church and School, Watertown, SD and Zion Lutheran Church, Hidewood Township, SD has received the call to St. Stephen Lutheran Church and School, Mountain View, CA.

Sam Naumann of Eau Claire, WI has received the call to Faith Lutheran Church, Manchester, MO.



Teacher Claire Abbas of Berea Lutheran School, Inver Grove Heights, MN has received the call to Trinity Lutheran School, Watertown, SD.

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