

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

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*A Christ Caring People Who Gather Around Word and Sacrament,
Yoked Together, In Personal Service to Christ in World Wide Missions*



T DIVINE SERVICE T

OPENING HYMN

"The Star Proclaims the King is Here"

(LSB 399)

INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

EXHORTATION

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C **who made heaven and earth.**
P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**
P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the gifts of our Lord Jesus Christ through Word and Sacrament, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

C **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**
P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

T WORD T

INTROIT

Psalm 147:1, 5, 11-12 (antiphon: John 1:14)

P The Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory,
glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.

C **Praise the LORD! For it is good to sing praises to our God;
for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is fitting.**

P Great is our Lord, and abundant in power;
his understanding is beyond measure.

C **But the LORD takes pleasure in those who fear him,
in those who hope in his steadfast love.**

P Praise the LORD, O Jerusalem!
Praise your God, O Zion!

C **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

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glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.

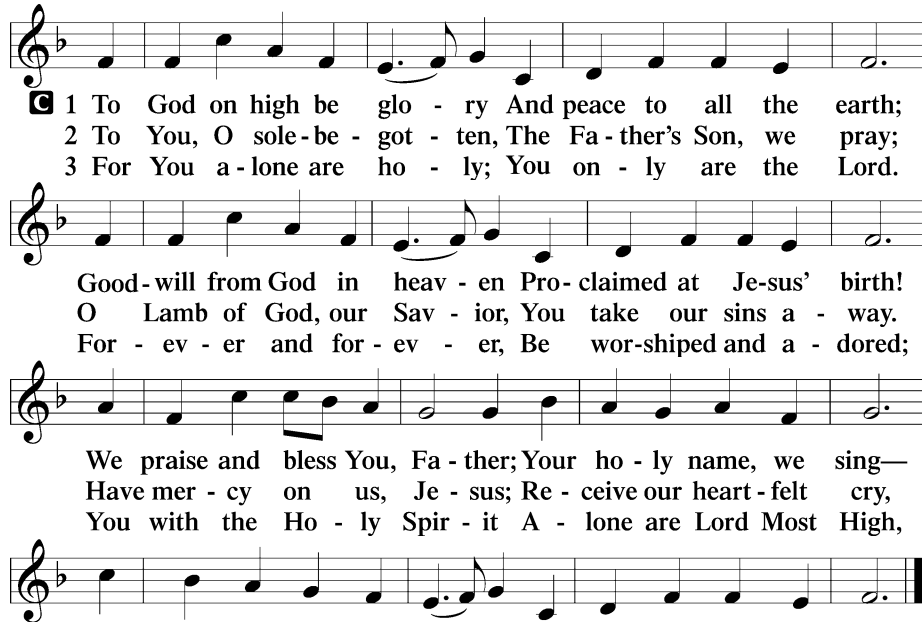
KYRIE



Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer - cy.



GLORIA IN EXCELSIS



1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.

Good-will from God in heav - en Pro- claimed at Je-sus' birth!
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shipped and a - dored;

We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,

Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King.
Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

SALUTATION *and* COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray. Almighty God, You have poured into our hearts the true Light of Your incarnate Word. Grant that this Light may shine forth in our lives; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

(Please be seated)

OLD TESTAMENT

1 Kings 3:4-15

(The Lord grant Solomon's request)

After the reading:

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

"Two French Carols"... PAT-A-PAN, IL EST NE'
Andrew Wulf, flute soloist

(arr. Brant Adams)

EPISTLE

Ephesians 1:3-14

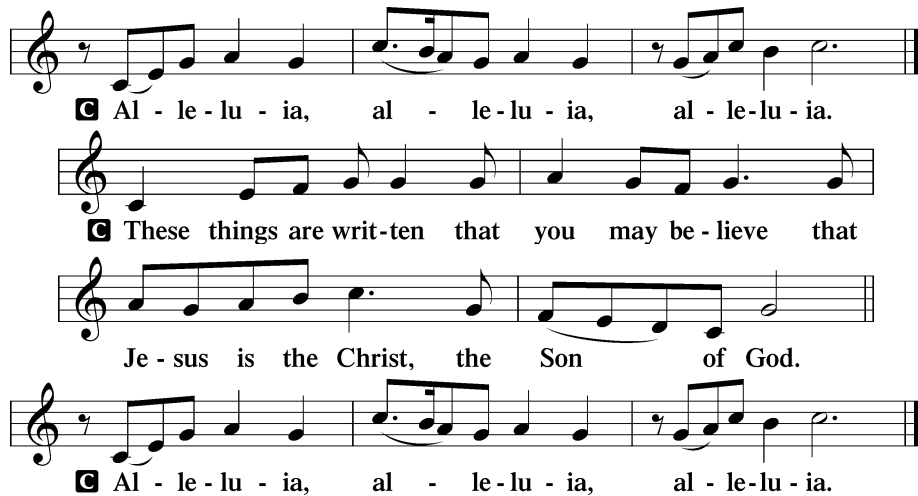
(We have an inheritance from the Lord)

After the reading:

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

(Please stand)

ALLELUIA and VERSE

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

These things are writ-ten that you may be - lieve that

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

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The image shows four staves of musical notation in treble clef with a common time signature. The first staff is the Alleluia chorus. The second staff is the beginning of the verse. The third staff continues the verse. The fourth staff is the final Alleluia chorus. The lyrics are written below the notes.

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 2:40-52

(The search for Jesus)

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

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

After the reading:

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

(Please be seated)

BIBLE LESSON – GOD MAKES A PATH THROUGH THE WATER (PAGE 94)

SERMON HYMN

"Within the Father's House"

(LSB 410)

SERMON

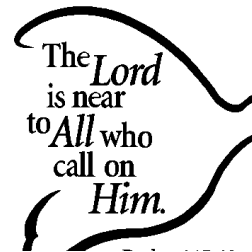
"That Last Gift"

(1 Kings 3:4-15)

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	11:00am	Apostles'	Inside back cover of the Lutheran Service Book

SHARING GOD'S PEACE

(Please stand)



PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

- P Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.
- P Lord of hosts, preserve Your Church and look favorably on her ministers, especially _____. Give them delight in this joyful season and restful reflection on the mystery of Your incarnation, that they may preach Your Word boldly and faithfully. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C **hear our prayer.**
- P Heavenly Father, you looked with favor upon King Solomon, granting him the request that he might be a wise and discerning leader. Give that same wisdom and insight to those who govern in our day, especially Joe, our president, Kristi, our governor, our state's representatives and senators, as well as all public servants, and those who protect us from every danger. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C **hear our prayer.**
- P Heavenly Father, give patience and endurance to all who are sick or in any need, especially _____, and heal them according to Your will. Receive our thanksgiving for every blessing and kindness You have shown to Your people in Christ especially _____. Give comfort and hope to all who mourn especially _____. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C **hear our prayer.**
- P Lord God, heavenly Father, in mercy You have established the Christian home among us. We implore You, rule and direct our hearts to be good examples to children, that we may not offend them by word or deed but faithfully teach them to love Your Church and hear Your blessed Word. Give them Your Spirit and grace, that this seed may bring forth good fruit and our homelife may advance Your glory, honor and praise as well as our own improvement and

welfare; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the same Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

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.**

The 11:00 am service continues on page 10 with the Benedicamus and Benediction.

IN REGARD TO HOLY COMMUNION: According to Scripture, Holy Communion should be celebrated by those who are: **United in a common faith** (1 Cor. 10:16-17, 21-22; Rom. 16:17); **Repentant of sins** (1 Cor. 5:11, Matt. 18:17-18); **Able to examine their lives** (1 Cor. 11:27-29); and believe that in this precious meal they **receive the true body and blood of Jesus** given and shed for the forgiveness of their sins (Luke 22:19-22).

Since Scripture teaches that those people who do not fully understand the meaning of this meal eat and drink to their own harm (1Cor. 11:27-29), and because the Lord's Supper is the supreme act of stating our unity in faith and doctrine, we would ask those people who are visiting with us to **please speak with our pastor**, before communing, in order that we might fulfill our responsibility of properly instructing people in the right use of the precious Sacrament.

T SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT T **8:30 am Service**

PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

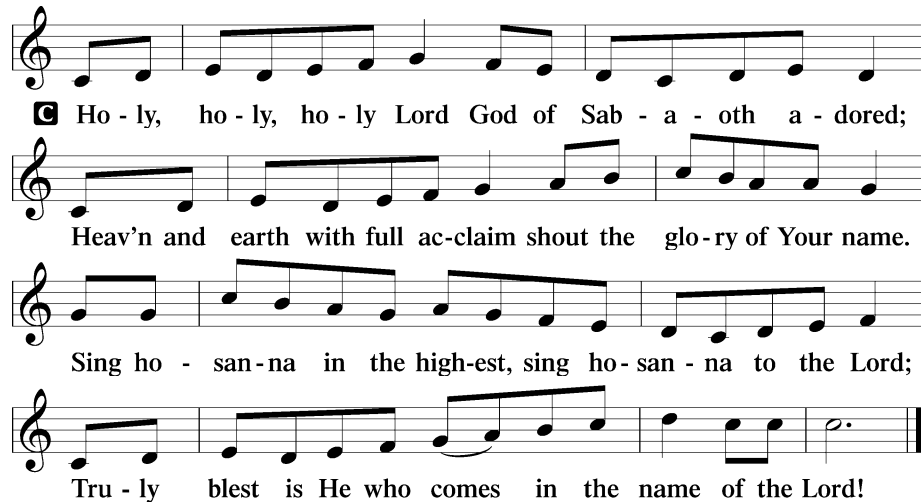
P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

- P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;
Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.
Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;
Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

- P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.
- In the beginning You created all things by Your Word; and in the fullness of time Your Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth.

Let Your Word made flesh dwell richly among us that, faithfully eating His body and drinking His blood, we may receive the fullness of Your grace and truth in Christ Jesus, our Lord.

C Amen.

WORDS OF OUR LORD

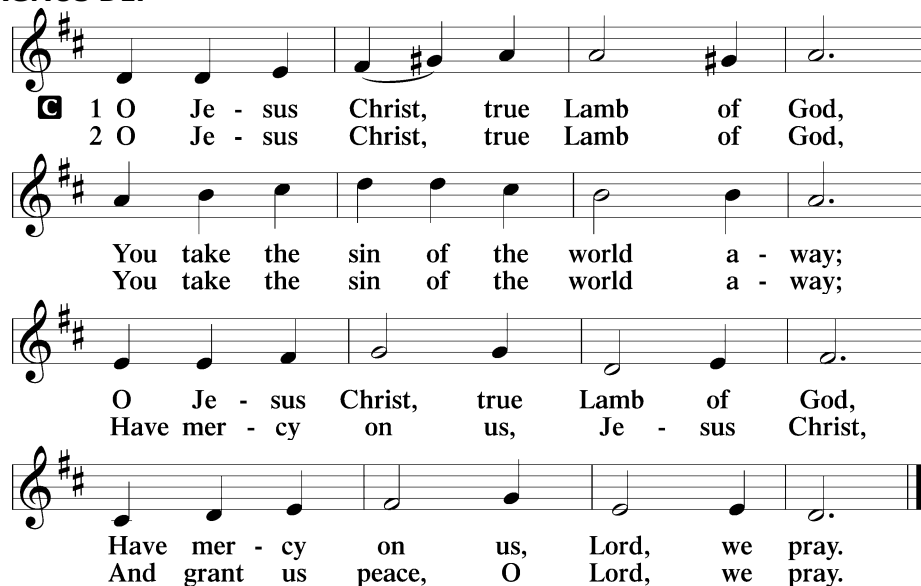
Matt 26:26–28; Mk 14:22–24; Lk 22:19–20; 1 Cor 11:23–25

PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

AGNUS DEI



1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;
O Je - sus Christ, true us, Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,
Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

(Please be seated)

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"God's Own Child, I Gladly

"Children of the Heavenly

Say It"

(LSB 594)

Father"

(LSB 725)

(Please stand)



NUNC DIMITTIS

1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All
part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the
glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three - in - One;
A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
For as in lead the be - gin - ning, Is
to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

P Let us pray. Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end;

through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

BENEDICAMUS and BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24–26

P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and T give you peace.

C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

(LSB 850)

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER
CHRISTMAS**



AS WE GATHER Have you tired of those Christmas gifts yet, or are you still enjoying them? God gave Solomon the gift of wisdom. God's wisdom was a gift Solomon displayed vividly at times, but at other times, it seemed he had re-gifted it. In Jesus, we see the gift of God's wisdom on full display when He is found in the temple, at age 12, asking questions and providing answers beyond His years. God continues to reveal His wisdom to us through the Bible. What is your plan for connecting with God and His wisdom this year?

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. *Luke 2:46–47*

If there are prayer concerns for you, your family, your friends, or your neighbors, please put them on the yellow prayer request card. Our Board of Elders are prayerful with our pastors about these joys and struggles of our earthly journey.

"The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective." James 5:16b

Welcome to Faith Evangelical Lutheran on this Second Sunday After Christmas!

We are delighted to have you in worship with us. If you are visiting from out of town, we bid you welcome and God-speed on your journey. Should you be from our community, and have no church home, we invite you to make Faith your church home.

Preaching today is Reverend Sam Handschke, our associate pastor.

Holy Communion is celebrated at our 8:30 service this Sunday and at our 7:00 pm service on Wednesday. In this Sacrament, our Lord gives His true body and blood for our forgiveness. Those who confess the faith declared at this altar and who desire to receive communion today are asked to read our communion statement found in the bulletin. Thank you.



First Sunday Fellowship We thank the women of Berea Circle for providing goodies for our fellowship this morning. Join us between services for coffee, goodies and fellowship.

Want to listen to our worship service via livestream? Go to: www.faithluth.com. Click on livestream and it will take you to the service or if you have missed the service it will take you to the archived services. We livestream our 8:30 service each Sunday.

Want to listen to our worship service on your phone? Call 1-888-502-3453 and follow the prompts. It will get you to the live streamed service or if we are not livestreaming it will guide you to the last service recorded. Please let everyone know of this service. For those without a computer this is a way for you to stay up on Faith's worship services.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Fri., Dec. 24; Christmas Eve Att. 499; Offering \$7,475.00, Children's Program \$380.00; **Christmas Day Offerings \$1,630.00; Sun., Dec. 26, Att. 177;** General Fund \$13,316.83; Building Fund \$0.00; Love Fund \$100.00; Contingency Fund \$100.00; Daycare Seed Money for Employees \$500.00; Flowers \$36.00; LYF Account \$1,000.00; Mexico Mission \$675.00; Utecht Ministry \$70.00; Rajek/Latvia \$3,275.00; Endowment Fund (Undesignated) in memory of Vernon Bump \$40.00; Endowment Fund in memory of Vernon Bump (Generations) \$45.00; Endowment Fund (Generations) in memory of Jim Russell \$500.00; Endowment Fund (Blessings in Faith) \$100.00.

Endowment Fund When giving to the Endowment Fund **PLEASE** make it a **SEPARATE CHECK**. Must be a **CHECK** as the account doesn't accept cash for the

deposit. It is not always easy to find a check for the correct amount to substitute for cash or for a check made out for multiple purposes that includes an Endowment donation. The counters would greatly appreciate your help in this matter. Thank you.

Voters Meeting There will be a Voters' meeting **Tuesday, January 4th**, 2022, at 6:30 PM. Call process will be the topic of discussion.

Fed by Faith, formerly referred to as the Love Kitchen, will be actively starting in January 2022 to prepare meals for congregants and family members in need. These meals will consist of a frozen entrée that can easily be reheated in the oven or the stovetop, or microwave if thawed; frozen vegetables; canned, jarred or fresh fruit; buns/breads; and bars/cookies. These are meant to be used at times when someone has an illness or recovering at home, a new baby or a death in the family, or just a general need. Normally we will meet the first Thursday every month as needed. However, our cooking date in January will be held on the second Thursday, January 13, due a scheduling conflict.

The ministry is based on Matthew 25:35-36 and will be used to share God's love through nourishment of body and faith. The congregation can be helpful by notifying Nancy Shoup at 280-2091 or call the church office regarding those who can be served by the ministry. This ministry will only be successful if we are aware of those in need and are provided with those names.

Members may also bake at home and divide cookies or bars in portions of a dozen and place in a freezer bag. These can be brought to the church office and placed in the dedicated freezer in the kitchen. It is requested you not use nuts or peanut butter in your baked goods, but if you do, they must be properly labeled to indicate that fact. If you desire monetary assistance regarding the preparation of those bars/cookies please let Nancy know and that can be arranged. **We pray God's blessing on this ministry as we move forward to serve our Lord through Word and action. Thank you!**

Rajek/Latvia Funding Match Please consider donating to support God's work in Latvia through Pastor Cory. A generous donor is matching all donations up to \$50,000 through the end of the year. You can make a check out to Faith Lutheran and put **Rajek/Latvia** in the memo line. As of 12/27/21 we have gathered \$20,094 toward this support.

Preschool Center Items Wishlist on Amazon

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/GZLZ6V9RXXK4Q?ref_=wl_share

You can also find the link on our Daycare Facebook Page.
<https://www.facebook.com/faithlutherandaycare>

Main Street Living Did you know the Main Street Living program is broadcast throughout South Dakota and into bordering states on two TV stations: KDLT in Sioux Falls at 10:00 AM central and KEVN at 8:00 AM mountain in Rapid City? **Did you know** you can see the Worship Service and Kid's Crossing on our website at anytime? All programs are streamed on www.mainstreetliving.com, and are available the day before they are broadcast.

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10:00 AM - "The Other Wiseman" - Another Magi, making his journey to the Christ child, encounters others and shows kindness along the way.

10:30 AM - Rev. Bill Heermann, pastor at St John and Trinity Lutheran Churches in Wagner and Fairfax, presents a message titled "A Father's Love." This sermon is based on Luke 2:41-52. This program is interpreted and closed captioned for the hearing impaired. For more information visit: www.mainstreetliving.com

Life Quotes "Friend of Jesus, no matter what painful or wonderful endings you marked in the past year, please watch for the early signs of new beginnings. Seize them as opportunities for you and God to develop together. Think about what the Bible teaches about life, appreciate God's love for you, gather up bits and pieces of experience, and put them in a file named 'lessons learned.' Then keep it handy." *Jason Nelson, Time of Grace – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

FAITH LUTHERAN YOUTH



BE PREPARED TO FACE TODAY'S WORLD: (for High School - teenagers) It is vitally important for our teenagers to be prepared and equipped to defend their faith. This study is for teenagers and will challenge you to explore your beliefs and contrast them with a variety of topics such as other religions and worldviews. This is vitally and eternally important to keep our kids in the Word and equipping our kids for peer pressure and ideas they will hear when they get to college. Please encourage your kids to participate in this short weekly study where we can dive into God's Word for the answers. This will be on **Wednesday evenings at 7:30 (after Chapel and before LYF)**. Please contact the Church office if interested.

National Youth Gathering in July 2022 All 8th grade through high school students are invited to come to the LCMS National Youth Gathering – In All Things. This is a 5-day event delivering Jesus to you. Concerts, games, and breakout sessions covering all kinds of topics, as well as impactful worship, make this a milestone event in your life. The event runs from July 9-13, 2022 in Houston, TX. We would like to have students signed up and registration paid by January 12, 2022. We will be raising funds throughout the spring and early summer to help with costs. See Pastor Sam or Michael Shoup if you are interested in joining us.

This Week at Faith Lutheran

Sun: Jan. 2 2nd Sunday after

Christmas

8:30 am Communion

9:45 am Adult Study (Revelation)

11:00 am Worship

7:00 pm Board of Elders

Mon: Jan. 3

5:30-7:00 pm 6th grade BB in Gym

7:00 pm Men's Club

Tues: Jan. 4

8:00 am Staff Devotions

6:30 pm Voter's Meeting

Wed: Jan. 5

6:00 pm Bible Study

6:00 pm Midweek

7:00 pm Chapel with Communion

8:00 pm LYF

Thurs: Jan. 6 Epiphany

8:00 am Staff Devotions

5:30-7:00 pm 6th grade BB in Gym

Sat: Jan. 8

9:00 am-11:00 am Tennis

Sun: Jan. 9

8:30 am Worship

9:45 am Sunday School/Adult Study
(Revelation)

11:00 am Communion

7:30 pm Board of Missions

