



FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

- CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE -

November 29, 2020

1st Sunday in Advent



OPENING

Gathering Songs

*Greater
God So Loved
Reckless Love*

WORD

Prayer for Advent

Pastor: Prepare the way of the Lord! We are in the holy season of preparation, Advent. We are preparing for many things. Most importantly, we prepare for the coming of our Lord. Let us pray,

Congregation: *Come, Lord Jesus. Come at Christmas, but most of all we ask you to come into our lives and our hearts each new day. You are Emmanuel, God with us. Teach us to be ready to receive you. Amen.*

Children's Message / Lighting of Advent Wreath *Children stay in pews*

Announcements

Bible Reading Mark 13:24-37

Sermon *Watch*

Pastor Bob Stelter

-Sermons are available at www.faithloves.org-

Sermon Song *Revival*

Sharing of God's Peace *Please do not shake hands or hug during the health crisis.*

THANKSGIVING

Prayers of the People

Words of Institution / Lord's Prayer / Holy Communion

Communion Blessing *"May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in His grace. Amen."*

Confession for Advent

Pastor: We confess,

Congregation: *We are people in need of a Messiah. We walk in darkness and are looking for the light. We know the frustration of serving other gods. We wander away at every turn and know the fear of being lost. God forgive our sin and separation. Bring us to everlasting life.*

P: People of God, now is the time. Now is the time to listen. Now is the time to open your eyes. God has come to be among us as a child in a manger. God lived and died and lives again so that we can do the same. Our sin is forgiven and the guilt we carry no longer weighs us down. Praise God for giving us Jesus.

C: *Prepare the way of the Lord!*

SENDING

Benediction

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

Congregation: *Amen.*

Sending Song *Greatness of Our God*

Dismissal

Pastor: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

All: *Thanks be to God!*

*Upon the conclusion of worship, please leave safely, observing social distance.
Please take your communion wrappers and any other items to the trash cans in the narthex.
Please take worship bulletin with you for your weekly prayers, including all those in the prayer concerns.*

*Flowers on the altar are given by Barbara & Dave Birkholz
in memory of Barbara's grandmother, Wilma Smith-Frick.*

Usher — Jan & Steve Darnell

OUR VISION

To be an inspired body of Christ.



OUR MISSION

Love God. Love Others. Serve.

BIBLE READING

Mark 13:24-37

[Jesus said:] ²⁴"In those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, ²⁵and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. ²⁶Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in clouds' with great power and glory. ²⁷Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

²⁸From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. ²⁹So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. ³⁰Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. ³¹Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

³²But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. ³³Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come.

³⁴It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch.

³⁵Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, ³⁶or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. ³⁷And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake."