



# FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

- CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE -

December 27, 2020

First Sunday of Christmas



OPENING

### Gathering Songs

*Oh, What a Glorious Night*  
*Angels We Have Heard on High*  
*O Come All Ye Faithful*

WORD

### Children's Message *Children stay in pews*

### Announcements

**Bible Reading** John 1:1-14

**Sermon** *Beginnings*

Pastor Bob Stelter

*-Sermons are available at [www.faithloves.org](http://www.faithloves.org)-*

**Sermon Song** *O Holy Night*

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

### Prayers of the People

### Words of Institution / Lord's Prayer / Holy Communion

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

**Congregation: Amen.**

THANKSGIVING

### Creed for the Christmas / Epiphany Season

Pastor: We confess,

**All: We believe that the radiance of all people and all creation is Everlasting God. We believe God revealed Jesus to the nations by the leading of a star and Jesus is the full vision of the glory of God. We believe that He is the Light of the World and we have His illuminating presence in our lives. We believe we have been drawn together as the church in the brightness of Christ to love, serve and strive for reconciliation between all people. We believe in boldly naming the sin in our lives, seeking unity in the promise of forgiveness and mercy. We believe we can offer our lives to God in praise and gratitude. Praise God for light and life and love. Amen.**

SENDING

### Benediction

Pastor: The Lord bless and keep you. The Lord's face shine upon you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

**Congregation: Amen.**

**Sending Song** *O Come, O Come Emmanuel*

### 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.*

*Poinsettias on the altar are given by members of Faith Lutheran Church  
in honor or in memory of loved ones and to the glory of God.*

Usher — Ken Cosby

*OUR VISION*  
To be an inspired body of Christ.



*OUR MISSION*  
Love God. Love Others. Serve.

## **BIBLE READING JOHN 1:1-14**

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. <sup>2</sup>He was in the beginning with God. <sup>3</sup>All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being <sup>4</sup>in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. <sup>5</sup>The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

<sup>6</sup>There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. <sup>7</sup>He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. <sup>8</sup>He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. <sup>9</sup>The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

<sup>10</sup>He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. <sup>11</sup>He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. <sup>12</sup>But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, <sup>13</sup>who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

<sup>14</sup>And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

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Founding Congregation of Shepherd of Hope Food Pantry • Stephen Ministry Congregation

## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Traditional Worship 9am ♦ Contemporary Worship 11:11am

### Members of Faith — Ministers

Dr. Robert Stelter — Pastor

Mich Walter — Organist & Choirmaster

Allison Cosby — Contemporary Worship Leader

Stephen Zell — Sound Tech

Peter Jeong — Camera Tech

Mary Boring — Office Manager

Phylis Garrison — Publications

Tiffany Crutchfield — Nursery Care Giver

Barbara Birkholz — Financial Secretary

Mildred Fenske — Prayer Chain Coordinator

Alicia & David Brondos — Missionaries

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**WELCOME!** As followers of Jesus, we rejoice in God's plan for a just, loving and peaceful world. We commit ourselves to making it a reality for all people everywhere. Just as all are welcome at the Lord's table during holy communion, all are welcome to this family of faith. People of all races, ages, social status, sexual orientations and gender identity are united here in our mission to love God, love others and serve. Please sign a Worship Card and place it in the offering plate. Nursery is available for children to age 3.

### NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!

Want to know more about Lutheranism, Faith Lutheran Church & our ministries? Contact Pastor Bob. If you'd like to join us, contact [mary@faithloves.org](mailto:mary@faithloves.org) at the church office.

### RECORDED SERMONS & SERVICES AT FAITHLOVES.ORG

Click "Listen to Weekly Sermons & Services" on the homepage.

**In-Person & Online Sunday Worship, 9 & 11:11am**  
also online at [Facebook.com/FaithLutheranKnoxville](https://www.facebook.com/FaithLutheranKnoxville)

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS** resumes **January 3, 10:15am.**  
The Lives of Great Christians led by John Woods, in *The Cup*.

### CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL RESUMES JANUARY 10, 10:15am.

A live class is on Zoom. A parent must accompany their child and all must wear masks. Lesson and Zoom link are emailed on Friday. Contact Deb Miller or Melissa Horning for more information.

**YEAR END PLANNING December 30, 2020, noon is the last day** to make a 2020 contribution. A stock transfer or RMD transaction may take longer for your broker to process and still make the deadline. Contact the office for additional information—966-9626.

### SHEPHERD OF HOPE FOOD PANTRY

**OPEN: Monday, January 4, 3-6:30pm**

**ITEMS NEEDED:** Canned Beans—Pinto, Kidney, Black Syrup • Dish Soap • Cereal • Dry 1lb Beans

Contact Jan Darnell, [shephopepantry@gmail.com](mailto:shephopepantry@gmail.com)

**Thank you for your food donations, contributions & volunteer hours during the holidays.**

### WEEKLY SMALL GROUPS

**BIBLE STUDY RESUMES TUESDAY, JANUARY 5, 1:30pm**, led by John Woods.

**LADIES SMALL GROUP Tuesdays, 8:30am.** Please call or text Lynda Primka, 742-2727 for information about virtual and live meetings.

**INSTALLATION OF 2021 CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL** Sunday, January 3,

### THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Offerings last Sunday:	\$ 16,627
Offerings Year to Date	\$ 549,579
Walk by Faith Goal:	\$ 650,000
Walk by Faith received through November 30	\$ 434,800

### PRAYER CONCERNS

**MEMBERS:** Barbara Barrass, Barbara Bird, Mary Blackburn, Ritchie Case, Myles Cooper, Nortrud DePorter, Lois Engel, Jane Forsberg, Jan Foss, Pat & Nick Gary, Maret & Leo Hebert, Doug Houck, Tami Jansen, Larry Koran, Sr., Bill Lucas, Morgan Monteagudo, Elaine & Gary Mount, Jim Nicolosi, Rebecca Nieto, Emily Norris, Harold Peters, Joan Pfrommer, Pete Schlake, Bobbi & Bill Steele, Linda Swenson, Jim Van Deusen, Danny Willis.

**HEALING:** Francis Alkire, Joe Alkire, Karla Beason, Caroline Berdal, Valborg Berdal, Billy Bergeron, Marlene Bryan, Ralph Bryson, Emme Burnette, Beverly Butler, Ginger & Harry Cameron, Rev. Robert & Mary Case, Harold Chapel, Jack Cleave, Molly Corbett, Kelly Cosby & children, Herb Cover, Bill Crain, Nancy Crain, Tony Darnell, Joshua & Mia DiGiovanni, Ollie Duke, Brian & Brandy Duke, Shirley Dyer, Alanna & Arnie Fenske, Johnnie Frost, Mary Gowens, Donna & Scott Gray, Traci Greve, Doris & Dale Gueck, Don Gutelius, Pat Hastings, Rita Heavner, Bea Horion, Lois Hueschen, Kaye & Larry Jeske, Angie Kinney, Donna Knick, the Livingston family, Loyacano family, Dan Majkrzak, Joe May, Linda McCalister, Dan McCroskey, Debbie McFee, William McKenna, Scott Mitchell, Barbara Perschke, Rachel Rector, Claire Recine, Dennis Rogers, James Rose, Lou Santoni, Leo Savilisky, Mya Scaglione, Danyrae & Chad Scott, Alex Serrano, Karen Simkanin, Robert Stelter, Sr, John Turner, Janie Worall, Jessie Wright, Elaine & James Ystebroe, the Zehner family, Adam, Jodi, Jolena, Joy, Megan, Trek, William & those we name to You.

**SUPPORT:** Walk by Faith Appeal.

### COMFORT IN THE MIDST OF DEATH FOR THE FAMILY & FRIENDS OF:

Heinz Manthey, Liz Gamm, Margaret Larsen, Jeni Jenkins, Noren Meland, Delbert Jensen, Virgil Hackworth, Betty Jean Bailey, John Widby, Don Crawley, Bimal Pal.

**PHYSICIANS AT FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH:** Drs. Parsons, Allred, Primka, Jeter, Thompson, Enderson, Haydek, Wike, Locke.

**PROTECTION WORKERS ON THE CORONA VIRUS FRONT LINE:** Amy, Ben, Callie, Catarina, Cate, Cathy, Elizabeth, Janson, Katie, Mary, Michael, Morgan, Tony, Reed, Sam, Will, William.

**SPIRITUAL GROWTH & LEARNING:** Seminarian Isaac Taylor, Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary and Taylor Berdal, United Lutheran Seminary.

**PARTNERSHIP:** Bishop Eaton & the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America, Bishop Strickland & the Southeastern Synod; Alicia & David Brondos, Missionaries in Mexico; Shepherd of Hope Food Pantry; Tyson House; Deacon Ministry; Knox Area Rescue Ministry; Via de Cristo Ministry; Homeless Men's Shelter, Community Coalition Against Human Trafficking, RAISE Jamaica, Mercy Ships.

**PEACE:** Protection for all armed forces, especially: Jacob Bouck, Timothy Campbell, Adam Di Giovanni, Jessica Dyer, Chad Gregory, Kristen Hitter, Tyler Hitter, Thomas Kerr, Julianne LeFevre-Kerr, Chase Linell, Spencer Payne, Jake Safstrom, Alex Serrano, Sam Thompson, Walt Wright, Chris Yonke, Mitchell Yount, Greg Zager.

Kids, remember to post your Coloring Page on our website at [facebook.com/FaithLutheranKnoxville/](https://facebook.com/FaithLutheranKnoxville/)!



*The true light, which enlightens everyone,  
was coming into the world.*

### WEEK OF DECEMBER 27-JANUARY 3, 2020

**Sunday, December 27** 1st Sunday after Christmas

9:00am Traditional Worship Carol Sing  
11:11am Contemporary Worship Carol Sing

**Tuesday, December 29**

8:30am Ladies Small Group

**Wednesday, December 30**

Noon Last Day for 2020 Contributions  
6:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal  
7:30pm Praise Team Rehearsal

**Thursday, December 31** New Year's Eve

**Friday, January 1** New Year's Day

**Sunday, January 3** 2nd Sunday after Christmas

9:00am Traditional Worship  
10:15am Adult Sunday School *The Cup*  
11:11am Contemporary Worship

#### PREPARING FOR NEXT WEEK:

**Monday** Psalm 148, Jeremiah 31:15-17, Matthew 2:13-18. • **Tuesday** Psalm 148, Isaiah 49:5-15, Matthew 12:46-50.  
**Wednesday** Psalm 148, Proverbs 9:1-12, 2 Peter 3:8-13. **Thursday** Psalm 148, 1 Kings 3:5-14, John 8:12-19.  
**Friday, Name of Jesus** Numbers 6:22-27 Psalm 8 Galatians 4:4-7 or Philippians 2:5-11 Luke 2:15-21  
**Saturday** Psalm 148, Proverbs 1:1-7, James 3:13-18.  
**2nd Sunday after Christmas** Jeremiah 31:7-14 or Sirach 24:1-12, Psalm 147:12-20 or Wisdom of Solomon 10:15-21, Ephesians 1:3-14, John 1:[1-9] 10-18.