



- CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE -  
December 4, 2022 ▪ 2nd Sunday in Advent

## OPENING

### GATHERING SONG

*Your Love Awakens Me  
All My Hope*

### ADVENT CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Behold, I bring you glad tidings. Our Savior is coming.

**Congregation: Jesus is coming, bringing salvation to all. We rejoice. Alleluia.**

P: Let us pray,

**All: We wait for you most gracious God, for eye has not seen and ear has not heard the wonders of your deeds. In gratitude we thank you for the gift of Jesus to our world. Give us the eyes to see beyond our limited vision and the ears to hear the joy of your coming. Amen.**

## WORD

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE / LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

**Oh, Come, Oh, Come, Emmanuel**

- 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 you, O Israel.*
- Oh, come O Wisdom from on high, embracing all things far and nigh;  
In strength and beauty come and stay; Teach us your will and guide our way.  
Rejoice, Rejoice! Emmanuel, shall come to you, O Israel.*

### ANNOUNCEMENTS / DEACONS RECOGNITION

Pam Brown, Jane Dakolios, Nancy Dean,  
Donna Deichert, Mildred Fenske, Michael Lee, Debbie Pinchok, Lois Simmons, Ann Stewart

### BIBLE READINGS: OLD TESTAMENT, Isaiah 11:1-10 Pew Bible #627

<sup>1</sup>A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots.

<sup>2</sup>The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord. <sup>3</sup>His delight shall be in the fear of the Lord. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; <sup>4</sup>but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. <sup>5</sup>Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around his loins. <sup>6</sup>The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them.

<sup>7</sup>The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. <sup>8</sup>The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. <sup>9</sup>They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea.

<sup>10</sup>On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

### GOSPEL, Matthew 3:1-12 Pew Bible pg. 880

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, <sup>2</sup>"Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." <sup>3</sup>This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said, "The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.'" <sup>4</sup>Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. <sup>5</sup>Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, <sup>6</sup>and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

*OUR VISION*

To be an inspired body of Christ.



*OUR MISSION*

Love God. Love Others. Serve.

<sup>7</sup>But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? <sup>8</sup>Bear fruit worthy of repentance. <sup>9</sup>Do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. <sup>10</sup>Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. <sup>11</sup>I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. <sup>12</sup>His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

**SERMON**

*Marvels to Come*

Pastor Bob Stelter

**SERMON SONG**

*Overcome*

**SHARING OF GOD'S PEACE**

**THANKSGIVING**

**OFFERINGS FOR MISSION & MINISTRY**

**OFFERING SONG**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION / LORD'S PRAYER / HOLY COMMUNION**

**DISTRIBUTION SONG**

Khyle Wooten, soloist

**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.**

**ADVENT BENEDICTION**

Pastor: May God guide you in the way of peace and give light to your darkness.  
Prepare the way of the Lord! Blessings in the name of the Father, Son  
and Holy Spirit.

**Congregation: Amen.**

**SENDING**

**SENDING SONG**

*Let God Arise*

**SENDING**

Praise Band: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God!**

*Flowers on the altar are given by Kris & Larry Lehman in memory of Kris' mother.*

# FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Traditional Worship, 9am ♦ Contemporary Worship, 11:11am

**Faith Guest WiFi Password: beblessed**

**Dr. Bob Stelter** — Pastor  
**Lynn Rognsvoog** — Organist  
**Collin Kasefang** — Choir Director  
**Trace Taylor** — Sound Technician

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**Tiffany Bryson** — Nursery Caregiver  
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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.

### **NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!**

Want to know more about Lutheranism and our ministries? Contact Pastor Bob, [pastorbob@faithloves.org](mailto:pastorbob@faithloves.org).

### **Sunday Worship 9 & 11:11am**

Live or online at [Facebook.com/FaithLutheranKnoxville](https://www.facebook.com/FaithLutheranKnoxville)

Recorded Sermons & Services at [Faithloves.org](http://Faithloves.org)

**POINSETTIAS FOR CHRISTMAS** Place your order now for Christmas poinsettias for loved ones' memorials or honorariums, only \$15 each.

**SALVATION ARMY ANGEL TREE** Gifts need to be returned today.

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS, 10:15am** the study of Genesis, led by John Woods in *The Cup*.

**CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL, 10:15am.**

**Tuesday Bible Study** led by John Woods resumes next week on December 13, 1:30pm.

**HANDBELL PLAYERS REHEARSAL Wednesdays, 5:30pm.** Come join us! Lynn offers **piano lessons**, too. Contact her at [rosiemomflowers@yahoo.com](mailto:rosiemomflowers@yahoo.com) or call 503-819-0118.

**COLUMBARIUM NICHES** are available to our members for \$1,800 & to non-members at \$2,500. Application forms are found in our **Columbarium Booklet** in the narthex.

**YEAR END PLANNING Friday, December 30, 2022, noon** is the last day to make contributions for 2022. Call Mary in the church office, 865-966-0626, for info.

### **SHEPHERD OF HOPE FOOD PANTRY** **Open: Mondays, December 5, 3-5pm & December 19, 3-6pm**

**Items needed by December 5:**

Brownie Mix, Yams (1 large or 2 small cans), Corn (2 cans)  
 Brown Sugar (1 box or bag), Cranberry Sauce (1 small can)  
 Green Beans (2 small or 1 large cans), Stuffing (1 box)  
 Jiffy Cornbread Mix (2 boxes), Coffee (1 regular size bag)

**Contact our Pantry Coordinator to volunteer at:**  
[shephopepantry@gmail.com](mailto:shephopepantry@gmail.com)

### **UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS**

#### **WELCA COLLECTS NEW & GENTLY USED COMFORTERS**

for the Women's Salvation Army Shelter. Please place new or gently used twin, full & queen size comforters in the small crib in the narthex.

**HOLDEN EVENING PRAYER & FELLOWSHIP Wednesdays, December 7, 14 & 21, 6:30pm.** Join us for this lovely service followed by a time for refreshments & fellowship.

**DEACON MEETING Today, 12:15pm, *The Cup*.**

**MOPS FOR MOMS & KIDS Tuesdays, December 6 & 20, 6pm.**

**MOM'S CLUB OF NORTHSORE Tuesday, December 12, 10am.**

**THE LITTLES GROUP** has moved to **Wednesday, December 14, 10-11am** and now meets the 2nd week each month.

**MEN'S & WOMEN'S SALVATION ARMY VISITS Tuesday, December 20, meet at church at 5pm.** Your donations of men's boxer briefs, sizes m-xl, women's underwear, sizes 6-11, snacks & goodies and WELCA comforters, along with our Christmas spirit will be so appreciated.

**TOYS FOR TOTS MATCHING MEMORIAL FUNDS** Council has approved matching gifts up to \$2,500 for Mary's husband, Ron Boring. Here's how to donate:

1. Place your donation in your offering envelope. Note Toys for Tots on memo line.
2. Donate online using our QR code. Note Toys for Tots on designated line.
3. Donate directly to [Toysfortots.org](http://Toysfortots.org).

### **WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY**

**11:11am Contemporary**

<b>Altar Guild</b>	Connie Rist
<b>Communion Ministers</b>	Carrie Parrott, Jack Parrott, Scarlett Parrott, Connie Rist, Lisa Stelter
<b>Greeter</b>	Carol Nanney
<b>Ushers</b>	Jamie & Matt Daut
<b>Offering Stewards</b>	Ken Savitz, George Herbold

### **THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**

**Offerings last Sunday: \$ 44,905**  
**Offerings Year to Date \$ 598,482**  
**Walk by Faith through 11/30 \$ 735,625**



Scan this QR code with your phone camera to donate now on our secure webpage.



## PRAYER CONCERNS

**MEMBERS:** Shaun Allred, Arlene Aring, Doug Bales, Barbara Barass, Peggy Beckwith, Larry Benorden, Mary Blackburn, Amy Canapa, Mac Curtis, Jan & Steve Damell, Patsy Elmore, Kim Fransch, Pat & Nick Gary, Mary Beth & Alex Greene, Rosemarie Greenman & family, Mary Beth Hallahan, Maret & Leo Hebert, Joan Howard, Tami Jansen, Larry Koran, Jr., Carmen Larsen, Diane Lee, Roger Legako, Kris Lehman, Foster Loyacano, Bill Lucas, Heather McDonald, Joe Morelli, Tony Monteagudo, Debbie Moore, Judy Morris, Walter Paquet, Scarlett Parrott, Harold Peters, Loni Peters, Randy Schaefer, Donnie & Lisa Smith & family, Pamela Spaar, Bobbie Steele, Paul Turner, Jim Van Deusen, Danny Willis.

*This column will start anew on the first Sunday of each month.*

**FRIENDS:** Ava Alkire, Kathy Baxter, Emily Bell-Smith, Jeff Belt, Marion Berdal, Marsha Bode, the Boring family, Sharon Brokenshire, Freddie Burgess, Mike Carfi, Harold Chapel, Jack Cleave, Jan & Frank Colangelo, Marty & Marybeth Connor, Nancy Crain, Bill Crain, the Daminco family, Brandy & Brian Duke, Patsy Elmore, Vader Ernst, Karen Evans & LeAnn, Alanna & Arnie Fenske, Nicholas Frank, Sandra & Joel Garber, Gregory Goodall, Bill Gross, Rita Heavner, Gary Holtz, Donna Knick, Ally Koonce, Melinda, Dillon & Paul Koonce, Tammy & Paul Koonce, the Loyacano family, David Matthews, Linda McCallister, Merlin Milander, Brenda Montgomery, Fea April Penn, Jim Pressley, Sandra Prior, Claire Racine, Alice Ramsey & family, Rick Reed, Shannon Remington, Claude Salles, Donald Salles, the Salles family, Mya Scaglione family, Anne Marie Schrubbe, Tiphinnie Shea-Scoba, Austin Stephens, Dempsey Sullins, Frank Tyler, Barb & Jerry Weldon, Janet Wengert, Ro & Haven Wolfe, Lauren Wolfe, Martha Woodward, Edison Yee, Kim Yee, the Zehner family, Frank, Tyler, Darcy, Gayle, Jodi, Jolena, Katie, Kerry, Manard, Michael, Savannah, Walter *and those we name to You.*

**GRATITUDE:** Our Deacon ministry—Pam Brown, JaneDakolios, Nancy Dean, Donna Deichert, Mildred Fenske, Michael Lee, Debbie Pinchok, Lois Simmons, Ann Stewart.

**SALVATION ARMY FRIENDS:** Daniel, Bruce, Larry, James, Nicholas, Steve, Edward, Tyler, Floyd, Mike, Roy, Mack, Leo, Geoffery, Tyrone, Vanessa, Joan, Christen, Amanda, Noah, Shyshi, Brook, Ashland, Stephanie, Jenny, Kayla, Rhonda.

**COMFORT IN THE MIDST OF DEATH:** Ruth Sittler, Pratt Hughes, Louie Martin.

**CONCERN & ASSISTANCE:** The people of Ukraine.

**PARTNERSHIPS:** Bishop Eaton & the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America; Bishop Strickland & the Southeastern Synod; Alicia & David Brondos, Missionaries in Mexico; Shepherd of Hope Food Pantry; Quiet Music Ministry; Tyson House; Deacon Ministry; Knox Area Rescue Ministry; Via de Cristo Ministry; Salvation Army Women's & Men's Homeless Shelters; Community Coalition Against Human Trafficking; Cole Center Caregivers and Parkinson Band, RAISE Jamaica; Mercy Ships, AL-ANON, Narcotics Anonymous.

**PEACE:** Protection for all armed forces, especially: Jacob Cole, Andrew Chovancek, Adam Di Giovanni, Tyler Hitter, H.M., Anthony Hu, Julianne LeFevre-Kerr, Chase Linell, Alex Primka, Christine Russ, Alex Serrano, Sam Thompson, Mitchell Yount, Greg Zager.

### COMMUNITY OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

**No Cost BEDS & BEDDING FOR** [beds.org/chapter/tn-knoxville-nw](http://beds.org/chapter/tn-knoxville-nw)

#### **WEDNESDAY NIGHT RECOVERY GROUP & MEAL**

Magnolia Ave UMC, 6-8pm. Pastor Jackson, 865-300-9021.

#### **FREE LEGAL ADVICE FOR VETERANS**

Call Legal Aid of East TN, 865-637-0484 to register.

## 2022 COUNCIL MEMBERS

<b>Ted Primka</b> President Youth & Education	<b>David Wyatt</b> Secretary	<b>Doug Goins</b> Safety & Security
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## WEEK OF DECEMBER 4-11, 2022

### Sunday, December 4 2nd Sunday of Advent Recognition of Deacon

	<b>Ministry</b>
9:00am	Traditional Worship <i>Sanctuary</i>
10:00am	Fellowship <i>The Cup</i>
10:15am	Adult Sunday School Children's Sunday School Confirmation Class <i>Library</i> Praise Team Rehearsal
11:11am	Contemporary Worship
5:00pm	AL-ANON meeting <i>Community Room</i>

### Monday, December 5 3-5pm **Food Pantry open**

**Tuesday, December 6**  
6:00pm AL-ANON meeting *Community Room*  
7:30pm Narcotics Anonymous *The Cup*

**Wednesday, December 7** Holden Evening Prayer  
& Fellowship  
5:30pm Handbell Rehearsal  
6:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal  
**6:30pm Holden Evening Prayer  
followed by Refreshments**

**Thursday, December 8**  
9:30am Narcotics Anonymous *The Cup*

**Friday, December 9**  
9:30am Cole Center Caregiver Community

**Saturday, December 10**  
11:00am AL-ANON meeting *Community Room*

**Sunday, December 11** 3rd Sunday of Advent  
9:00am Traditional Worship *Sanctuary*  
10:00am Fellowship *The Cup*  
10:15am Adult Sunday School  
Children's Sunday School  
Confirmation Class *Library*  
Praise Team Rehearsal  
11:11am Contemporary Worship  
5:00pm AL-ANON meeting *Community Room*



## PREPARING FOR NEXT WEEK

**Monday:** Psalm 21; Isaiah 24:1-16a; 1 Thessalonians 4:1-12. ▪ **Tuesday:** Psalm 21; Isaiah 41:14-20; Romans 15:14-21.

**Wednesday:** Psalm 21; Genesis 15:1-18; Matthew 12:33-37. ▪ **Thursday:** Psalm 146:5-10; Ruth 1:6-18; 2 Peter 3:1-10.

**Friday** Psalm 146:5-10; Ruth 4:13-17; 2 Peter 3:11-18. ▪ **Saturday** Psalm 146:5-10; 1 Samuel 2:1-8; Luke 3:1-18.

**3rd Sunday of Advent:** Isaiah 35:1-10; Psalm 146: 5-10, 18-19; James 5:7-10; Matthew 11:2-11.

# 2nd Sunday in Advent

