



- CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE -
December 11, 2022 ▪ 3rd Sunday in Advent

OPENING

GATHERING SONG

Lion and The Lamb

Jesus, Our Brother, Kind and Good

Handbell Choir

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

1. 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.
2. 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.
3. Oh, come, oh, come, O Lord of might, as to your tribes on Sinai's height.
In ancient times you gave the law in cloud, and majesty, and awe.
Rejoice, Rejoice! Emmanuel, shall come to you, O Israel.

ANNOUNCEMENTS / WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Lisa & Tom Condon

BIBLE READING Matthew 11:2-11 Pew Bible pg. #889

²When John heard in prison what the Messiah was doing, he sent word by his disciples
³and said to him, "Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?"

⁴Jesus answered them, "Go and tell John what you hear and see: ⁵the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have good news brought to them. ⁶And blessed is anyone who takes no offense at me." ⁷As they went away, Jesus began to speak to the crowds about John:

"What did you go out into the wilderness to look at? A reed shaken by the wind?

⁸What then did you go out to see? Someone dressed in soft robes? Look, those who wear soft robes are in royal palaces. ⁹What then did you go out to see? A prophet?

Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. ¹⁰This is the one about whom it is written,

'See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you.'

¹¹Truly I tell you, among those born of women no one has arisen greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he."

SERMON

Pastor Bob Stelter

Hope Dawns in the Darkness

SERMON SONG

Even If

SHARING OF GOD'S PEACE

OUR VISION

To be an inspired body of Christ.



OUR MISSION

Love God. Love Others. Serve.

THANKSGIVING

OFFERINGS FOR MISSION & MINISTRY

OFFERING SONG

Jamie's Kids

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

WORDS OF INSTITUTION / LORD'S PRAYER / HOLY COMMUNION

DISTRIBUTION SONG

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

Only King Forever

SENDING

Praise Band: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

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

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

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


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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Lisa Stelter — Worship Graphics
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.

SHEPHERD OF HOPE FOOD PANTRY

Open: Monday, December 19, 3-6pm

Items needed:

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

Contact our Pantry Coordinator to volunteer at:
shephopepantry@gmail.com

Sunday Worship 9 & 11:11am

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

Recorded Sermons & Services at 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 December 13, 1:30pm, led by John Woods resumes this week.

HANDBELL PLAYERS REHEARSAL Wednesdays, 5:30pm. Come join us! Lynn offers **piano lessons**, too. Contact her at 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.

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

WELCA Is COLLECTING USED COMFORTERS for the Women's Salvation Army Shelter. Place new or gently used twin, full & queen size comforters in the small crib in the narthex.

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

MOM'S CLUB OF NORTSHORE Monday, December 12, 10am.

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

MOPS FOR MOMS & KIDS Tuesday, December 20, 6pm.

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.

WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

11:11am Contemporary

Altar Guild	Connie Rist
Communion Ministers	Deb Miller, Ethan Gray, Matt Gray Tiffany Lindsey, Margurette Oliver
Greeter	Lois Simmons
Ushers	Linda & John Shoemaker
Offering Stewards	Debbie Ragucci, Gary Mount

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Offerings last Sunday: \$ 8,695
Offerings Year to Date \$ 607,177
Walk by Faith through 11/31 \$ 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, Nancy Cole, Myles Cooper, 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, 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, David Berdal, Marion Berdal, Marsha Bode, Boring family, Sharon Brokenshire, Gary Bunch, Freddie Burgess, Mike Carfi, Harold Chapel, Jack Cleave, Jan & Frank Colangelo, Marty & Marybeth Connor, Ian Cooper, Bill Crain, Nancy 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, Esther Jones, Allison Kenniger, Donna Knick, Ally Koonce, Melinda, Dillon & Paul Koonce, Tammy & Paul Koonce, Laura Lehner, Loyacano family, David Matthews, Linda McCallister, Brenda Montgomery, Sue Olson, Fea April Penn, Jim Pressley, Sandra Prior, Claire Racine, Alice Ramsey & family, Rick Reed, Shannon Remington, Gerald Rosenberger, 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, Bob, Darcy, Gayle, Jodi, Jolena, Katie, Kerry, Manard, Michael, Savannah, Sean, Walter *and those we name to You.*

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS: Lisa & Tom Condon.

BAPTISMAL JOY: Henry Lee, son of Breanna & William Halsey; sponsors, Jake & Lillie Kilbarger and Alexander & Kristy Laminack.

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: Marce Matisko, Jimmy Dean, Ruth Sittler, Pratt Hughes, Louie Martin.

SAFETY & ADVOCACY: for the mentally & physically disabled.

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.



2022 COUNCIL MEMBERS

Ted Primka President Youth & Education	David Wyatt Secretary	Doug Goins Safety & Security
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	Adam Edwards Worship & Music	Rick Smenner Information Tech

WEEK OF DECEMBER 11-18, 2022

Sunday, December 11 3rd Sunday of Advent

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 Praise Team Rehearsal
11:11am	Contemporary Worship
5:00pm	AL-ANON meeting <i>Community Room</i>

Monday, December 12

10:00am	Mom's Club of Northshore
6:30pm	Property Team meeting

Tuesday, December 13

1:30pm	Bible Study Small Group <i>The Cup</i>
6:00pm	AL-ANON meeting <i>Community Room</i>
7:30pm	Narcotics Anonymous <i>The Cup</i>

Wednesday, December 14 Holden Evening Prayer & Fellowship

10-11am	Little's Group
11:00am	AL-ANON meeting <i>Community Room</i>
3:00pm	Staff Meeting
5:30pm	Bell Choir Rehearsal
6-7:00pm	The Art of Worship for youth & adults
6:30pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
6:30pm	Holden Evening Prayer followed by Refreshments

Thursday, December 15 Newsletter Deadline

9:30am	Handy Faithfuls
6:00pm	Executive Team meeting
6:30pm	Council meeting
7:30pm	Narcotics Anonymous <i>The Cup</i>

Saturday, December 17

11:00am	AL-ANON meeting <i>Community Room</i>
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Sunday, December 18 4th Sunday of Advent

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

PREPARING FOR NEXT WEEK

Monday: Psalm 42; Isaiah 29:17-24; Acts 5:12-16. ▪ **Tuesday:** Psalm 42; Ezekiel 47:1-12; Jude 1:17-25

Wednesday: Psalm 42; Zechariah 8:1-17; Matthew 8:14-17, 28-34.

Thursday: Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19; 2 Samuel 7:1-17; Galatians 3:23-29.

Friday Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19; 2 Samuel 7:18-22; Galatians 4:1-7. ▪ **Saturday** Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19; 2 Samuel 7:23-29; John 3:31-36.

4th Sunday in Advent: Isaiah 7:10-16; Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19; Romans 1:1-7; Matthew 1:18-25.