



- CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE -
December 18, 2022 ▪ 4th Sunday in Advent

OPENING

GATHERING SONG

Oh, What a Glorious Night!
The Blessing

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.
4. Oh, come, O Branch of Jesse, free your own from Satan's tyranny;
from depths of hell your people save and give them vict'ry o'er the grave.
Rejoice, Rejoice! Emmanuel, shall come to you, O Israel.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GOSPEL READING: Luke 1:26-38 Pew Bible pg. #933

²⁶In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, ²⁷to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. ²⁸And he came to her and said, 'Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you.' ²⁹But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. ³⁰The angel said to her, 'Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. ³¹And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. ³²He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. ³³He will reign over the house of Jacob for ever, and of his kingdom there will be no end.' ³⁴Mary said to the angel, 'How can this be, since I am a virgin?' ³⁵The angel said to her, 'The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. ³⁶And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. ³⁷For nothing will be impossible with God.' ³⁸Then Mary said, 'Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word.' Then the angel departed from her.

SERMON

A Faith Like Mary's

Pastor Bob Stelter

OUR VISION
To be an inspired body of Christ.



OUR MISSION
Love God. Love Others. Serve.

WORD

SERMON SONG

Breath of Heaven

SHARING OF GOD'S PEACE

THANKSGIVING

OFFERINGS FOR MISSION & MINISTRY

OFFERING SONG

Noel

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

WORDS OF INSTITUTION / LORD'S PRAYER / HOLY COMMUNION

DISTRIBUTION SONG

What Child Is This?

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

For Unto Us a Child Is Born

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

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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.

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 memorials or honorariums for your loved ones, \$15 each.

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 21, 1:30pm
led by John Woods.

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,

2023 FLOWER CHART has been posted. Sign up for memorials or honorariums for your loved ones.

SHEPHERD OF HOPE FOOD PANTRY **Open: Tomorrow, 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

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

WELCA IS COLLECTING 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.

MEN'S & WOMEN'S SALVATION ARMY VISIT 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.

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

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

CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP
Contemporary, 5pm • Traditional, 7pm
CHRISTMAS DAY WORSHIP
1 Service, 10am

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	Jen Berry, Christian Berry, Richard Lehner, Katie Lehner, Lisa Stelter
Greeter	Lois Simmons
Ushers	Brad Berry, David Wyatt
Offering Stewards	George Herbold, Gary Dakolios

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Offerings last Sunday: \$ 8,382
Offerings Year to Date \$ 615,682
Walk by Faith through 11/30 \$ 731,731



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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, 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, David Gunderson, 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, the Varanka family, 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.*

COMFORT & JOY: our Christmas Eve worship services.

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 & persons trapped in toxic relationships.

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.

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WEEK OF DECEMBER 18, 2022

Sunday, December 18 4th Sunday of Advent

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

Monday, December 19

3-5pm Food Pantry open

Tuesday, December 20

1:30pm Bible Study Small Group *The Cup*
5:30pm Salvation Army Shelter visit
6:00pm MOPS for Moms & Kids nursery
6:00pm AL-ANON meeting *Community Room*
7:30pm Narcotics Anonymous *The Cup*

Wednesday, December 21 Holden Evening Prayer & Fellowship

11:00am AL-ANON meeting *Community Room*
3:00pm Staff Meeting
5:30pm Bell Choir Rehearsal
6:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal
6:30pm Holden Evening Prayer followed by Refreshments

Thursday, December 22

9:30am Narcotics Anonymous *The Cup*

Saturday, December 24 Christmas Eve

11:00am AL-ANON meeting *Community Room*
5:00pm Contemporary Christmas Eve Worship
7:00pm Traditional Christmas Eve Worship

Sunday, December 25 Christmas Day

10:00am One Worship Service *Sanctuary*
5:00pm AL-ANON meeting *Community Room*



PREPARING FOR NEXT WEEK

Monday: 1 Samuel 2:1-10; Genesis 17:15-22; Galatians 4:8-20. • **Tuesday:** 1 Samuel 2:1-10; Genesis 21:1-21; Galatians 4:21-5:1.
Wednesday: 1 Samuel 2:1-10; Genesis 37:2-11; Matthew 1:1-17. • **Thursday:** Luke 1:46b-55; Isaiah 33:17-22; Revelation 22:6-7, 18-20.
Friday Luke 1:46b-55; 2 Samuel 7:18, 23-29; Galatians 3:6-14. • **Saturday** Isaiah 9:2-7; Psalm 96; Titus 2:11-14; Luke 2:[1-14] 15-20.
Christmas Day: Isaiah 62:6-12; Psalm 97; Titus 3:4-7; Luke 2:[1-7] 8-20.