



**FAITH LUTHERAN**  
CHURCH

- CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE -

January 22, 2023 • 3rd Sunday of Epiphany • Stewardship Emphasis—WHY?

**OPENING**

**GATHERING SONGS**

*Your Love Awakens Me*  
*Jesus Bring the Rain*

**WORD**

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**STEWARDSHIP TEMPLE TALK**

Debbie Pinchok

**BIBLE READING Mark 10:17-27** Pew Bible pg. #923

*What must we do to inherit eternal life? That's the question asked of Jesus in this Bible lesson. Jesus' answer is shocking and maybe even unrealistic. As we consider stewardship, what does this Bible lesson have to teach us about our priorities and giving?*

<sup>17</sup>As he was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, 'Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' <sup>18</sup>Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. <sup>19</sup>You know the commandments: "You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.'" <sup>20</sup>He said to him, 'Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.' <sup>21</sup>Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, 'You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' <sup>22</sup>When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

<sup>23</sup>Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, 'How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!' <sup>24</sup>And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, 'Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! <sup>25</sup>It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.' <sup>26</sup>They were greatly astounded and said to one another, 'Then who can be saved?'

<sup>27</sup>Jesus looked at them and said, 'For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.'

**SERMON**

Pastor Bob Stelter

*WHY Giving to Church Is a Complete Waste of Time & Money!*

**SERMON SONG**

*Reckless Love of God*

**SHARING OF GOD'S PEACE**

**THANKSGIVING**

**OFFERINGS FOR MISSION & MINISTRY**

**OFFERING SONG**

**OFFERING PRAYER**

Pastor: Merciful Father,

**Congregation: We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given to us — our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*OUR VISION*

To be an inspired body of Christ.



*OUR MISSION*

Love God. Love Others. Serve.

## THANKSGIVING

### 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.**

### CREED FOR THE EPIPHANY SEASON

**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

*Let God Arise*

### DISMISSAL

Praise Band: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God!**

*Flowers on the altar are given by **Ann Stelter** in memory of her husband, **Buddy**.*

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

**((( ))) Faith Guest WiFi Password: beblessed**

**Dr. Bob Stelter** — Pastor

**Greg Bohlken** — Lay Associate

**Sandra Bohlken** — Contemporary Worship Director

**Lynn Rognsvoog** — Organist

**Collin Kasefang** — Choir Director

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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)

**USHER TRAINING today, Choose your best time 10:15am or 12:15pm.**

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

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

**CONFIRMATION CLASS resumes, 10:15am** in the library.

**TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY, 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](mailto:rosiemomflowers@yahoo.com) or call 503-819-0118.

**NEW NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS GROUP** this Friday night, January 13, 7pm in *The Cup*.

**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.

**2023 FLOWER CHART** has been posted. Sign up on the bulletin board by the library.

### **SHEPHERD OF HOPE FOOD PANTRY**

**Open: tomorrow, January 23, 3-6pm**

**Items needed:**

- Jelly** (plastic jars) • **Large Soup** • **Syrup** (plastic bottles)
- **Boxed Meals** (like Hamburger Helper)
- **Boxed Mashed Potatoes**

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

### **UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS**

**NOTICE!** Pastor Bob has never and will never ask for support or funds via email, text or Facebook. If you have received one of these requesting funds or support from Pastor Bob, please report it to the office immediately, 865-966-9626.

**MEN'S & WOMEN'S SALVATION ARMY VISIT Tuesday, January 24, meet at church at 5pm.** Donations of men's boxer briefs, sizes m-xl, women's underwear, sizes 6-11, snacks & goodies are requested. We will let you know when we need socks.

**MOPS Tuesday, January 24, 6pm.** Moms & kids meet in the nursery.

**FAITH SERVES KARM this Saturday, January 28, noon.** Please sign up to cook or serve. Future dates are 3/25, 5/27, 7/22, 9/23, 11/25 & 1/27/24.

### **CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** **Sunday, February 19, 12:15pm.**

- State of the Church Address
- Presentation of Annual Report
- Walk by Faith Update

**THE LITTLE LIBRARY**, donated by Lin McKinley, is located at the east entrance of the church. Feel free to take a book or two —keep them or return for more!

### **WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY**

**11:11am Contemporary**

<b>Altar Guild</b>	Melissa Horning
<b>Communion Ministers</b>	Connie Rist, Katie Lehner, Richard Lehner Mindy Houlihan, Thomas Houlihan
<b>Greeter</b>	Carol Nanney
<b>Ushers</b>	Eric Johnson, David Wyatt
<b>Offering Stewards</b>	George Herbold, Gary Mount

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

**Offerings last Sunday:** \$ 6,447  
**Offerings Year to Date** \$ 18,654  
**Walk by Faith through 12/31** \$ 737,540



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## PRAYER CONCERNS

**MEMBERS:** Shaun Allred, Arlene Aring, Doug Bales, Barbara Barass, Peggy Beckwith, Mary Blackburn, Amy Canapa, Myles Cooper, Mac Curtis, Patsy Elmore, Ron Fife, Kim Frasch, Pat & Nick Gary, Mary Beth & Alex Greene, Maret & Leo Hebert, Carmen Larsen, Roger Legako, Kris Lehman, Bill Lucas, Heather McDonald, Debbie Moore, Donnie & Lisa Smith & family, Pamela Spaar, Bobbie Steele, Kristie & Paul Turner, Jim Van Deusen, Susan Vanacore, Danny Willis.

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

**FRIENDS:** Marsha Bode, Sharon Brokenshire, Mike Carfi, Jack Cleave, Jan & Frank Colangelo, Shirley & Harrel Conneley, Martin Connor, the Daminco family, Brandy & Brian Duke, Chris Elkins, Vader Ernst, Sandra & Joel Garber, Gregory Goodall, Rita Heavner, Gary Holtz, Bea Horion, Hannah Johnson, Kelsey Irwin, Donna Knick, Laura Lehner, Loyacano family, David Matthews, Jim Presley, Sandra Prior, Claire Racine, Terry Rosenberger, the Salles families, Scaglione family, Anne Marie Schrubbe, Tiphinne Shea-Scoba, Linda Smith, Austin Stephens, Paul Travis, Frank Tyler, Scott Williams, Mya, Ro & Haven Wolfe, Lauren Wolfe, Martha Woodward, the Zehner family, Darcy, Gayle, Hannah, Jacob, Jodi, Jolena, Katie, Manard, Michael, Mila *and those we name to You.*

**GROWTH & JOY:** Our stewardship.

**JOY AT THE BIRTH:** Titus Alexander to Kristen & Tyler Hitter. Great grandparents: Maret & Leo Hebert.

**COMFORT IN THE MIDST OF DEATH:** Judy Morris.

**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.

**SAFETY AND SUCCESS OF MISSION TRIP TO AFRICA:** Jennifer Crosby Bales, daughter of Chuck Crosby

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

**PEACE, SAFETY, ADVOCACY & CARE:** those who are mentally & physically challenged.

**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, Mercy Ships, Iglesia Luterano Augustana de Guatemala & Milagro Women's Education Center, 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.



## 2023 COUNCIL MEMBERS

<p><b>Ted Primka</b> President</p> <p><b>Doug Goins</b> Vice President</p> <p><b>Laura Beardsley</b> Secretary</p> <p><b>Alan Berdal</b> Treasurer</p>	<p><b>Adam Edwards</b></p> <p><b>Alice Pigott</b></p> <p><b>David Wyatt</b></p> <p><b>Ritchie Case</b></p> <p><b>Rick Smenner</b></p>
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### WEEK OF JANUARY 22-29, 2022

#### Sunday, January 22 3rd Sunday in Epiphany

9:00am	Traditional Worship <i>Sanctuary</i>
10:00am	Fellowship <i>The Cup</i>
<b>10:15am</b>	<b>Usher Training</b>
	Adult Sunday School
	Children's Sunday School
	Confirmation Class <i>library</i>
	Praise Team Rehearsal
11:11am	Contemporary Worship
<b>12:15pm</b>	<b>Usher Training</b>
5:00pm	AL-ANON meeting <i>Community Room</i>

#### Monday, January 23

**3-5pm Food Pantry open**

#### Tuesday, January 24

1:30pm	Bible Study Small Group <i>The Cup</i>
<b>5:00pm</b>	<b>Salvation Army visit</b>
<b>6:00pm</b>	<b>MOPS</b> <i>Nursery</i>
	AL-ANON meeting <i>Zoom</i>
7:30pm	Narcotics Anonymous <i>The Cup</i>

#### Wednesday, January 25

11:00am	AL-ANON meeting <i>Community Room</i>
3:00pm	Staff Meeting
5:30pm	Bell Choir Rehearsal
6:30pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal

#### Thursday, January 26

9:30am Narcotics Anonymous *The Cup*

#### Friday, January 27

9:30am	Cole Center Caregiver Group
<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>Narcotics Anonymous Group</b>

#### Saturday, January 28

11:00am	AL-ANON meeting <i>Zoom</i>
<b>Noon</b>	<b>Faith Serves KARM</b>

#### Sunday, January 29 Stewardship Emphasis

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>

### PREPARING FOR NEXT WEEK

**Monday:** Psalm 27:7-14; Judges 6:11-24; Ephesians 5:6-14. ▪ **Tuesday:** Psalm 27:7-14; Judges 7:12-22; Philippians 2:12-18.  
**Wednesday:** Psalm 27:7-14; Genesis 49:1-2, 8-13, 21-26; Luke 1:67-79. ▪ **Thursday:** Psalm 15; Deuteronomy 16:18-20; 1 Peter 3:8-12.  
**Friday** Psalm 15; Deuteronomy 24:17-25:4; 1 Timothy 5:17-24. ▪ **Saturday** Psalm 15; Micah 3:1-4; John 13:31-35.  
**4th Sunday in Epiphany:** Micah 6:1-8; Psalm 15; 1Corinthians 1:18-31; Matthew 5:1-12.



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