

Worship to the Glory of God

January 19, 2014

8 & 11 am



Faith Lutheran Church

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Saturday Worship & Praise: 5 pm
(Communion 1st Saturday of month)

Sunday Worship: 8 & 11 am
(Communion: 1st & 3rd Sun. @ 8 am
2nd & 4th Sun. @ 11 am)

Sunday School &
Adult Bible Classes: 9:30 am

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THE SECOND SUNDAY after THE EPIPHANY

January 19, 2014 – 8 & 11 am

The Pre-Service Music

The Chimes

The Welcome and Announcements

The Opening Hymn

“Come, Thou Almighty King”

905

The Invocation (please rise)

Pastor: In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: Jesus Christ is the Light of the World.

People: The Light no darkness can overcome.

Pastor: The Word became flesh and dwelt among us.

People: We have seen His glory.

Pastor: To all who believe in His name, He gives the right to become children of God.

People: Jesus Christ is the Light of the World.

Pastor: Arise, Shine! Your Light has come.

People: Alleluia.

Confession and Absolution

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

People: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, but what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. we justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your Holy Name. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of the Word, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The Kyrie (spoken)

Pastor: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

People: Amen.

The Hymn of Praise

tune: "Hark! The Voice of Jesus Calling"

To the God of peace and favor

Glory in the highest be!

To the Lamb of God, our Savior,

Praise be sung eternally!

To the Holy Ghost, descending,

Equal laud be done aright!

See the brightness never-ending

Where God says, "Let there be light!"

The Prayer for Today

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you. (spoken)

Pastor: Let us pray....."O God, by the leading of a star You made known Your only-begotten Son to the Gentiles. Lead us, who know You by faith, to enjoy in heaven the fullness of Your divine presence; through the same Jesus Christ, Our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever."

People: Amen.

✠ *Please be seated*

The Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 49:1-7

Listen to me, O coastlands, and give attention, you peoples from afar. He LORD called me from the womb, from the body of my mother he named my name. ² He made my mouth like a sharp sword; in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow; in his quiver he hid me away. ³ And he said to me, “You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified.” ⁴ But I said, “I have labored in vain; I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my right is with the LORD, and my recompense with my God.” ⁵ And now the LORD says, he who formed me from the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him; and that Israel might be gathered to him—for I am honored in the eyes of the LORD, and my God has become my strength—⁶ he says: It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to bring back the preserved of Israel; I will make you as a light for the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.” ⁷ Thus says the LORD, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nation, the servant of rulers: “Kings shall see and arise; princes, and they shall prostrate themselves; because of the LORD, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.”

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: *Thanks be to God*

The New Testament Reading

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

Paul, called by the will of God to be an apostle of Christ Jesus, and our brother Sosthenes, ² To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints together with all those who in every place call upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: ³ Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴ I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, ⁵ that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge— ⁶ even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you— ⁷ so that you are not lacking in any gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, ⁸ who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹ God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: *Thanks be to God*

✠ *In honor of Christ the Light of the World we rise to sing*

All:

tune: *Praise and Thanksgiving*

*Morning has broken, Sing alleluia!
God's Word has spoken, ending the night.
Come now, believing, Sing alleluia!
New life receiving. Let there be light!*

The Holy Gospel

John 1:29-42a

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the first chapter.

All: Glory to you, O Lord. (spoken)

²⁹ The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! ³⁰ This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks before me, because he was before me.' ³¹ I myself did not know him, but for this purpose I came baptizing with water, that he might be revealed to Israel." ³² And John bore witness: "I saw the Spirit descend from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. ³³ I myself did not know him, but he who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain, this is he who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' ³⁴ And I have seen and have borne witness that this is the Son of God." ³⁵ The next day again John was standing with two of his disciples, ³⁶ and he looked at Jesus as he walked by and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God!" ³⁷ The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. ³⁸ Jesus turned and saw them following and said to them, "What are you seeking?" And they said to him, "Rabbi" (which means Teacher), "where are you staying?" ³⁹ He said to them, "Come and you will see." So they came and saw where he was staying, and they stayed with him that day, for it was about the tenth hour. ⁴⁰ One of the two who heard John speak and followed Jesus was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. ⁴¹ He first found his own brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which means Christ). ⁴² He brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said, "You are Simon the son of John. You shall be called Cephas" (which means Peter).

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to You, O Christ. (spoken)

The Greeting *(please turn to someone next to you, or in front of you, or behind you)*

✠ *Please be seated*

The Hymn of the Day *"I Love Your Kingdom, Lord"* 651

The Sermon **"The Call of Samuel"**
1 Samuel 3:1-21
Rev. Gilbert Kuehn
Vacancy Pastor

✠ *Please rise for*

The Nicene Creed (8:00 am) *(see back of hymnal)*

The Apostles' Creed (11:00 am) *(see back of hymnal)*

The Gathering of the Offerings *(Please be seated)*

✠ *As the offerings are brought forward the congregation rises to sing:*

✠ **The Offertory** *"As with Gladness Men of Old"* 397 v 1,3

1 - As with gladness men of old
Did the guiding star behold;
As with joy they hailed its light,
Leading onward, beaming bright;
So, most gracious Lord, may we
Evermore be led by Thee.

3 - As they offered gifts most rare
At Thy cradle, rude and bare,
So may we with holy joy,
Pure and free from sin's alloy,
All our costliest treasures bring,
Christ, to Thee, our heav'nly King.

The Prayers *(The Pastor will end each petition with "Lord, in your mercy ..." and the congregation will respond with "hear our prayer".)*

The Lord's Prayer

8:00 am service continues

11:00 am service concludes on page 8

✠ **THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT** ✠

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you. (spoken)

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord. (spoken)

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise. (spoken)

Pastor: It is indeed right and helpful that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

The Sanctus

tune: *As with Gladness Men of Old*

**1 - Holy, holy, holy Lord
God of hosts, by all adored:
Heav'n and earth cannot contain
All the glory of your name!
With the heav'nly host we sing
Praise to our eternal King.**

**2 - Hail! Hosanna! Endless fame
Be to him who, in God's name,
Now draws nigh with us to dwell,
Jesus, our Emmanuel!
Hail! Hosanna! Praises be
To the Lord eternally!**

The Words of Institution

Pastor: The Peace of the Lord be with you

People: And also with you.

The Agnus Dei

"Lamb of God"

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**All Sing: Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.**

The Distribution *(Please be seated)*

- ✘ Faith's statement of faith regarding communion is printed on the reverse side of the Fellowship Card.
- ✘ Those who desire to commune are invited to come forward in the order indicated by the ushers. At the front of the church, follow the ushers' directions to the communion rail.
- ✘ Receive the bread from the elder either on the tongue or in the hand. Receive the wine either in the individual or the common cup. If you prefer the individual cup, take one from the proffered tray, place the empty cup in the basin as you return to your seat. If you prefer the common cup or chalice, please assist the serving pastor by guiding the cup to control the flow. When all in your group have communed, return to your seat by the side aisle.

- ✘ If you desire to commune and are physically unable to come forward, please inform the ushers who will assist you.
- ✘ Children who are not yet confirmed will be received at the altar rail for a special blessing.

The Hymn sung during the Distribution: *“At the Lamb’s High Feast We Sing”* 633

Post-Communion Canticle (sung) *“Thank the Lord”* 164

All Sing: **Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done. Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name. He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Post-Communion Prayer 166

Pastor: We give thanks to You, Almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this helpful gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord, who lives and reigns with You, and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

8:00 am & 11:00 am worship conclude with

The Benediction

The Proclamation

Pastor: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Closing Hymn *“Jesus, Lead Thou On”* 718

The Post-service Music

Our Purpose

The love of Christ compels us to reach out and make disciples who seek the lost, strengthen the weak, and serve those in need while giving glory to God.

When Holy Communion is served: Anyone having difficulty walking to the front of the church for Holy Communion may sit in the front pew on the lectern side. The Pastor will bring Holy Communion to the pew. An appropriate personal prayer for before receiving the Sacrament can be found on the page opposite the inside front cover of the hymnal.

Stewardship Sentence: Ephesians 5:27 - "...so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish." Our Lord has cleanses us with His blood – in His sight we are now pure and holy. He has given Himself, laying done His life for us. Now we are his spotless and beautiful bride. By His sacrifice, we are moved to sacrifice. By His cleansing, we find a desire to ourselves be clean and live blamelessly as He is blameless.

This Week's Opportunities to Seek, to Strengthen, and to Serve

Monday, Jan. 20 th	9:00 am	Food Pantry
	6:30 pm	Sunday School Staff Meeting
Tuesday, Jan. 21 st	7:00 pm	"To Live is Christ" Bible Study
Wednesday, Jan. 22 nd	9:00 am	Food Pantry
	7:00 pm	Call Committee "Skype" Phone Calls
Thursday, Jan. 23 rd	7:00 pm	Worship & Praise Rehearsal
Friday, Jan. 24 th	9:00 am	Food Pantry
Saturday, Jan. 25 th	3:00 pm	Worship & Praise Rehearsal
	3:00 pm	Pastor's Information Class
	5:00 pm	Worship & Praise Service
Sunday, Jan. 26 th	8:00 am	Worship
	9:30 am	SS / Youth / Adult Bible Study
	11:00 am	Worship w/ Holy Communion
	3:00 pm	Call Committee "Skype" Phone Calls

A Measure of Our Devotion

January 11 & 12, 2014		
Worship Attendance 2014	(Saturday/8 am/11 am)	35/78/124
Worship Attendance 2013	(Saturday/8 am/11 am)	35/68/100
Communion	(Saturday/11 am)	32/110
Adult, Sr. Youth Bible Class / Weekly Studies		34
Sunday School / Confirmation		27
Total Receipts January 11 & 12, 2014		\$5,214.69

Light the Way Campaign Total	\$5,926.00
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Food Pantry Item of the Month	Pork n Beans
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ANNOUNCEMENTS: are due to Carole by Noon every Tuesday.

- **MY HOPE AMERICA:** This 30 minute program featuring Billy Graham that was broadcast nationally in November will be shown today at 9:30 am in our church today and also on next Sunday. You will be inspired by it.

- **UPDATE FROM YOUR CALL COMMITTEE:** The Call Committee narrowed down the candidate list to five (5) Pastors. Personal, one hour, Skype interviews have been scheduled for Wednesday, January 22nd and Sunday, January 26th. The interviews will include specific questions asked to all five pastors. On **Sunday, February 2nd at 12:15 pm in the Christian Life Center** there will be a **“Call Service.”** The Call Committee will present the names of the individuals, the congregation will vote, and a Call will be extended that day to the pastor with 51% of the vote. Please continue to pray that God will send His shepherd to Faith Lutheran Church.

- **THE “TO LIVE IS CHRIST” CLASS** continues in the conference room at 9:30 am. We will be working through “Travel Ties and Hard Goodbyes”.

- **THE LADIES GUILD LUNCHEON AND FASHION SHOW** will be February 15th with doors opening at 11:00 am and lunch at 11:30. Tickets are available in Narthex 2 before and after both services for \$10. Ladies fashions will be supplied by HPH Hospice Thrift Store. Chances to win a “Theme Basket” will be available with the purchase of opportunity tickets.
- **TUESDAY EVENINGS WITH BETH MOORE:** Another opportunity to explore the life and ministry of St. Paul is offered on Tuesday evenings at 7 pm in the CLC. This course will last 11 weeks and conclude on March 25th. The charge for the workbook (homework!!!) is \$16.00. If you have any questions, please contact Phyllis Miller at phyalama@tampabay.rr.com or [727-847-0959](tel:727-847-0959).
- **PASTOR’S INFORMATION CLASS** is starting next Sunday at 3 pm. If you know anyone who would like to learn more about the Lutheran Church and/or would desire to be part of Faith Lutheran Church, please call Carole at the office (849-4418).
- **A NEW SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY** will be starting February 2nd. Led by Pastor Kuehn in the Sanctuary from 9:30 – 10:30 am. It is entitled “The Jesus Creed”.
- **OUR FOOD PANTRY** Last week’s article left out some very important helpers. Rose Wegner is here every Friday and Tom and Carol Springer have been picking up our bread every week for 13 years and bring it to Faith so that our clients are able to have fresh bread. We are SO sorry for our omission, and hope that we didn’t forget anyone else.
- **FAVORITE HYMNS** has become a favorite for many. We received about 100 ballots with over 100 different hymn suggestions. Starting next Sunday we will be singing the suggestions each week until Easter. A summary will be in the coming Messenger, and copies are currently available in the Narthex.
- **“ADOPT-A-CONFIRMAND”:** Just one more confirmand to be "adopted!" Do you have a little time to spare to support a confirmand through her confirmation years? All you need to do is pray for your confirmand, keep in touch and support her and possibly remember her on special occasions (nothing big or expensive). You will receive an information sheet on your confirmand to help you to get to know her. If interested, please see Sandy Thompson or call her at [727-848-2530](tel:727-848-2530). Thanks for your consideration and may God bless you and our confirmands.

➤ **MESSENGER ARTICLES ARE DUE TODAY**

➤ **IT'S TIME TO START THINKING ABOUT VBS:** We are in need of a Coordinator, or possibly Co-Ordinators to run this program. There is so much wonderful material available to us; all we need is someone to **USE IT**. Please call or e-mail Phyllis Miller if you are interested: phyalama@tampabay.rr.com or 847-0959.

➤ **BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES:**

Members of Faith that are celebrating birthdays this week are: (19) Tim Burkee, Donna Onishenko, (22) Barbara Hahn, (23) Jonathan Tinker, (25) Jace Crider, Melodi Kasberg, Mary Lou Simon, (26) Larry Roach.

Please remember in your prayers

Health/Unspoken: Gary Ahl, Grace Allera, Robbie Baumgartner, Larry Bolduc, Annikki Boller, Ray & Barb Bovier, Richard Brown, Mary Crane, Andy Curran, Pam DeSham, Blanche Fowler, Bob Gould, Kathy Hane, Peter Harvey, Linda Hogg, James Ketner, King Family, Bev Kuhn, Eve Langner, Leora Laubaugh, Lynch Family, Jim Mattson, Sandy Meyer, Pat Noll, Joyce Pankner, Perryman Family, Virginia Pohlman, Allen Price, Gary Ramthun (safe travels) Jim Ramthun, Joe Reed (stroke), wife Shirley & children, John Reinstetle, Connie Roach, Hugo Salmi, Bob & Bea Schurkus, Marian Shirk, Destiny Simon, Southerland Family, Tom Springer, Charles Steinbach, Jean Terkowski, Pastor & Mrs. Mike Thureau, Vern Torkelson, Bob Trezzi, Chris Van Ess, Harry Van Ess, Pat Van Ess, Sherryl Williams, Cole & Kayla Winchell, all Pastors, those serving our country, children who stray, all believers, the future of America.

Military: Leo Ayala, Josh Butterworth, Justin Fivecoat, Tom Hartzell, Brandon Martin, Andrew Murphy, Richard Phernetton, Steve Roy, Jr., Andrew Springer, Vincent Sharkey, Andrew St. John, Alan Stackpoole, Todd Stanger, Tyler Wasson, all veterans, and all servicemen and women in VA hospitals.

Homebound: Irene Berlin, Richard Brown, Florine Catt, Marilyn Eggert, Fran Fuller, Betty Gauthier, Vera Grondahl, Bobbie Hain, Lina Hartstein, Pat Hartwell, Selta Heintz, Baxter Holland, Maria Hulyk, Mildred Jeffers, Curt Knudson, Mona Krupicka, Marge LaVallee, Ron Long (Brooksville), Dottie Maslowski, Evelyn Miller, Kathleen Moore, Dave Noll, John & Lucille Noveck, Carl Schoebel, Fran Smith, Hank & Jan Whitt.