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LUKE 2:52

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Rev. Scott Meier, Pastor

December 27, 2009

FAITHFUL LUTHERANS SENT BY CHRIST TO SERVE GOD'S CHILDREN

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Gathering Song - "Joy to the World" Hymn #267
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Dialogue; responsive

Jesus, the bright Morning Star, shines light in the world

By day and night he shines for all to see.

Jesus was born in the midst of injustice and poverty

That the world may see the justice and richness of God.

God so loved the world that god sent Jesus

So that all who believe in him may not perish but have life eternal.

Jesus is the light of the world

Jesus is the light of our lives.

Sing to God a new song!

A song of hope, joy and peace around the world.

Opening Prayer

First Reading

Genesis 1:1-5, 14-18

Hymn- "I Wonder as I Wander"

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Second Reading

Micah 5:2-5a

Hymn- "O Little Town of Bethlehem"

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Third Reading

Luke 2:8-20

Hymn- "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming"

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Fourth Reading

Matthew 2:1-11

Hymn- "Away in a Manger"

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Fifth Reading

Luke 2:8-20

Hymn- "Angels, from the Realms of Glory"

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Offertory

Hymn #182

Offertory Prayer

Pastor

Great Thanksgiving

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Lord's Prayer

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Lamb of God

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Distribution (wine is in the silver chalice, grape juice in ceramic chalice)

by Intinction

Communion Hymn "In the Bleak Midwinter"

Hymn #294

Prayer

Pastor

Blessing

Pastor

Sending Song- "Go Tell it on the Mountain"

Hymn #290

Dismissal

Assisting Minister

WELCOME!

All are welcome at Faith Lutheran Church today as we continue our journey of faith. Join with us as we offer our praises to God. We offer Holy Communion each Sunday. All baptized persons who believe that Christ is truly present in this meal are welcome to receive the Lord's Supper. There is a nursery available for those who need it. There is a red Fellowship Pad at the end of each pew, please pass it down the pew so everyone can sign for the day, this helps us know visitors and have vital information for the parish report.

Flowers today were given to the glory of God by Bob & Nicole Parish in honor of Joyce's birthday.

REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Betty McLaughlin Billie Williams Dorothy Clerici
Our Service Men & women and all those in need of our thoughts and prayers in our Faith Family and beyond.

Events & Activities This Week Around Faith:

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| Today, Dec. 27 10:30 am Worship Service | Sun., Jan. 4 9:15 am SCS |
| Coffee, Fellowship | 10:30 am Worship Service |
| PLOT meets | After; Coffee Fellowship |
| Tues., Dec. 29 No WCS, choir, or confirmation this week | |

Announcements

ANNUAL CONGREGATION MEETING: Our annual meeting will be January 24 following the worship service. Please have all committee reports to Patti by January 10.

DID YOU KNOW: Our website has three versions of the Bible available; the King James and the American Standard and an AUDIO version. Each can be done loaded and the audio can be downloaded and played on your favorite portable device such as an IPOD. The weekly bulletins are published on the website and the Theme of the church season is also changed according to the calendar. This is the 4th Sunday of Advent & the theme is light 4 candles. Remember, an audio sermon is published weekly, please view our website when you have time at www.flcjef.org

LAST WEEK AT FAITH

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| <u>Offerings:</u> | <u>Attendance:</u> |
| Current \$ 5241.00 | Worship 82 |
| Other <u>778.00</u> | Nursery <u>2</u> |
| Total \$ 6019.00 | 84 |

We need at least \$3625.00 in **current** each week to continue the missions of our church. How did we do last week?

Thanks to all who worship, work, give, and pray at Faith in thanks to God for His many blessings.

SERVING THIS WEEK AT FAITH

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| Pastor... Scott Meier | Acolyte.. Cheyanne Peter |
| Assistant... Bev Haire | Crucifer.. Kristina Peter |
| Organist... Barb Brewster | Greeters.. Falkenstein |
| Fin. Asst... Tom Hayes | Social.. Rife |
| NurseryLisa Peter | |
| Altar Guild.. Barb Brewster & Marsha Emily | |

Ushers.... D. Johnson, D. Lindemann, E. Peter, S. Rife

Next week: Assistant-Volunteer, Acolyte-volunteer
Crucifer- volunteer -Social-volunteer Greeters- volunteer

FIRST READING: 1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26

Samuel was ministering before the LORD, a boy wearing a linen ephod. ¹⁹His mother used to make for him a little robe and take it to him each year, when she went up with her husband to offer the yearly sacrifice. ²⁰Then Eli would bless Elkanah and his wife, and say, "May the LORD repay you with children by this woman for the gift that she made to the LORD"; and then they would return to their home.

²⁶Now the boy Samuel continued to grow both in stature and in favor with the LORD and with the people.

Psalm 148**SECOND READING: Colossians 3:12-17**

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. ¹³Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. ¹⁴Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. ¹⁵And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. ¹⁶Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. ¹⁷And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

GOSPEL: Luke 2:41-52

Now every year [Jesus'] parents went to Jerusalem for the festival of the Passover. ⁴²And when he was twelve years old, they went up as usual for the festival. ⁴³When the festival was ended and they started to return, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. ⁴⁴Assuming that he was in the group of travelers, they went a day's journey. Then they started to look for him among their relatives and friends. ⁴⁵When they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem to search for him. ⁴⁶After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. ⁴⁷And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. ⁴⁸When his parents saw him they were astonished; and his mother said to him, "Child, why have you treated us like this? Look, your father and I have been searching for you in great anxiety." ⁴⁹He said to them, "Why were you searching for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" ⁵⁰But they did not understand what he said to them. ⁵¹Then he went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them. His mother treasured all these things in her heart.

⁵²And Jesus increased in wisdom and in years, and in divine and human favor.