

Christmas Eve Worship



*For a child has been born for us, a son given to us;
authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named
Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.
- Isaiah 9:6*

Faith Lutheran Church
Dodge Center, MN

December 24, 2010

3:30pm 5:00pm 7:00pm

Pastor: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light.
All: The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness does not overcome it.

Pastor: Those who dwelt in the land of deep darkness, on them light has shined.

All: We have beheld Christ's glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father.

Pastor : For unto us a child is born, to us a son is given.

All: In him was life, and the life was the light of all people.

- Gathering Hymn *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing* #270
- Opening Prayer:
Almighty God, you made this holy night shine with the brightness of the true Light. Grant that here on earth we may walk in the light of Jesus' presence and in the last day wake to the brightness of his glory; through your only Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

Children's Sermon

- Gospel Luke 2:1-20
- The Sermon - Christmas Is the Answer
- Hymn of the Night *Go Tell It on the Mountain* #290
- Passing of the Peace
- Offering Hymn *Oh, Come, All Ye Faithful* #283
- Words of Institution
- Lord's Prayer
- Communion Songs
 - Away In a Manger* #277
 - What Child Is This* #296
 - The First Noel* #300

The pastors light candles from the Christ Candle, which symbolizes Christ, the Light of the World. We share this light with one another as a visible reminder that we carry the Light of Christ wherever we go.

- Hymn of Light *Silent Night, Holy Night* #281
- Blessing

Pastor: Children of the Light, Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

- *Please stand if you are able.*

Members, Visitors, Family Members and Friends:

We are delighted you are with us on this Holy Night. Whether you are a long-time member or a first-time guest, we are grateful you are here to celebrate the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. We would like to take this opportunity to inform you of a couple of

exciting opportunities that will be taking place at Faith Lutheran Church in the upcoming months and invite you to join us in serving and glorifying the King of Kings!

*Merry Christmas,
Pastor Justin*

Youth Ministry

Sunday School Faith Adventures: Meets Sunday mornings at 9:05am September-April. Youth pre-k – 5th grade are encouraged to come and enjoy music, Bible stories, baking, crafts and much more!

Wacky Wednesday After-School Program: Meets Wednesday afternoons from 3:15-5:00 September-April. Youth 3rd-5th grade are invited to come and enjoy some fun: snacks, crafts, activities, Bible stories, caring conversation & a whole lot more!

Confirmation: Meets Wednesdays from 6:30-8:00pm September-April. Confirmation is for 6th-9th graders looking to grow their relationship with God.

High School Group: Meets the 2nd & 4th Wednesdays of the month from 7:15-8:00pm September-April. High School aged youth are encouraged to join Pastor Justin for some fun, fellowship and great conversation with your peers.

Adult Opportunities

Marriage Retreat: Pastor Justin and his wife Jayne will hold their 2nd Annual Marriage Retreat Saturday, January 15th. This fun, light-hearted, pressure free day offers couples the opportunity to grow closer to one another and recharge their relationship. Pick up a brochure & registration on the table in the gathering area.

Worship

Traditional Worship Service: Join us for our traditional worship services on Sunday mornings at 8:00am. This service is complimented by the traditional church hymns.

Contemporary Worship Service: Join us for our contemporary worship services on Sunday mornings at 10:00am. This service is a blended service – we pull a little bit from our traditional service and add contemporary praise songs to the service along with a children's sermon each Sunday.

Wednesday Night Worship (resumes January 19th at 6:30): Join us for our mid-week contemporary worship service on Wednesday evenings at 6:30pm. This contemporary service is a great way to get you through the week! Listen to a message from Pastor Justin and enjoy contemporary songs with our Praise Band.

Poinsettia Dedications

In memory of Obert & Eunice Mortenson, Loren & Roger Midthun and Louie & Hazel Volberding

Dedicated by Denny & Patti Midthun

In honor of family & friends
Dedicated by Joan & Dan Blaisdell

In memory of Doug Johnson
Dedicated by Carol Johnson, Ryan Johnson and John & Jaci Gosse

In memory of Grandpa Johnson
Dedicated by Caroline and Jude Gosse

In memory of Norman Otto
Dedicated by Mike, Kris & Zach Otto

In honor of Grandma and Aunt Janet
Dedicated by Caroline & Jude Gosse

In honor of Uncle Ryan
Dedicated by Caroline & Jude Gosse

In memory of Warner Nelson
Dedicated by Stella Nelson

In honor of our five sons and family
Dedicated by Dennis & Diana Vang

In memory of Jessica Arnold
Dedicated by Vincent & Ann Arnold

In memory of Vernon C. Cohrs
Dedicated by Robin & Carl Mergen

In memory of our son & brother, Isaac Michael Selthun
Dedicated by Greg, Alisha, Isabella & Isaiah Selthun

In memory of Uncle Craig & Grandpa Brian
Dedicated by Joseph Brian Schweiger

In memory of Margaret Tapp
Dedicated by Tom, Andrea & Evan Tapp

In honor of our grandparents
Dedicated by Paul & Sue Blaisdell & Family

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In memory of Grandma & Grandpa Alice & Bob Rhodes and Great Grandma Helen Bronner
Dedicated by Greta Rhodes

In memory of "Nana" Prudi Giesler
Dedicated by Greg, Calli, Corbin, Cale & Greta Giesler

In honor of LaVerna French & William Saholt and
in Memory of Onalee Saholt & Richard A. French
Dedicated by Rod & Elaine French

In memory of Norman Johnson
Dedicated by Janet Johnson