

**Everlasting Light** 

# CHRISTMAS EVE DECEMBER 24, 2023 FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

#### 106 8TH STREET, MADISON, MINNESOTA

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"Moving forward in faith by providing spiritual and physical nourishment to all God's people."

Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad. (Ps. 96:11)

\*Indicates to please stand as you are able

**PRELUDE** ~ "Away in a Manger" & Prelude on "Adestes Fideles ~ Faith Ringers

BELL

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE: KYLE, AMBER, HARRISON AND ARCHER FAMILY

**SONG** ~ "Christ Candle"

GREETING

**HYMN** ~ "O Come, All Ye Faithful" #283

PRAYER OF THE DAY

SPECIAL MUSIC ~ "A Christmas Trilogy" Senior Choir

FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 9:2-7

PSALM 96

**SECOND LESSON**: Titus 2:11-14

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** ~ (Remain sitting for the Live Nativity Procession) "Angels We Have Heard on High" #289 Vs. 1

**GOSPEL**: Luke 2:1-14

SPECIAL MUSIC ~ "Christmas Hallelujah" Julie Hill

**SERMON** 

HYMN OF THE DAY ~ "Hark the Herald Angels Sing" #270

**OFFERING** 

**OFFERTORY** ~ "What Child Is This?" #296 Vs. 3

OFFERING PRAYER

PRAYERS AND CONFESSION

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

\*LORD'S PRAYER

#### **COMMUNION - SONGS OF DISTRIBUTION:**

"I Am So Glad on Christmas Eve" #271

"O Little Town of Bethlehem" #279

"Away in a Manger" #277

"It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" #282

"The First Noel" #300

**HYMN** ~ "Silent Night, Holy Night" #281

BENEDICTION

BELL

#### **POSTLUDE**

#### **Today's Worship Assistants**

Worship Leader: Bishop Craig Anderson, Ph. D.

Interim Pastor

Music Director: Linda Anderson

Office Manager: Sharon Ronglien

Financial Secretary: Lorrie Ehrenberg

Financial Treasurer: Kristin Ludvigson

Education Coordinator: Darcy Daline

Helper: Lisa Strand

Reader: Jeanene Munsterman

Video/Audio: Tech. Team

Usher Team: Team 1

Acolyte: Sadie Zahrbock & Cooper Smith

Communion: Gail Smith & Bob Glomstad

Greeters: Dustin & Kelly Kallhoff family and Dave & Judy Kriese

Please also hold these concerns in your prayers, today and throughout the week. Contact the church office at 598-3630 to add or remove a person.

**CARE CENTER & HOMEBOUND RESIDENTS:** Helen Haverberg, Carol Olson, Patty Thompson, Margaret Klefsaas, Arnie Streich, Ramona Niven, Ken Beyer, Lillian Lyng, Adele Miller, Margaret Davis, Verona Berg and Eva Zahrbock.

**PRAYER CONCERNS**: Cheryl Redepenning, Mike Deyo, Steve Helgemo, Phyllis Hauck, Jerry Osteraas, Rolf Olson, Grant Trygestad, Dana Carmody and Skip Blahosky.



Readings for December 31

Isaiah 6:1-10-62:3 Psalm 148 Galatians 4:4-7 Luke 2:22-40

# ANNOUNCEMENTS 12/24

- Don't forget that you can listen to the Sunday service on KLQP 92.1 @ 11:30AM or watch it on Channel 8 @ 3:30PM. You may also view ALL past and present services on our website: www.faithlutheranmadison.org and our Facebook page.
- Today's bulletin is sponsored in memory of Darlene Kranz and Kevin Webber from Sharon & Jason Webber and Adam & Holly North family.
- Today's flowers are sponsored in memory of Leslie and Fern Skallerud from Sharon & Jason Webber and Adam & Holly North family.
- Today's radio broadcast is sponsored in memory of Grandpa Kevin Webber, great grandparents Fern & Leslie Skallerud and great aunt Darlene Kranz from Wyatt, Noah, Aiden and Bryer North.
- Our sympathies are with Kathy and Ken Harwick on the passing of Kathy's father.
- Our sympathies are with the Tyler Struck family. Memorial service will be at 2pm on Wednesday, December 27th at Faith Lutheran Church. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service.
- Our sympathies are with the family of Mary Wodrich. Visitation for Mary will be from 5-7pm on Friday, December 29th at the Zahrbock Funeral Home Chapel. Memorial service will be held at 1pm on Saturday, December 30th at Faith Lutheran Church.
- Thank you to our congregation for the World Hunger donations of \$13,349.97.
   There is a list of things purchased from the ELCA Good Gifts catalog on our bulletin board outside of the office. Global Missions
- The globe is back up front if children want to put their offering in it while ushers are collecting the offering.

If you would like to sponsor a radio broadcast, bulletins or altar flowers in memory or in honor of someone, please contact the office.

Prices are: radio-\$51.00 bulletins -\$25.00 flowers - \$50.00 All three-\$126.00

#### \*\*THIS WEEK AT FAITH\*\*

### Monday, December 25

7pm AA / AL Anon

## Wednesday, December 27

9:00 Hot Muffins

2pm Tyler Struck Funeral

## **Thursday, December 28**

8:30-12 Do Day

11:30-12:30 Second Harvest/Meal

## Saturday, December 30

1pm Mary Wodrich funeral

## Sunday, December 31

9am Worship

Prayer Concerns - We give complete thanks to you oh Lord that you sent your son Jesus that Christmas so many years ago. All of our sins past and present are forgiven, just for humbly asking. By his grace, this assures us a place in our heavenly home with him one day. Thank you, thank you Jesus!

# **Live Nativity Members**

Joseph - Lucas Mortenson

**Mary - Mariah Mortenson** 

**Baby Jesus - Bodie Mortenson** 

Shepherds - Josh Ludvigson Ben Ludvigson Kyle Ludvigson

Angels - Brianna Kanstrup
Paisley Kanstrup

# **Christmas Poinsettia Plants**

In memory of Char Lund from her grandchildren
In memory of loved ones from Ritch and Gail Smith
In memory of loved ones from Janice Novak family
In memory of Art and Andy Tostenson from Maxine and
family

In loving memory of Paul Trelstad and all loved ones from Eileen, Randy, Karmin and Karla

In memory of Pastor Kirk from Linda Anderson
In memory of Joel and Cora Borstad, Laneta Fraley

and Eugene Eversole from Elwood and Sandy Borstad. In memory of loved ones in the Marlyn Hanson family from Shirley.

In memory of loved ones in the Lowe family from Shirley Hanson.

In memory of Helmer and Myrtle Hastad from family.

In memory of loved ones from Alton and Jan Lindquist.

In memory of Brixtyn Everly, infant daughter of Justin and Becky Weber, from Paul and Kathy Weber.

In memory of loved ones by Curt and Angie Shelstad.