

Gathering Music

Greeting/Announcements

Song “Here in This Place *Gather Us In*”WOV 718

Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness

Prayer of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, your will for all creation has been revealed through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Having been shown your glory and received your grace, now direct our thoughts and actions according to your good will, that in the name of your beloved Son, we might be made obedient to you. Grant this, we pray, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

First Reading I Kings 3:4-15

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading Ephesians 1:3-14

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Faith Seeds Laura Stowman

Faith Seeds is a time for children of all ages to come forward for a lesson geared to them.

The Gospel Acclamation “Rejoice, Rejoice This Happy Morn” LBW #43

Rejoice, rejoice this happy morn, a Savior unto us is born, the Christ, the Lord of glory! His lowly birth at Bethlehem the angels from on high proclaim and sing redemption’s story! My soul, extol, God’s great favor; bless him ever for salvation; Give him praise and adoration!

The Announcement of the Gospel “Glory to You, O Lord”

GospelLuke 2:40-52

Response after the Gospel “Praise to You, O Christ”

Sermon “Divine Duress” Pastor Scott Grorud

Song“I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light”.....WOV 649

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Offering/Special Music ... “Go Tell It On the Mountain” ... Ronda Eckhart and Austin Willhite

Offertory Response “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heav’nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

LBW #565 Text: Thomas Ken, 1637-1711 Tune: LBW #51 Vom Himmel Hoch

Prayers of the Church

The Words of Institution

The Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

The Distribution

Benediction

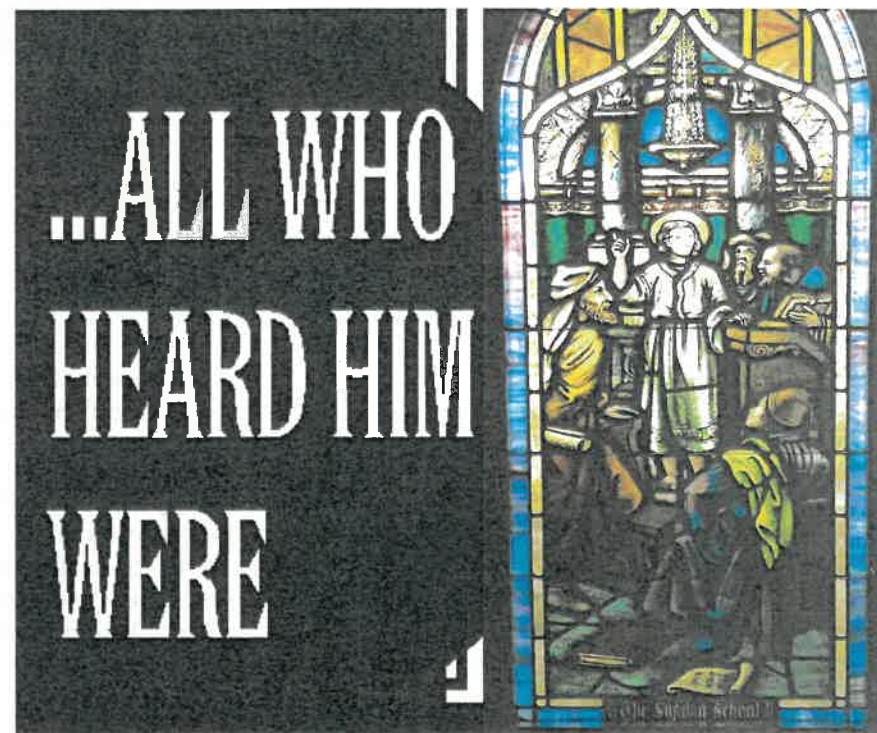
Song“The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve”.....WOV 723

Faith Lutheran Church (LCMC)

Hutchinson, Minnesota
10:10 a.m. Sanctuary Service
January 5, 2025
Second Sunday of Christmas

What Does This Mean?

1. Can you imagine Mary’s and Joseph’s anxiety and dread as they searched for Jesus?
2. How could Jesus have stayed behind in Jerusalem without telling his parents?
3. How did Jesus confess that he was under “divine duress”?
4. What does this episode tell us about God’s will to save sinners?



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LUKE 2:47

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