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WELCOME & OPENING DIALOGUE

Christ, the One who was, and is, and is to come, welcomes you to this place. As one body, with one voice, we honor and give thanks to the giver of hope.

I was glad when they said to me, “Let us go to the house of the Lord!”

Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, that we may learn God’s ways and go in God’s paths.

CONFESSION

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. *(Pause in silence)*

Have mercy, O God,

against you, you alone, we have sinned. In your compassion, cleanse us from our sin, and take away our guilt. Create in us a new heart and give us a steadfast spirit. Do not cast us away, but fill us with your Holy Spirit, and restore your joy within us. Amen.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

As tender as parent to child, so deep is God's compassion for you. As high as heaven is above earth, so vast is God's love for you. As far as east is from west, so far God removes your sin from you, renewing your life through Jesus Christ.

Amen.

HYMN FOR ADVENT WREATH LIGHTING: *We Lift the Light (of Hope)*

1. We lift the light of hope, O God,
Your presence burning bright.
In praise we sing the gift You bring:
Our hope complete in Christ.
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Our hope complete in Christ.

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GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you.

And also with you.

KYRIE (p 31 ACS)

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.

Chris - te e - lei - son. Christ, have mer - cy.

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. By your merciful protection save us from the threatening dangers of our sins, and enlighten us in the way of your salvation, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

SCRIPTURE: *Isaiah 2:1-5*

¹The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

²In days to come
the mountain of the Lord's house

shall be established as the highest of the mountains,
and shall be raised above the hills;
all the nations shall stream to it.

³Many peoples shall come and say,
“Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,
to the house of the God of Jacob;
that he may teach us his ways
and that we may walk in his paths.”

For out of Zion shall go forth instruction,
and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

⁴He shall judge between the nations,
and shall arbitrate for many peoples;
they shall beat their swords into plowshares,
and their spears into pruning hooks;
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,
neither shall they learn war any more.

⁵O house of Jacob,
come, let us walk
in the light of the Lord!

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: *Psalm 122*

¹I was glad when they said to me,
“Let us go to the house of the Lord.”

²**Now our feet are standing
within your gates, O Jerusalem.**

³Jerusalem is built as a city
that is bound firmly together in unity;

⁴**to which the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord,
the assembly of Israel, to give thanks to the name of the Lord.**

⁵For there are the thrones of judgment,
the thrones of the house of David.

⁶**Pray for the peace of Jerusalem:
“May they prosper who love you.**

⁷Peace be within your walls
and quietness within your towers.

⁸**For the sake of my kindred and companions,
I pray for your prosperity.**

⁹Because of the house of the Lord our God,
I will seek to do you good.”

GOSPEL: *Matthew 24:36-44*

The Gospel according to Matthew, the 24th chapter.

Glory to you O Lord.

Jesus said to the disciples, ³⁶“About that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. ³⁷For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. ³⁸For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, ³⁹and they knew nothing until the flood came and

swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. ⁴⁰Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. ⁴¹Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. ⁴²Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. ⁴³But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁴Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

HYMN: *Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers* (ELW 244)

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: *Fling Wide the Door* (ELW 259)

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

As we prepare for the fullness of Christ’s presence, let us pray for a world that yearns for new hope.

God of all, your children everywhere cry out for mercy. Awaken the global church to the urgent needs of our time. Break down barriers of culture and custom and unite people of all faiths in your redemptive and healing work. Guide congregations in transition, especially congregations in the Ottawa Ministry Area.

God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

God of wonder, the earth’s beauty and abundance is your gift. Teach us your ways of sharing resources and caring for life. Guard fragile habitats, preserve the wild places, and protect endangered plants and animals. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

God of peace, you judge the nations. Beat our weapons into tools for serving the neighbor. Strengthen the resolve of all who work for an end to war. We pray especially this day for lasting peace in the land of Jesus’ birth. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

God of lovingkindness, you desire fullness of life for everyone. Fill those who hunger. Comfort the grieving and attend to those near death. Bring help and hope to any who are sick, needing your care and healing. Especially we pray for Marie, Margareta, Sylvia, Lyndon, Yvonne, Jennifer and Cindy, Bowen, Bettina, Luke, Eleanor, Ken and Engel, Victoria. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

God of community, you are present when we gather in your name. Give wisdom to the congregational council and leaders. Keep us alert to unexpected opportunities for mission. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

God of life, we give you thanks for those who celebrate birthdays this week, especially Anita Bickle, Mika Malina and Norman Richter. Bring them and those whom they love joy and hope.

God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

God of our longing, you know our deepest needs. By your Spirit, gather our prayers and join them with the prayers of all your children. In Jesus' name we pray. **Amen.**

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

GATHERING OF THE GIFTS *(For those gathering in person, a basket/offering plate is left near the doors of the sanctuary for you to offer your gift as you leave; for those watching online, you are welcome to support the ministry of Faith Lutheran Church by clicking on the 'donate' button at our website or mailing your cheque to the church address. Thank you.)*

OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of abundance, we bring before you the precious fruits of your creation, and with them our very lives. Teach us patience and hope as we care for all those in need until the coming of your Son, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You comforted your people with the promise of the Redeemer, through whom you will also make all things new in the day when he comes to judge the world in righteousness. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and
God of might, heav - en and earth are full of your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of the
Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Holy God, mighty and merciful, your people praise you, saying:
Your mercy endures forever.

Your mercy endures forever.

By your promise you bound yourself to earth and all its creatures,
granting them life and calling them to flourish, setting the sign of your bow in the clouds,
the colors of your love and faithfulness.

Your mercy endures forever.

Your mercy endures forever.

By your promise you bound yourself to your people of old,
blessing them with family outnumbering the stars and calling them to be a blessing to others,
showing them steadfast love in every generation and calling them to be a light to the nations.
Your mercy endures forever.

Your mercy endures forever.

By your promise you joined us to Jesus, your Beloved,
grafting us into your living Vine, and calling us to bear the fruit of your self-giving love.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

With this bread and cup, we remember his life laid down and lifted up
as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and these gifts of bread and wine. Bless us to be a blessing.
Make us a sign of your faithfulness. Send us to tend and cherish the earth and to serve the world
with mercy and love.

With all the saints in light, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars,
we praise you, O God, through Christ Jesus, in your Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

**Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever.**

Amen.

DISTRIBUTION

In Christ's presence there is fullness of hope, peace, love and joy.

These are the gifts of God for the whole people of God.

Thanks be to God.

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN: *We Are Waiting for Jesus* (ACS 905)

1. We are waiting for Jesus; Jesus brings peace.
We are waiting for Jesus; Jesus brings peace.
Sun of justice, shine upon us;
we are trusting in your promise.
We are waiting for Jesus; Jesus brings peace.
2. We are waiting for Jesus; Jesus brings peace.
We are waiting for Jesus; Jesus brings peace.
Loving Shepherd, walk beside us;
stir our hearts, and gently guide us.
We are waiting for Jesus; Jesus brings peace.

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POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God for whom we wait, in this meal you give us a foretaste of that day when the hungry will be fed with good things. Send us forth to make known your deeds and to proclaim the greatness of your name, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FINAL BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.
Amen.

SENDING HYMN: *My Lord, What a Morning* (ELW 438)

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Love your neighbour.
Thanks be to God.

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