

Faith Lutheran Church

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Pastor Bradley Pearson

January 5, 2025

Prelude

Welcome & Invocation

Hymn 267 "Joy to the World"

WORD with the Children

Scripture (insert)

Message

Hymn 302 "As with Gladness Men of Old"

Offering Duet: Elise LeMay & Kelly Smith
"In the Bleak Midwinter"

Prayer

Confession & Absolution

From Psalm 79 we read, **"Help us, God our Savior, for the glory of Your Name; deliver us and forgive our sins for Your Name's sake"**.

We confess our sin to God, ask His mercy and commit ourselves to becoming more like Jesus:

**God,
I confess I am captive to sin and cannot free myself.**

I have sinned against You in thought, word and deed, by what I have done and left undone.

**I have not loved You with my whole heart;
I have not loved my neighbors as myself.**

I have marred Your image created within me and not lived with contentment or gratitude. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus, Crucified and Risen, have mercy on me.

**Forgive what I have been,
correct what I am,
direct what I will be;**

so I will delight in Your Word and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your saving Name.

In the Name of Jesus, I ask forgiveness for myself and my neighbors. Amen

The Lord's Supper

Words of Institution & Lord's Prayer
Absolution & Benediction

Hymn 671 "Shine, Jesus, Shine"

Postlude

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Verse for the Week

If anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come:
The old has gone, the new is here!

~ II Corinthians 5:17

Thank You Worship Assistants:

Reader: Kelly Smith
Usher: Doug Alvstad
Sound Board: Sandy Alvstad
Musician: Annette Helder

From last Sunday: Simeon and Anna didn't waver in their hope as they held God to His promise. In life's challenges and joys, hope will never disappoint.

There's more to life than we previously imagined. Angels hide in every nook and cranny; magi masquerade as everyday people; and shepherds wear the garments of day laborers. The whole earth is brimming with glory for those with eyes to see and ears to hear! (Howard Thurman)

Annual Report items are due to Pastor Brad by Thursday, January 9, 12 noon.

Monday Evening Bible Study resumes tomorrow, January 6, 7 pm, in the Fellowship Hall.

Christmas "Undecorating" Day is immediately after worship today.

Our **Annual Meeting & Potluck** is after worship, Sunday, January 19.

Evansville's Mobile Food Pantry's hours have changed. The pantry comes to the City Hall on the 2nd Tuesday of every month – **11:30 am to 1 pm.**

Dates and Happenings:

Monday, January 6

7 pm Bible Study

Tuesday, January 7

6:30 am Men's Bible Study
9 am Women's Bible Study
10:30 am Pastor at Evansville Care Campus
1 pm Pastor at Evansville Assisted Living

Thursday, January 9

Annual Report Items Due – 12 noon

9:30 am Prayer & Share
1 pm Pastor at Brandon Assisted Living

Sunday, January 12

10 am Sunday School
11 am Worship

Prayer Requests:

Brian Timmerman	Diane Alstead	Steve Bock
Bob & Pat Anderson	Arlie Ellingson	Dallas Triebenbach
Tom Dingwall	Larry Russell	Erica Triebenbach
Dawn Fuhs	Brad Lund	Bob Hefti

Serving our Country:

Joe Aderhold, US Navy
Quynn Behrens, Army National Guard
Hayden Bradley, National Guard
Alex Dyrhaug, Air Force
Payton Gasser, Navy
Paige Klimek, Navy