

Gathering Music ..... “Oh Come Emmanuel” ..... Katie McDonald,  
Roxanna Boe and Ronda Eckhart

Greeting/Announcements

Song ..... “Awesome God”

Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness..... pg. 10 WOV

Prayer of the Day

**Stir up our hearts, O Lord, to prepare the way for your only Son. By his coming give us strength in our conflicts and shed light on our path through the darkness of this world; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

Special Music ..... “Away in a Manger” ... Katie McDonald, Roxanna Boe and Ronda Eckhart

First Reading ..... Isaiah 40:1-11

Second Reading ..... Romans 15:1-9a

Faith Seeds ..... Shelly Kirchoff

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

The Verse: “Alleluia”

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia to you alone.  
Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You alone have the words of eternal life.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, to you alone.**

Gospel ..... Matthew 3:1-12

Sermon ..... “Jesus Is Coming...to You” ..... Pastor Scott Grorud

Song ..... “People, Look East” ..... WOV #626

Apostles’ Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Offering/Special Music ... “’Twas in the Moon of Wintertime” ....  
Ringers of Faith

Offertory Response: “Create in Me”

**Create in me a clean heart, O God that I might serve You.  
Create in me a clean heart, O God that I might be renewed.  
So fill me and heal me and bring me back to You.  
Create in me a clean heart, O God that I might serve You.**

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

Closing Song ... “Holy Child within the Manger” ..... WOV #638

# Faith Lutheran Church

LCMC

Hutchinson, Minnesota

10:10 a.m. Sanctuary Service

December 4, 2022

Second Sunday of Advent

## **“What Does This Mean?”**

Questions about Today’s Worship Theme:

Matthew 3:1-12

- † What made John the Baptist’s fierce preaching so attractive?
- † What false security did John detect in the Pharisees and Sadducees?
- † What may be the hardest part of this text for Christians today?
- † What transformative promise does Advent declare to you?

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