



# *Faith Evangelical*

*Lutheran Church* *Walworth, WI*

## **ORDER OF SERVICE**

### ***Sunday, December 6, 2020***

#### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit,  
whose forgiveness is sure and whose steadfast love endures forever.

**Amen.**

Together let us honestly and humbly confess that we have not lived as God desires.

Loving and forgiving God,

**we confess that we are held captive by sin.**

**In spite of our best efforts, we have gone astray. We have not welcomed the stranger; we have not loved our neighbor; we have not been Christ to one another.**

**Restore us, O God.**

**Wake us up and turn us from our sin.**

**Renew us each day in the light of Christ. Amen.**

People of God, hear this glad news:

by God's endless grace your sins are forgiven, and you are free—  
free from all that holds you back  
and free to live in the peaceable realm of God.

May you be strengthened in God's love,

† comforted by Christ's peace,

and accompanied with the power of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

## **GREETING**

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

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Stir up our hearts, Lord God, to prepare the way of your only Son. By his coming strengthen us to serve you with purified lives; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## **THE FIRST READING**

**2 Peter 3:8-15a**

*Waiting for and hastening the day of God*

## **THE HOLY GOSPEL**

**Mark 1:1-8**

*John appears from the wilderness*

The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 1st chapter: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

The Gospel of the Lord: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **MESSAGE**

### **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Generous God,  
you have created all that is,  
and you provide for us in every season.  
Bless all that we offer,  
that through these gifts the world will receive your blessing.  
In the name of Jesus, Emmanuel, we pray.

**Amen.**

### **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Hear us, O God: **Your mercy is great.**

### **SHARING THE PEACE**

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father, who are 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.**

## **BLESSING**

The Creator of the stars bless your Advent waiting,  
the long-expected Savior fill you with love,  
the unexpected Spirit guide your journey,  
✠ now and forever.  
**Amen.**

## **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Prepare the way of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## **SENDING SONG**      *He Will Come and Save You*

Verse 1

Say to those who are fearful hearted, "Do not be afraid"  
The Lord, your God, is strong with His mighty arms.  
When you call on His name; He will come and save.

*Chorus*

He will come and save you, He will come and save you;  
Say to the weary one, "your God will surely come."

He will come and save you.

He will come and save you, He will come and save you;  
Lift up your eyes to Him, you will arise again,  
He will come and save you.

Verse 2

Say to those who are brokenhearted, "Do not lose your faith";  
The Lord, your God, is strong with His loving arms.  
When you call on His name; He will come and save.

*Chorus*

*Bridge*

He is our refuge in the day of trouble,  
He is our shelter in the time of storm;  
He is our tower in the day of sorrow,  
Our fortress in the time of war.

*Chorus*