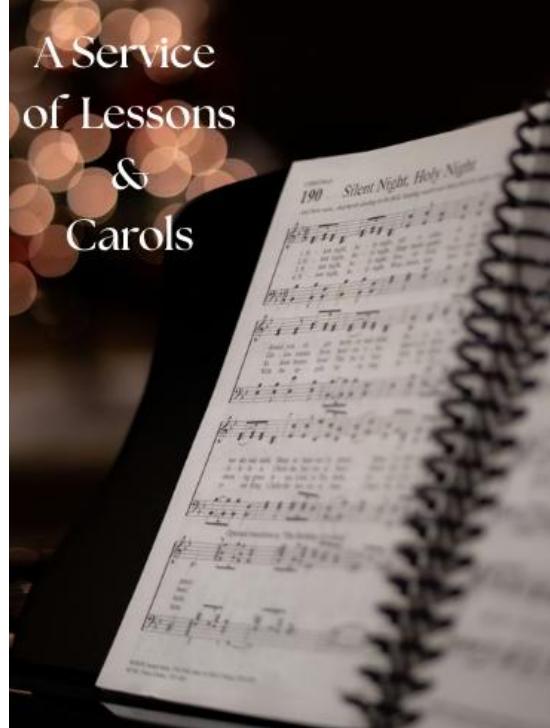


**Faith and Rock Creek Lutheran Churches**  
**Sunday, December 28, 2025**  
**Joint Service at Faith 10:30AM**  
**Lay Led Worship**



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**Welcome to Worship**

**Centering Song**

**Emmanuel God With Us**  
**Chris Tomlin**

**Lesson**

**Genesis 1**

**Word of God. Word of Life. Thanks be to God!**

**Carol**

**Joy to the World LBW 39**

Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive its King;  
Let ev'ry heart prepare him room and heav'n and nature sing.  
and heav'n and nature sing. And heav'n, and heav'n, and nature  
sing.

Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns! Let all their songs employ,  
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains repeat the sounding  
joy, repeat the sounding joy. Repeat, repeat, the sounding joy.

He rules the world with truth and grace and makes the nations  
prove the glories of his righteousness and wonders of his love  
and wonders of his love and wonders, wonders of his love.

## **Greeting**

### **Prayer of the Day**

Gracious God, in this season when the good tidings of angels,  
shepherds and magi fill our hearts, we give you thanks for the  
Christ child, who was born to save us and through whom peace,  
hope, love and joy are born in us. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

**Christmas Message**      NW Synod of WI Bishop Martin Halom

### **Lesson**

Word of God. Word of Life. **Thanks be to God!**

**Isaiah 9**

### **Carol**

**O Come All Ye Faithful**  
**Reawaken Hymns**

### **Lesson**

Word of God. Word of Life. **Thanks be to God!**

**Jeremiah 31**

### **Carol**

**O Little Town of Bethlehem**  
**Salt of the Sound**

### **Lesson**

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**Luke 2**

### **Message**

**ELCA Presiding Bishop Yehiel Curry**

# Have You Ever Heard a Whisper?

Carol

## Away in a Manger LBW 67

Away in a manger; no crib for his bed, the little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head; the stars in the bright sky looked down where he lay; the little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing the poor baby wakes but little Lord Jesus no  
crying he makes. I love thee Lord Jesus look down from the sky and  
stay by my cradle til morning is night

Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask you to stay close by me forever and love me, I pray. Bless all the dear children in your tender care and fit us for heaven, to live with you there.

## Prayers of Intercession

## Hear us O God, Your mercy is great

## Peace

## Offering

## Offertory Response

## What Feast of Love WOV 701 (vs 2)

What feast of love is offered here what banquet come from heaven

What food of everlasting life what gracious gift is given

This, this is Christ the king, the bread come down from heaven

Oh, taste and see and sing. How sweet the manna given

# Offering Prayer

God of abundance, receive and bless these gifts we have offered.  
Join our hearts with the song of the angels. Strengthen us to share  
with all the world the abundance of your grace upon grace, poured  
out in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. Amen.

## Lesson

## Psalm 97

**Word of God. Word of Life. Thanks be to God!**

**Carol**

**What Child is This  
One Voice Children's Choir**

**Lord's Prayer**

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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.

**Announcements**

**Blessing**

**Lesson**

**John 1**

**Word of God. Word of Life. Thanks be to God!**

**Carol**

**Go Tell It On the Mountain LBW 70**

Go tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere. Go tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born.

While shepherds kept their watching over silent flocks by night,  
behold throughout the heavens there shone a holy light. (refrain)

The shepherds feared and trembled when lo above the earth rang  
out the angel chorus that hailed our Saviors birth. (refrain)

Down in a lonely manger the humble Christ is born; and God sent us  
salvation that blessed Christmas morn. (refrain)

**Dismissal: Go in peace. Christ is born. Thanks be to God!**