

# SAINT JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH, ELCA

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## PREPARING TO WORSHIP

The Prelude, Prayer, and Meditation

## GATHERING TOGETHER IN WORSHIP: THE ENTERANCE RITE

The Processional Hymn #34 (LBW)

*"O, Come All Ye Faithful"*

The Invocation:

The Grace of Our Lord, Jesus The Christ, The Love of God, and the Communion of The Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C. And also with you.**

**The Prayer of the Day:**

L. Let us pray...

**C. Almighty and Loving God, the coming of Your Light into our world has brightened weary hearts with peace. Call us out of the darkness, and empower us to proclaim the birth of Your Son, Jesus The Christ, our Savior and Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and The Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever. AMEN.**

## LISTENING AS GOD SPEAKS: A CHRISTMAS LESSONS AND CAROLS SERVICE

The First Reading: Michah 5:2-5a

The Hymn: #41 (LBW)

*"O, Little Town of Bethlehem"*

The Second Reading : Luke 2:1-7

The Hymn: #40 (LBW)

*"What Child is This"*

The Hymn: #67 (LBW)

*"Away In A Manger"*

The Third Reading: Like 2:8-20

The Hymn #71 (LBW)

*"Angels We Have Heard On High"*

The Hymn: #60 (LBW)

*"Hark! The Herold Angels Sing"*

The Fourth Reading: Isaiah 9:2-4, 6-7

The Hymn: #55 (LBW)

*"Good Christian Friends Rejoice!"*

The Fifth Reading: John 1:1-14

The Hymn: #42 (LBW)

*"Of The Father's Love Begotten"*

The Hymn: #39 (LBW)

*"Joy To The World"*

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## RESPONDING TO THE WORD OF GOD:

The Confession of Faith: *The Apostles' Creed*

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The Prayer of the Church

The Peace

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The Announcements: by the Deacon

The Offering: *As God has given to us, so we give to one another. Blessed to be a Blessing."*

The Offertory: *"Create in Me a Clean Heart"*

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The Offering Prayer

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## BLESSED AND SENT INTO THE WORLD BY GOD: THE CLOSING RITE

The Benediction and Threefold Amen (*sung*)

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The Recessional Hymn: #70 (LBW)

*"Go Tell It On The Mountain"*

The Postlude

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**GO IN PEACE, SERVE THE LORD  
THANKS BE TO GOD!**



*... the Church is a gift from God. Assembly required.*

**SAINT JOHN'S**  
**CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL**

Patricia (Pat) Tiede, President  
Gary Ferguson, Vice President  
Marion Hudnall, Secretary  
Shannon Porath  
Teri Kendall  
Dale Morrical  
Clay Erickson  
Annette (Ann) Brumfield  
Joseph Gallegos  
Dustin Allen  
Patricia (Pat) Lute  
Calvin Dyer

**MINISTERS SERVING THIS MORNING**

Presiding Minister Rev. Jon Beake  
Deacon Minister Shannon Porath  
Trustee Minister Teri Kendall  
Reader Minister Pat Chase & Marion Hudnall  
Acolyte Ministers Gabriel Christian  
.....Cameron Christian  
Altar Ministers Edith Kopp & Marita Poulson  
Music Minister Marilyn Allen  
Usher Minister Jim & Norma Halderson  
Greeter Minister Ray & Marlene Henery  
Sound Minister Arnold Burgemeister  
Coffee Minister (No Coffee Hour)

**PAST SUNDAYS' STATISTICS**

12/16/18 Att.....73; Off.....\$4,923.00  
12/02/18 Att.....75; Off.....\$6,409.22  
11/25/18 Att.....50; Off.....\$1,893.94  
11/18/18 Att.....56; Off.....\$2,203.00  
11/11/18 Att.....110; Off.....\$2,481.00

**CONGREGATIONAL INFORMATION**

**Altar Flowers** Given in the glory of God

**Sunday Radio Transmission:** 106.9FM  
**Internet Broadcast:** [stjohns.afalls.us](http://stjohns.afalls.us)  
The Dec.. 'Mission Partner' prayer emphasis from our congregation's list of the twelve Mission Partners whom we support with time, treasure, and prayer is **SEICCA-American Falls**

**OFFERING ACCOUNTING**

Offering goal per Sunday .....\$4,093.56  
Current Operating Balance  
12/14/18 ..... +\$10,089.04  
Offering Received last Sunday  
12/16/18.....+\$8,053.00  
Current expenses last week  
..... -\$3,591.42  
Current operating Balance  
12/14/18..... + \$14,550.62

St. Johns Mission Briefly Stated:  
**REJOICE:** *Gather, Worship, and Praise...*  
**RENEW:** *Grow in Christ's Love...*  
**REACH OUT:** *Go, Care for God's People...*

**Read, Reflect and Meditate on THE READING FOR NEXT SUNDAY -01/06/19**

The Feast Day of The Epiphany of the Lord, Year C – Luke  
Isaiah 60:1-6; Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14; Ephesians 3:1-12; Matthew 2:1-12



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***AMERICAN FALLS, IDAHO***

**THE FIRST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMASTIDE**  
**The Sixth Sunday in the New Church Year – Year C, Luke**  
**December 30, 2018, 10:00 A.M.**