



**Fairview**  
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## **1<sup>st</sup> Weekend in Christmas**

**December 29-30, 2018**

Reverend Aaron Robinson, pastor  
Greg Naumann, staff minister  
Sue Pajunen, organist

## Our Order of Worship

**About our Worship Service** This worship service is called *Morning Praise*. It is based on the historic Matins service. Joined to Christ our risen Lord, we glorify God as we rise to the activities of a new day or celebrate the way God guided yet another day. The service is printed out along with the music for the songs of the liturgy on page 45 and following in the hymnal.

**Difficulty Hearing?** Please ask an usher for a personal Telex Sound Enhancement receiver.

**Difficulty Reading?** Please ask an usher for a large print worship folder.

**M:** Minister; **W:** Worshipers



### WE PREPARE TO WORSHIP OUR LORD

#### WELS Connection

#### Ringling of the Bell

**Opening Hymn:** [235] Praise the Almighty; My Soul Adore Him

#### Invocation

Minister [sing]: O Lord, open my lips.

Worshipers: And my mouth shall declare your praise.

**M:** Hasten to save me, O God.

**W:** O Lord, come quickly to help me.

Worshipers stand.

**Today's Worship Theme:**  
The Birth of Christ Causes  
Us to Start at the Beginning:  
Fear the Lord

### WE WELCOME OUR LORD

This song is on pages 46-47 in the hymnal.

#### Hymn of Prayer and Praise

**M:** Unto us the Christ is born; let us worship him.

**W:** Oh come, let us sing to the Lord,

Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.

Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving,

Let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise.

For the Lord is a great God and a great king above all gods.

The deep places of the earth are in his hand; The heights of the hills are also his.

The sea is his, for he made it, and his hand formed the dry land.

Oh, come, let us worship and bow down, Let us kneel before the Lord, our maker.

For he is our God, And we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.

Worshipers sit.

## OUR LORD SPEAKS TO US

**Psalm of the Day:** Psalm 111

Worshippers sing the entire psalm.  
This psalm is printed out on page 106 in the hymnal.

**Refrain sung:**

**W:** Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things.

**Psalm sung:**

**W:** Great are the works `of the LORD;\*  
they are pondered by all who de`light in them.  
Glorious and majestic `are his deeds,\*  
and his righteousness endures for`ever.  
He has caused his wonders to be re`membered;\*  
the LORD is gracious and com`passionate. **Refrain.**

**Psalm sung:**

**W:** The works of his hands are faith`ful and just;\*  
all his precepts are trust`worthy.  
He provided redemption for his `people;\*  
he ordained his covenant for`ever.  
The fear of the LORD is the beginning of `wisdom;\*  
all who follow his precepts have good under`standing.  
Glory be to the Father and `to the Son\* and to the Holy `Spirit,\*  
As it was in the be`ginning,\* is now, and will be forever. `Amen. **Refrain.**

### Children's Message

**Lesson:** Psalm 111

Read by Pastor

**M:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**All:** Alleluia! Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts. Alleluia!

(Colossians 3:15a)

**Gospel:** Luke 2:41-52

Worshippers stand.

**M:** Every year his parents went to Jerusalem for the Feast of the Passover. <sup>42</sup> When he was twelve years old, they went up to the Feast, according to the custom. <sup>43</sup> After the Feast was over, while his parents were returning home, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but they were unaware of it. <sup>44</sup> Thinking he was in their company, they traveled on for a day. Then they began looking for him among their relatives and friends. <sup>45</sup> After three days they found him in the temple courts, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. <sup>47</sup> Everyone who heard him was amazed at his understanding and his answers. <sup>48</sup> When his parents saw him, they were astonished. His mother said to him, "Son, why have you treated us like this? Your father and I have been anxiously searching for you."  
<sup>49</sup> "Why were you searching for me?" he asked. "Didn't you know I had to be in my

Father's house?" <sup>50</sup> But they did not understand what he was saying to them. <sup>51</sup> Then he went down to Nazareth with them and was obedient to them. But his mother treasured all these things in her heart. <sup>52</sup> And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men.

This is the Gospel of our Lord.

**Sermon Hymn:** [77] In His Temple Now Behold Him

Worshippers sit.

**Message**

Worshippers remain seated.

**THEME:** The Birth of Christ Causes Us to Start at the Beginning: Fear the Lord

**TEXT:** Psalm 111

**Prayer for the Lord's Blessing on the Message**

CW 230, v.1

**W** [speak]: Lord Jesus Christ, be present now; our hearts in true devotion bow.

Your Spirit send with grace divine, and let your truth within us shine. Amen.

## WE OFFER OURSELVES TO THE LORD

**Response to the Word**

Worshippers stand following the Message.

This song is on pages 48-49 in the hymnal.

**All** [sing]: We praise you, O God, we acclaim you as Lord;

All creation worships you, Father everlasting.

To you all angels, all the pow'rs of heav'n, cherubim and seraphim, sing in endless praise:

"Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of heav'nly hosts,

Heaven and earth are full of your glory."

The glorious company of apostles praise you.

The noble fellowship of prophets praise you.

The white-robed army of martyrs praise you.

Throughout the world the holy Church acclaims you:

Father of majesty unbounded, your glorious, true and only Son,

and the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.

You, Christ, are the King of glory, the eternal Son of the Father.

When you became man to set us free, you humbled yourself to be born of a virgin.

You overcame the sting of death and opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.

You sit at the right hand of God in the glory of the Father.

We believe that you will come to be our judge.

Come then, Lord, and help your people,

bought with the price of your own blood,

and bring us with your saints to glory everlasting.

## Gathering of Offerings for the Lord

Worshippers sit.  
Worshippers stand.

### Offering Prayer

CW 485:1,2

**All** [sing]: We give thee but thine own whatever the gift may be; all that we have is thine alone, a trust, o Lord, from thee. May we thy bounties thus as stewards true receive and gladly, as thou blessest us to thee our first fruits give.

### Prayers for the Day

Spoken by Pastor

**M** [sing]: In the evening/morning, O Lord, I call to you; be merciful to me and hear my prayer.

**W:** Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

[speak]: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

### Our Ministry Mission

As adopted in Fairview's mission statement

**M:** We are about to leave worship in our Father's house for service in our Father's world. Let us rededicate ourselves to our Fairview Family's mission.

**All:** Empowered and equipped by God through the Holy Spirit, Fairview exists to share the message of salvation through Jesus Christ and to preserve God's Word and sacraments as we live lives of worship and service for Christ and grow in our relationship with him. To God be the glory!

### Prayer for Grace

**M:** O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, you have brought us safely to (through) this new day. Defend us with your mighty power, and grant that this day (evening) we neither fall into sin nor run into any kind of danger; and in all we do, direct us to what is right in your sight, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

**W** [speak]: Amen.

## OUR LORD BLESSES US

**M** [sing]: Let us praise the Lord.

**W:** Thanks be to God.

### The Sending Blessing

**M** [sing]: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**W:** Amen.

Worshippers sit.

**Closing Hymn:** Mary's Little Boy Child (Insert)

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## PERSONAL PRAYER, ANNOUNCEMENTS, SENDING FOR SERVICE

# KINGDOM NOTES



## IN THE WORD

**Preparing for Next Weekend** Our message for next weekend will be from Matthew 2:1-12 and the text is Don't Let Someone Else's Doubt Stop Your Journey With Jesus.

The Scripture readings for next weekend are Psalm 72, 1 Kings 10:1-9, Ephesians 3:2-12 and Matthew 2:1-12.

**Attendances**      Week of December 22-23, 2018

### Worship

Saturday/Sunday (32+47)	.....79
Number as a % of members	.....59%

### Adult Bible Studies

No Saturday GIFT study	
Sunday GIFT study	.....8

### This Week's Adult Bible Studies

**SATURDAY:** No GIFT Bible Study  
**SUNDAY:** No GIFT Bible Study  
**MONDAY:** No Women's Bible Study  
**FRIDAY:** Women's Bible Study  
**SATURDAY:** GIFT Bible Study, *Study of Matthew*  
**SUNDAY:** GIFT Bible Study, *Study of Matthew*

**2019 Offering Envelopes** are available for pickup this weekend. Please pick up your envelopes in the back of church.



Please wait until 2019 to use the new envelopes. Many thanks to Judy

Moss for organizing the envelopes for distribution.

### Sunday Snack Volunteers 2019 Sunday

**Snack Volunteers** It's that time again. We are looking for volunteers to provide fellowship snacks on Sunday in the months of January, February, and March. Please sign-up on the display board that is in the church foyer.



Thanks! Anyone volunteering to bring snacks can also get a reimbursement – talk to Taleen Wagie. Your willingness to serve in this area month after month is certainly appreciated!

### Audio Recordings of Worship Services

Audio recordings are made of each worship service. If you are interested in a copy of a worship service tape, please see Karl Koepke or Greg Naumann. A donation of \$2.00 will cover the cost of the recording.

### December 31<sup>st</sup>

#### New Year's Eve Worship Service at 6:30p

This service of thanksgiving for the blessings of another year will include the celebration of Lord's Supper. The service will also include a *Service of Remembrance* as we celebrate the heavenly victory Fairview members who died during the year now enjoy.

**Please Continue to Save** General Mills Box Tops for Shining Star Christian School. There is a container on the foyer table in the back of church for you to deposit them in. Thank you!



# COMING EVENTS

## WEEK At A Glance

Beginning December 30, 2018

<b>Sunday</b> Worship service 9:00a No Family Bible Hour	<b>Monday</b> New Year's Eve Worship service, 6:30p with Lord's Supper No Women's Bible study	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b> Women's Bible study 10:00a	<b>Saturday</b> Worship service, 5:00p with Lord's Supper 654 Bible study, 6:10p	<b>Sunday</b> Worship service, 9:00a with Lord's Supper Family Bible Hour 10:30a

## AT FAIRVIEW

COMING EVENTS COMING EVENTS

**Communion Assistants** 12/31/18:  
6:30 Dave Hoover and Michael Cyr

**Ushers** for Monday, 12/31/18:  
6:30 Team 7 - Jane Vinney, Lead Usher  
Bill Vinney, Bill Dobrenz

**Communion Set-Up/Take Down**  
January: Keith/Cathy Stumpf

**Communion Assistants** 1/05 and 1/06/19:  
5:00 John Cook and Matt Sved  
9:00 Dave Hoover and Michael Cyr

**Ushers** for Saturday, 1/05/19:  
5:00 Team 1 - Dale Billeb, Lead Usher  
John Cook, Tim Pajunen

**Ushers** for Sunday, 1/06/19:  
9:00 Team 2 - Phil Wagie, Lead Usher  
Cindy Walker, Phillip Moore

**Christmas Decorating Removal** is scheduled for Saturday, January 12<sup>th</sup>. To get that accomplished, we need your helping hands. We will begin at 9:00a. The more hands, the sooner we will finish. Come, roll up your sleeves, enjoy the fellowship, and take a little bakery break, too. *Anyone who wants to bring a treat to share is welcome as well.*



**Fairview Directory** copies are available on the foyer table. If you haven't had an updated copy for quite awhile, make sure that you pick one up. For your information updated copies are always available; just ask the church secretary and she can print one out for you anytime.



### **Blessing Bags Available for Preschool Children**

God's Word identifies the family as our first and most enduring relationship. Psalm 127:3 teaches us that children are a *heritage*



from the Lord. God gives parents the primary responsibility for nurturing their children and directs us to bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord (Ephesians 6:4). Just as your children try to imitate you in other areas, they will also



model your behavior in church. You can encourage them by your example to join in the

singing, prayers, standing up and sitting down, quiet meditation, listening to the sermon and all the other parts of our worship.

These *Blessing Bags* were created in order to encourage your child to sit quietly during the service and to participate in worship. Here's how they work:

- Please start by laying the place mat contained in the bag on the pew first, which will provide a soft place to unload everything.
- Make sure that your child colors only on the notebooks or coloring books contained in the bag, and not on the children's books, hymnals or pews.

These bags are for children of preschool age only, and because some bags may contain smaller items, please *do not* let your child put these items into his or her mouth!

- At the end of the service, help your child to return the items to the bag and hang it back up before you leave.

### **Pine Ridge Campground Open Year Round**

Fairview is a member church at Pine Ridge Campground just north of Waldo, WI (less than an hour drive from Milwaukee) meaning that the cost is extremely reasonable. In the winter you can rent the Chalet or a bunkhouse (both heated). Pine Ridge has over 70 acres of beautiful scenic land full of a variety of trees and plants, fifteen acres of wooded nature trails, a lake for swimming, fishing, and canoeing. There are no designated campsites, but electric and water hookups for RV and tent camping are available throughout the campground. Picnic tables and campfire grates are available in the camping areas. Questions? Talk to Phil Wagie. For reservations call the Pine Ridge caretakers, Eric and Cindy Vanselow at 920/528-8307.

**Altar Flowers: An Act of Worship** Flowers on the altar (actually on the shelf behind the altar called the retable) are often donated by members



to thank God for a special blessing in their life or the life of a loved one (wedding anniversary, birth of a (grand)child, birthday, etc.).

Flowers add beauty from the Creator's hand to our worship facilities and aptly honor him for his goodness. We encourage our family to mark special occasions in this way. A sign-up sheet with instructions for ordering altar flowers is posted on the church bulletin board in the hallway leading to the education wing. You may also call the church office. You may also call the Flower Committee chairperson, Marla Koepke at 414/659-1780.

# BEYOND FAIRVIEW

INFORMATION INFORMATION INFORMATION

## Wisconsin Lutheran High School

**Installation Service** A special installation service for new WLHS staff will be held on Sunday, January 13<sup>th</sup> at 3:00p at Pilgrim Lutheran Church (W156 N5436 Bette Drive, Menomonee Falls). Academic Dean Mr. Jim Brandt and Mission Advancement Chief Development Officer Mr. John Sebald will be installed. Everyone is invited to attend.

**Volunteers Needed** The WELS Bargain Center thrift stores in Milwaukee (5005 West Howard Avenue - southside store and 8401 West Lisbon Avenue - northside store) are in dire need of volunteers. So much so, that they may have to close a store. Hours of operation are Tuesday through Saturday, 9:30a to 3:30p. Please contact Carol Southern at the southside store (414/327-2529) or Se Vera Lau at the northside store (414/463-2529) if interested in volunteering. In its many years of operation, the WELS Bargain Centers has donated to five Milwaukee-area WELS organizations.

## A Place for College Students to Grow

Students attending college throughout the metro-Milwaukee area have a number of opportunities for spiritual growth and fellowship with other WELS students. Our campus ministry program touches all of the colleges and universities in Milwaukee and its suburbs. The WELS Lutheran Student Center at 2215 E. Kenwood Blvd (next to UWM's Student Union) is the headquarters for this ministry, but on-campus Bible studies, worship services, and other activities take place on or near the other campuses as well. If you are a college student in metro-Milwaukee phone the Student Center (414/963-2047) for the dates and times of campus ministry activities at your school.

## Be Healthy in Body, Spirit and *Mind*

Lutheran Counseling and Family Services of Wisconsin (LCFS) offers professional mental health counseling to adults, adolescents, children and families that are experiencing anxiety, depression, Post-traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD), life transitions, grief, relationship issues, substance abuse and much more. Their counselors see clients at ten locations across the state, as well as participating elementary and middle schools. If you know someone who may benefit from the caring services of their professional counselors, please encourage them to learn more about LCFS and call for an appointment in the Milwaukee area. LCFS is conveniently located at 3899 North Mayfair Road (Hwy. 100) and all counselors are currently accepting new clients. LCFS accepts most insurance coverages, is licensed by the State of Wisconsin and provides outpatient services to all. Learn more at [www.lcfswi.org](http://www.lcfswi.org) or call them at 414/536-8333.

**You are needed! You can help!** Have you thought of volunteering but haven't found the right spot? WELS Lutherans for Life, Metro-Milwaukee has openings for you to have an impact right away. In these tough economic times you may not be able to be as financially charitable as you would like, but you can volunteer several hours per month to help save and change lives. We provide all necessary training. For more info call 414/727-8176 or email [office@welslflmilw.com](mailto:office@welslflmilw.com).





## IN OUR PRAYERS

We urge you to include the following items on your prayers list this week. God's gracious prayer promise is, *The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective* (James 5:16).

### For God's Kingdom

1. Out with the old; in with the new. The end of another year gives us an ideal time to assess our lives, repent of whatever is wrong there, treasure our forgiveness in Jesus for that sin, and recommit ourselves to live in full gratitude for our God's goodness.
2. The truth of God's word is assailed not only from outside the Lord's Church, but from within. Plead with the Spirit to bring a new respect for the Scriptures first in his Church, then throughout the world.

**For The Sick and Hospitalized** Please remember these people with your prayers, cards, and visits.

Dave Knapp; Sherry Radloff; Mary Steiner; Jim Peterson; Dennis Dowhen;  
 Kirsti Pajunen; Caroline Cyr's father; Phil and Taleen Wagie's sister-in-law, Beth Wagie;  
 Denise Berger's dad; John and Rosie Jorgensen, friends of the Wagie's;  
 John and Nancy Pace; Kathy Stumpf's brother-in-law, Lee Schuldt

**For Each Other** Our entire membership has been divided into 52 sections so that in the course of a year we will be able to pray for each of our brothers and sisters in Jesus by name at least twice. The names below are the family members we especially will want to remind our God about during the next seven days.

Although we will pray for the personal needs we know these people have, Paul's prayer for the Philippians' spiritual blessing (1:9-11) will serve as a good outline for our prayers for these dear Christians. *This my prayer: that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless until the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ to the glory and praise of God.*

Carolyn Johnejack  
 Christy Johnson  
 Andrew Kammuller

Dave Knapp  
 Karl Koepke  
 Marla Koepke

Michael Koepke  
 Kathleen Kriesser  
 Susan Kroll

**For the Gospel's Spread in the World** Through our denomination Fairview supports missions around the globe. This week pray for the outreach work in which we participate in **Taiwan**. Ask for the Spirit's blessings on our sister congregations there, along with their pastors, our expatriate missionaries, and their members. Pray for the gospel to impact the cities they serve and for those the Spirit would bring to faith. For more information, go to [www.wels.net](http://www.wels.net) and search for Taiwan.

# Welcome to Fairview

**Welcome, Guests!** We are most pleased you are here and we pray you will be blessed. And we look forward to your worshipping with us again.

Shining Star Christian School operates a grade school in our facilities. We are pleased to have this high functioning school on our campus. Contact the school at 414/376-9230 or email them at *contact@shiningstarschools.org*.

Fairview Congregation cooperates with our sister WELS congregations to provide a Lutheran elementary school education for our children. We have also joined with other

Lutheran congregations to operate Wisconsin Lutheran High School located just south of Bluemound Road and 84th Street. For more information please contact our pastor or staff minister.



If you would care to learn more about the free gift of forgiveness Jesus has won for you, our pastor, our ushers, or any of our members would be most pleased to speak with you.

**Rest Rooms** On this level rest rooms are located in our educational wing. There are also rest rooms in the fellowship hall on the lower level.

**Nursery** We offer a parents' room for the worship enhancement of parents with small children.

Although we encourage parents to worship with their small children, we also acknowledge that from time to time, small children may not be in a mood for public worship. Parents may sit with their children in this room, giving their children a place to move around while they listen to the service. The Parents' Room is located off the entryway to the church.

**Visitor and Handicap Parking** We have set aside the parking places directly in front of the church on Stevenson Street (from the corner to the no parking zone) for the convenience of our guests at worship and anyone who is handicapped.

We ask our members to leave those spaces open for that purpose. That may mean that some of us will have to walk a few steps farther than we're used to, but providing parking close to church is another way we can show our guests and handicapped worshipers that we care about them. *We...ought to love one another.*



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## Worship Schedule

Saturdays:	5:00p
Sundays:	9:00a
New Year's Eve:	6:30p

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