

Prayer + The Lord's Prayer + The Benediction

All: Amen, amen, amen!

Hymn 97 - Let Us All with Gladsome Voice

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Announcements

- **Today** — A Bible Class presentation is scheduled to follow this morning's worship service.
- **Next Sunday** — Grace-Sleepy Eye worship services (Communion) begin at 9 a.m. Worship (Communion) at Faith, New Ulm, begins at 10:45 a.m. Sunday School is scheduled to precede next Sunday's worship service; Confirmation Class is scheduled to follow next Sunday's worship service.
- **New Year's Eve Worship at Grace-Sleepy Eye:** A New Year's Eve Worship service at Grace-Sleepy Eye is scheduled for Tuesday evening, beginning at 7 p.m.
- **Thank You from Libby's:** The Libby's would like to thank the members of Faith for your thoughtfulness and generosity regarding a monetary gift presented in the name of the congregation this past Christmas.
- **"Bread of Life" Daily Bible Reading Schedule:** Lutheran Spokesman "Bread of Life" daily Bible reading schedules are available on the table at the back of the church sanctuary.
- **ILC Newsletter:** A new ILC newsletter is available on the table at the back of the church sanctuary.
- **CLC News:** The Rev. Michael Gurath of Holy Cross Ev. Lutheran Church, Phoenix, AZ has returned the call to Living Hope Lutheran of Appleton, WI.

Our Response of Faith — December 22 & 25 2013

12/22 Attendance: 83; 12/25 Attendance: 26

Unified Budget.....	\$806.87
Total.....	\$806.87

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"... when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son ..." - Galatians 4:4

DECEMBER 29, 2013 – 1ST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

Pre-service Meditation: Ps. 2, pg. 123  
Organist: Lane Fischer

Pastor: Opening Prayer

Hymn 105 - Praise God the Lord, Ye Sons of Men

Pastor: The Invocation

People: Amen.

Pastor: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart, and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the Lord!

People: Who made heaven and earth.

Pastor: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

People: And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.

Pastor: Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto Thee that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against Thee by thought, word, and deed. Therefore we flee for refuge to Thine infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Thy grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**All:** O most merciful God, who hast given Thine only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Thy Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of Thee and of Thy will, and true obedience to Thy Word, to the end that, by Thy grace, we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.

Pastor: The Absolution

**People:** *Amen.*

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People:** *And with thy spirit.*

Pastor: Prayer for the Day

**People:** *Amen.*

## 1st Scripture Reading – Malachi 3:1-4

"Behold, I send My messenger, And he will prepare the way before Me. And the Lord, whom you seek, Will suddenly come to His temple, Even the Messenger of the covenant, In whom you delight. Behold, He is coming," Says the LORD of hosts. 2 "But who can endure the day of His coming? And who can stand when He appears? For He is like a refiner's fire And like launderer's soap. 3 He will sit as a refiner and a purifier of silver; He will purify the sons of Levi, And purge them as gold and silver, That they may offer to the LORD An offering in righteousness. 4 "Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem Will be pleasant to the LORD, As in the days of old, As in former years.

Pastor: Alleluia, alleluia! *"Behold, the days are coming," says the LORD, "That I will raise to David a Branch of righteousness; A King shall reign and prosper, And execute judgment and righteousness in the earth."* (Jeremiah 23:5-6) Alleluia!

**People:** *Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

## 2nd Scripture Reading – John 10:22-30, 37-38

**People:** *Glory be to Thee, O Lord!*

Now it was the Feast of Dedication in Jerusalem, and it was winter. 23 And Jesus walked in the temple, in Solomon's porch. 24 Then the Jews surrounded Him and said to Him, "How long do You keep us in doubt? If You are the Christ, tell us plainly." 25 Jesus answered them, "I told you,

and you do not believe. The works that I do in My Father's name, they bear witness of Me. 26 "But you do not believe, because you are not of My sheep, as I said to you. 27 "My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me. 28 "And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand. 29 "My Father, who has given them to Me, is greater than all; and no one is able to snatch them out of My Father's hand. 30 "I and My Father are one." ... 37 "If I do not do the works of My Father, do not believe Me; 38 "but if I do, though you do not believe Me, believe the works, that you may know and believe that the Father is in Me, and I in Him."

Pastor: Here ends our 2nd Scripture reading.

**People:** *Praise be to Thee, O Christ!*

## The Apostles' Creed -- Hymnal, pg. 12

**Hymn 91** - *Let the Earth Now Praise the Lord*

## The Sermon – Galatians 4:4-7

But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, 5 to redeem those who were under the law, that we might receive the adoption as sons. 6 And because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying out, "Abba, Father!" 7 Therefore you are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ.

***"God's Plan for this World's Salvation - Jesus!"***

## The Offertory

*Create in me a clean heart, O God, And renew a right spirit within me.*

*Cast me not away from Thy presence, And take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, And uphold me with Thy free spirit.*

**Hymn 99** - *Now Are the Days Fulfilled*

## The Offering