

# This Week's Schedule

Every Sunday - online worship & printable bulletins available at [faithlilacway.org](http://faithlilacway.org)

*(After the 9:30 service has streamed, there may be a slight delay)*

**This Week's Schedule | All Are Welcome!**

## Sunday, January 22nd

8:30 AM Sunday School  
8:30 AM Confirmation  
9:30 AM Weekly Worship in the Sanctuary, Parking Lot, and Streaming online at [www.faithlilacway.org](http://www.faithlilacway.org)  
10:30 AM Treats and Talk  
10:45 AM Conversations and Questions prior to the Annual Meeting

## Monday, January 23rd

10:00 AM Staff Meeting

## Tuesday, January 24th

6:00 PM Faith Practices Neighboring Practices Cohort Meeting in Fellowship Hall

## Wednesday, January 25th

2:00 PM Contemplative Prayer Group in the Chapel  
2:30 PM Bible Study in the Library  
7:00 PM Chancel Choir

## Sunday, January 29nd

8:30 AM Sunday School  
8:30 AM Confirmation  
9:30 AM Weekly Worship in the Sanctuary, Parking Lot and Streaming online at [www.faithlilacway.org](http://www.faithlilacway.org)  
10:30 AM Congregational Potluck in the Fellowship Hall—Bring a dish if able and all are invited to come and eat!  
11:00 AM Annual Meeting in the Fellowship Hall



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# Sunday Worship

January 22, 2023

**Be united in the same mind and the same purpose.**

**1 Corinthians 1: 10**



# Welcome to Worship

**Children are welcome in worship at FLW!**

Activity bags for children are in the entry. The Nursery (down the hall) is available for families with young children to use.

*The congregational speaking parts are printed in bold.*

## **Prelude**

### **Gathering Hymn**

*Christ Be Our Light*

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Longing for light, we wait in darkness.  
Longing for truth, we turn to you.  
Make us your own, your holy people,  
light for the world to see.

### **Refrain**

Christ, be our light!  
Shine in our hearts.  
Shine through the darkness.  
Christ, be our light!  
Shine in your church gathered today.

Longing for peace, our world is troubled.  
Longing for hope, many despair.  
Your word alone has pow'r to save us.  
Make us your living voice. **Refrain**

Longing for food, many are hungry.  
Longing for water, many still thirst.  
Make us your bread, broken for others,  
shared until all are fed. **Refrain**

Many the gifts, many the people,  
many the hearts that yearn to belong.  
Let us be servants to one another,  
signs of your kingdom come. **Refrain**

### **Invocation**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
who makes all things new, whose mercy endures forever.

**Amen.**

### **Confession**

Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin.

Holy One, source of our renewal,  
**we confess that we are wrapped up in sin,  
and cannot free ourselves.**

**We have not practiced your righteousness.  
Our hearts have turned away from you.**

## **Every Meal Marty Gras Fundraiser on February 18th at Holy Nativity!**

Faith-Lilac Way and our Wildfire Partners are proud supporters of the organization Every Meal which provides food to school children across the Twin Cities and surrounding communities. On February 18th from 12pm-3pm there will be a Marty Gras themed fundraiser at Holy Nativity. All are invited and encouraged to come for an afternoon of fun and community. There will be Bingo (\$20 for 10 games), a bake sale, as well as pizza and snacks (\$10). All proceeds from this event will go to Every Meal to support them in their mission of feeding our community's children .



**EVERY MEAL**  
FIGHTING CHILD HUNGER

### **Robbins Way "Marty Gras" Bingo Party!**

Tuesday, February 21 from 6-7:30 PM  
Snacks, Games and Prizes!

Come and join friends (and friends to be) at a Bingo party with our neighbors at Robbins Way on the evening before Lent begins. In New Orleans they call this Mardi-Gras but in honor of Martin Luther, we call it a Marty-Gras! Pun intended.



Why are we holding a party? We want to get to know our neighbors and have fun with them!

### **Tool Kit: Workshops for Congregational Leaders**

**Saturday, February 11, 2023**

**First Lutheran Church, Columbia Heights**

We are all congregational leaders! From budgets to social media and emergency preparedness to evangelism, there is something for everyone.

Tentative Agenda:

8:30 a.m. Check-in opens

9:00 a.m. Welcome and update with Bishop Ann Svennungsen

9:45 a.m. Workshops Round 1

11:00 a.m. Workshops Round 2

12:00 p.m. Table conversations with people who do the same work as you (optional)

12:30 p.m. Adjourn

For workshop options and additional details, please go to <https://mpls-synod.org/for-congregations/tool-kit/>

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Annual Meeting and Congregational Potluck on January 29th!

Please join us at FLW on January 29th as we will be having our Annual Meeting. The Annual Meeting is important for Faith Lilac Way as we look toward the new year and our ministry together. After worship we will have a congregational potluck brunch in the fellowship hall. You are invited to bring a dish or side of your choice to share if able but all are welcome to eat!



**9:30 AM Worship**

**10:30 AM Potluck Brunch in the Fellowship Hall**

**11:00 AM Annual Meeting Begins**

### Opportunities for Contemplative Prayer and Bible Study in January—All Welcome!

As we enter into this new year we hope to continue growing in faith at Faith Lilac Way. On Wednesday afternoons we will have opportunities to gather together in prayer,

conversation and Bible Study. All are welcome and invited, come and see!

**Wednesdays at 2 PM—**

Contemplative Prayer and exploring new ways to pray

**Wednesdays at 2:30 PM—**

Alternating activities including Bible Study, TED Talks and Book Club



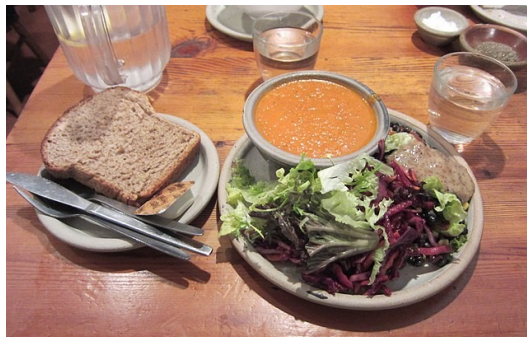
### Save the Date! LENTEN SOUP SUPPER!

**Feb 22, March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29**

**5:00pm**

**Come for soup and fellowship and then stay for the service!**

Sign up in the narthex or contact the office to sign up to bring a soup or a salad. Don't like to cook? Come anyway. There's plenty to share. All are welcome!



**For the sake of the world you so love,  
forgive us,  
that we may be reconciled to one another  
for the glory of your holy name.  
Amen.**

Thus says our God:

“The former things have come to pass  
and new things I now declare.”

God's mercy makes us new.

We are forgiven in the name of † Christ our Savior.

**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.**

### Hymn of Praise

*Jesus Messiah*

#### **Verse 1**

He became sin who knew no sin  
That we might become His righteousness  
He humbled Himself and carried the cross  
Love so amazing love so amazing

#### **Chorus**

Jesus Messiah Name above all names  
Blessed Redeemer Emmanuel  
The Rescue for sinners  
The Ransom from heaven  
Jesus Messiah Lord of all

#### **Verse 2**

His body the bread His blood the wine  
Broken and poured out all for love  
The whole earth trembled and the veil was torn  
Love so amazing love so amazing

#### **Chorus**

#### **Bridge**

All our hope is in You  
All our hope is in You  
All the glory to You God  
The Light of the world

#### **Chorus**

#### **Ending**

Jesus Messiah  
Lord of all  
The Lord of all  
The Lord of all

## Prayer of the Day

Lord God,

**Your loving kindness always goes before us and follows after us. Summon us into your light and help us to live together, welcoming all into the Body of Christ. Direct our steps in your ways of goodness so that we may be reflections of the hope that come through the cross of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**First Lesson:** Isaiah 9:1-4

The first lesson is from Isaiah, the 9th chapter.

There will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time the Lord brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness—on them light has shined. You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 27:1, 4-9

# Psalm 27

Julie Howard



### **Refrain:**

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear?

**The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?**

One thing I ask of the Lord; one thing I seek; that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life; to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to seek God in the temple.

**For in the day of trouble God will give me shelter, hide me in the hidden places of the sanctuary, and raise me high upon a rock. Refrain**

## Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace. **Amen.** *Numbers 6:24-26 NRSV*

## Dismissal

Go in grace, grow in faith, serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Worship Leaders

Pastor  
Intern Pastor  
Music Director  
Chancel Choir  
Lector  
Usher

Rev. Pamela Stalheim Lane  
Vicar Joanna Kathol  
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## Offering

### Anthem

*Jesus Calls Us*

Alexander

### Offering Prayer

Liberating God,

**you break the bonds of injustice and let the oppressed go free. Receive these offerings in thanksgiving for all your works of merciful power, and shape us as people of your justice and freedom. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

### Offering Response

*God Whose Giving Knows No Ending*

God, whose giving knows no ending,  
from your rich and endless store:  
nature's wonder, Jesus' wisdom,  
costly cross, grave's shattered door,  
gifted by you, we turn to you,  
offring up ourselves in praise;  
thankful song shall rise forever,  
gracious donor of our days.

### The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art 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.**

### Sending Song

*We Are All One in Christ*

ELW 643

We are all one in Christ, we are one body,  
all one people out of many.

We are all one in Christ, we are one body,  
all one people out of many.

There is one God, and only one Lord;  
there is one faith, one holy love.

There is one baptism; there is one Spirit,  
who is God the comforter.

Even now my head is lifted up above my enemies who surround me.

**Therefore I will offer sacrifice in the sanctuary, sacrifices of rejoicing; I will sing and make music to the Lord.**

Hear my voice, O Lord, when I call; have mercy on me and answer me.  
My heart speaks your message— "Seek my face." Your face, O Lord, I will seek.

**Hide not your face from me, turn not away from your servant in anger. Cast me not away—you have been my helper; forsake me not, O God of my salvation. Refrain**

### Preaching Lesson 1 Corinthians 1:10-18

This lesson is from 1 Corinthians, the 1st chapter.

Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

### Gospel Acclamation



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

**Gospel** Matthew 4:12-23

The holy gospel according to Matthew, the 4th chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord**

Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

“Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles— the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned.”

From that time Jesus began to proclaim, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”

As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.” Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

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

**Sermon**

Vicar Joanna Kathol

**Hymn of the Day**

*All Are Welcome*

ELW 641

Let us build a house where love can dwell  
and all can safely live,  
a place where saints and children tell  
how hearts learn to forgive.  
Built of hopes and dreams and visions,  
rock of faith and vault of grace;  
here the love of Christ shall end divisions:

**Refrain**

All are welcome, all are welcome,  
all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where prophets speak,  
and words are strong and true,  
where all God's children dare to seek

to dream God's reign anew.  
Here the cross shall stand as witness  
and as symbol of God's grace;  
here as one we claim the faith of Jesus: **Refrain**

Let us build a house where hands will reach  
beyond the wood and stone  
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach,  
and live the Word they've known.  
Here the outcast and the stranger  
bear the image of God's face;  
let us bring an end to fear and danger: **Refrain**

Let us build a house where all are named,  
their songs and visions heard  
and loved and treasured, taught and claimed  
as words within the Word.  
Built of tears and cries and laughter,  
prayers of faith and songs of grace,  
let this house proclaim from floor to rafter: **Refrain**

**Apostle's Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen**

**Prayers of the People**

...Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

We bring to you our needs and hopes, O God, trusting your wisdom and power revealed in Christ crucified. **Amen.**