

# WELCOME to FAITH

Jesus loved the church and knew it was more than a place you go, but it was about people...people like you! Here at Faith—no matter what your spiritual background or past—we would like to meet you and help you become all God intended you to be.

Here is what you'll find: Friendly people to help you find your way around, a message that is relevant to your life, a blend of music that is both traditional & contemporary, and a range of programs from nursery to adult. We desire individuals and families to join with us as we journey to become fully devoted followers of Christ.

Text "CONNECT" or "MEMBERSHIP" to 712.794.4690 to receive more info about getting involved or becoming a member at FCC.  
Text "PRAY" to 712.794.4690 to submit a prayer request.

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# ORDER OF SERVICE

December 20, 2020

## PRELUDE

## WELCOME & THE WORD

Pastor Russ

## ADVENT READING & CANDLE LIGHTING

“Hark! The Herald Angels Sing”

No. 133

“Angels We Have Heard on High”

No. 132

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY VIDEO

## CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

Pastor Russ

“Unlikely Vessels: The Outsider”

## PRAYER & WORSHIP

Worship Team

## CLOSING ANNOUNCEMENTS

## DOXOLOGY

**GRACE AND PEACE** to you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ! We are honored and strengthened by your presence. If you are visiting us today, please fill out the connection card in the pew and bring it to the Welcome Table as we have a gift for you. If anyone has a need, please contact one of the Pastors.

**PRAYER CONCERNS:** Jim Aden; Brian (Lisa) Buske, Ruth Lynn; Michelle (Jeff) Dornath;; Jeanette Gerdes; Charles Gunderson; Cassandra (Andrew) Janssen; Martha Johnson; Bruce (Julie) Maley; Steve (Pat) Nelson; Matt (Katherine) Nickles; Mary Seehusen; Mindy (John) Skow; Gary (Sandy) Thurston.

**WE EXTEND** our love and sympathy to Ruth Freese and Jim & Sandy Jones & family as Eldon Freese passed away on Friday, Dec. 11th. Funeral services were held here at Faith on Tuesday, December 15<sup>th</sup>.

**CHRISTMAS EVE:** We welcome you to our services on Christmas Eve as we celebrate the birth of Christ. This year, we will have two services at 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. Both of these services will be live-streamed and the Christmas program will take place during the 6:00 p.m. service. Plan to join us for this time of celebration!

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**PARENTS:** If your children are taking part in the Christmas Eve program, please have them at the church **by 5:30 p.m.** Children ages Preschool – Kindergarten are asked to come to the Preschool Room when you arrive; Grades 1-6 are asked to come to the Kids' Church Room.

**Junior High and High School** students involved in the song: please take your designated places in the sanctuary when you arrive

**PARENTS/GRANDPARENTS** of 4th graders and younger are requested to pick up children following any and all Children's Ministry programming. This includes Sunday School, each of our Kids Church programs, and Faith Club on Wednesday nights. The benefits are many but our priority is - greater care as we head into winter sick-season and greater involvement from families. We love when families connect with our Kids Ministry teachers and leaders. Thank you so much!

**REMINDER:** Please check your church mailboxes on a regular basis. If you are not a member, but attend regularly, let the church office know if you want a mailbox. **ALSO**, if you recently have had a change of address, phone number, or email, please contact the office with your information.

**DID YOU KNOW?** We have 63 adults serving in our children's ministry, 14 youth....77 total! We REJOICE in God's good provision. If you're one of those 77 -you are part of an important team in our church family. Thank you for saying YES! to the Lord! Kids Church - All Kids Church programs (Toddlers, Preschool/K, and Elementary are celebrating Christmas all month long! It's a special time! If you have children 6th grade or younger and have not yet given us an RSVP that you would like to pick up our Children's Ministry gift to you - please do! An email was sent this past week. We have a JOT form for your reply. Thank you.

# COMING EVENTS

**Dec. 20, Sun., 8:45 a.m.** - Sunday School

**10:00 a.m.** - Worship Service with Kids' Church

**5:00 p.m.** - Ignite Christmas (Grades 7-12)

**Dec. 21, Mon., 7:00 p.m.** - Joint Council Meeting

**Dec. 22, Tues. 9:30 a.m.** - Women's Bible Study

**7:30 p.m.** - Worship Team Practice

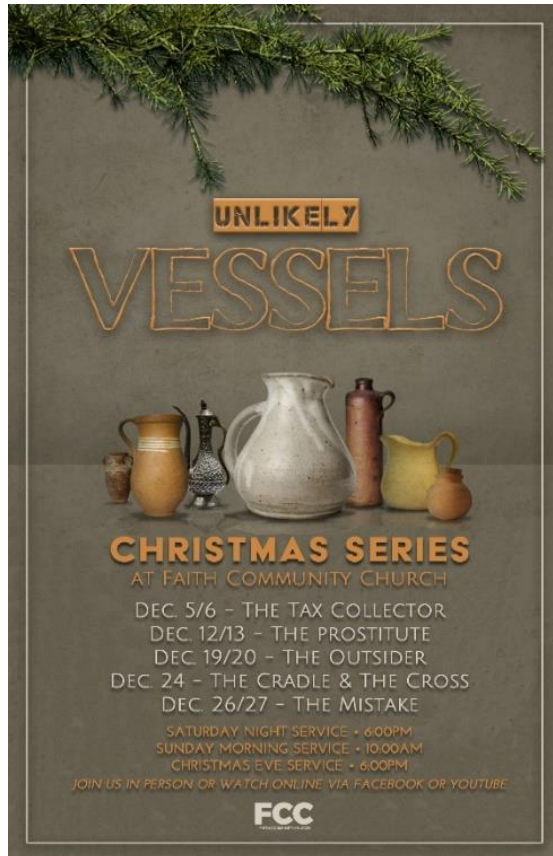
**Dec. 24, Thurs., 4:00 p.m.** - Christmas Eve Worship

**6:00 p.m.** - Christmas Eve Worship Service with Children's program

**Dec. 26, Sat., 6:00 p.m.** - Evening Worship Service

**Dec. 27, Sun.,** - NO Sunday School

**10:00 a.m.** - Worship Service



# NOTES

Faith Community Church Mission:

*"Helping people grow in their relationship with Jesus Christ."*



**WELCOME**

**WE ARE  
GLAD YOU  
ARE HERE**

**"Faith is being sure of what we hope for  
and certain of what we do not see."**

**Hebrews 11:1**