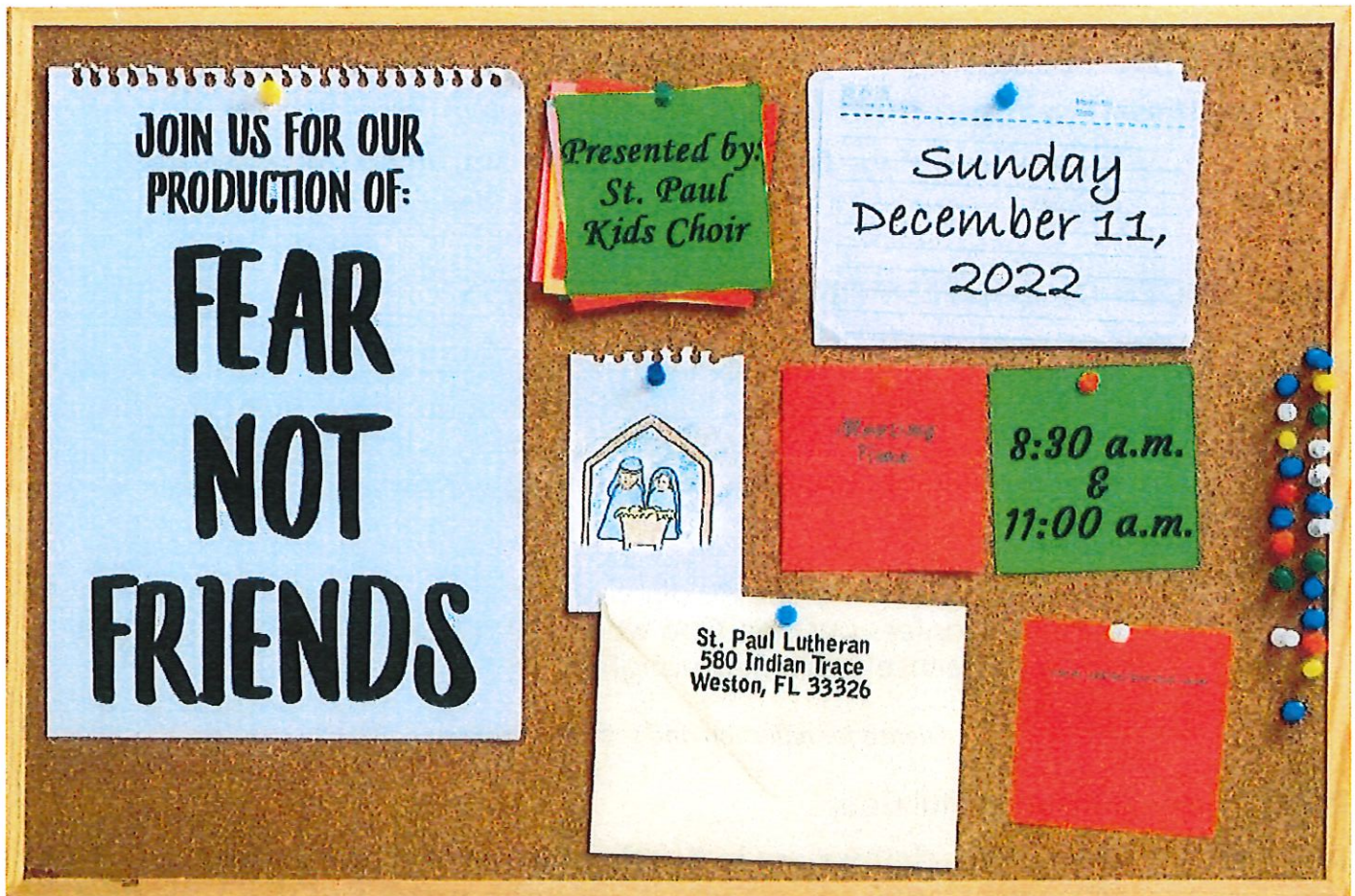


Kids Choir Christmas Program

2022



The Divine Service

Third Sunday in Advent

December 11, 2022

AS WE GATHER

Advent is a most joyful time and a time for great praise of our God. Today is the "joyful Sunday" in Advent. With Mary's beautiful song, the Magnificat, we exult that God has "done great things" and that "His mercy is on those who fear Him from generation to generation" (LSB, pp. 248–49). With Mary, we rejoice that God "has shown strength with His arm" especially to those who are lowly and humbled. In his paraphrase of the Magnificat, hymnwriter Stephen Starke invites us to "Sing the greatness of the Lord" and "With praise and blessing Join in confessing God, who is solely Mighty and holy" (LSB 933:1). There is so much joy in Advent—it simply must be shared!

WORDS OF WELCOME/THEME OF THE DAY

REMEMBRANCE OF BAPTISM

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their baptism.

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
People: Amen.

BRIEF ORDER OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Pastor: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
People: Amen.

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

Pastor: Most merciful God,
People: **we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"Hark the Herald Angels Sing"

LSB 380



1 Hark! The her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new - born King;
2 Christ, by high - est heav'n a - dored, Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord,
3 Hail, the heav'n-born Prince of Peace! Hail, the Sun of Righ-teous-ness!



Peace on earth and mer - cy mild, God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled!"
Late in time be - hold Him come, Off - spring of a vir - gin's womb.
Light and life to all He brings, Ris'n with heal - ing in His wings.



Joy - ful, all ye na - tions, rise, Join the tri - umph of the skies;
Veiled in flesh the God - head see, Hail the in - car - nate De - i - ty!
Mild He lays His glo - ry by, Born that man no more may die,



With the an - gel - ic host pro - claim, "Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!"
Pleased as Man with man to dwell, Je - sus, our Im - man - u - el!
Born to raise the sons of earth, Born to give them sec - ond birth.



Hark! The her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new - born King!"

GREETING

Pastor: Strengthen your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is near!
The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Petitions end, "Lord in Your mercy," Congregation responds, "Hear our prayer."

GATHERING OF GIFTS

St. Paul Lutheran Church Kids Choir Musical Spectacular

FEAR NOT FRIENDS

An Original Play Written by,

Cydney Hartner

Welcome!

Wyatt Tyminski

The Cast

Beth

Abbey Tyminski

Bart

Natalie Becker

Sam

Grant Fishman

Stella

Ella Eastep

Angela

Meghan Sullivan

Mary

Sofia Beveridge

Joseph

Wyatt Tyminski

Wisemen

Dominic Chang, Ethan Sullivan,
Jack Eastep, Mathias Tamayo

Babes of Bethlehem

Emma & Madeleine Amador,
Brooke Fishman, Lucia Beveridge,

Bible Narration

Mia Mohamed

Choreography

Shannon Gruber & Victoria Luis

PROGRAM DIRECTOR

God

EVERYTHING ELSE!

Faithful Loving Servants

Merry Christmas!

Blessings, Thanks & Love to EVERYONE!!!

Cydney Hartner, Irene Villanueva & Jeremy Becker

WE THREE KINGS

We three kings of Orient are;
bearing gifts we traverse afar,
field and fountain, moor and mountain,
following yonder star.

O star of wonder, star of light,
star with royal beauty bright,
westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to thy perfect light.

Glorious now behold him arise;
King and God and sacrifice:
Alleluia, Alleluia,
sounds through the earth and skies.

O star of wonder, star of light,
star with royal beauty bright,
westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to thy perfect light.

ANGELS WE HAVE HEARD ON HIGH

Angels we have heard on high
Sweetly singing o'er the plains
And the mountains in reply
Echoing their joyous strains

Gloria, in excelsis Deo
Gloria, in excelsis Deo

Come to Bethlehem and see
Him whose birth the angels sing,
Come, adore on bended knee,
Christ the Lord, the newborn King.

Gloria, in excelsis Deo
Gloria, in excelsis Deo

FROM THE AUTHOR

Dear St. Paul Family,

It's hard to believe it has been three years since our last Kids Choir musical. Christmas didn't feel quite the same without our annual play (and the chaos, laughter, and love it brings!).

If you're like me, perhaps the world still doesn't feel quite the same. Much has changed in recent years and there has certainly been much to fear. When Irene and I began planning for this year's "comeback" musical, we feared we wouldn't have enough participants to perform the mega-production we had in mind (we hope you'll consider joining the Kids Choir for next year's Jingle Bell Beach!). So, we decided to try something different and Fear Not Friends was born.

My Dad once shared some advice he'd received as a pastor: to write his sermons by preaching to himself first, knowing his message would also reach the hearts of those who listened and needed to hear the same. Writing Fear Not Friends spoke to the dark, fearful corners in my heart and I pray it reaches yours too.

There is nothing like hearing the Good News from young people. Thank you for letting us share this story with you.

Fear not, friends! The Light of the World has come.

Cydney Hartner

Christmas Worship Schedule:

Christmas Eve, Saturday, December 24th

- 5:00 PM - Christmas Eve Service for Families (No Communion)
- 8:00 PM - Candlelight Communion Service with Special Music
- 10:30 PM - Candlelight Communion Service with Special Music

Christmas Day, Sunday, December 25th

11:00 AM - The Nativity of Our Lord, Worship with Holy Communion

New Years Day Worship, Sunday, January 1st

11:00 AM - One service only this day

Regular Sunday Worship times are 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM
Sunday School classes resume on Sunday, January 8

If you don't have a church home, please consider yourself invited to worship here at St. Paul Lutheran Church every Lord's day.

**Worship and Holy Communion are celebrated every Sunday at 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM.
Sunday School is available for ages 3 through adult at 9:45 AM.**





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Adult Bible Study at 10:00 AM

