

*December 19, 2021*  
**CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM**

This **Children's Christmas Service** is based on Hebrews 11-12 where we hear of the long line of love of each of Jesus' ancestors, and our ancestors of faith.

Today's service features several women of the Bible. In the life of the Church, and especially at Christmas, the role of women can be forgotten. Today we hear of just some of the important women of both Old and New Testaments who carried on the promise of a Savior all the way from Eve in the Beginning to Mary, the mother of Jesus, our New Beginning. Today we still value these people because they are our relatives too. In today's program we hear of stories of several Old Testament women in Mary's family line. BUT WITH A TWIST! Each woman is part of a race, a relay, in which they hand on the baton of faith and God's covenant promise to each person down the line, as we all press on to enjoy the victory of our LORD!

**Gathering Music**

**Mark Gould**

**Welcome & Invocation**

Pastor Aaron Boerst

***Entrance Song: Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus - LSB 338***

Come, Thou long-expected Jesus,  
Born to set Thy people free;  
From our fears and sins release us,  
Let us find our rest in Thee.  
Israel's Strength and Consolation,  
Hope of all the earth Thou art;  
Dear Desire of every nation,  
Joy of every longing heart.

Born Thy people to deliver,  
Born a child and yet a King,  
Born to reign in us forever,  
Now Thy gracious kingdom bring.  
By Thine own eternal Spirit  
Rule in all our hearts alone;  
By Thine all sufficient merit,  
Raise us to Thy glorious throne.

**Running the Race of Faith:  
The Women of Jesus' Long Line of Love**

***What Hope! An Eden Prophesied - LSB 342***

What hope! An Eden prophesied. Where tame live with the wild;  
The lamb and lion side by side, led by a little child!

A shoot will sprout from Jesse' stem, a branch from David's line,  
A Prince of Peace in Bethlehem; the fruit of God's design.

As banner of God's love unfurled; Christ came to suffer loss,  
That by his death a dying world, would rally to the cross.

Come, Jesus, Come, Messiah Lord, lost paradise restore;  
Lead passed the angel's flaming sword – come open heaven's door.

**Eve vs. Pride**

**O Jesus My Lord/Sleep Now Child**

**Sunday School Anthem**

**Sarah vs. Doubt**

**Away in a Manger - LSB 365 vv 1, 3**

Away in a manger, no crib for a bed,  
The little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head.  
The stars in the bright sky looked down where He lay,  
The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay

Be near me, Lord Jesus; I ask Thee to stay  
Close by me forever and love me, I pray  
Bless all the dear children in Thy tender care,  
And take us to heaven to live with Thee there.

**Rahab vs. Trust**

**O Come All Ye Faithful - LSB 379 1, 3,**

O Come All Ye Faithful  
Joyful and triumphant,  
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem.  
Come and behold Him,  
Born the King of Angels;  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
Christ the Lord.

Sing, choirs of angels,  
Sing in exultation,  
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!  
Glory to God In the highest:  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
Christ the Lord.

Ye, Lord, we greet Thee,  
Born this happy morning,  
Jesus, to Thee be glory given!  
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing!  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
Christ the Lord.

**Abigail vs. Greed**

### **For All the Faithful Women - LSB 855**

For all the faithful women who served in days of old  
To you shall thanks be given, to all their story told.  
They served with strength and gladness in tasks your wisdom gave.  
To you their lives bore witness, proclaimed your power to save.

O God, for saints and servants, those named and those unknown  
In whom through all the ages Your light of glory shone,  
We offer glad thanksgiving and fervent prayer we raise  
That faithful in Your service, our lives may sing Your praise.

### **Esther vs. Ego**

#### **Mary, Did You Know?**

Mary did you know	That your baby boy
Would one day walk on water	Mary did you know
That your baby boy	Would save our sons and daughters
Did you know	That your baby boy
Has come to make you new	This Child that you delivered
Will soon deliver you	

Mary did you know	That your baby boy
Would give sight to the blind man	Mary did you know
That your baby boy	Would calm a storm with His hand
Did you know	That your baby boy
Has walked where angels trod	And when you kiss your little baby
You've kissed the face of God	Oh Mary did you know

Ooh Mary did you know ooh ooh

The blind will see, the deaf will hear the dead will live again  
The lame will leap, the dumb will speak, the praises of the lamb

Oh Mary did you know	That your baby boy
Is Lord of all creation	Mary did you know
That your baby boy	Will one day rule the nations
Did you know	That your baby boy
Is heaven's perfect Lamb	And the sleeping Child you're holding
Is the great I Am	Oh Mary oh

### **Mary vs. Faith**

#### **Recessional Song: Joy to the World - LSB 387 1, 2, 4**

Joy to the world  
The Lord has come  
Let earth receive her King  
Let every heart prepare Him room  
And heaven and nature sing  
And heaven and nature sing  
And heaven and heaven and nature sing

Joy to the earth  
The Savior reigns  
Let men their songs employ

While fields and floods  
Rocks, hills, and plains  
Repeat the sounding joy  
Repeat the sounding joy  
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy

He rules the world  
With truth and grace  
And makes the nations prove  
The glories of His righteousness  
And wonders of His love  
And wonders of His love  
And wonders, wonders of His love

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**GREETING OF PEACE** (Please place your offering in the back with the ushers as you are departing)

The children sharing the story of Jesus' birth with us:

#### **GIRLS (In athletic wear)**

EVE: Brileigh Ovalle  
SARAH: Chloe Lietzau  
RAHAB: Maya Hinshaw  
ABIGAIL: Kiera Christensen  
ESTHER: Chloe Lietzau  
MARY: Maya Hinshaw

#### **BOYS**

Narrator: Cullen Christensen  
Pride: Ethan Stein  
Doubt: Nolan Johnson  
Trust: Noah Lietzau  
Greed: Douglas Gross  
Ego: Ethan Stein  
Faith: Connor Hinshaw

#### **Town of Bethlehem:**

Evan Stein  
Abigail Stein  
Chase Stein  
Elliana Anderson  
James Anderson



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