Christmas Series: God With Us Today's Message: God With Us Brings Love

Solid Foundation: "It's not the strength of your faith but the object of your Faith that saves you. We are more sinful and flawed in ourselves than we ever dared believe, yet at the very same time we are more loved and accepted in Jesus Christ than we ever dared hope." ~Tim Keller

John 1:1-5

1 John 4:7, 8

1 John 4:9-11

1 John 4:16

1 John 3:1

Isaiah 45:22 "Look to Me and be saved all the ends of the earth, for I am God; there is no other."

1. God With Us Brings Love—Sacrificial Love

Philippians 2:3-11 Psalm 36:5, 7 Psalm 36:9, 10 Psalm 92:12-15

We Must: Nourish ourselves in His love to flourish: Nourish to Flourish

2 Corinthians 12:15

2. God With Us Brings Love—Fearless Love

John 1:4

Light shines brightest in the dark.

Christ's Love shines brightest among hate; His Love stands out most boldly against death.

1 John 4:18

Jesus' Love: fills us with strength and compassion to overcome our fear and reach out to others.

3. A Love That Never Ends

Psalm 136:1

1 Corinthians 13:4-8

Romans 8:38, 39

4. Communion: Fellowship Love

Galatians 5:13, 14

Fellowship Love: sharing the grace of God and so accepting one another, no matter how big the

faults: BOLD, WISE RISKS

2 Corinthians 3:18

- ⇒ Nourish to Flourish
- ⇒ Shallow Friendships = Weak Church
- ⇒ New Life Groups in the New Year