

“Today...fulfilled...in your hearing.”



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...rooted in the word, growing in faith, reaching out to our uprooted world.

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**Third Sunday after the Epiphany
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A warm welcome to those who are visiting us today. You may hang your coat in the entry way of the church or on the coat rack downstairs. The bathrooms are located in the basement of this building. Before you go home today, please sign our guest book located on the podium in the entry way. Also, refreshments are served in the basement after our service this morning. We invite you to join us for something to eat and drink.

Our lower level is wired for sound. If you need to take your child out during the service, you won't miss any of the sermon.

In the unlikely event of an emergency during this morning's service, you can exit the building using the main entryway or the exit to the right of the chancel. Our building does have a fire alarm system which is wired directly to the fire department. Remember, we follow the "Run, Hide, Fight" response in an emergency.

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Prayers Before Worship: Pages 255-258 in Christian Worship.

God Comforts His People with His Forgiveness

Today's Theme: Each one of us comes into God's house individually, from different backgrounds, families, situations, experiences, challenges, and joys. But here, in God's house, something happens that makes us not just a collection of individuals but joined together as one person, one Body. This unity happens because we have been gathered by one Baptism in one faith in one Lord, our God whose greatness has been shown in our hearts and to the world in His Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. Here our Lord speaks, and we listen. And in the listening, we are moved to repentance and faith, true repentance of heart over our sins and true faith that knows that the Scriptures, the Word of God, are fulfilled in the Lord Jesus Christ. May true joy motivate our praise of God here and all our days as God's people scattered throughout the world.

Pastor's Welcome

OPENING HYMN

CW 384 "Hail to the Lord's Anointed"

INVOCATION

P: In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

CONFESSION

P: We confess to You, Lord.

C: Our mouths have not always praised You through our words, and we have boasted in things other than You. Help us humbly hear and be glad, that we may taste and see that the Lord is good.

P: We confess to You, Lord.

C: We have sought after other things than You and have let our fears impede our faith. Give us hearts centered on You, that we may taste and see that the Lord is good.

P: We confess to You, Lord.

C: Our thoughts, words, and actions have not been faithful, and we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Hear us and save us from our troubles, that we may taste and see that the Lord is good.

ABSOLUTION

(John 20:21-23)

("The use of the keys is that special power and right which Christ gave to His church on earth: to forgive the sins of the penitent sinners." Luther's Small Catechism: The Use of the Keys and Confession.)

P: The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear Him and delivers them.

C: Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in Him!

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen. Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in Him!

KYRIE

(Mark 10:47)

(These are the words to the oldest canticle in the Christian church, the Kyrie.)

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, hear our prayer.

P: For the well-being of all people everywhere, that they may receive from You all they need to sustain body and life, hear our prayer, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the spread of Your life-giving gospel throughout the world, that all who are lost in sin may be brought to faith in You, hear our prayer, O Christ.

C: Christ, have mercy.

P: For patience and perseverance in this life, that we may not lose the hope of eternal life as we await Your return, hear our prayer, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: Lord of life, live in us that we may live for You.

C: Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE

P: In the peace of forgiveness let us praise the Lord!

**All glory be to God on high! Your name, O Lord, we glorify;
We praise You for Your peace and grace, Your favor toward our fallen race.**

**Our grateful thanks to You we bring, For Your great glory, heav'nly King,
For all, O Father, You have done Through Jesus Christ, Your only Son.**

**O Lamb of God, to You we pray. You take all human sin away.
Have mercy, Lord; receive our prayer; From God's right hand, Your mercy share.**

**You, Christ, are holy—Lord alone; The Father's glory You made known.
We by Your Spirit sing again: "All glory be to God!" Amen. (tune, CW 582)**

SALUTATION AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

(The salutation is a Christian greeting, offered here for mutual encouragement as the congregation prepares to hear God's word.)

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

**P & C: Almighty God, You sent Your Son to proclaim Your kingdom and to teach with authority.
Anoint us with the power of Your Spirit that we, too, may bring good news to the afflicted, bind up the
brokenhearted, and proclaim liberty to the captive; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives
and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

FIRST LESSON

ISAIAH 61:1-6

(Isaiah records for broken hearts and imprisoned souls the Voice of Salvation. The Anointed One proclaims healing and freedom – the making of all things right. No longer will there be sin and sorrow, but restoration and righteousness. How these words must have touched the despondent hearts of the faithful in Israel! How these words touch the hearts of those who have seen the Fulfillment! This is the Year of the Lord's Favor.)

The Spirit of the Sovereign LORD is on Me,
because the LORD has anointed Me
to proclaim good news to the poor.
He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted,
to proclaim freedom for the captives
and release from darkness for the prisoners,
² to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor
and the day of vengeance of our God,
to comfort all who mourn,
³ and provide for those who grieve in Zion—

to bestow on them a crown of beauty
instead of ashes,
the oil of joy
instead of mourning,
and a garment of praise
instead of a spirit of despair.
They will be called oaks of righteousness,
a planting of the LORD
for the display of His splendor.
⁴ They will rebuild the ancient ruins
and restore the places long devastated;
they will renew the ruined cities
that have been devastated for generations.
⁵ Strangers will shepherd your flocks;
foreigners will work your fields and vineyards.
⁶ And you will be called priests of the LORD,
you will be named ministers of our God.
You will feed on the wealth of nations,
and in their riches you will boast. (NIV 2011)

P: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

MATTHEW 4:23

Alleluia. Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching, preaching, and healing every disease. Alleluia.

(The congregation stands and speaks words of acclamation out of respect for the words of Christ, our King.)

P: The gospel according to St. Luke, the 4th chapter.

C: Glory be to You, O Lord.

GOSPEL

LUKE 4:14-32

(All that was promised to Adam and Eve, all that was renewed with the Patriarchs, all that was foretold through Isaiah, all that was passed from generation to generation...is fulfilled. It is no longer a future promise to fainting hearts, blind eyes, and bound souls. It is a promise fulfilled as the Anointed One reveals Himself to be the Fulfillment. Let there be no doubt, the Messiah has come. The gracious words of the Anointed One win admiration but not hearts of faith. When confronted by their own unbelief and the inclusion of Gentiles in spiritual Israel, "Joseph's son" is driven from the synagogue to be thrown from the cliff. Yet the Savior of the nations passes through the angry mob to continue His mission and reveal himself in Capernaum.)

¹⁴ Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news about Him spread through the whole countryside. ¹⁵ He was teaching in their synagogues, and everyone praised Him.

¹⁶ He went to Nazareth, where He had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day He went into the synagogue, as was his custom. He stood up to read, ¹⁷ and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to Him. Unrolling it, He found the place where it is written:

¹⁸ "The Spirit of the Lord is on Me,
because He has anointed Me
to proclaim good news to the poor.
He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners
and recovery of sight for the blind,
to set the oppressed free,
¹⁹ to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

²⁰ Then He rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down. The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on Him. ²¹ He began by saying to them, "Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing."

²² All spoke well of Him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from His lips. "Isn't this Joseph's son?" they asked.

²³ Jesus said to them, "Surely you will quote this proverb to Me: 'Physician, heal Yourself!' And you will tell Me, 'Do here in Your hometown what we have heard that You did in Capernaum.'"

²⁴ "Truly I tell you," He continued, "no prophet is accepted in his hometown. ²⁵ I assure you that there were many widows in Israel in Elijah's time, when the sky was shut for three and a half years and there was a severe famine throughout the land. ²⁶ Yet Elijah was not sent to any of them, but to a widow in Zarephath in the region of Sidon. ²⁷ And there were many in Israel with leprosy in the time of Elisha the prophet, yet not one of them was cleansed—only Naaman the Syrian."

²⁸ All the people in the synagogue were furious when they heard this. ²⁹ They got up, drove Him out of the town, and took Him to the brow of the hill on which the town was built, in order to throw Him off the cliff. ³⁰ But He walked right through the crowd and went on His way.

³¹ Then He went down to Capernaum, a town in Galilee, and on the Sabbath He taught the people. ³² They were amazed at His teaching, because His words had authority. (NIV 2011)

After the Gospel:

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise be to You, O Christ.**

CONFESSION OF FAITH

THE NICENE CREED

We believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten not made, of one being with the Father. Through Him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation, He came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human.

For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day He rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and His kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Please be seated.

HYMN OF THE DAY

CWS 711 "Jesus Has Come and Brings Pleasures Eternal"

(The Hymn of the Day is a hymn specially assigned to this day for its richness, its content and its connection to the day's Gospel.)

THE SERMON

OFFERING

The ushers will gather the offering which will then be placed on the Lord's Altar. Offerings can also be given electronically by using your smart phone and the QR code which takes you to the donation part of New Life's website.



PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

(1 Timothy 2:1)

THE SACRAMENT

(God in His word makes it clear that Holy Communion is to be shared by people of a common proclamation of faith (1 Corinthians 11:26, 1 Corinthians 10:16). So, without judging anyone's heart, we invite those who share in our confession by their membership in our church body, and who are properly prepared (1 Corinthians 11:27), to come to the front and receive the Sacrament.)

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you. (spoken)

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is good and right so to do.

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your glory. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS *(Latin for "Holy," tune CW 441)*

(Isaiah 6:3, Matthew 21:9)



1 Sing "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, the God by all a - dored."
2 "Ho - san - na in the high-est" sing and bless the com - ing One.



The heav'ns a - bove and earth be - low His glo - ry ev - er tell.
Our Lord is here and with Him we shall now and ev - er dwell.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

(Jesus took bread and “gave thanks” (Matthew 26:26).)

P: Blessed are You, O Lord God, King of the Universe. Before the foundation of the world, You chose to redeem us with the precious blood of Your Son, a lamb without blemish or defect.

We give You humble and heartfelt thanks.

The iniquity in which we were conceived,

Has been cleansed by the mystery of His holy incarnation;

Our self-absorbed youth has been sanctified

By His birth, circumcision and obedience;

Our self-willed lives have been brought into conformity

With Your holy will by His Baptism, fasting and temptation;

The head of our adversary, the serpent

Has been crushed by Christ’s bloody agony, sweat and scourging;

The gloomy portal of death has become the gate to everlasting life.

Through His precious cross, death and burial.

Strengthen our faith through this heavenly food that, as partakers in Christ’s glorious resurrection, we may, together, recline at the wedding feast of the Lamb, and hear us now as we join in praying...

LORD’S PRAYER

(Matthew 6:9-13)

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name, Your kingdom come, Your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are Yours now and forever. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

(1 Corinthians 11:23-25)

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night He was betrayed, took bread; and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples, saying, “Take and eat; this is My body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me.”

Then He took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you; this is My blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

AGNUS DEI (Latin for "Lamb of God," tune CW 441)

(John 1:29)



1 O ho - ly spot - less Lamb of God, our sins You take a - way.
2 O ho - ly, spot - less Lamb of God, our sins You take a - way.



Have mer - cy, Lord, Your mer - cy show, and hear us as we pray.
Have mer - cy, Lord, and send us peace as we live out this day.

DISTRIBUTION

During the distribution the congregation will sing a Palm Sunday Hymn, CW 668 "Jesus Comes Today with Healing."

THANKSGIVING

NUNC DIMITTIS (Latin for "Now Dismiss," tune CW 215)

(Luke 2:29-32)



1 Lord, bid Your ser - vant go in peace,
2 This is the Sav - ior of the world,
△ 3 With saints of old, with saints to come,



Your word is now ful - filled. These eyes have seen sal -
The Gen - tiles' prom - ised light, God's glo - ry dwell - ing
To You we lift our voice; To Fa - ther, Son, and



va - tion's dawn, This child so long fore - told.
in our midst. The joy of Is - ra - el.
Spir - it blest Bc hon - or, love, and praise.

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

P: Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good.

C: His mercy endures forever.

PRAYER

P: Thanks and praise to You, O God, for Your kindness in the face of our greatest need. Help us to reflect Your great love, living in the forgiveness of sins and proclaiming the liberty of Your everlasting kingdom to all; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BENEDICTION

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C: Amen.

THE CLOSING HYMN

CW 387 “Arise, Your Light Is Come”

Announcements

Our Father’s Business in the Coming Week

Cleaning this Week: Berg / James

Today—The Third Sunday after the Epiphany

Communion Service at 9:30 AM
Sunday School 10:45 AM
Adult Bible Class 10:45 AM
Preschool Staff meeting at noon
Confirmation Class 6:00 PM

Thursday—Green Team at 6:30 PM

Friday—Men’s Bible Class at 11:30 AM

Next Sunday—Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany Service at 9:30 AM

Sunday School & Bible Class at 10:45 AM
Confirmation Class at 6:00 PM

FELLOWSHIP

A new fellowship sheet has been posted. If you’d like to bring something to eat and drink after the service on Sunday, use the sign-up sheet to reserve a Sunday.

OUR WORTH TO HIM—DEVOTIONS FOR CHRISTIAN WORSHIP

Devotion booklets which focus on the importance of worship are now available and can be picked up off the table in the entryway. The author of this devotion book is Prof. Mark Paustian, one of the most gifted writers in our synod.

PRESCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

A preschool open house is scheduled for Tuesday, February 15, from 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM. If you know of any parents in the community who have preschool aged children, please encourage them to attend the open house.

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS

The Sunday morning Bible class will start using a series of studies that goes together with a video series called "The Chosen." Today, the first lesson will take a different look at Mary Magdalene, and Jesus's work of casting out of her seven demons.

SUNDAY SCHOOL MISSION OFFERING

The Sunday School mission offering for the first half of the year totaled \$250, which Thrivent matched, which made it possible to send a check for \$500 to Branch Lutheran Schools of Haiti.

BRANCH CONNECTION

The Branch Connection's next meeting will be held on February 8 at 4:30 PM. The Branch Connection is planning on having a pizza party and a work meeting. The Branch Connection will go through all of the plastic tubs found around the building, toss whatever isn't needed and organize the rest. A sign up sheet has been posted so you can indicate if you are coming to this event.

BOWLING

The Fellowship Committee usually plans a bowling outing for the Sunday before Super Bowl Sunday. Due to the latest outbreak of Covid, the bowling outing has been rescheduled for one year from now.