

Sunday, January 28th, 2024
Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

Welcome & Announcements

*Opening Hymn

"Songs of Thankfulness and Praise"

ELW 310

1. Songs of thankfulness and praise, Jesus, Lord, to thee we raise; manifested by the star to the sages from afar, branch of royal David's stem in thy birth at Bethlehem: anthems be to thee addressed, God in flesh made manifest.
2. Manifest at Jordan's stream, prophet, priest, and king supreme; and at Cana wedding guest in thy God-head manifest; manifest in pow'r divine, changing water into wine; anthems be to thee addressed, God in flesh made manifest.
3. Manifest in making whole weakened body, fainting soul; manifest in valiant fight, quelling all the devil's might; manifest in gracious will, ever bringing good from ill: anthems be to thee addressed, God in flesh made manifest.
4. Grant us grace to see thee, Lord, present in thy holy word; grace to imitate thee now and be pure, as pure art thou; that we might become like thee at thy great epiphany, and may praise thee, ever blest, God in flesh made manifest.

*Dialog

P: Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd;

C: The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep."

P: Jesus said, "I am the light of the world

C: "If you follow me, you will never walk in darkness."

P: Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life.

C: Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live."

Prayer of the Day:

P: Let us pray together,

C: Compassionate God, you gather the whole universe into your radiant presence and continually reveal your Son as our Savior. Bring wholeness to all that is broken and speak truth to us in our confusion, that all creation will see and know your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

First Reading: Deuteronomy 18:15-20

The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you shall heed such a prophet. This is what you requested of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said: "If I hear the voice of the Lord my God any more, or ever again see this great fire, I will die." Then the Lord replied to me: "They are right in what they have said. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their own people; I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, who shall speak to them everything that I command. Anyone who does not heed the words that the prophet shall speak in my name, I myself will hold accountable. But any prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, or who presumes to speak in my name a word that I have not commanded the prophet to speak—that prophet shall die."

Psalms 111 (read by half verse. Psalms can be found after pg. 338 and before the hymns.)

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 8:1-13

Now concerning food sacrificed to idols: we know that "all of us possess knowledge." Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up. Anyone who claims to know something does not yet have the necessary knowledge; but anyone who loves God is known by him. Hence, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that "no idol in the world really exists," and that "there is no God but one." Indeed, even though there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as in fact there are many gods and many lords—yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist. It is not everyone, however, who has this knowledge. Since some have become so accustomed to idols until now, they still think of the food they eat as food offered to an idol; and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. "Food will not bring us close to God." We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. But take care that this liberty of yours does not somehow

become a stumbling block to the weak. For if others see you, who possess knowledge, eating in the temple of an idol, might they not, since their conscience is weak, be encouraged to the point of eating food sacrificed to idols? So by your knowledge those weak believers for whom Christ died are destroyed. But when you thus sin against members of your family, and wound their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food is a cause of their falling, I will never eat meat, so that I may not cause one of them to fall.

*Holy Gospel: Mark 1:21-28

They went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God." But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, "What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

Children's Sermon

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*Hymn of the Day:

"Be Thou My Vision"

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1. Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art: thou my best thought both by day and by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.
2. Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord. Thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tow'r, raise thou me heav'nward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.
3. Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise, thou mine inheritance, now and always: thou and thou only, the first in my heart, great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.
4. Light of my soul, after victory won, may I reach heavn's joys, O heaven's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever be fall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

*The Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*The Prayers: Each petition ends with: P: Lord, in your mercy, C: Hear our prayer.

*The Peace:

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

We invite you to share the peace in the manner you are most comfortable with. Please respect others during this time, knowing that someone may not be comfortable sharing the peace with you in the same manner.

Offering

*Offertory Hymn:

"Drawn to the Light"

ELW 593

1. People who walk in darkness have sought a light in the heart of the darkest night. Just when we thought all would be lost, we were drawn to the light of God. Dawn is in sight! Gone is the night, drawn to the light and the morning. Glorious and bright, oh, what a sight to be drawn to the light of God.
2. How can we tell a heaven from hell if ev'ryone dwells in the dark of night? Morning dispels, gently compels, and we're drawn to the light of God. Dawn is in sight! Gone is the night, drawn to the light and the morning. Glorious and bright, oh, what a sight to be drawn to the light of God.
3. Where is the sun? Oh, there will be none! The Lamb is the one who is shining bright, bids us to come! Life has begun when we're drawn to the light of God. Dawn is in sight! Gone is the night, drawn to the light and the morning. Glorious and bright, oh, what a sight to be drawn to the light of God.

*Offertory Prayer:

P: Let us pray, Merciful Father, C: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us-ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*The Words of Institution

*The Lord's Prayer:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Distribution of Communion

Post-Communion Blessing & Prayer

*Benediction and Sending

P: May the Lord bless you and keep you. May the Lord's face shine upon you and be gracious to you. May the Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace, in the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. C: Amen. P: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. C: THANKS BE TO GOD!

*Closing Hymn

"God, Whose Almighty Word"

ELW 673

1. God, whose almighty word chaos and darkness heard and took their flight: hear us, we humbly pray, and where the gospel day sheds not its glorious ray, let there be light.
2. Christ, who once came to bring, on your redeeming wing, healing and sight; health to the troubled mind, sight where illusions blind; oh, now to humankind let there be light.
3. Spirit of truth and love, lifegiving, holy dove, speed forth your flight; move on the water's face bearing the lamp of grace, and in earth's darkest place let there be light.
4. Holy and blessed three, glorious Trinity, Wisdom, Love, Might: boundless as ocean's tide, rolling in fullest pride, through the earth, far and wide, let there be light.

Postlude

ANNOUNCEMENTS

February Crew Dates are the 7th and 21st from 3:30-5:00 pm. All third-six graders are welcome!

First Communion Class For all youth 3rd grade and above. Make-up class is Tonight! January 28th at 6pm

Annual Meeting is Sunday, Feb 4th at 10 am. You can pick up a report on the table in the Narthex.

Super Bowl Pizzas: Order your today using the form in this bulletin or on the table in the Narthex. Deadline is February 4th. You can pick them up on Sunday morning, Feb 11th. Money goes to help our youth go to Luther Park Bible Camp.

Ash Wednesday, Feb 14th We will be having worship at Noon and 6:30 pm. Both will have ashes and communion. Confirmation Youth will be serving a baked potato bar meal at 5:30pm.

Serving Our Lord and Church

Pastor: Bradley K. Peterson

Parish Manager: Andrea McVeigh

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Reader: Lori Bekkum

Ministers: All Baptized Believers

Ushers: Dan Debee, Justin Clark, & Glenn Guy

Altar Guild: Vivian Hanestad & Diana Nutter

Fellowship: Brody Buhr & John Stoveren

Schedule For The Week of Jan 28-Feb 4

Sunday	9:00am	Worship w/Holy Communion
Monday	10:00am	Bible Study
Tuesday	9:00am	Quilting
Wednesday	5:30pm	7th grade Confirmation
	6:30pm	Worship Service
Thursday	10:00am	Card Club
Sunday	9:00am	Worship w/Holy Communion

Our Prayer Concerns

Carol Erickson	Saul Hedlund	Gary Gilbertson	Dick Clack	Amy Frieberg
Leona Steies	Kaleb Humpal	Kayden Ebensperger	Shannon Bauer	
Jennifer Marlett	Brad Stevens	Ben Schlosser	Shirley Middlestadt	
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Willard Tronrud	Tom Lohfink	Gaylan Nerison	Lynda Bird	
Jeanna Hollister	Ashley Behling	Brian Moll	Jessica Larson	

Weekly Devotions

Sunday: Luke 6:39-42

Wednesday: Luke 7:1-10

Saturday: Luke 7:24-30

Monday: Luke 6:43-45

Thursday: Luke 7:11-17

Sunday: Luke 7:31-35

Tuesday: Luke 6:46-49

Friday: Luke 7:18-23

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