

THURSDAY, JANUARY 25, 2024 ~ 6:30 PM
SUNDAY, JANUARY 28, 2024 ~ 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM
FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY



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WE WELCOME YOU IN THE NAME OF JESUS

For your convenience personal hearing assistance units are available. Large Print Bulletins, Newsletters, and Portals of Prayers are also available. Please ask an usher for assistance.

As you are entering the sanctuary, you are entering the house of God. Prepare yourselves for worship by silently meditating on God's love. Please refrain from loud conversation before the service that would distract those for whom a preparatory meditation is important.

To those who may be visiting us today, your presence here today is a delight to us! With joy we welcome you in the name of Jesus. Please complete the guest card found in the pew pocket and turn it in to an elder or usher.

Welcome

Hymn

O God, My Faithful God

LSB 696

(Stand)

Invocation

(The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.)

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

G Amen.

Confession and Absolution

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

G **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 on God's Word and for self-examination.)

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

G **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.

- 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 therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

Kyrie

DS2, LSB 168

- P** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



- P** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



- P** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



- P** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



Gloria in Excelsis

DS4, LSB 204



C 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro-claimed at Je-sus' birth!
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shipped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King.
Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, You know we live in the midst of so many dangers that in our frailty we cannot stand upright. Grant strength and protection to support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; through

Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

(Sit)

Psalm

Psalm 111

P Praise the LORD!

I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart,
in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

**C Great are the works of the LORD,
studied by all who delight in them.**

P Full of splendor and majesty is his work,
and his righteousness endures forever.

**C He has caused his wondrous works to be remembered;
the LORD is gracious and merciful.**

P He provides food for those who fear him;
he remembers his covenant forever.

**C He has shown his people the power of his works,
in giving them the inheritance of the nations.**

P The works of his hands are faithful and just;
all his precepts are trustworthy;

**C they are established forever and ever,
to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.**

P He sent redemption to his people;
he has commanded his covenant forever.
Holy and awesome is his name!

**C The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom;
all those who practice it have a good understanding.
His praise endures forever!**

(10:30) Anthem

"Holy, True & Faithful God"

Old Testament Reading

Deuteronomy 18:15–20

"The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your brothers—it is to him you shall listen— just as you desired of the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly, when you said, 'Let me not hear again the voice of the LORD my God or see this great fire any more, lest I die.' And the LORD said to me, 'They are right in what they have spoken. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their brothers. And I will put my words in his mouth, and he shall speak to them all that I command him. And whoever will not listen to my words that he shall speak in my name, I myself will require it of him. But the prophet who presumes to speak a word in my name that I have not commanded him to speak, or who speaks in the name of other gods, that same prophet shall die.'"

A This is the Word of the Lord.

G **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle Reading

1 Corinthians 8:1–13

Concerning food offered to idols: we know that "all of us possess knowledge." This "knowledge" puffs up, but love builds up. If anyone imagines that he knows something, he does not yet know as he ought to know. But if anyone loves God, he is known by God.

Therefore, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that "an idol has no real existence," and that "there is no God but one." For although there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as indeed 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.

However, not all possess this knowledge. But some, through former association with idols, eat food as really offered to an idol, and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. Food will not commend us to God. We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. But take care that this right of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. For if anyone sees you who have knowledge eating in an idol's temple, will he not be encouraged, if his conscience is weak, to eat food offered to idols? And so by

your knowledge this weak person is destroyed, the brother for whom Christ died. Thus, sinning against your brothers and wounding their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food makes my brother stumble, I will never eat meat, lest I make my brother stumble.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

(Stand)

Alleluia and Verse

DS2, LSB 173



C Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

Mark 1:21–28

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.



C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

They went into Capernaum, and immediately on the Sabbath [Jesus] entered the synagogue and was teaching. And they were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one who had authority, and not as the scribes. And immediately 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 out with a loud voice, came out of him. And they were all amazed, so that they questioned among themselves, saying, "What is this? A new teaching with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits,

and they obey him.” And at once his fame spread everywhere throughout all the surrounding region of Galilee.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



(Sit)

Hymn

Son of God, Eternal Savior

LSB 842

Sermon

(Stand)

Nicene Creed

(Hymnal – Inside Back Cover)

C I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God, begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation
came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again
according to the Scriptures

and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge
both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian
and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ✝ of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the Church

*(Following each petition, congregation responds "**hear our prayer**")*

Presentation of our Offerings to the Lord

(As our offerings are brought forward, we sing the Offertory)

Offertory

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

LSB 955



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, And fill to the brim our
cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were
sown, That we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the
hopes and the dreams of all; U - nite them with the prayers we
of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with Your pres - ence, and
give us A fore - taste of the feast to come.

✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

Preface

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** **And also with you.**
- P** Lift up your hearts.
- C** **We lift them to the Lord.**
- P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C** **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

- 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

DS2, LSB 178

C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of
pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is He who comes in the name
of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

- P** As the glory of Your presence once filled Your ancient temple, so in the incarnation of Your Son, Jesus Christ, You manifested the fullness of Your glory in human flesh.

We give You thanks that in His most Holy Supper You reveal Your glory to us. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood so that we may one day behold Your glory face to face.

C Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

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

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Proclamation of Christ

P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Lord's Prayer

(Hymnal – Inside Back Cover)

P Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

**C 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.

Pax Domini

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

Agnus Dei

DS2, LSB 180

C Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world;
 have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the
 sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of
 God, You take a-way the sin of the world;
 grant us peace, grant us peace.

(Sit)

Distribution

Distribution Hymns

Jesus Comes Today with Healing

LSB 620

May We Thy Precepts, Lord, Fulfill

LSB 698

(Stand)

Post-Communion Canticle:**Nunc Dimittis***DS2, LSB 182*

Lord, now You let Your ser-vant go in peace; Your word has been ful -
filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which You have pre -
pared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: A light to re -
veal You to the na-tions and the glo-ry of Your peo-ple Is - ra - el.
Glo-ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Spir - it;
as it was in the be-gin - ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A-men.

Post-Communion Collect

P Let us pray.

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

G Amen.

Benedicamus

P Let us bless the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

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.**

(Sit)

Hymn

Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness

LSB 849

Upcoming Festival and Midweek Lenten Services

Transfiguration ~ *Thursday, February 8– 6:30 PM*
Sunday, February 11 – 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

Midweek Lenten Service Schedule:

Ash Wednesday ~ *Wednesday, February 14 – 11:00 AM & 6:30 PM*

Midweek Lent Services

Wednesday, February 21

– 11:00 AM & 6:30 PM

Wednesday, February 28

– 11:00 AM & 6:30 PM

Wednesday, March 6

– 11:00 AM & 6:30 PM

Wednesday, March 13

– 11:00 AM & 6:30 PM

Wednesday, March 20

– 11:00 AM & 6:30 PM



Palm Thursday/Sunday ~ *Thursday, March 21 – 6:30 PM*
Sunday, March 24 – 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

SERVING IN OUR WORSHIP SERVICE TODAY

Preacher: Rev. Zachary M. DeArmond

Organist/Music Director Kim Woller

Choir(s): (10:30 AM) Adult Choir

Instrumentalist(s):

Lay Readers: (6:30 PM) Carol Wondisford

(8:00 AM) Max Blair

(10:30 AM) Athena Malone

Elders: (6:30 PM) Chuck Boie, Jeff Driessen & Lee Roloff

(8:00 AM) Dennis Kutz & Jack Welter

(10:30 AM) Rick Krause & Craig Butzlaff

Ushers: (6:30 PM) Team 7 – Driessen Team

(8:00 AM) Team 3 – Floyd Wondisford Team

(10:30 AM) Team 4 – Jeff Hurlbut Team

Acolytes: (8:00 AM) Sophia Boettcher

(10:30 AM) Sam Jagielski

Greeters: (8:00 AM) Kathy Rettig

(10:30 AM) Joy Ward

Altar Guild: Kim Hovie & Janet Steinhaus

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