

FOR OUR 10:45 A.M. DIVINE WORSHIP

Second Sunday After the Epiphany

January 17, 2021

WE PRAY: Omniscient Lord, to Whom all things are known and from Whom nothing is hidden, accept our gratitude for Your mercy upon us, and for Your love for us, and hear our prayer to keep the memory of Your sacrifice and the hope of Your appearing in our minds; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who with You and the Holy Spirit are one God with dominion over us forever. Amen.

(Please turn off cell phones in preparation for Divine Worship)



PRELUDE

PASTORAL GREETING

OPENING HYMN

TLH 129

Hail, Thou Source of Every Blessing

1. Hail, Thou Source of ev'ry blessing, Sov'reign Father of mankind! Gentiles now, Thy grace possessing, In Thy courts admission find. Grateful now we fall before Thee, In Thy Church obtain a place, Now by faith behold Thy glory, Praise Thy truth, adore Thy grace.
2. Once far off, but now invited, We approach Thy sacred throne; In Thy covenant united, Reconciled, redeemed, made one. Now revealed to Eastern sages, See the Star of Mercy shine, Myst'ry hid in former ages, Myst'ry great of love divine.
3. Hail, Thou all-inviting Savior! Gentiles now their off'rings bring; In Thy temples seek Thy favor, Jesus Christ, our Lord and King. May we, body, soul, and spirit, Live devoted to Thy praise, Glorious realms of bliss inherit, Grateful anthems ever raise!

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P: O Lord, open Thou my lips.

C: And my mouth shall show forth Thy praise.

P: Make haste, O God, to deliver me.

C: Make haste to help me, O Lord.

A: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world
without end. Amen. Hallelujah!

P: Oh, come, let us worship the Lord:

C: For He is our Maker.

A: 1. Oh, come, let us sing – unto the Lord:

Let us make a joyful noise to the Rock of – our sal- va- tion.

2. Let us come before His presence with thanks – giv- ing:
And make a joyful – noise unto Him with psalms.

3. For the Lord is a – great God.
And a great – King a- bove all gods.

4. In His hand are the deep places – of the earth.
The strength of the hills is – His al- so.

5. The sea is His, and He – made it:
And His hands – form- ed the dry land.

6. Oh, come, let us worship and – bow down:
Let us kneel before the – Lord, our Mak- er.

7. For He – is our God:
And we are the people of His pasture and the – sheep of
His hand.

Glory be to the Father and – to the Son:
And – to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and – ever shall be,
world – with- out end. A- men.

Come, Follow Me, the Savior Spake

1. Come, follow Me, the Savior spake, All in My way
abiding; Deny yourselves, the world forsake, Obey My

call and guiding. Oh, bear the cross, whate'er betide,
Take My example for your guide.

3. My heart bounds in lowliness, My soul with love is glowing,
And gracious words my lips express, With meekness overflowing.
My heart, My mind, My strength, My all, To God I yield, on Him I call.
4. I teach you how to shun and flee What harms your soul's salvation,
Your heart from every guile to free, From sin and its temptation.
I am the Refuge of the soul And lead you to your heavenly goal.
5. Then let us follow Christ, our Lord, And take the cross appointed
And, firmly clinging to His Word, In suffering be undaunted.
For who bears not the battle's strain The crown of life shall not obtain.

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THE PSALM: Psalm 139:1-10

TLH p. 154

P: O Lord, thou hast searched me, and known me.

C: Thou knowest my downsitting and mine uprising, Thou understandest my thought afar off.

P: Thou compassest my path and my lying down, and art acquainted with all my ways.

C: For there is not a word in my tongue, but, lo, O LORD, Thou knowest it altogether.

P: Thou hast beset me behind and before, and laid Thine hand upon me.

C: Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is high, I cannot attain unto it.

P: Whither shall I go from Thy spirit? or whither shall I flee from Thy presence?

C: If I ascend up into heaven, Thou art there: if I make my bed in hell, behold, Thou art there.

P: If I take the wings of the morning, and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea;

C: Even there shall Thy hand lead me, and Thy right hand shall hold me.

GLORIA PATRI

A: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Hallelujah!

LESSONS

OLD TESTAMENT

1 Samuel 3:1-20; NKJV – pg. 246

Now the boy Samuel ministered to the Lord before Eli. And the word of the Lord was rare in those days; *there was* no widespread revelation. ²And it came to pass at that time, while Eli *was* lying down in his place, and when his eyes had begun to grow so dim that he could not see, ³and before the lamp of God went out in the tabernacle of the Lord where the ark of God *was*, and while Samuel was lying down, ⁴that the Lord called Samuel. And he answered, “Here I am!” ⁵So he ran to Eli and said, “Here I am, for you called me.” And he said, “I did not call; lie down again.” And he went and lay down. ⁶Then the Lord called yet again, “Samuel!” So Samuel arose and went to Eli, and said, “Here I am, for you called me.” He answered, “I did not call, my son; lie down again.” ⁷(Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, nor was the word of the Lord yet revealed to him.) ⁸And the Lord called Samuel again the third time. So he arose and went to Eli, and said, “Here I am, for you did call me.” Then Eli perceived that the Lord had called the boy. ⁹Therefore Eli said to Samuel, “Go, lie down; and it shall be, if He calls you, that you must say, ‘Speak, Lord, for Your servant hears.’ ” So Samuel went and lay down in his place. ¹⁰Now the Lord came and stood and called as at other times, “Samuel! Samuel!” And Samuel answered, “Speak, for Your servant hears.” ¹¹Then the Lord said to Samuel: “Behold, I will do something in Israel at which both ears of everyone who hears it will tingle. ¹²In that day I will perform against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end. ¹³For I have told him that I will judge his house forever for the iniquity which he knows, because his sons made themselves vile, and he did not restrain them. ¹⁴And therefore I have sworn to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli’s house shall

not be atoned for by sacrifice or offering forever.” ¹⁵ So Samuel lay down until morning, and opened the doors of the house of the Lord. And Samuel was afraid to tell Eli the vision. ¹⁶ Then Eli called Samuel and said, “Samuel, my son!” He answered, “Here I am.” ¹⁷ And he said, “What *is* the word that *the Lord* spoke to you? Please do not hide *it* from me. God do so to you, and more also, if you hide anything from me of all the things that He said to you.” ¹⁸ Then Samuel told him everything, and hid nothing from him. And he said, “It *is* the Lord. Let Him do what seems good to Him.” ¹⁹ So Samuel grew, and the Lord was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. ²⁰ And all Israel from Dan to Beersheba knew that Samuel *had been* established as a prophet of the Lord.

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L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE

I Corinthians 6:12-20; NKJV – pg. 1016

All things are lawful for me, but all things are not helpful. All things are lawful for me, but I will not be brought under the power of any. ¹³ Foods for the stomach and the stomach for foods, but God will destroy both it and them. Now the body *is* not for sexual immorality but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. ¹⁴ And God both raised up the Lord and will also raise us up by His power. ¹⁵ Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I then take the members of Christ and make *them* members of a harlot? Certainly not! ¹⁶ Or do you not know that he who is joined to a harlot is one body *with her*? For “the two,” He says, “shall become one flesh.” ¹⁷ But he who is joined to the Lord is one spirit *with Him*. ¹⁸ Flee sexual immorality. Every sin that a man does is outside the body, but he who commits sexual immorality sins against his own body. ¹⁹ Or do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit *who is* in you, whom you have from God, and you are not your own? ²⁰ For you were bought at a price; therefore glorify

God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's.

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HOLY GOSPEL

John 1:43-51; NKJV – pg. 939

The following day Jesus wanted to go to Galilee, and He found Philip and said to him, "Follow Me." ⁴⁴ Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. ⁴⁵ Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found Him of whom Moses in the law, and also the prophets, wrote—Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." ⁴⁶ And Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." ⁴⁷ Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward Him, and said of him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom is no deceit!" ⁴⁸ Nathanael said to Him, "How do You know me?" Jesus answered and said to him, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you." ⁴⁹ Nathanael answered and said to Him, "Rabbi, You are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" ⁵⁰ Jesus answered and said to him, "Because I said to you, 'I saw you under the fig tree,' do you believe? You will see greater things than these." ⁵¹ And He said to him, "Most assuredly, I say to you, hereafter you shall see heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

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P: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

P: But Thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us.

C: Thanks be to Thee, O Lord!

SERMON "A Most Important Conversation" John 1: 43-51

THE GIVING OF OUR TITHES and SACRIFICIAL GIFTS

OFFERING

OFFERING PRAYER (*Pastor*)

TE DEUM

TLH pp. 35-37

1. We praise Thee, O God: we acknowledge Thee to - be the Lord. All the earth doth worship Thee, the Father - ev-er-last-ing.
2. To Thee all angels cry aloud, the heavens and all the - powers there-in; To Thee cherubim and seraphim con- - tin-ual-ly do cry:
3. Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of - Sab-a-oth! Heaven and earth are full of the majesty - of Thy glo-ry.
4. The glorious company of the Apostles - praise Thee; The goodly fellowship of the - proph-ets praise Thee;
5. The noble army of martyrs - praise Thee; The holy Church throughout all the world - doth ac-knowl-edge Thee:
6. The Father of an infinite majesty; Thine adorable true and - on-ly Son, Also the Holy - Ghost, the Com-fort-er.
7. Thou art the King of Glory, - O Christ. Thou art the everlasting Son - of the Fa-ther.
8. When Thou tookest upon Thee to de - liv-er man, Thou didst humble Thyself to be born - of a vir-gin.
9. When Thou hadst overcome the - sharp-ness of death, Thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to - all be-liev-ers.
10. Thou sittest at the right - hand of God In the glory - of the Fa-ther.
11. We believe that - Thou shalt come To - be our Judge.
12. We therefore pray Thee, help Thy - serv-ants, Whom Thou hast redeemed - with Thy pre-cious blood.
13. Make them to be numbered - with Thy saints In glory - ever-last-ing.
14. O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine - her-i-tage. Govern them and lift them - up for-ev-er.
15. Day by day we - magni-fy Thee. And we worship Thy name ever, - world with-out end.
16. Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this day with - out sin. O Lord, have mercy upon us, have - mercy up-on us.
17. O Lord, let Thy mercy be upon us, as our trust - is in Thee. Lord, in Thee have I trusted; let me never - be con-found-ed.

THE PRAYERS

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(Chanted in Unison)*

Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed by 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.

CLOSING HYMN

TLH 483 vv. 1,2,4,5

God of the Prophets, Bless the Prophet's Sons

1. God of the prophets, bless the prophets' sons:
Elijah's mantle o'er Elisha cast.
Each age its solemn task may claim but once;
Make each one nobler, stronger than the last.
2. Anoint them prophets. Make their ears attent
To Thy divinest speech, their hearts awake
To human need, their lips make eloquent
To gird the right and ev'ry evil break.
4. Anoint them kings; aye, kingly kings, O Lord.
Anoint them with the Spirit of Thy Son.
Theirs not a jeweled crown, a blood-stained sword;
Theirs, by sweet love, for Christ a kingdom won.
5. Make them apostles, heralds of Thy Cross;
Forth may they go to tell all realms Thy grace.
Inspired of Thee, may they count all but loss
And stand at last with joy before Thy face.

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BENEDICTION

SILENT PRAYER

POSTLUDE

Officiant: Pastor Randy Boelter

Lector: Jean Azar

Music Director: Bruce Sininger

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CHRIST THE KING LUTHERAN CHURCH
GROSSE POINTE WOODS, MI 48236
SUNDAY, JANUARY 17, 2021



GOOD MORNING AND WELCOME TO WORSHIP as we continue to live in the light of the Epiphany Gospel of our Lord Jesus, Son of God and Savior of the world! In our Gospel, Jesus bids Philip to follow Him, and Philip does. Jesus miraculously reveals that He knew Nathanael before Philip's invitation, and Nathanael hears Jesus' Word and confesses Him to be Son of God and the King of Israel! This morning through Word and Sacrament, we are empowered by the Lord Jesus to hear His Word. Like Philip and Nathanael, we can only be responsive to God's will once we have heard Jesus' voice and believe. Today we are strengthened to know and trust that Jesus is OUR Savior as we hear this most important conversation that Jesus once held with Philip and Nathanael. God strengthen us to have conversations about Jesus with others too, that they can likewise know Him and rejoice in His salvation! Come and worship with us again soon!

HOLY COMMUNION WILL BE CELEBRATED TODAY AT THE 8:15 A.M. DIVINE WORSHIP SERVICE. We confess that in the bread and wine we truly receive Jesus' body and blood which were given and shed for the forgiveness of our sins and for the strengthening of our faith. Fellow Lutherans and those who have communed with us before may join us at the Lord's Table. If you are uncertain as to what you receive in the Holy Supper or hold to a different confession, we ask that you speak to pastor or one of the elders **before** coming to His Holy Table. This practice is instituted to do a responsible ministry to all who come to the Holy Supper, and to ensure that the Sacrament is taken to the soul's health of each communicant.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Melissa Pieper- our preschool director, who submitted to gall bladder surgery Wednesday afternoon.

Julie Hingst- who was unable to have knee surgery this past week due to a remaining MRSA infection. She will now receive another round of antibiotics in hopes of surgery in 4-6 weeks.

Joseph Rotole- friend of Robert Wicks, who is hospitalized with Covid-19.

Jennifer Sieszputowski Kosinsky who was diagnosed with Covid-19.

Those being treated for cancer: Andrew Phlaum, Sheila Rice, Jennifer Gade-Kroll, Lisa Zimmermann, Vanessa Turnbow and Mitchell English.

Dick Burt- who has been hospitalized recently.

Michelle Cooper- who continues to recover from neck surgery.

Pastor Fabry and Hannah Beskange- both in hospice care.

Skip Bacon – for strength in his recovery

LIFE THOUGHTS “Abortion isn’t something happening in another state or county or city. It is happening right in our backyards. And now we know many [who have had abortions] attend churches regularly and are sitting in our church pews looking for answers. May the Lord provide the answers needed to send a message of hope and forgiveness as well as proclaiming abortion to not be in God’s will.” *Virginia J. Flo, Minnesota Regional Director & National Conference Director for Lutherans For Life*

STEWARDSHIP CORNER Even in these challenging economic times, we still live in the wealthiest country in the world. As a people, we are very prosperous. Many households have more than one car, multiple television sets; and cell phones. With money available for so many things, why are so many of our churches lacking money for their work and in debt? Just what place in our lives does our faith occupy? What does our church mean to us when we compare it to our home, friends, business, ambition, or pleasure? We may ask the question, "Is our church receiving our time and commitment that it deserves? or "How far are we willing to go to bring our gifts so the mission and ministry of our church can move forward?" May God grant you His counsel regarding these questions.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR TOPIC for next Sunday, 1/17: ""Why Jesus Told Parables" Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler.

Jesus' parables draw His followers out of the crowd and into the circle of His disciples. (Mark 4) Tune in to *The Lutheran Hour* every Sunday on WDFN (1130 AM) at 6:30 A.M., WRDT (560 AM) at 7:30 A.M. and at Noon, XM Satellite Family Radio Dial 170 at 1:00 P.M. or RealAudio on the internet at www.lhm.org.

ALTAR GUILD Serving with the Altar Guild for the month are Virginia Liebaert, Beverly Zimmermann, and Ellen Nelson.



ONE WEEK AGO TODAY:
8:15 Worship Service: 35
10:45 Worship Service: 36
Holy Communion: 35
Monday Worship Service: 13
Bible Class: 11



IF YOU CAN HELP, please help us deliver some of our offering envelopes to members and friends who may live near you. This will assist us in reducing the cost of postage and the need to mail the envelopes. Thank you.

LIFE SUNDAY- we will join countless other Lutheran Congregations across our District and Synod in the celebration of Life Sunday on January 24th. We learn from God's Word the high regard God has for the life that only He can and does create. It is our work as Christian believers to share the forgiveness, the hope and the love of God with others in this post-modern world where life is often minimized to personal choice and one's own rational ideas. Now more than ever we need to be prepared to give a defense for vulnerable souls, both old and young in our world who have no one to speak on their behalf. Come worship with us, hear God's Word, and have His Spirit strengthen us at this time in our lives to share the sanctity of life that God teaches and wills for all His people.

LOOKING AHEAD: Lent begins early this year, with Ash Wednesday falling Wednesday, February 17, 2021. Worship services will be held both mornings and evenings in the Lenten season as is our

custom. Remember: it is our custom that no flowers are placed on the altar in the penitential season of Lent between Ash Wednesday and Palm Sunday.

ITEMS FOR OUR FEBRUARY-MARCH NEWSLETTER will be due soon. All boards, committees and groups need to have their news articles into the church office for publication in our newsletter before January 26th. Thank you.

Anyone wishing to make a contribution with a credit card please go to our website at www.christthekinggp.org and click on the "Donate Now" box in the lower right-hand corner and follow the instructions.

<i>JANUARY 2021 - FINANCIAL PROGRESS</i>			
<i><u>Envelope & Plate Receipts Only</u></i>			
<i>Week #</i>		<i>2021</i>	<i>2020</i>
1		\$ 6,577	\$ 6,727
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Month-to-Date Total		<u>\$ 6,577</u>	<u>\$ 6,727</u>

<i>1-1-1 Missions Update</i>	
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