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# ## Wessian." JOHN 1:41

THIRD SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY

JANUARY 26<sup>TH</sup> 2020

# WELCOME

Thank you for worshipping with us today. Please sign the guest register in the entry as you leave the church today.

# TODAY'S SERVICE

January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Liturgy: Common Service

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#### Organist:

Ann Sprengeler

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# PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

#### Psalm 40:1-11

I waited patiently for the LORD; And He inclined to me, And heard my cry. <sup>2</sup> He also brought me up out of a horrible pit, Out of the miry clay, And set my feet upon a rock, And established my steps. <sup>3</sup> He has put a new song in my mouth-- Praise to our God; Many will see it and fear, And will trust in the LORD. 4 Blessed is that man who makes the LORD his trust, And does not respect the proud, nor such as turn aside to lies. 5 Many, O LORD my God, are Your wonderful works Which You have done; And Your thoughts toward us Cannot be recounted to You in order; If I would declare and speak of them, They are more than can be numbered. <sup>6</sup> Sacrifice and offering You did not desire; My ears You have opened. Burnt offering and sin offering You did not require. 7 Then I said, "Behold, I come; In the scroll of the book it is written of me. 8 I delight to do Your will, O my God, And Your law is within my heart." 9 I have proclaimed the good news of righteousness In the great assembly; Indeed, I do not restrain my lips, O LORD, You Yourself know. <sup>10</sup> I have not hidden Your righteousness within my heart; I have declared Your faithfulness and Your salvation; I have not concealed Your lovingkindness and Your truth From the great assembly. I Do not withhold Your tender mercies from me, O LORD; Let Your lovingkindness and Your truth continually preserve me.

# SERVICE OF THE WORD

# Hymn 59:1-3 Hail to the Lord's Anointed INVOCATION

p In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

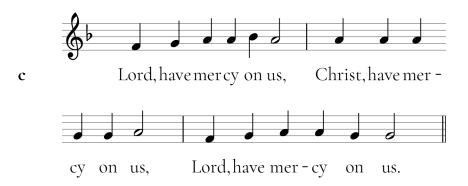


# **CONFESSION OF SINS**

- p Beloved of God: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking Him, in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.
- all Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. for this I deserve

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your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.



p God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called 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.



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In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord. p Glory be to God high, c on O peace, good will and on earth toward men, O We praise you, we bless you, we wor - ship you, O we glorify you, we give thanks to you, for your great glory O Lord God, heav'nly King God the Father al - mighty, O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je Christ; sus O O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

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p The Lord be with you.



p Let us pray . . . Almighty and everlasting God, mercifully look upon out infirmities and stretch forth the hand of Your majesty to heal and defend us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever.



# THE WORD

**Isaiah 49:1-7** "Listen, O coastlands, to Me, And take heed, you peoples from afar! The LORD has called Me from the womb; From the matrix of My mother He has made men-

tion of My name. <sup>2</sup> And He has made My mouth like a sharp sword; In the shadow of His hand He has hidden Me, And made Me a polished shaft; In His quiver He has hidden Me." <sup>3</sup> "And He said to me, You *are* My servant, O Israel, In whom I will be glorified.' 4 Then I said, I have labored in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and in vain; Yet surely my just reward is with the LORD, And my work with my God." 5 "And now the LORD says, Who formed Me from the womb to be His Servant, To bring Jacob back to Him, So that Israel is gathered to Him (For I shall be glorious in the eyes of the LORD, And My God shall be My strength), <sup>6</sup> Indeed He says, It is too small a thing that You should be My Servant To raise up the tribes of Jacob, And to restore the preserved ones of Israel; I will also give You as a light to the Gentiles, That You should be My salvation to the ends of the earth." 7 Thus says the LORD, The Redeemer of Israel, their Holy One, To Him whom man despises, To Him whom the nation abhors, To the Servant of rulers: "Kings shall see and arise, Princes also shall worship, Because of the LORD who is faithful, The Holy One of Israel; And He has chosen You."

I Corinthians 1:1-9 Paul, called to be an apostle of Jesus Christ through the will of God, and Sosthenes our brother, <sup>2</sup> To the church of God which is at Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, with all who in every place call on the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, both theirs and ours: <sup>3</sup> Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. 4 I thank my God always concerning you for the grace of God which was given to you by Christ Jesus, 5 that you were enriched in everything by Him in all utterance and all knowledge, 6 even as the testimony of Christ was confirmed in you, <sup>7</sup> so that you come short in no gift, eagerly waiting for the revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ, 8 who will also confirm you to the end, that you may be blameless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>9</sup> God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

p Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it!



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# THE NICENE CREED

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 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.

# INSTALLATION OF CHURCH OFFICERS

# Hymn 421:1-3 Come Follow Me the Savior Spake

# **SERMON**

John 1:29-42 29 The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! 30 "This is He of whom I said, After me comes a Man who is preferred before me, for He was before me.' 31 "I did not know Him; but that He should be revealed to Israel, therefore I came baptizing with water." <sup>32</sup> And John bore witness, saying, "I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and He remained upon Him. 33 "I did not know Him, but He who sent me to baptize with water said to me, Upon whom you see the Spirit descending, and remaining on Him, this is He who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' 34 "And I have seen and testified that this is the Son of God." 35 Again, the next day, John stood with two of his disciples. <sup>36</sup> And looking at Jesus as He walked, he said, "Behold the Lamb of God!" 37 The two disciples heard him speak, and they

followed Jesus. <sup>38</sup> Then Jesus turned, and seeing them following, said to them, "What do you seek?" They said to Him, "Rabbi" (which is to say, when translated, Teacher), "where are You staying?" <sup>39</sup> He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where He was staying, and remained with Him that day (now it was about the tenth hour). <sup>40</sup> One of the two who heard John *speak*, and followed Him, was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. <sup>41</sup> He first found his own brother Simon, and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated, the Christ). <sup>42</sup> And he brought him to Jesus.

# JESUS CALLS US TO GREATER THINGS

If left to ourselves we would never follow Christ. What he offers is not what our sinful nature desires. But the power of God draws us to Christ, and in Him we find something worth even our lives.



# Hymn 652 I Lay My Sins On Jesus

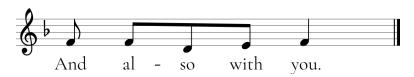
# OFFERING, PRAYERS AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

all 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.



# SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

p The Lord be with you.



p Lift up your hearts.

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p Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



p It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lived among us as a human being and revealed his glory as your only Son, full of grace and truth. There-

fore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song;



## **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

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."



The peace of the Lord be with you always!

# **AGNUS DEI**



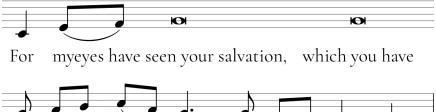
# THE DISTRIBUTION

[305 Soul Adorn Thyself with Gladness]

We ask that only members of Faith Lutheran Church or the CLC come forward to receive the Lord's Supper. Visitors are welcome to speak to the pastor after the service. Allergy free wafers are available to the first table.

# **THANKSGIVING**





prepared be - fore the face of all people,

p O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

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p We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this holy supper. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



# THE BENEDICTION

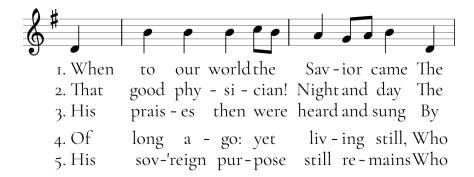
p The Lord bless you and keep you.

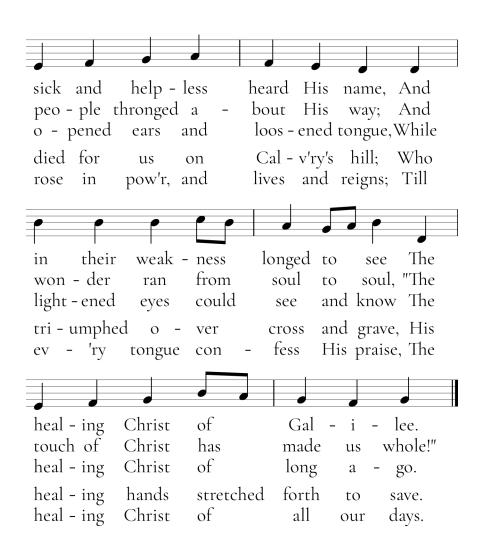
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.



# Hymn - When To Our World the Savior Came





#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### THIS WEEK

#### Sunday 1/26

9am Worship Service with Communion 10am Sunday School 10am Choir Practice 10:15am Bible Class

#### Wednesday 1/29

5:15pm Bible Class 5pm Faith Alive

#### Thursday 1/30

4 pm Confirmation Class

#### Sunday 2/2

9am Worship Service 10am Sunday School 10am Choir Practice 10:15am Bible Class

#### FRUITS OF FAITH

Attendance - 65 General: \$ 4433.50 Missions: \$ 140.00

#### **ENVELOPE COMMITTEE**

This Week: Team # 6

Bill Jenkins, Wayne Draeger

Next Week: Team # 1

Steve Meilan, Dean Bremer

#### JANUARY USHERS

Bob McElory, Martin Hansen, Russ Brown, Preston Schmidt

#### FEBRUARY USHERS

Jim Brown, Matt Dumke, Archie Quade, Gary Quade

#### TAX RECEIPT

Please check your mailbox. Your end of the year tax receipt is there. If you have any questions regarding your receipt, feel free to call Sue Klawitter at 920-295-3853

#### **BIBLE CLASS**

We are starting midweek bible classes on Wednesday nights. Potluck at 5:15pm, followed by Bible Class and games.

# NEW BOOKS

New books were purchased for the church library and will be on display over the next few months. Feel free to take a look.

#### SCHOOL CLEANING

More help is needed cleaning the school. We are looking for someone to clean once or twice a month. It takes about 5 -6 hours and the pay is \$12 an hour. Contact Pastor Ude or Marsha Brown if interested.

#### ANNUAL REPORT

Annual report including summary of voter's meeting is available on the table in the hallway.

#### **CALL NEWS**

Pastor Mark Bernthal, Peace Thru Christ, Middleton, WI has returned the call to Bethel, Morris, MN.

#### WHAT'S GOOD ABOUT THE PUBLIC MINISTRY?

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### IT IS ORDAINED BY JESUS CHRIST HIMSELF.

he ministry of Christian pastors and teachers is little regarded by the world and at times little appreciated by Christians. But God says of it: "The saying is trustworthy: If anyone aspires to the office of overseer, he desires a noble task." (I Tim. 3:1). What's good about the public ministry? That's what we'll be looking at over the next few months. Today, we consider that the public ministry is good because it was ordained by Jesus Christ Himself. Listen to this word of God recorded in Ephesians 4:11-12:

And he [Christ] gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the shepherds and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ. (ESV)

This text speaks about two kinds of ministry, the general ministry which belongs to all believers, and the public ministry which belongs to those who have received calls to preach and teach the Word of God to others. Those who have calls into the public ministry, the apostle says, serve to equip the members of their flocks to carry out their personal ministries in their individual private lives. The result is that the body of Christ, the holy Christian Church, is built up as a holy temple in which the Lord God Himself dwells. Here are Paul's words again in a free translation: "Christ has given some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, some to be pastors and teachers, for the purpose of equipping the saints for the work of ministering, so that the body of Christ might be built up."

#### LET'S TAKE THESE THINGS ONE AT A TIME.

There is a general ministry of the Word which belongs to every Christian man, woman, and child. Many Bible verses serve to establish this fact. For example, the Lord Christ gave this commission to all of His disciples just before His ascension into heaven: "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations." (Matt. 28:19). And the Apos-

tle Peter says to every Christian man and woman, boy and girl: "But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light." (1 Pet. 2:9). As soon as the Holy Spirit made you a saint by bringing you into the fellowship of Christ through the Gospel, He made you also a witness of Christ to bring this Gospel to others. As soon as He filled your heart with the joy of salvation through the forgiveness of your sins, He also opened your mouth to share this joy with others.

So that you might be more fully equipped for this personal ministry of yours, the Lord Christ established also the public ministry by giving to His Church men and women to serve as Christian pastors, teachers, and so forth. It happens in this way: The Lord makes a group of Christians aware of a spiritual need that they share in common, and then He supplies their need by leading them to send a call to a person who will administer His Word and Sacraments in their midst.

The ministry of Christian pastors and teachers is referred to as the "public" ministry because these called servants do their work, not only in their own private capacity as disciples of Christ, but by request of and in behalf of all of those other Christians who have called them.

#### PRECIOUS BLESSINGS

These called ministers of the Gospel, our text says, are gifts of the risen and ascended Lord Jesus Christ to His Church. Next time that you hear your pastor speak to you from the pulpit, next time that you sit at the feet of a Christian teacher in a classroom, think of these called servants as precious blessings to you from a loving Savior, who through them is building you up in your faith and knowledge, so that you may cling to Him more firmly and be better equipped to witness to Him in your own private lives.

This public ministry is a good thing, then, because it has been ordained by Jesus Christ Himself.

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