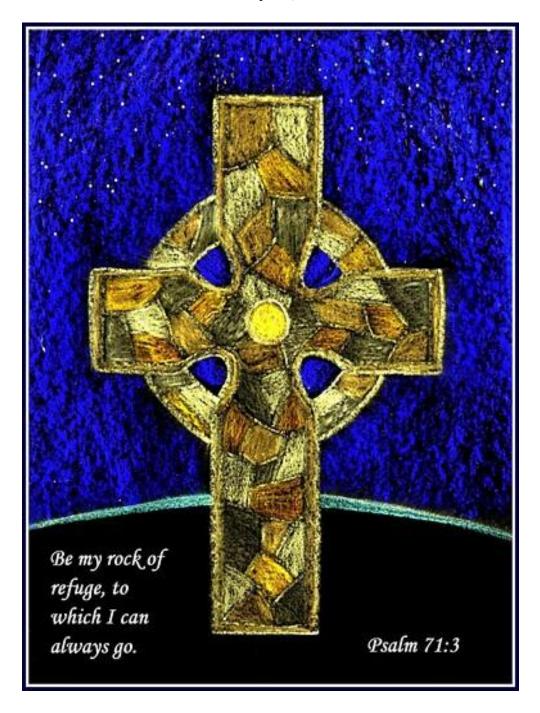
St. John's Lutheran Church Fourth Sunday after Epiphany A Service of Healing and Wholeness January 30, 2022



PRELUDE WELCOME

On this 4th Sunday after Epiphany we seek the light of Christ's love and God's healing power with a special 5th Sunday service of Healing and Wholeness. Know this light shines through all darkness. Take heed, lest the glory of God slip through our midst unnoticed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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*CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS

P In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen

P God calls us to speak the truth, even when it is difficult, to others but also to ourselves. Confessing our sin in prayer, we dare to speak the truth about ourselves to God, who desires to deliver us and to cast out fear.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

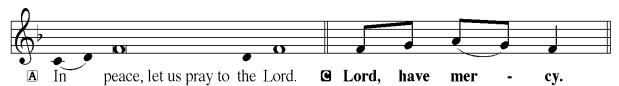
- P Most merciful God of Life,
- C we admit to you and to each other that we have not always lived lives of love. We have lost patience and been rude. We have been irritable and insisted on our own way. We have even let love end. Forgive us and heal us, dear God, through Jesus Christ, your love incarnate. Amen.
- P Though we know only in part, we are fully known to God. By the grace of Christ, God forgives us in love, and calls us to abide in faith, in hope, and in love. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen

*GREETING

- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.

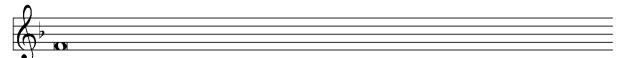




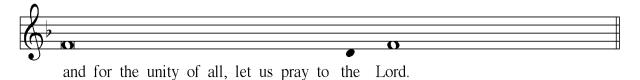


A For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

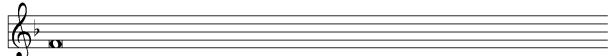




A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,







A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,





A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra-cious Lord.

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*HYMN of PRAISE



*PRAYER of the DAY ~ (in unison)



P Let us pray...

Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and love; and that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

LESSONS

First Lesson ~ A reading from Jeremiah 1:4-10 *after the reading*

R The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm 71:1-6 ~ with response

The psalm is announced, organ plays response 1x, cantor or pastor sings 1x, people join to sing response, then as psalm is read, congregation sings response at each R.

Second Lesson ~ A reading from 1 Corinthians 13:1-13 after the reading

R The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

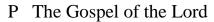
*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Gospel Reading ~ P The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 4th chapter.



The Gospel is read. After the reading





MESSAGE Slipping Up or Slipping By

*APOSTLES' 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

OFFERING ~ you may leave your gifts in one of the offering plates at the end of the front and back pews.



*PRAYERS of the PEOPLE ~

P The Spirit of the Lord is poured out upon us in abundance; so we are bold to pray for the church, the world, and all that has made.

A brief silence.

P Let us pray for all people according to their needs. Let us pray for all who suffer, that all in pain or grief or any kind of suffering may find strength and peace in Christ. Lord in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Let us pray for those whose hearts are broken and whose hope has vanished, that their trust in God's promises may be renewed in Christ. Lord in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Let us pray for recovery from sickness, that God, the strength of the weak and the comfort of the suffering, may mercifully hear our prayers and grant healing power, that in Christ sickness may be turned to health and our sorrow to joy. Lord in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Let us pray for those who serve in the professions of healing, that God may guide physicians and nurses and all those called to practice the arts of healing. Strengthen them by your spirit so that the health of all people may be promoted and Christ glorified. Lord in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Let us pray for the ministry of family and friends. Give strength and gentleness, patience and faithfulness to family members and friends. Let their love be in you, and by their ministry of love let your love be made known. Lord in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Let us pray for all those who depend upon our prayers. Blessed Lord, we ask your loving care and protection for those who are sick in body, mind, or spirit and who desire our prayers. Take from them all fears and help them put their trust in you, that they may feel your strong arms around them. Lord in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Praise to you, almighty God and Father. You sent your Son to live among us and to bring us your salvation.

C Blessed be God.

P Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, incomparable Son of the Father. You humbled yourself to share in our humanity, and you came to heal all our illnesses.

C Blessed be God.

P Praise to you, Holy Spirit, our defender and consoler. You heal our sickness with your mighty and life-giving power.

C Blessed be God.

P Merciful Lord God, constant source of all healing, we give you thanks for all your gifts of strength and life, and above all we thank you for the gift of your Son, through whom we have health and salvation. As we wait for the day when there will be no more pain, help us by your Holy Spirit to be assured of your power in our lives and to trust in your eternal love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

C Amen.

The congregation may greet each other with "Peace be with you".

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

P Let us pray as Jesus taught us:

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

P When the sun was setting, the people brought to Jesus all who had various kinds of sickness, and laying his hands on each one, he healed them. (*Luke 4:40*)

SERVICE FOR HEALING AND WHOLENESS

Prayers for healing and anointing with oil:

All those who wish to have personal prayers heard and receive oil of anointment and/or laying on of hands may come forward.

You may approach in silence or voice a concern for yourself, loved ones, a cause such as hurricane victims or cancer survivors, or may request a prayer for healing in our church, community or world.

Those sitting in the pews or standing, please join in singing or humming with the organ ~ "Open Our Eyes, Lord"

Open our eyes, Lord; we want to see Jesus, To reach out and touch Him, and say that we love Him. Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen. Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus.

P Sisters and brothers, I invite you to come and receive a sign of healing and wholeness in the name of the Triune God.

P In the name of our Savior Jesus Christ and all the angels of the Lord, be strengthened and filled with God's grace, that you may know the healing power of the spirit.

C Amen.

*THE BLESSING

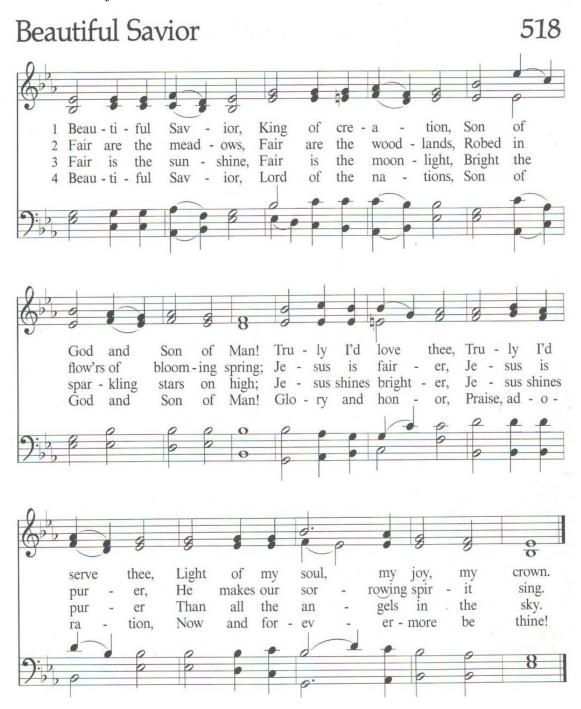
- P The Lord bless you and keep you.

 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

*HYMN ~ Beautiful Savior

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*DISMISSAL

P Go in Peace. Serve the Lord

R Thanks be to God

POSTLUDE

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Our Mission Statement

We, the members of St. John's congregation, promise to share the good news of Jesus Christ, to worship and to love one another in our homes, church, community and the world.

Our Vision Statement

To be people who are welcoming and encourage God's love in our community through our prayer, devotion, benevolence and deeds.

Today

Greeters: John and Brenda Boring; Lay Reader: John Boring

Next Sunday, February 6

Greeters: Jay and Joy Byler; Lay Reader: VOLUNTEER NEEDED

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God by Jim and Georgianna Buchanan in honor of their grandson, Elliott Dolin's 6th birthday.

Please remember in prayer ~ Calvin Baker, Don F. Smith, Camden Peachey, Susan Keller, Steve Rodgers, Stacey Spicher, Samantha Smith, our members ~ Joyce Stuck (formerly Ohesson, now Greenwood Village), Betty Harmon (formerly Elmcroft, now Celebration Villa), Pastor Kramm, Don Wolfe, Carol Yoder (VVH).

FROM the PASTOR

Jan 30 is a fifth Sunday - in consideration of the many with Covid this month and members and family members recovering from surgery and illness we will hold a service of Healing and Wholeness. Please bring your prayers for others, for yourself and the world to share. They may be brought forward as we receive Chrism oil and if you choose may be included in the Pastor's prayers of intercession.

Feb 6 we welcome Chad Hershberger as our speaker. Director of Camp Mt. Luther and our tech coordinator for the Synod he will speak about Camp ministries and new ways to use technology to share ministry. Communion will not be celebrated this day.

Pastor Ela will be on break and at a friend's wedding Feb 1 - 8. Rev. Rick Adams may be contacted for emergency pastoral care during that time. He may be reached at: #717-253-0235 and email: richard.adams1230@gmail.com

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Volunteers are needed to help with Sunday morning duties in February. A sign-up can be found on the table in the narthex.

St. John's has Meals on Wheels this week. Still needed is **5 quart of fruit** salad for this Tuesday, February 1. Thank you to everyone who signed up to help provide our desserts.

Committee sign-up sheets can be found in the narthex. There are two new committees this year. They are Mission and Website. Please prayerfully consider serving on one...or possibly two!

The following dates are still available to sponsor 2022 altar flowers. Please contact the church office or sign-up in the narthex, if you are interested.

February 6 and 20, July 24 October 9 and November 27

Please remember to notate whether you would like to keep the flowers or have them delivered. At this time, the cost remains at \$40.00.

One of our members dropped off several puzzles for anyone interested. They are a nice way to help pass the time on these winter days, and can be found on table in the narthex.

January 1 thru 27, 2022 (January 16) Attendance ~ 25 Offering ~ \$1,425.00

St. John's ~ Income \$ 19,250.07 Expense \$ 11,741.03 Net Income \$ 7,509.04

Daycare ~ Income \$ 33,464.54 Expense \$ 22,401.89 Net Income \$ 11,062.65