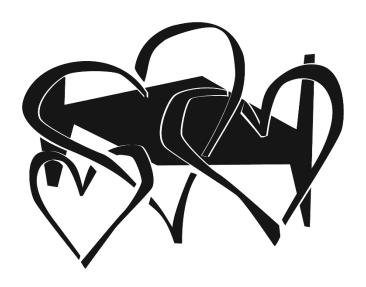
Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

Sunday, February 3, 2019



Christ Lutheran Church

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The Mission of Christ Lutheran Church is to help all people know Jesus as their Savior and grow in relationship with Him.

Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany Sunday, February 3, 2019

DIVINE SERVICE: Setting Four

INVOCATION

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

C: Amen.

CONFESSION and ABOLUTION

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C: who made heaven and earth.

P: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C: But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

P: Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. 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.

INTROIT

Ps. 10:16–18; antiphon: Ps. 10:12

P: Arise, O LORD; O God, lift up Your hand; forget not the afflicted.

C: The LORD is king forever and ever; the nations perish from His land.

P: O LORD, You hear the desire of the afflicted; You will strengthen their heart:

C: You will incline Your ear to do justice to the fatherless and the oppressed, so that man who is of the earth may strike terror no more.

P: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;

C: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P: Arise, O LORD; O God, lift up Your hand; forget not the afflicted.



GLORIA IN EXCELSIS



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-shiped 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

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.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Jeremiah 1:4-10

⁴ Now the word of the Lord came to me, saying, ⁵ "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations." ⁶ Then I said, "Ah, Lord God! Behold, I do not know how to speak, for I am only a youth." ⁷ But the Lord said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a youth'; for to all to whom I send you, you shall go, and whatever I command you, you shall speak. ⁸ Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, declares the Lord." ⁹ Then the Lord put out His hand and touched my mouth. And the Lord said to me, "Behold, I have put My words in your mouth. ¹⁰ See, I have set you this day over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to break down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING

1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13

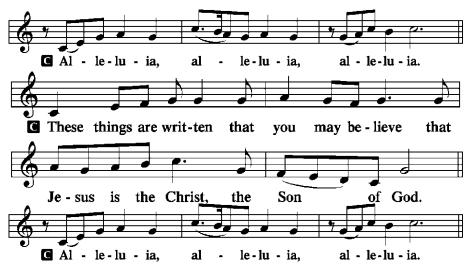
³¹ I will show you a still more excellent way. ¹ If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. ² And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. ³ If I give away all I have, and if I deliver up my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing. ⁴ Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant ⁵ or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; ⁶ it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. ⁷ Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. ⁸ Love never ends. As for prophecies, they will pass away; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will pass away. ⁹ For we know in part and we prophesy in part, ¹⁰ but

when the perfect comes, the partial will pass away. ¹¹ When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I gave up childish ways. ¹² For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I have been fully known. ¹³ So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA and VERSE



P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 4th chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 4:31-44

³¹ And Jesus went down to Capernaum, a city of Galilee. And He was teaching them on the Sabbath, ³² and they were astonished at His teaching, for His word possessed authority. ³³ And in the synagogue there was a man who had the spirit of an unclean demon, and he cried out with a loud voice, ³⁴ "Ha! 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." ³⁵ But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent and come out of him!" And when the demon had thrown him down in their midst, he came out of him, having done him no harm. ³⁶ And they

were all amazed and said to one another. "What is this word? For with authority and power He commands the unclean spirits, and they come out!" 37 And reports about Him went out into every place in the surrounding region. 38 And He arose and left the synagogue and entered Simon's house. Now Simon's mother-in-law was ill with a high fever, and they appealed to Him on her behalf. ³⁹ And He stood over her and rebuked the fever, and it left her, and immediately she rose and began to serve them. 40 Now when the sun was setting, all those who had any who were sick with various diseases brought them to Him, and He laid His hands on every one of them and healed them. 41 And demons also came out of many, crying, "You are the Son of God!" But He rebuked them and would not allow them to speak, because they knew that He was the Christ. 42 And when it was day, He departed and went into a desolate place. And the people sought Him and came to Him, and would have kept Him from leaving them, 43 but He said to them, "I must preach the good news of the kingdom of God to the other towns as well; for I was sent for this purpose." 44 And He was preaching in the synagogues of Judea.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

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 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.

SERMON

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

GATHERING OF THE OFFERINGS

₩ SACRAMENT

If you are a confirmed member of a Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod congregation, we invite you to commune with us. If you are not a confirmed member of an LCMS congregation and would like to come forward with your family and friends during the distribution, please place your hands over your heart and you will receive a blessing.

PREFACE

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

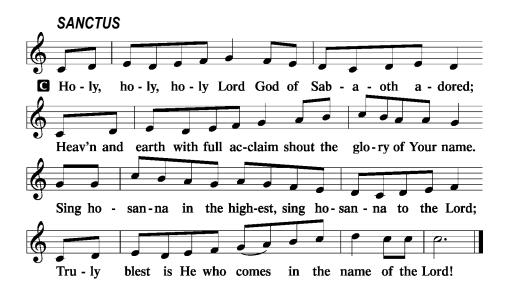
P: Lift up your hearts.

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, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P: Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

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.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

THE LORD'S PRAYER

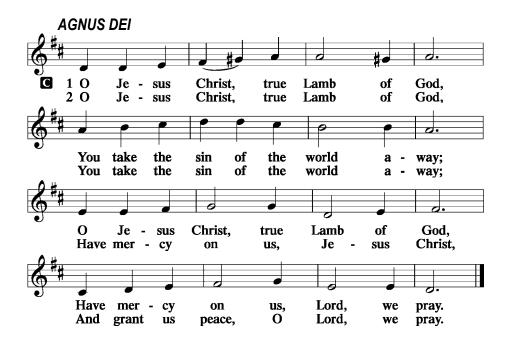
Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the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

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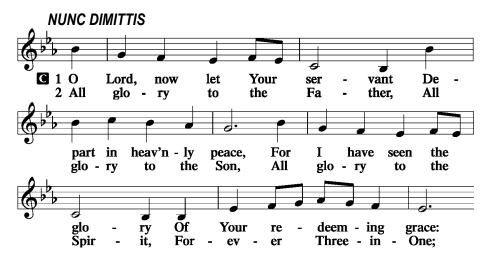
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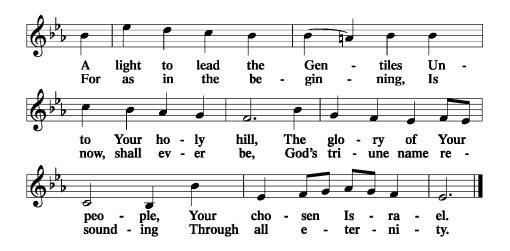
P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.



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POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

P: Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

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.

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THIS WEEK AT CLC — (2/3/19 – 2/10/19)

Sunday: Worship/HC, 9:00am; Education Hour, 10:30am **Tuesday:** Board of Elders, 6:00pm; Ladies Guild, 6:30pm

Wednesday: Bible class, 8:30am; Evangelism, 9:30am; 2nd year

Confirmation, 5:00pm; 1st year Confirmation, 6:00pm

Thursday: Worship/HC, 6:30pm

Sunday: Worship/HC, 9:00am; Education Hour, 10:30am

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE (Week ending January 27, 2019)

General & Building Funds: \$3,478.03; Blessings: \$12.47; Memorial

Fund: \$1000.00; Youth Gathering: \$185.00 Attendance: Thursday: 15; Sunday: 123

CLC ANNOUNCEMENTS

GUESTS AND VISITORS: We are glad you are here! We invite you to join us for fellowship following the service. Bathrooms are located upstairs on each end of the fellowship/Bible study area.

IF YOU TURNED IN A CONTRIBUTION FOR THE YOUTH

FUNDRAISER on Thursday, January 17 or Sunday, January 20, please let Pastor know ASAP. We need to hear from you so that your donation can get recorded for tax purposes. Thank you!

CLC BLOOD DRIVE: Have you ever thought of donating blood as being a good steward of your time and talent? For those of you that are physically able, I urge you to thank the Lord for your good health by donating blood on Tuesday, February 12th from 3:30 - 6:15pm in the lower level of the church. The sign-up sheet is on the podium in the fellowship area. Walk-ins are always welcome. Save a life, donate blood!

OPERATION BABY BOTTLE: Please place your bottles in Sandi Michaelis's mailbox or give them directly to Sandi. Thanks!

ALL LADIES ARE WELCOME to join us for Ladies Guild this Tuesday February 5 at 6:30p.m. Artist Carol Gavitt will offer an Acrylic Painting Lesson, topic: Think Spring! Flowers will be featured. There will be a \$5.00 charge to help cover supplies. Hope to see you there!

WEATHER CANCELLATIONS FOR CHURCH SERVICES /

ACTIVITIES: Please check Channel 9 TV's website, the CLC website or Facebook page, or call the church at 715-848-2040 and press option "6".

YOUTH FUNDRAISER: More envelopes are available on the youth group board in the fellowship area. Place the envelopes in the offering plate by February 28. If you have any questions, please see Brian Otten.

Ladies Guild **FEBRUARY HUMAN CARE DONATIONS** will be going to Children's Service Society of WI. Small fleece blankets, stuffed animals, coloring books/colors, journals, juice and snack packs are needed.

"LIFE QUOTES" from Lutherans For Life

"God has given each of us a limited time to be on this earth, a purpose for that time, and people to share that time with. Don't wait for a near-death experience to teach you the lesson of appreciating to the fullest what God has given you. Life is too short." *Diane E. Schroeder, former president of Lutherans For Life* – (www.lutheransforlife.org)