

January 26,2020

3rd Sunday after Epiphany

Now the Feast and Celebration

We welcome you with open arms and open hearts!

Faith Lutheran Church is a family of God built on love: Worshiping, welcoming, growing and serving in Christ's name.

Young children are welcome in the service. Age-appropriate activity bags are available in the lobby.

If you are new to Faith, please complete a response card (can be found in the pew) and drop it in the offering plate or hand it to the ushers. We would like to be in touch with you

Evangelical Lutheran Worship: "ELW" refers to the Red Hymnal. page numbers at the bottom of the page, hymn numbers at the top of the page.

Welcome to Faith and thank you for coming!

God Gathers The Body Of Christ

(<u>Now the Feast Liturgy</u> (NtF) is located inside the back cover of the red hymnal.)

If you have an announcement to share with the congregation, please check in with the assisting minister Carl Russ before the service begins.

Prelude Call to Worship

Lina Gyles, Accompanist

Welcome

- AM: The peace of the Lord be with you all.
- All: And also with you.
- AM: Please take a moment to share God's peace with your neighbors. Any Prayer requests?

The Gathering Hymn "Bright & Glorious is the Sky" ELW #301

The Brief Order of Confession and Forgiveness

- PM: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the eternal voice from heaven, the anointed and beloved one, the Spirit moving over the waters.
- All: Amen.
- PM: As we approach the mystery of God, let us come in confession, trusting the love of Christ crucified and risen. *Silence is kept for reflection.* God who searches us and knows us,

All: you have shown us what is good, but we have looked to other lights to find our way. We have not been just in our dealings with others. We have chosen revenge over mercy. We have promoted ourselves instead of walking humbly with you. With what shall we come before you? Forgive us our sin, and show us your salvation in the face of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen. PM: Beloved of God. you have not received the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, poured out for you in the faithfulness of Jesus Christ. Receive the promise of baptism: You are God's child; + your sins are forgiven. Rejoice and be glad, for yours is the reign of heaven.

All: Amen.

The Kyrie

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The Hymn of Praise

"Now the Feast"

(projected) NtF page 4-5

The Prayer of the Day

AM: The Lord be with you. All: And also with you.

AM: Let us pray.

All: Lord God, your lovingkindness always goes before us and follows after us. Summon us into your light, and direct our steps in the ways of goodness that come through the cross of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

(AM: please be seated for the readings)

God Speaks To Us In The Word

First Reading

Isaiah 9:1-4

Lector: A reading from the 9th chapter of Isaiah:

The northern tribes of Zebulun and Naphtali experienced the gloom of defeat by Assyrian military forces, but they are assured that their condition will be reversed when God makes a light-filled appearance. The joy they will experience will resemble celebrations of great harvests, because God will deliver them from everything that diminishes or oppresses them.

¹There will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time [the LORD] brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

²The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness—on them light has shined.

³You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. ⁴For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian. Psalm 27 (sung)

All: *Refrain:* The Lord is my light and my salvation, of whom should I be afraid, of whom should I be afraid?

- L: The Lord is my light and my help; Whom should I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; before whom should I shrink? *Refrain*
- L: There is one thing I ask of the Lord; For this I long: to live in the house of the Lord all days Of my life. *Refrain*
- L: I believe I shall see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living; hope in God, and take heart. Hope in the Lord! *Refrain*

Second Reading

Corinthians 1:10-18

Lector: A reading from the 1st chapter of Corinthians:

Paul calls on the Corinthians to end their dissensions and share the unified outlook of the gospel. Discord arises when we forget that we belong not to human leaders or institutions but to Christ. Indeed, the unifying word of the cross of Christ is the center of the gospel and the power of God's salvation.

¹⁰Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. ¹¹For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. ¹²What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." ¹³Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? ¹⁴I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, ¹⁵so that no one

can say that you were baptized in my name. ¹⁶(I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) ¹⁷For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.

¹⁸For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

Lector: Word of God, Word of life. All: Thanks be to God

Kids' Talk

Pastor Paul Anderson

(AM: *Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation*) **Gospel Acclamation** (*sung*)

(projected) NtF p. 7

All: Alleluia, Alleluia. Lord to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. (*Repeat*)

Gospel

Matthew 4:12-23

Spark Bible page 258

PM: The Holy Gospel according Matthew chapter 4: All: Glory to you O Lord!

Jesus begins his public ministry shortly after John the Baptist is imprisoned by Herod. He proclaims the nearness of God's reign and calls four fishermen to be his first disciples.

¹²Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. ¹³He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, ¹⁴so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

¹⁵"Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali,

on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles— ¹⁶the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death

light has dawned." ¹⁷From that time Jesus began to proclaim,

"Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near."

¹⁸As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the seafor they were fishermen. ¹⁹And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fish for people." ²⁰Immediately they left their nets and followed him. ²¹As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. ²²Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

²³Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

PM: The Gospel of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

The Sermon

Pastor Paul Anderson

(AM: Please stand as you are able for the Hymn of the Day)

The Hymn of the Day "Will You Come and Follow Me" ELW #798

We Respond To God's Word

The Apostles' Creed (AM leads)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. 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.

ELW p. 105

The Prayers of the Church

"Let My Prayer Rise Up" (projected) ELW #232

Let my prayer rise up like incense before you, The lifting up of my hands as an offering to you.

(AM: Please be seated for the prayers)

Called together through water and the Word, we boldly pray for the church, the world, and all who long to hear God's voice.

A brief silence.

Holy One, your voice calls us to follow. Thank you for raising up missionaries in every generation (*especially Timothy, Titus, and Silas*) and for all who create communities of grace today. Open our hearts to serve you near and far. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Maker of all, we rejoice in the beauty and abundance of the earth. Unite us in our shared calling to be stewards of creation, to reduce waste, and to simplify our lives for your sake. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Ruler of all, thank you for those who run for local and national office, and all who serve as elected leaders. Gather wise and courageous voices together, that your mercy and justice would dawn upon all people and nations. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Healer of all, thank you for sanctuary and safety. Uplift all who live where fear governs and evil divides. Give refugees and all who seek safety a path toward hope and new life. Grant healing and wholeness to all who are sick, lonely, or grieving (*especially*). Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

God of courage, thank you for faithful teachers and evangelists in this and every place. Inspire our faith formation efforts with all generations as you call us to follow you. Bless our children, youth, and adults who engage in learning. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

We place our prayers before you, God, united in your Spirit; through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

(AM: We will now receive the offering)

The Offering

"As the Grains of Wheat"

(projected) NtF p.9

The Offering Prayer

AM: Let us pray, Merciful God,

All: God of wonder,

you formed us in our mother's womb, and from mother earth you bring forth this bread and wine. We place them on your table, together with our lives and all that you have made. Open the heavens to us and pour out your Spirit. We wait for your mercy; we long for your peace; we hunger and thirst for Jesus Christ, our banquet of life. Amen.

Jesus Comes To Us In His Supper

The Words of Institution

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

The Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9-13 & Luke 11:2-4

PM: Lord Jesus, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray...

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.

The Distribution

Jesus Christ is the host of this meal, and he invites you to share a meal with him—an act of friendship, hospitality, and a glimpse of the feast that is to come. The Risen Christ is truly here in the bread and wine, so come, eat, and trust that his promise of forgiveness and everlasting life is for you!

Grape juice is light colored; wine is red. Bread is nut free wheat bread. Wafers are nut, dairy and gluten free. Communion is by intinction at the altar.

Distribution"Lamb of God"NtF p.131) Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
Chorus: Have mercy on us, mercy on us, mercy on us.2) Lamb of God, you break the chains of hatred and fear: (chorus)3) Lamb of God, you are the way of justice and peace: (chorus)4) Lamb of God, you are the way of mercy and love: (chorus)5) Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
Grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.
"Let Us Break Bread Together""Let Us Break Bread Together"ELW # 471
ELW # 471"We Come to the Hungry Feast"ELW #479Post Communion Prayer

- PM: Faithful God,
- All: you have kept your promise to us in this meal, nourishing us with the gift of salvation. Now send your servants forth in peace, that we may testify to your goodness and share the hope that is ours in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Benediction

PM: May Christ, the wisdom and power of God, and the source of our life together, keep you united in mind and purpose. And the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you always. Amen.

(*Please come forward if you have an announcement for the congregation*) **Sending Song** "O Lord Now Let Your Servant Depart" ELW #313

Announcements for Congregation

Doxology (sung)

ELW # 885

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

Dismissal

AM: Go in peace as a family of God built on love:

All: Worshiping, welcoming, serving and growing in Christ's name. Thanks be to God.

God Sends Us Into The World

Coffee Hour Postlude



Coffee & Goodies after worship. We need people to sign up to host and/or donate for this, please sign-up on the sheet on the fridge in the kitchen.

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Today Jan 26		Feb 2	
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			Claudia Williams
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Projection	Scott Southwick	Projection	Scott Southwick

Thanks to our Worship Assistants!



Pray for At-Home Members and Friends...
Battling Cancer: Peter S.
Prayers for: Sandy Drake, Joshua Furniss,
Colleen Southwick, Keith Bell, John, Leta and Ray, Kent
Belcher, Brian Belcher, Richard Castor,
Timothy Hawes, Karl, Shirley Hanson, Dale Hughey,
Peggy Lewis, Irene Stengrimson, Victoria Moore,
LaVonne Beers,

The Beehive: Morry Mitteness, Yvonne Olson, Bertie Henderson Valley View: Ruth Dillon Remington: Betty Swift, Chuck Olson Home Nursing Care: Virginia Rotering, Smitty Incarcerated: Jacob Bachman, George Davis

Please let us know if you are having surgery or know of someone who is, or if you or someone you love is in the hospital. We are here to help support in any way we can, especially with prayers.



Don't forget to take your turn and sign up for our coffee hour treats. Sign up sheet is in the kitchen. We need some volunteers for February and March. Thank you.

New volunteer opportunity! Sign up to lead the Kids' Talk worship during the service. Sign up sheet for every 3rd Sunday in the lobby.

SENIOR "LEAPING FISH" FELLOWSHIP



Save Saturday afternoon February 29th at 1pm for our Senior Fellowship get-together. We will do a Personal Care Kit project for Lutheran World Relief and then have an Alaskan fish meal (there will be a meat alternative for those who don't eat fish).

Stay tuned for more information.

If you have a question, contact Nancy Osborn at 363-2139 or Linda Beyer at 207-3471.