January 22, 2023

Third Sunday After Epiphany



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Matthew 4:18-22

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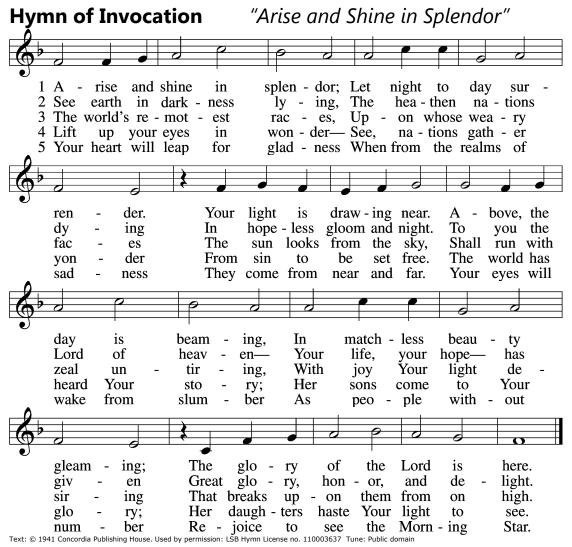
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Our mission is sharing the saving love of Jesus



DIVINE SERVICE SETTING 4

LSB 396



Confession and Absolution

(stand)

- P In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- 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 and 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 H Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Service of the Word



Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us pray together the Collect of the Day.
- C Almighty and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our 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. Amen.

Old Testament Reading: (sit)

Isaiah 9:1–4

¹ There will be no gloom for her who was in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he has made glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. ² The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shined. ³You have multiplied the nation; you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as they are glad when they divide the spoil. ⁴For the yoke of his burden, and the staff for his shoulder, the rod of his oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

P This is the Word of the Lord. C Thanks be to God.

Epistle Reading

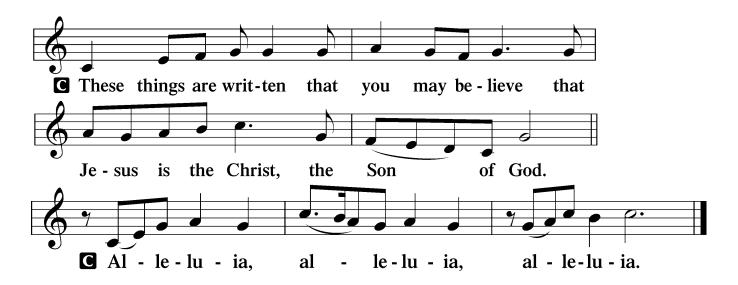
1 Corinthians 1:10-18

¹⁰I appeal to you, brothers, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same judgment. ¹¹For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there is quarreling among you, my brothers. ¹²What I mean is that each one of you says, "I follow Paul," or "I follow Apollos," or "I follow Cephas," or "I follow Christ." ¹³Is Christ 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 may 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 preach the gospel, and not with words of eloquent wisdom, lest the cross of Christ be emptied of its power. ¹⁸For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

P This is the Word of the Lord. C Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse (stand)





- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 4th chapter.
- Glory to You, O Lord.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 4:12-25

¹²When [Jesus] heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew into Galilee. ¹³And leaving Nazareth he went and lived in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, ¹⁴so that what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: ¹⁵"The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles— ¹⁶the people dwelling in darkness have seen a great light, and for those dwelling in the region and shadow of death, on them a light has dawned." ¹⁷From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." ¹⁸While walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon (who is called Peter) and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. ¹⁹And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." ²⁰Immediately they left their nets and followed him. ²¹And going on from there he saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets, and he called them. ²²Immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him. ²³And he went throughout all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affliction among the people. ²⁴So his fame spread throughout all Syria, and they brought him all the sick, those afflicted with various diseases and pains, those oppressed by demons, epileptics, and paralytics, and he healed them. ²⁵And great crowds followed him from Galilee and the Decapolis, and from Jerusalem and Judea, and from beyond the Jordan.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
C Praise to You, O Christ.

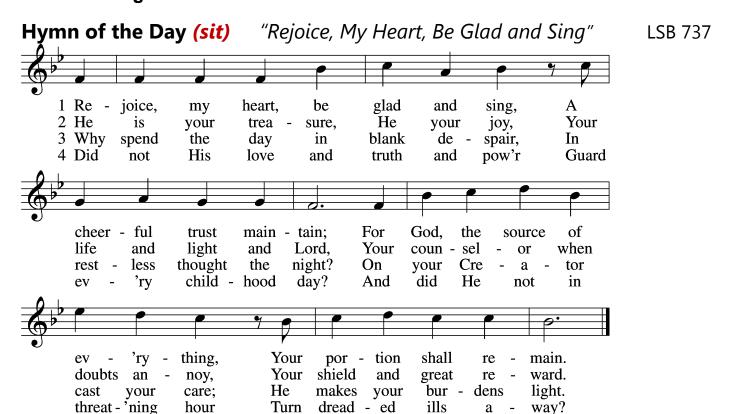
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I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was

crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.



- He only will with patience chide,
 His rod falls gently down;
 And all your sins He casts aside
 In ocean depths to drown.
- 6 His wisdom never plans in vain Nor falters nor mistakes.

All that His counsels may ordain A blessèd ending makes.

7 Upon your lips, then, lay your hand,
And trust His guiding love;
Then like a rock your peace shall stand
Here and in heav'n above.

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Sermon

(1 Corinthians 1:10–18)

Offering (sit) (God continually provides for us. Our giving should reflect our heartfelt cheerfulness that trusts in God. As your faith guides you, let your offering of all your gifts – time, talents, resources – enable us to move forward in the mission Christ has given us.) Rom. 12:1; 2 Cor. 8:1-9, 12; 2 Cor. 9:6-8

Prayer of the Church (stand)

Pastor: Lord of all nations, Your Son became flesh to enlighten a world darkened by sin with His grace. Visit us with His gifts of forgiveness and life, that our way may be glorious with His salvation. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Almighty Lord, Your Son's cross and crucifixion is folly to the world, but it is the source of repentance and forgiveness for all His elect. Preserve the preaching of the cross in our midst, that from this life-giving tree we would continue to receive Your faith-preserving gifts. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Almighty God, You have called us to be united in the same mind and judgment in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ. Preserve us from divisions and quarreling wrought by false teaching and cults of personality, and fix our eyes on the Word of the cross. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Heavenly Father, You sent Your Son as the Savior of the world, that all the families of the nations might worship before You. Bless the families of this congregation with Your grace and protection, that they might remember You in both joy and trouble and worship before You forevermore. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: O Lord, all kingship belongs to You. Rule over the nations for the good of Your people, that we might live in peace. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Holy God, Your Son welcomed the sick, the afflicted and those oppressed by demons and healed them. Have mercy upon all whom we bring before You in prayer, *especially Marshall, Romelle, and Melissa*, and deliver them according to Your gracious will. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Almighty God, the fame of Your Son spread everywhere as people witnessed His miracles and wonders. As He has wondrously saved us from sin and death, so open our mouths to speak of Him to all who will hear. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: O Lord, heavenly Father, we gratefully remember the sufferings and death of Your dear Son, Jesus Christ, for our salvation. Rejoicing in His victorious resurrection from the dead, we draw strength from His ascension before You, where He ever stands for us as our own High Priest. Gather us together from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers, deliver and preserve us, for to You alone we give all glory, honor and worship, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

Lord's Prayer LSB 209

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.

Benedicamus and Benediction

A 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.

C Amen.

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IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK,

We pray to our merciful Heavenly Father for:

- Healing for all those who are experiencing health issues: Marshall Clark (grandson of Jim & Sharon), Romelle Humphrey, Melissa Pierpoint, and all those in need.
- Seminary students we support or who have connections with our congregation: Rev. Tim Prince as he works on his doctoral dissertation and serves as a Pastor of a congregation in Wisconsin.
- Trinity Lutheran Preschool that the Lord will bless the staff at the preschool with all that they need as they care for the children and teach them about Jesus and that the Holy Spirit will bless the children with growing faith in Jesus as their loving Savior.
- Our college students Samuel Ackerman, Joshua Barker, Tyler Barker, Kyra Becker, Rachel Bohling, Madison Pingel, Hannah Rathjen, Elaina Riley, Angel Tanderup and Kassidy Zaruba —that God would bless their studies and other activities. Pray also that they take time during the new semester to listen to God's Word in personal devotions and in attending worship services.

THOSE CELEBRATING SPECIAL DAYS THIS WEEK:

Birthdays: 1/23: Heidi Rathjen; 1/24: Andrea Barker; 1/27: Tina Berg

Baptisms: 1/25: Ed Johnston; 1/26: Romelle Humphrey; 1/27: Sydni Billesbach

Anniversaries: none this week



SUN - 1/22	MON –	TUE –	WED - 1/25	THU –	FRI –	SAT –	SUN - 1/29
	1/23	1/24		1/26	1/27	1/28	
9:00 AM Adult	8:00 -	8:00 -	8:00 - 11:00	8:00 -			9:00 AM Adult &
& Children's	11:00 AM	11:00 AM	AM Preschool	11:00 AM			Children's
Sunday School	Preschool	Preschool		Preschool			Sunday School
10:00 AM			6:00 - 7:30		5:30 -		10:00 AM
Worship			PM		8:30 PM		Worship with
			Confirmation		Game Night		Holy
			7:00 PM Choir				Communion
			rehearsal				

THE GOSPEL AT WORK

Christ's Servants Today:	Our Thankful Response to Christ's Love:			
PianistVicki Ackerman	Worship attendance5	57		
Acolyte	Sunday School attendance	28		

Lessons for next Sunday: Micah 6:1-8; 1 Cor. 1:18-31; Matthew 5:1-12

Adult Bible Study join a *new study* called "Conflict Resolution vs. Reconciliation". This Bible study series is designed to help God's people appreciate the gift of reconciliation that is theirs in Jesus Christ and to improve their service as Christ's ambassadors in everyday life (2 Corinthians 5:16-21). The ministry of reconciliation is given to the local church and every believer. Each of the studies in this series focuses on a different aspect of the believer's life.



Sunday School 2022-2023:

"Staying on the Right Path"

• The Theme verse is **Psalm 25:4**: your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths." (NIV)

"Show me

• The Theme Hymns: "Lead Me, Guide Me" LSB #721, "Oh That the Lord Would Guide My Ways" LSB #707



Members, please help us promote enrollment in our preschool. If you know anyone with preschool age children, please give them one of our enrollment brochures (on the table in the narthex), or give their name to one of the members of Board of Education to contact. Thanks for your help!! Board of Education: Susan Johnston, Raedeahna Gerdes, Emily Crotty, Angie Becker, Merri Johnson.

Can you host a small "Welcome Pastor and family" gathering in your home? Small group gatherings are being scheduled. Please check out the signup sheet and information on the table outside the church office about hosting a gathering to help Pastor Brent and his family get to know us.

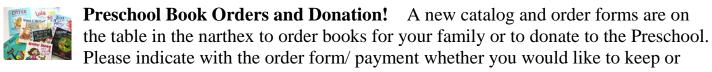
This week on KFUO.org: Study John 4-5 on Sharper Iron's "The Word Made Flesh" (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT), study Ruth 2-4 and Esther 1-2 on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT), and study what Baptism is on Concord Matters (1/28 at 10:00 a.m. CT). Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or the KFUO Radio app!

For important activities in our community, be sure to check out all the announcements and posters on the narrhex door into the Fellowship Hall.

Worship Readers Needed! We are searching for individuals to participate in worship by reading the first and second readings. **Everyone** is welcome! There is a signup sheet on the table in the narthex. If you have any questions or would like additional information, please see Pastor or an Elder.

Announcements January 22, 2023 Third Sunday After the Epiphany

Choir rehearsal will be on Wednesday January 25. Please contact Merri Johnson (402 274-7011) with any questions.



donate. Please put order forms and money in the Preschool mailbox, or slide under the Preschool Director's Office door. Have your order for this catalog in by January 27th.



Food Drive: You are invited to join our Preschoolers in their food drive to help provide a meal for families in need. This is a very simple and direct way to share the love and presence of Jesus with neighbors in our community. Check out the **donation**

box in the Preschool, and donate until Saturday, February 4th!

Come and join us for strengthening our faith, and having some fun doing it.

We will start the in-home Bible study at Brad and Merri Johnsons. 2416 S St Auburn. This is a short study 1/2 hr that is different each time. There will be a simple supper and social time after the study. We will start 1/26/23 Thursday at 6pm. A second one 2/9/23 Thursday at 6pm. We will go on from there.

Please let me know if you can attend (Brad 402-414-1292). Please RSVP to Brad at 402-414-1292 at least 24 hours in advance of the session(s) you plan to attend.



Game Night at Trinity January 27!

Game Night is back on the schedule for this Friday evening. Please plan to attend this fun event.

Updated Trinity Member Phone listings are printed periodically to reflect any recent member changes that have been received by the church. The latest copies are available on the table in the Fellowship Hall.

Todd Becker Ministry Event coming to Auburn High School!

Our Trinity Lutheran Church Family has the opportunity to participate in this event that can be truly life-changing for our local young people! The Ministry Event will take place Wednesday, January 25 at 7:00PM at Auburn Public High School. Those who will be interacting with the youth, please be sure to be at the High School at 5:50PM! All of us can provide the power of our prayers for the work of this evening!

A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org "When someone struggles with the overwhelming guilt of a past sin, like abortion, repentance and reconciliation are the only source of relief. There is hope! 'If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:9). Through all our days, the Lord never leaves us nor forsakes us. He is a patient God, waiting and wanting all to come to repentance and be saved." Deaconess Pamela Buhler and Deaconess Chrissie Gillet, Word of Hope