



January 24, 2021

3rd Sunday after Epiphany

Joint Worship to be the church together.

Voices from Augustana & First Lutheran

Worship broadcast via radio and YouTube. YouTube links found on:

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PRELUDE

RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING HYMN

Come, Follow Me, the Savior Spake

HYMN #799, v.1,4



1 "Come, fol - low me," the Sav - ior spake, "all in my way a -
2 "I am the light; I light the way, a god - ly life dis -
3 "I teach you how to shun and flee what harms your soul's sal -
4 Then let us fol - low Christ, our Lord, and take the cross ap -



bid - ing; de - ny your - selves, the world for - sake, o -
play - ing; I bid you walk as in the day; I
va - tion; from ev - 'ry guile your heart I free, from
point - ed, and, firm - ly cling - ing to his word, in



bey my call and guid - ing. Oh, bear the cross, what -
keep your feet from stray - ing. I am the way, and
sin and its temp - ta - tion. I am the ref - uge
suf - f'ring be un - daunt - ed. For those who bear the



e'er be - tide; take my ex - am - ple for your guide."
well I show how you should so - journ here be - low."
of the soul and lead you to your heav'n - ly goal."
bat - tle's strain the crown of heav'n - ly life ob - tain.

Text: Johann Scheffler, 1624–1677; tr. Charles W. Shaeffer, 1813–1896, alt.

Music: MACHS MIT MIR, GOTT, Bartholomäus Gesius, 1555–1613; adapt. Johann Herman Schein, 1586–1630

GREETING

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

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God, **we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. 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. **Amen.**

KYRIE

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In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

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

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. **Amen.**

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

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This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.

Power and riches and wisdom and strength, and honor and blessing and glory are his.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign.

Alleluia. Alleluia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Almighty God, by grace alone you call us and accept us in your service. Strengthen us by your Spirit, and make us worthy of your call, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

PSALM: Psalm 62:5-12

God alone is my rock and my salvation. (Ps. 62:6)

⁵For God alone I wait in silence; truly, my hope is in God. ⁶God alone is my rock and my salvation, my stronghold, so that I shall never be shaken. ⁷In God is my deliverance and my honor; God is my strong rock and my refuge. ⁸Put your trust in God always, O people, pour out your hearts before the one who is our refuge. ⁹Those of high degree are but a fleeting breath; those of low estate cannot be trusted. Placed on the scales together they weigh even less than a breath. ¹⁰Put no trust in extortion; in robbery take no empty pride; though wealth increase, set not your heart upon it. ¹¹God has spoken once, twice have I heard it, that power belongs to God. ¹²Steadfast love belongs to you, O Lord, for you repay all according to their deeds.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (ELW p. 151)

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL: Mark 1:14-20

The holy gospel according to St. Mark. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Before Jesus calls his first disciples, he proclaims a message that becomes known as "the gospel" or good news from God. God is ready to rule our lives. Those who realize this will respond with repentance and faith.

¹⁴Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, ¹⁵and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news." ¹⁶As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. ¹⁷And Jesus said to them, "Follow me and I will make you fish for people." ¹⁸And immediately they left their nets and followed him. ¹⁹As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. ²⁰Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

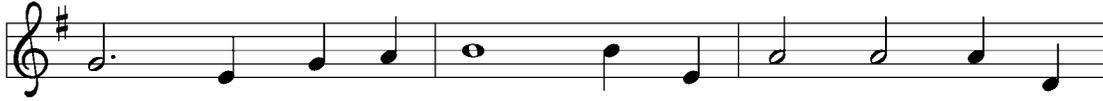
SERMON

"The Time Is Now!"

PASTOR GRETCHEN ENOCH



1 Je - sus calls us; o'er the tu - mult of our
 2 As of old Saint An - drew heard it by the
 3 Je - sus calls us from the wor - ship of the
 4 In our joys and in our sor - rows, days of
 5 Je - sus calls us! By your mer - cy, Sav - ior,



life's wild, rest - less sea, day by day his clear voice
 Gal - i - le - an lake, turned from home and toil and
 vain world's gold - en store, from each i - dol that would
 toil and hours of ease, still he calls, in cares and
 may we hear your call, give our hearts to your o -



sound - ing, say - ing, "Chris - tian, fol - low me:"
 kin - dred, leav - ing all for Je - sus' sake.
 keep us, say - ing, "Chris - tian, love me more."
 plea - sures, "Chris - tian, love me more than these."
 be - dience, serve and love you best of all.

Text: Cecil Frances Alexander, 1818–1895
 Music: GALILEE, William H. Jude, 1851–1922

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

OFFERING

OFFERTORY*O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright!***HYMN #308, v. 3**

3 Lord, when you look on us in love, at once there falls from God above a ray of purest pleasure. Your word and Spirit, flesh and blood refresh our souls with heav'nly food. You are our dearest treasure! Let your mercy warm and cheer us! Oh, draw near us! For you teach us God's own love through you has reached us.

COMMUNION

This is the Lord's Table, all are welcome here. In your home is an ordinary table now set apart and holy, Christ is present there. All are welcome to partake in the Lord's Supper, wherever you may be.

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks and praise to the Lord our God. **It is right to give God our thanks and praise.**

Holy God, throughout the generations you have come to be present with us at our tables, turning ordinary meals into holy moments for us to experience your grace in tangible ways. In an upper room of a guest house in the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

The body of Christ given for you. *(all share in eating the bread)*

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

The blood of Christ shed for you. *(all sharing in drinking of the cup)*

Together as the body of Christ, trusting that the distance that separates us is bridged by the Holy Spirit who makes us one, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

COMMUNION HYMN*All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly***HYMN #461, v.1,3**

1 All who hun-ger, gath-er glad-ly; ho-ly man-na is our bread.
 2 All who hun-ger, nev-er strang-ers; seek-er, be a wel-come guest.
 3 All who hun-ger, sing to - geth-er, Je-sus Christ is liv-ing bread.



Come from wil-der-ness and wan-d'ring. Here in truth we will be fed.
 Come from rest-less-ness and roam-ing. Here in joy we keep the feast.
 Come from lone-li-ness and long-ing. Here in peace we have been fed.



You that yearn for days of full-ness, all a-round us is our food.
 We that once were lost and scat-tered in com-mu-nion's love have stood.
 Blest are those who from this ta-ble live their days in grat-i-tude.



Taste and see the grace e-ter-nal. Taste and see that God is good.
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Text: Sylvia G. Dunstan, 1955–1993

Music: HOLY MANNA, W. Moore, *Columbian Harmony*, 1825

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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.

BLESSING

Almighty God, Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. Amen.



Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos', si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha -
We are march - ing in the light of God, we are march - ing in the



nyen' kwen - khos'. Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos',
light of God. We are march - ing in the light of God,



si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.
we are march - ing in the light of God.



Si - ya - ham - ba (ham - ba, si - ya - ham - ba) oo
We are march - ing (march - ing, we are march - ing) oo



si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.
we are march - ing in the light of God.



Si - ya - ham - ba (ham - ba, si - ya - ham - ba) oo
We are march - ing (march - ing, we are march - ing) oo



si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.
we are march - ing in the light of God.

Additional stanzas ad lib.:

We are dancing ...

We are praying ...

We are singing ...

Text: South African traditional; tr. Freedom Is Coming, 1984

Music: SIYAHAMBA, South African traditional

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DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

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FIRST LUTHERAN ANNOUNCEMENTS SUNDAY JANUARY 24, 2021
Church phone number 739-3348 and email office@flcff.org

The flowers on the altar are given by Daryl, Kathleen & Cameron Rittenour; Calie, Connor & Nolan Anderson in memory of Cory.

Please keep the family and friends of Marjorie Iverson in your prayers. Marjorie passed away on January 13, 2021.

Ice Skating on Lake Alice for Sunday School age children has been rescheduled for today, Sunday, January 24 from 1:00 to 3:00 pm. See the January Messenger or check our Facebook events for additional information or contact Kristy. Please bring a mask if you plan on using the warming house.

Finance Open Forum to discuss questions on the proposed 2021 budget will be held today, January 24, via Zoom at 10:30 am. The budget is available on the church website. Zoom link is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4955651151>

Annual Congregational Meeting will be held via Zoom on January 31, 2021 at 12:30 pm. Please call the church at 739-3348 to sign-up **so we can ensure we have a quorum of 50 members.** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4955651151>
Meeting ID: 495 565 1151

Pay it Forward Drive-Thru Meal from the American Legion will be on Sunday, January 31 from 10:45 am until the food is gone. Menu is ham, cheesy potatoes and a dinner roll. If you didn't make a reservation, you can stop to see if there is a meal available. You may make a contribution for your meal, or pay it forward for someone else, but a contribution is not required. Thank you to the Discipleship and Fellowship Committees are coordinating this event.

In-person worship is paused through January. Worship continues to be with Augustana and will be broadcast on the radio and YouTube. On-site meetings (except for recovery groups) and education also continue to be paused. The church building remains locked; however, staff will be in the office. Call 739-3348 if you need to get in the building.

In-Person Worship begins February 7. Maximum number allowed at this time is 50, and pre-registration is required. If you are interested in attending worship, contact the office at 739-3348 Monday – Thursday from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm. Worship will continue to be combined with Augustana, and will be broadcast on the radio and YouTube. **The church building** will be open again during office hours, M-Th, 8:00 am to 4:30 pm beginning February 8th.

Reminder of In-Person Worship Plan Requirements:

- No coffee, food or congregating before or after the service inside the building.
- Masks will be worn over the nose and mouth by everyone aged 5 and above (also recommended for those ages 2-5). Worship Leaders may remove their mask while speaking or solo singing.
- Attendees must maintain a physical distance of at least six feet between each person/household. Pews will be clearly marked to support social distancing.
- Attendees will not sing or speak hymns/responses. Hymnals and other items are removed from the sanctuary.
- Following the service, worshipers will follow ushers' direction exiting by the side aisles, maintaining physical distancing, and proceeding directly out of the building.

Coming up this week:

- Tuesday, January 26, at 5:30 pm Staffing Task Force via Zoom.
- Wednesday, January 27, FLY K-6 – watch for info.
- Wednesday, January 27 Confirmation for 7th and 8th graders will begin again at 6:30 pm via Zoom. Join Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9211192389> Meeting ID: 921 119 2389

Next Sunday, January 31 FLY 10-12 Zoom Game Day 2:30 to 3:30 pm and FLY 7-9 Zoom Game Day 3:30 to 4:30 pm.

Luther Crest - The First Lutheran Foundation has agreed to provide matching dollars to attend Luther Crest. This is an incredible opportunity to attend camp at a very low price! Here is what the foundation will pay for Luther Crest Camps: (The rest of the balance is your responsibility – However, if you have financial need, please speak with me!)

On Site Day Camp - \$60; Explorers - \$70; Seekers - \$200; Leapers - \$300; Critters - \$300; Any other Luther Crest Camps for other grades: \$300. **The early bird registration ends on Valentine's day (Feb 14th)** – so get your registration in by then to save an average of \$100 and for best week selection! Deposit due when you register. Registration information can be found at www.luthercrest.org. Important: To get these dollars applied to your camp registration, you need to notify the church office before April 25 and give the church office proof of your registration. This can be as simple as emailing a copy of your registration to calie@flcff.org. Thank you to the First Lutheran Foundation!

Financial Update: As of January 18, 2021, year-to-date revenue: \$15,822, year-to-date budget \$30,411, last year: \$23,663.