



Weekend Worship
Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany
January 29 & 30, 2022

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Weekend Worship Services:

Saturday 5:00PM
Sunday 8:00 and 10:30 AM
Adult Bible Class & Sunday School 9:15 AM

WORDS OF WELCOME

(We rise)

WE BEGIN IN SONG

(Saturday) “This is Amazing Grace” / “Yet Not I, But Through Christ in Me”

(Sunday) “God of Grace and God of Glory” **LSB 850**

God of grace and God of glory, on your people pour Your pow’r;
Crown Your ancient Church’s story; bring its bud to glorious flow’r.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage for the facing of this hour,
For the facing of this hour.

Lo, the hosts of evil round us scorn the Christ, assail His ways!
From the fears that long have bound us free our hearts to faith and praise.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage for the living of these days,
For the living of these days.

Cure Your children’s warring madness; bend our pride to Your control;
Shame our wanton, selfish gladness, rich in things and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage lest we miss Your Kingdom’s goal,
Lest we miss Your Kingdom’s goal.

Save us from weak resignation to the evils we deplore;
Let the gift of Your salvation be our glory evermore.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, serving You whom we adore,
Serving You whom we adore.

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

People: Amen.

*Pastor: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess
our sins unto God our Father, imploring Him in the name of our Lord
Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the
Lord,*

People: Who made heaven and earth.

Pastor: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

People: And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Pastor: O Almighty God, merciful Father,

People: I, a poor miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Pastor: 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.

People: Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Let All the People Praise Thee”

Worship Choir

(Please be seated)

THE FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 42:1-4

(Often, we feel that God will deal roughly with us for our failures and sin, but just the opposite is true. He deals with us gently because of the Servant: Jesus Christ)

“Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen one in whom I delight; I will put my Spirit on him and he will bring justice to the nations. He will not shout or cry out, or raise his voice in the streets. A bruised reed he will not break, and a smoldering wick he will not snuff out. In faithfulness he will bring forth justice; he will not falter or be discouraged till he establishes justice on earth. In his teaching the islands will put their hope.”

Reader: This is the word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

THE SECOND LESSON

Romans 8:3-11

(Thanks to Jesus' fulfilment of the law, we have been given the Holy Spirit, which empowers us to live in a way that is often the opposite of how we used to.)

For what the law was powerless to do because it was weakened by the flesh, God did by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh to be a sin offering. And so he condemned sin in the flesh, in order that the righteous requirements of the law might be fully met in us, who do not live according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

Those who live according to the flesh have their minds set on what the flesh desires; but those who live in accordance with the Spirit have their minds set on what the Spirit desires. The mind governed by the flesh is death, but the mind governed by the Spirit is life and peace. The mind governed by the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law, nor can it do so. Those who are in the realm of the flesh cannot please God.

You, however, are not in the realm of the flesh but are in the realm of the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God lives in you. And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, they do not belong to Christ. But if Christ is in you, then even though your body is subject to death because of sin, the Spirit gives life because of righteousness. And if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies because of his Spirit who lives in you.

Reader: This is the word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

(We rise)

THE GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 5:1-12

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifth chapter, beginning at the first verse.

People: Glory to You, O Lord!

Now when Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, and he began to teach them.

He said: “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord!

People: Praise to You, O Christ!

Pastor: Together, as God’s People, united in faith by Jesus, let us join together professing our common faith using the words of the Apostles Creed:

People: 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.

SONG OF THE DAY

(Saturday)

“Great Are You Lord”

(Sunday)

“Jesus Sat with His Disciples”

LSB 932

Jesus sat with His disciples on a mountainside one day;
As the crowds of people gathered, He began to teach and say:
“Blessed are the poor in spirit, Heaven’s kingdom they will share.
Blessed are the sad and mourning, joy and comfort will be theirs.

“Blessed are the meek and humble, all the earth to them is willed.
Those who hunger to be holy, they are bless’d and will be filled.
Yes, the merciful are blessed, mercy will to them be shown.
And the pure in heart are blessed, they have eyes for God alone.

“Blessed are God’s sons and daughters, making peace where there is strife.
Blessed are the persecuted, who for righteousness lose life;
Their reward is great in heaven, in the kingdom up above –
So be glad to share My suffering and rejoice to know My love.”

THE MESSAGE

“Opposite Day”

Pastor Chris Ryan

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Special prayers are lifted...we then join together in speaking:

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 BLESSING AND BENEDICTION

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

(We rise)

WE CLOSE IN SONG

(Saturday)

“Jesus Sat With His Disciples”

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(Sunday)

“Just as I Am”

LSB 570
(vs. 1-4, 6)

Just as I am, without one plea but that thy blood was shed for me.
And that Thou bidd'st me come to Thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am and waiting not to rid my soul of one dark blot,
To Thee, whose blood can cleanse each spot, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, though tossed about with many a conflict, many a doubt,
Fightings and fears within, without, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind; sight, riches, healing of the mind,
Yea, all I need, in Thee I find, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am; Thy love unknown has broken ev'ry barrier down;
Now to be Thine, yea, Thine alone, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

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Sunday, February 6, 4 PM

A Concert of Bluegrass & Christian Music

The 2-Hour concert will have a brief
intermission with refreshments

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FREE ADMISSION

A free-will offering will be taken to support
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