

January 22, 2012

Epiphany 3

Alter cloths are white; symbolizing for us the glory of God revealed in the humanity of Jesus.

Luther Memorial Church & School

CHURCH OF THE LUTHERAN CONFESSION

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Welcome to all! This week's focus:

Then He said to them, "Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men." Matthew 4:19

Today's order of service and hymns: Red Hymnal pg. 15

37 ♦ Children's Hymn ♦ 106:1-3 ♦ 421 ♦ 106:7

Bells – Opening Prayer

OPENING HYMN: #37 [Red Hymnal]

THE INVOCATION

We invoke ("call upon") the name of the one true God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

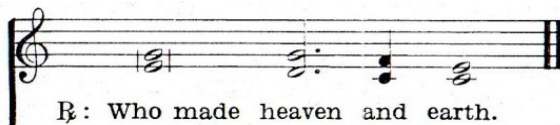
Pastor: We begin our Savior's worship service in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



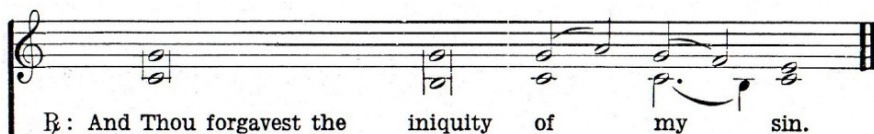
CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION OF SINS

We come before our Holy God recognizing that we are sinful and daily need His forgiveness.

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



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



Pastor: Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess to You that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Therefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

ALL: Dearest Jesus, in every word and deed You have shown Yourself, to be the true Light that has come into this world. We were without God, strangers outside of Your Kingdom; sinners, who deserve only Your wrath and eternal punishment. Your Law has shown us our sin. We come to You alone with sorrowful hearts and confess all our sins and iniquities.

But You oh Lord, have declared us Your people – fellow citizens and saints of God’s household. You have caused Your glory to shine upon us. You have opened our eyes to the forgiveness found in Christ alone. For this we praise you again today with thankful voices, and each new day sing of Your grace and goodness as long as we have our breath. As Your life and death has given us this eternal glory, let our lives give Your name glory forever and ever! Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy on us and has given His only Son to die for us, and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To them that believe on His name He calls them “children of God,” and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.



THE INTROIT

Having received the Lord's forgiveness, we are glad to enter into His courts with praise and thanksgiving. This entrance is made in the Introit with the Lord's own Word, often a Psalm.

P: Worship Him, all you His angels: Zion heard and was glad.

C: The daughters of Judah rejoiced: because of Your judgments, O Lord.

P: The Lord reigns, let the earth rejoice:

C: Let the multitude of the world be glad!

THE GLORIA PATRI

Latin for "Glory to the Father" (Hymnal, page 6)

Glo - ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

THE KYRIE

Latin for "O Lord." We approach our Lord with a cry for help in all the needs of our earthly life. (Hymnal page 7 - sing)

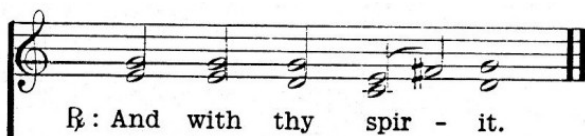
Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

"Glory to God in the highest" (131:5 to the tune of Hymn 237)

**All glory, Jesus, be to Thee... For this Thy glad epiphany;
Whom with the Father we adore and Holy Ghost forevermore.
Now let Thy Word within me shine, and love Thy precious Name
Divine, my faithful King and Savior.**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.



Pastor: Let us pray: (*Pastor prays the prayer of the day*)



1ST SCRIPTURE LESSON ~ ISAIAH 9:1-4



In the **Old Testament Lesson** Isaiah speaks of the hope God gives His suffering people. The people had been abused by the Assyrians, but God has great things in store for them.

1 Nevertheless the gloom will not be upon her who is distressed, As when at first He lightly esteemed The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, And afterward more heavily oppressed her, By the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan, In Galilee of the Gentiles. **2** The people who walked in darkness Have seen a great light; Those who dwelt in the land of the shadow of death, Upon them a light has shined. **3** You have multiplied the nation And increased its joy; They rejoice before You According to the joy of harvest, As men rejoice when they divide the spoil. **4** For You have broken the yoke of his burden And the staff of his shoulder, The rod of his oppressor, As in the day of Midian.

CHILDREN'S HYMN: "Bless We the Name of the Lord"

2ND SCRIPTURE LESSON ~ 1 CORINTHIANS 1:10-17



I believe in this Christian Church He daily and richly forgives all sins to me and all believers. On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead and give to me and all believers in Christ eternal life. This is most certainly true.

EPIPHANY HYMN: #106:1-3 [Red Hymnal]

CHILDREN'S SERMON

But Jesus said, 'Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of heaven.'" ~Matthew 19:14

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Jesus said, "...Blessed are those who hear the word of God and keep it!" ~Luke 11:28

Matthew 4:12-23 NKJV

12 Now when Jesus heard that John had been put in prison, He departed to Galilee. **13** And leaving Nazareth, He came and dwelt in Capernaum, which is by the sea, in the regions of Zebulun and Naphtali, **14** that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, saying:

15 *"The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, By the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles: **16** The people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, And upon those who sat in the region and shadow of death Light has dawned."*

17 From that time Jesus began to preach and to say, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." **18** And Jesus, walking by the Sea of Galilee, saw two brothers, Simon called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea; for they were fishermen. **19** Then He said to them, "Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men." **20** They immediately left *their* nets and followed Him. **21** 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. He called them, **22** and immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed Him. **23** And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all kinds of sickness and all kinds of disease among the people.

Theme: **Jesus is still calling You...**

1. To repentance!
2. To discipleship!

THE OFFERTORY ~ TLH PG. 22

In this prayer we OFFER God our hearts, asking Him for best of all gifts, the Holy Spirit.

**Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence;
and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation;
and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.**

SERMON HYMN: #421 [Red Hymnal]

OUR OFFERING OF THANKFUL HEARTS TO THE LORD

"So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver." ~ 2 Corinthians 9:7

OFFERING HYMN: WS #788

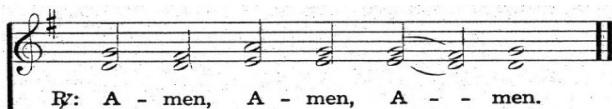
**Lord, You love the cheerful giver, Who with open heart and hand
Blesses freely, as a river That refreshes all the land.
Grant us, then, the grace of giving, With a spirit large and true
That our life and all our living, We may consecrate to You.**

SPECIAL PRAYERS ~ GENERAL PRAYER ~ LORD'S PRAYER

THE BENEDICTION

The blessing given by God for the blessing of His people (Numbers 6:24-26).

Pastor: The LORD bless you and keep you; The LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you; The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you His peace.



CLOSING HYMN: #106:7 [Red Hymnal]

Silent Prayer

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to all! Guests, please sign our guest book in entryway and we hope you will come and join us again! Questions? (920) 922-7421

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE *"If the LORD wills, we will do this or that." James 4:15*

Today: 9am Study/Sunday School; **10am** Worship (TLH)

Youth/Adult CHOIR– practice after service - for Lent
7:30pm Chimers

Fri: 7pm Gym Night at Theisen Middle School

Sun: **9am** Study/Sunday School;

10am Worship (WS) **with installation of church officers**
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THE LM CALLED WORKERS (Miss Meyer, Osbornes, Bernthals and Radichels) would like to express their deep thanks and appreciation for all the Christmas gifts that were so graciously given. The support and encouragement is a tremendous blessing as we all continue to work together to support the Gospel of Christ's Kingdom! The Lord continue to richly bless you and keep you all in His care!

USED CHRISTMAS CARDS can be recycled in the red bin in the entryway. The cards are sent overseas and are happily used there!

The family of Mrs. Erma (Schuetze) Tiefel expresses its thanks to members of Luther Memorial for the expressions and memorials that were received upon Mrs. Tiefel's death. She always had a warm spot in her heart for Luther Memorial, and her family thanks you for the Christian love that you have shown at her passing. The Lord Jesus bless you for your kindness, and keep you in His care and faith until we all enjoy eternal rest in the presence of our Heavenly Father.

Witnessing idea for the week:

Lord, grant to Your servants that with all boldness we may speak Your word. (Acts 4:29)

When's the last time?

...You invited a relative, neighbor, friend, or coworker to church?

Yes, it can be a bit unnerving at times.

But who do you know who has recently experienced:

The death of a loved one, the loss of a job, a divorce, expecting or a birth of a child, personal injury or illness, a retirement, financial difficulties, a marriage, or a child leaving home?

Remember that Jesus has made you a "fisher of men!"

THIS SUNDAY Usher Team 4 = Wayne Wischnefski, Alan Kottke, Chris Sabel, Ron Haensgen, Mark King **Pianist: Miss Meyer**

NEXT SUNDAY Usher Team 1 = Lowell Boelk, Rodney Kern, John Scheberl, Larry Stubbs, Craig Youngerberg **Organist: Mrs. Eserhut**

New Year's Resolution #3 – I resolve to walk as a child of God, hating sin, avoiding temptation to evil, and adorning my life with those virtues that please my Father in Heaven.