

Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer

The psalmist declared to God, “For what you have done I will always praise you in the presence of your faithful people” (Psalm 52:9, NIV). We, too, gather to praise the Lord. Welcome!

Welcome pads are at the end of each pew; please sign your name and pass it along.

Sunday, February 3, 2019, 8:30am

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

Welcome

Mission Opportunities and Sharing of the Peace

Invocation, 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.

Silence is kept for reflection.

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.**

Opening Song

“Only By Grace”

Only by grace can we enter Only by grace can we stand

Not by our human endeavor But by the blood of the Lamb

Into Your presence You call us You call us to come

Into Your presence You draw us And now by Your grace we come Now by Your grace we come

(Chorus) Lord if You mark Our transgressions Who would stand

Thanks to Your grace We are cleansed By the blood of the Lamb *(repeat Chorus)*

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Prayer of the Day

Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and love; and that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Special Music

“10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)” Redeemer Ringers
Directed by Bev Splinter

Lesson

Jeremiah 1:4-10

⁴Now the word of the LORD came to me saying, ⁵“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations.” ⁶Then I said, “Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy.” ⁷But the LORD said to me, “Do not say, ‘I am only a boy’; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you. ⁸Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the LORD.” ⁹Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me, “Now I have put my words in your mouth. ¹⁰See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant.”

Psalm

Psalm 71:1-6

¹In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame.

²**In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free; incline your ear to me and save me.**

³Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe; you are my crag and my stronghold.

⁴**Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked,
from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor.**

⁵For you are my hope, O Lord God, my confidence since I was young.

⁶**I have been sustained by you ever since I was born; from my mother’s womb
you have been my strength; my praise shall be always of you.**

Children’s Church

in the Chapel with Colleen Hestad

Gospel

Luke 4:21-30

²¹Then [Jesus] began to say to [all in the synagogue in Nazareth,] “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.” ²²All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, “Is not this Joseph’s son?” ²³He said to them, “Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, ‘Doctor, cure yourself!’ And you will say, ‘Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.’” ²⁴And he said, “Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet’s hometown. ²⁵But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; ²⁶yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. ²⁷There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian.” ²⁸When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. ²⁹They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. ³⁰But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Pastor Dan Ofstehage

Song

“Broken Vessels (Amazing Grace)”

All these pieces Broken and scattered In mercy gathered Mended and whole
Empty handed But not forsaken I've been set free I've been set free

(Pre-Chorus) Amazing grace How sweet the sound That saved a wretch like me
Oh I once was lost But now I am found Was blind but now I see

(Chorus) Oh I can see You now Oh I can see the love in Your eyes
Laying Yourself down Raising up the broken to life

You take our failure You take our weakness You set Your treasure In jars of clay
So take this heart Lord I'll be Your vessel The world to see Your life in me *(Pre-Chorus and Chorus)*

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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.

Scouting Religious Medallion Presentation

These recipients have received P.R.A.Y. awards which feature a four-colored cross. The four colors converge into a point to create an "X" at the center of the cross. "X" is the first letter in the Greek word for Christ, and it is symbolic of how Christ should be at the center of our lives. 19 youth attended the 5 levels this year.

Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. Matthew 5:16

Jesus & Me (The purple symbolizes Jesus as King.) grades K - 1

Brayden Fisk, Carsen Petersen, Kinsley Vincent

God & Me (The red symbolizes love and the blood of Christ.) grades 1 - 3

Mason Iverson, Carter Lease and Liam Urban

God & Family (The yellow symbolizes sunlight & joy.) grades 4 - 5

*Lukas Brandlee, Caden Bushee, Jonathan Fisk, Braxten Petersen, Owen Petersen,
Talon Ries and Jaxen Riley*

God & Church (The blue symbolizes loyalty and truth.) grades 6 - 8

Karter Kohlenberg, Dillon Schroeder and Ethan Wientjes

God & Life (The green symbolizes the new life and growth.) grades 9 - 12 *indicates Four Star Recipients (completed all 4 "God &" classes)

**Mason Bundy, *Wyatt Niemann and *Alex Vockrodt*

Offering

Prayer Song

"Speak O Lord"

Speak O Lord as we come to You To receive the food of Your holy word

Take Your truth plant it deep in us Shape and fashion us in Your likeness

That the light of Christ might be seen today In our acts of love and our deeds of faith

Speak O Lord and fulfill in us All Your purposes for Your glory

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Prayers of the Church

*Hospitalized/III: Drake Rounds, Kathy Hibbert, Jan Brandriet, Donna Jorgenson, Deb Toth,
Carmen Bakken, Carol Hinderaker, Christine Walraven, Stan Peterson
Nancy Hauck, mother of Jesse (Rachel) Hauck and Rachele (Brandon) Johnson
Sheri Bowersox, daughter of Phyllis Bowersox
Doreen Erickson, mother of Sandy (Dan) Albertsen
Josh Anderson, grandson of Terri Bruner
John Lahey-Wiggs, brother of Chala (Tom) Lechner
Jim Wiggs, brother of Chala (Tom) Lechner*

Death: Elden Hemme, husband of Bert Hemme

Joseph Bailly, son of Ron Bailly and nephew of Roger Bailly

Prayer Song

“Speak O Lord”

Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built and the earth is filled with Your glory.

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Holy Communion

Words of Institution – The Lord’s Prayer – Distribution

Extended Altar – Holy Communion delivered to shut-ins by lay people.

“Be Unto Your Name”

We are a moment You are forever Lord of the ages God before time

We are a vapor You are eternal Love everlasting reigning on high

(Chorus) Holy holy Lord God Almighty Worthy is the Lamb Who was slain

Highest praises honor and glory Be unto Your name Be unto Your name

We are the broken You are the healer Jesus Redeemer mighty to save

You are the love song we'll sing forever Bowing before You blessing Your name

(Chorus) Holy holy Lord God Almighty Worthy is the Lamb Who was slain

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“I See the Lord”

I see the Lord Seated on the throne exalted

And the train of His robe Fills the temple with glory

And the whole earth is filled And the whole earth is filled

And the whole earth is filled With His glory

(Chorus) Holy holy holy holy Holy is the Lord

Holy holy holy holy Holy is the Lord of lord *(repeat Chorus)*

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Post Communion Blessing

Benediction

Sending Song

“All the People Said Amen”

You are not alone if you are lonely When you feel afraid you're not the only
We are all the same in need of mercy To be forgiven and be free
It's all you got to lean on But thank God it's all you need

(Chorus) And all the people said amen whoa And all the people said amen
Give thanks to the Lord for His love never ends And all the people said amen

If you're rich or poor well it don't matter Weak or strong you know love is what we're after
We're all broken but we're all in this together God knows we stumble and fall
And He so loved the world He sent His son to save us all *(Chorus)*

Blessed are the poor in spirit who are torn apart
Blessed are the persecuted and the pure in heart
Blessed are the people hungry for another start
For theirs is the kingdom the kingdom of God *(Chorus 2times)*

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Call to Service

Pastor: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

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Serving This Morning

Presiding: Pastor Kent Stillson

Preaching: Dan Ofstehage

Worship Team: directed by Jim Miller

Head Ushers: Darwin Brinkman, Carl Bevers

Acolytes: Jonathan Fisk, Griffin Keever

Greeters: Di, Ethan & Emma Wientjes, Jeremy, Christina, Jaxen & Lexi Riley

Sound & Projection: Kent Anderson, Pete Juba

Lector: Jon McAreavey

Ushers: Miron, Kjersten & Jonathan Fisk, Dillon Schroeder, Mark, Alissa & Kaylee Iverson, Dan Urban

Communion Assistants: Joel & Alex Vockrodt, Jon, Jay & Ian McAreavey, Chris, Cathy, Will & Hannah Bartelt, Bob Johnson

Sunday Morning Helpers: Terry & Brenda Rydell

Coffee Servers: Evan & Darla Brandlee

Welcome Center: Lynn Langner, Pam Luckhurst