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Third Sunday after the Epiphany
(January 24th, 2021)

"The Lord's Supper: If you are visiting with us here or have not been instructed in the unique Lutheran teaching regarding the Lord's Supper, we kindly ask you to speak to the Pastor before communing. Thank you."

† DIVINE SERVICE SETTING FOUR †

Greeting and Announcements

Opening Hymn "Lord, 'Tis Not That I Did Choose Thee"

LSB 573

- 1 Lord, 'tis not that I did choose Thee;
That, I know, could never be;
For this heart would still refuse Thee
Had Thy grace not chosen me.
Thou hast from the sin that stained me
Washed and cleansed and set me free
And unto this end ordained me,
That I ever live to Thee.
- 2 It was grace in Christ that called me,
Taught my darkened heart and mind;
Else the world had yet enthralled me,
To Thy heav'nly glories blind.
Now I worship none above Thee;
For Thy grace alone I thirst,
Knowing well that, if I love Thee,
Thou, O Lord, didst love me first.

STAND 3 Praise the God of all creation;
Praise the Father's boundless love.
Praise the Lamb, our expiation,
Priest and King enthroned above.
Praise the Spirit of salvation,
Him by whom our spirits live.
Undivided adoration
To the great Jehovah give.

Confession and Absolution

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Invocation

- P In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

Exhortation

- 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, 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.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- 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 † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

† SERVICE OF THE WORD †

Psalm

Psalm 62; antiphon: v. 8

- ¹For God alone my soul waits in silence;
from him comes my salvation.
²**He only is my rock and my salvation,
my fortress;
I shall not be greatly shaken.**
³How long will all of you attack a man
to batter him,
like a leaning wall, a tottering fence?
⁴**They only plan to thrust him down from his high position.
They take pleasure in falsehood.**

**They bless with their mouths,
but inwardly they curse.**

⁵For God alone, O my soul, wait in silence,
for my hope is from him.

⁶**He only is my rock and my salvation,
my fortress;
I shall not be shaken.**

⁷On God rests my salvation and my glory;
my mighty rock, my refuge is God.

⁸**Trust in him at all times, O people;
pour out your heart before him;
God is a refuge for us.**

⁹Those of low estate are but a breath;
those of high estate are a delusion;
in the balances they go up;
they are together lighter than a breath.

¹⁰**Put no trust in extortion;
set no vain hopes on robbery;
if riches increase, set not your heart on them.**

¹¹Once God has spoken;
twice have I heard this:
that power belongs to God,

¹²**and that to you, O Lord, belongs steadfast love.**

**For you will render to a man
according to his work.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen**

⁸Trust in him at all times, O people;
pour out your heart before him;
God is a refuge for us.

Kyrie

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**C Lord, have mercy;
Christ, have mercy;
Lord, have mercy.**

Gloria in Excelsis

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**C 1 To God on high be glory
And peace to all the earth;
Goodwill from God in heaven
Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!**

We praise and bless You, Father;
Your holy name, we sing—
Our thanks for Your great glory,
Lord God, our heav'nly King.

2 To You, O sole-begotten,
The Father's Son, we pray;
O Lamb of God, our Savior,
You take our sins away.
Have mercy on us, Jesus;
Receive our heartfelt cry,
Where You in pow'r are seated
At God's right hand on high—

3 For You alone are holy;
You only are the Lord.
Forever and forever,
Be worshiped and adored;
You with the Holy Spirit
Alone are Lord Most High,
In God the Father's glory.
"Amen!" our glad reply.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

Lord God, in days of old You sent Jonah, a reluctant prophet to share Your message with a people who did not know You. Overcome our reluctance today and lead us to go and share the same life changing message of Your love for all people through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Old Testament Reading

Jonah 3:1-5, 10

¹Then the word of the LORD came to Jonah the second time, saying, ²"Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and call out against it the message that I tell you." ³So Jonah arose and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly great city, three days' journey in breadth. ⁴Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's journey. And he called out, "Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" ⁵And the people of Nineveh believed God. They called for a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them to the least of them. . . .

¹⁰When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil way, God relented of the disaster that he had said he would do to them, and he did not do it.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

1 Corinthians 7:29-35

²⁹This is what I mean, brothers: the appointed time has grown very short. From now on, let those who have wives live as though they had none, ³⁰and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no goods, ³¹and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

³²I want you to be free from anxieties. The unmarried man is anxious about the things of the Lord, how to please the Lord. ³³But the married man is anxious about worldly things, how to please his wife, ³⁴and his interests are divided. And the unmarried or betrothed woman is anxious about the things of the Lord, how to be holy in body and spirit. But the married woman is anxious about worldly things, how to please her husband. ³⁵I say this for your own benefit, not to lay any restraint upon you, but to promote good order and to secure your undivided devotion to the Lord.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse

C Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

C These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.

C Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Holy Gospel

Mark 1:14-20

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

¹⁴After John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, ¹⁵and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel."

¹⁶Passing alongside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and Andrew the brother of Simon casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. ¹⁷And Jesus said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you become fishers of men." ¹⁸And immediately they left their nets and followed him. ¹⁹And going on a little farther, he saw James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, who were in

their boat mending the nets. ²⁰And immediately he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired servants and followed him.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the
dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life † of the world to come. Amen.

Children's Message

Kids Talk (10:30am)

Sermon Hymn "God Loves Me Dealy"

LSB 392

- 1 God loves me dearly,
Grants me salvation,
God loves me dearly,
Loves even me. Refrain
- ref Therefore I'll say again:
God loves me dearly,
God loves me dearly,
Loves even me.
- 2 I was in slav'ry,
Sin, death, and darkness;
God's love was working
To make me free. Refrain
- 3 He sent forth Jesus,
My dear Redeemer,
He sent forth Jesus
And set me free. Refrain
- 4 Jesus, my Savior,
Himself did offer;
Jesus, my Savior,
Paid all I owed. Refrain
- 5 Now I will praise You,
O Love Eternal;
Now I will praise You
All my life long. Refrain

Sermon "Go and Overturn"

Jonah 3: 1-5, 10

Offering

Prayer of the Church

† SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT †

Preface

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- P The Lord be with you.
C **And also with you.**
P Lift up your hearts.
C **We lift them to the Lord.**
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

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C Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;
Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.
Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;
Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

As the glory of Your presence once filled Your ancient temple, so in the incarnation of Your Son, Jesus Christ, You manifested the fullness of Your glory in human flesh.

We give You thanks that in His most Holy Supper You reveal Your glory to us. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood so that we may one day behold Your glory face to face.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

Lord's Prayer

C 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 Words of Our Lord

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Pax Domini

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C Amen.

Agnus Dei

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C 1 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world away;
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.

2 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world away;
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ,
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Distribution

Distribution Hymns “Arise and Shine in Splendor”

LSB 396

1 Arise and shine in splendor;
Let night to day surrender.
Your light is drawing near.
Above, the day is beaming,
In matchless beauty gleaming;
The glory of the Lord is here.

2 See earth in darkness lying,
The heathen nations dying
In hopeless gloom and night.
To you the Lord of heaven—
Your life, your hope—has given
Great glory, honor, and delight.

3 The world’s remotest races,
Upon whose weary faces
The sun looks from the sky,
Shall run with zeal untiring,
With joy Your light desiring
That breaks upon them from on high.

- 4 Lift up your eyes in wonder—
See, nations gather yonder
From sin to be set free.
The world has heard Your story;
Her sons come to Your glory;
Her daughters haste Your light to see.
- 5 Your heart will leap for gladness
When from the realms of sadness
They come from near and far.
Your eyes will wake from slumber
As people without number
Rejoice to see the Morning Star.

“From God and Father, Virgin-Born”

LSB 401

- 1 From God the Father, virgin-born
To us the only Son came down;
By death the font to consecrate,
The faithful to regenerate.
- 2 Beginning from His home on high,
In human flesh He came to die;
Creation by His death restored,
And shed new joys of life abroad.
- 3 Glide on, O glorious Sun, and bring
The gift of healing on Your wing;
To ev’ry dull and clouded sense
The clearness of Your light dispense.
- 4 Abide with us, O Lord, we pray;
The gloom of darkness chase away;
Your work of healing, Lord, begin,
And take away the stain of sin.
- 5 Lord, once You came to earth’s domain
And, we believe, shall come again;
Be with us on the battlefield,
From ev’ry harm Your people shield.

STAND 6 To You, O Lord, all glory be
For this Your blest epiphany;
To God, whom all His hosts adore,
And Holy Spirit evermore.

Communion Blessing

Nunc Dimittis

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C 1 O Lord, now let Your servant
Depart in heav'nly peace,
For I have seen the glory
Of Your redeeming grace:
A light to lead the Gentiles
Unto Your holy hill,
The glory of Your people,
Your chosen Israel.

2 All glory to the Father,
All glory to the Son,
All glory to the Spirit,
Forever Three in One;
For as in the beginning,
Is now, shall ever be,
God's triune name resounding
Through all eternity.

Post-Communion Collect

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Benedicamus

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P Let us bless the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace.
C Amen.

Closing Hymn "O Christ, Our True and Only Light"

LSB 839 v. 1-3

1 O Christ, our true and only light,
Enlighten those who sit in night;
Let those afar now hear Your voice
And in Your fold with us rejoice.

2 Fill with the radiance of Your grace
The souls now lost in error's maze;
Enlighten those whose inmost minds
Some dark delusion haunts and blinds.

- 3 O gently call those gone astray
That they may find the saving way!
Let ev'ry conscience sore oppressed
In You find peace and heav'nly rest.

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**The Worship Service Sunday Morning
January 24th, 2021**

Preacher	Rev. Joshua Schmidt	
Liturgist	Rev. Michael Redeker	
Elders	Boyd Aronld, Ray Seeley Duane Lofton, John McDowell	8:00am 10:30am
Organist	Marilyn Smith	
Acolyte	Ryan Schultz, Aaron Schultz Addie Ritterbush, Kelsey Ehlert	8:00am 10:30am
Ushers	Jack Messenger, Paul Yutzy John Bruner, Dan Shield	8:00am 10:30am
Videographer	Jeremy Knizley	8:00am

These next few months are going to be tough for everyone.

But, we will get through it together by the grace of God.

**If you or someone you know is in Spiritual,
Physical, or any other need:**

We are here for you.

Pastor Redeker: (314) 608-5538

Pastor Schmidt: (314) 261-3180

Announcements January 24th, 2021

LIFE SUNDAY- is this Sunday January 24, 2021. The LCMS has UNCONDITIONALLY support LIFE, from the moment of conception through natural death.

URGENT: We still need lots of help with Communion Set up and Clean-up for 2021. Please consider this as a GREAT way to serve your church and Lord. The sign up is posted in the narthex. If you need training or information, please contact Laura Ryden (970) 260-6766 cell

ATTENTION: Jr. High Youth grades 5-8 are invited to attend January's Youth Event hosted by the Ehlert family on Saturday, January 30th. The location will be Devils Kitchen for a hike to remember! Please meet at 12:00 noon at the upper parking lot of the Monument. Pick up time will be at 4:00 in the same parking lot. Please bring your water bottle, a snack and your favorite mask (just in case). Here are the cell numbers for Kelley and Kyle (another just in case) 970-773-6474 or 970-261-5748. If the weather looks like trouble, you will be notified via email/text and the new location will be our always faithful gym. Where the weather will be perfect!

PARENTS OF FUTURE

KINDERGARTNERS- Please join us at our Kindergarten Informational Meeting on January 26 in the Library, at 10:45am. Come and find out about our program!

LUTHERAN SCHOOL'S WEEK- Lutheran Schools Week is January 25 - 29. This

year's theme is Sent to Serve. The associated scripture verse is Matthew 20:28 which says: *"The Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."* Nearly 2000 preschools, elementary, and high schools will be celebrating this week together.

Our servant offering will go to our Scholarship Program. On Friday, Jan. 29, we will duct tape Pastor Schmidt and as many teachers and staff to the gym wall as we can. (No paint will be destroyed during this process.) We researched the average amount of tape needed to stick one person up and it is 10 rolls. Because of Covid-19, we will record this event so all can watch the fun. The price for a yard of tape is \$5 and \$50 for a role.

If you would like to donate, please write "servant project" on the memo line on paper or online check. Thank you!

GIFT PLANNING My congregation has been the greatest blessing to my life in Jesus. But I am mildly interested in supporting the training of new church workers and missionaries in urban areas of this country. Is it okay to make ministry gifts that are of different proportions? Of course, it is! No ministry is entitled to God's gifts. Guided by His Spirit you will apply them to where God's hand of blessing is. Your LCMS Gift Planning Counselor can help. Your Messiah Gift Planning Counselor can help. Contact Jason

Jones at Jason.Jones@lfnd.org or call him directly at (970) 988-0305.

LWML Gifts of Love Ministry- LWML Gift Planning Counselor, Carol von Soosten, can help. Contact her by Email: Carol.vonSoosten@lfnd.org , Phone: 800-741-4138, or at lwmlgiftplan.org. The Rocky Mountain District GOL Advocate is Elizabeth Weber, and can be reached by email, weber4342@acsol.net or on her Cell phone: (970) 361-0794.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS-

Matthew 17:7 - "But Jesus came and touched them, saying, 'Rise, and have no fear.' " When Jesus is with us, there is no need to fear. He loves us, cares for us, and will never abandon us. That assurance is the basis of all generosity for only those who are set free from worry can learn the joy of giving.

FREE PIANO- Includes bench and piano lamp. Dimensions are 4' 10" Long, 3'

high, and 2' 2" wide. Call Dave Gruner at 970-254-1727 or e-mail at davebgruner@gmail.com.

THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS- Thrivent members do not forget to direct your Choice Dollars® to the church general fund or to the school scholarship fund. You have two easy options to direct your Choice Dollars: Online at www.thrivent.com or by calling 800-847-4836

MESSIAH'S RADIO MINISTRY-Sunday mornings at 8:30am -9:00am on 1100AM/KNZZ radio station. If you would like to be a sponsor for this ministry contact the church office, 970-245-2838. This is followed by Lutheran Hour at 9:00am.

January Income:

Week of Jan. 14 th -21 st	\$18,616.52
Weekly need	\$19,258.00
Month to date	\$56,658.16
Monthly need	\$83,451.37