

TODAY'S WORSHIP

Divine Service III LSB pages 184-202

L = Liturgist * = Stand C = Congregation

PRELUDE 8:00 & 10:30 Orchestra of Peace

Praise to the Lord the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN/Camp Kirland

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

***OPENING HYMN**

Brightest and Best of the Stars of the Morning

LSB 400

1. **Brightest and best of the stars of the morning,
Dawn on our darkness and lend us thine aid;
Star of the East, the horizon adorning,
Guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.**
2. **Cold on His cradle the dewdrops are shining;
Low lies His head with the beasts of the stall;
Angels adore Him in slumber reclining,
Maker and Monarch and Savior of all.**
3. **Brightest and best of the stars of the morning,
Dawn on our darkness and lend us thine aid;
Star of the East, the horizon adorning,
Guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.**

***INVOCATION AND GENERAL CONFESSION**

L: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **✠ Amen.**

L: Almighty and Merciful Lord, by Your strong acts in Israel, by the word of Your prophets and priests, by the Incarnation, Life, Death, and Resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ.

C: **You have spoken to us, O Lord.**

L: In the Burning Bush, in Pillars of Fire, on the Mount of Transfiguration, through Cloven Tongues on Pentecost, in the Star over Bethlehem,

C: **Your light of salvation has brightened our world.**

L: But we chose the darkness of sin;

C: **We let Your lights flicker and waver.**

L: Our comfortable silence muffles Your saving words of power.

C: **So often we turn away from the joy of enlightening the world.
Forgive us, O Lord.**

L: Where our witness has been dull and apathetic,

C: **Pardon us, O Lord.**

L: Where we have failed to use the talents given to us,

C: **Absolve us, O Lord, according to Your mercy.**

L: For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, who rose again that Your saving light might shine among the nations.

C: **Assure us of Your forgiveness and salvation. Amen.**

***THE ABSOLUTION**

C: **✠ Amen.**

***THE GLORIA PATRI** (Taken from LSB, page 186)

C: **✠ Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

***THE KYRIE**

C: ♪ Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

***THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

L: The Lord be with you.

C: ♪ And with thy spirit.

L: Let us pray.

C: ♪ Amen.

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING for the first Sunday after Epiphany is from Isaiah 42:1-7, page 602:

¹ Behold my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my Spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. ²He will not cry aloud or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; ³ a bruised reed he will not break, and a faintly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. ⁴He will not grow faint or be discouraged till he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his law. ⁵Thus says God, the LORD, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people on it and spirit to those who walk in it: ⁶"I am the LORD; I have called you in righteousness; I will take you by the hand and keep you; I will give you as a covenant for the people, a light for the nations, ⁷ to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness."

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: ♪ Thanks be to God.

FACILITY ENHANCEMENT DEDICATION 8:00 & 10:30 (Insert)

THE EPISTLE is from I Corinthians 1:26-31, page 952:

²⁶For consider your calling, brothers: not many of you were wise according to worldly standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. ²⁷But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; ²⁸ God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, ²⁹so that no human being might boast in the presence of God. ³⁰And because of him you are in Christ Jesus, who became to us wisdom from God, righteousness and sanctification and redemption, ³¹so that, as it is written, "Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord."

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

***ALLELUIA AND VERSE**

C: ♪ Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

***THE HOLY GOSPEL - The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the third chapter, verses 13-17, pages 808-809:**

C: ♪ Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

¹³Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to John, to be baptized by him. ¹⁴John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" ¹⁵But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. ¹⁶And when Jesus was baptized, immediately he went up from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened to him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming to rest on him; ¹⁷and behold, a voice from heaven said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: ♪ Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

***THE APOSTLES' CREED**

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.

CHILDREN'S SONG (Sung as the children come forward)

(8:00 & 10:30)

- 1. Two little eyes to look to God, Two little ears to hear His Word,
Two little feet to walk His ways, Hands to serve Him all my days.**
- 2. One little tongue to speak His truth, One little heart for Him in youth.
Take them, O Jesus, let them be Always willing, true to Thee.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (8:00 & 10:30)

Christina Stackle

HYMN OF THE DAY

To Jordan's River Came Our Lord

LSB 405

(Tune: Puer Nobis)

- 1. To Jordan's River came our Lord, The Christ, whom heav'nly hosts adored,
The God from God, the Light from Light, The Lord of glory, pow'r, and might.**
- 2. The Savior came to be baptized—The Son of God in flesh disguised—
To stand beneath the Father's will And all His righteousness fulfill.**
- 3. Then from God's throne with thund'rous sound
Came God's own voice with words profound:
"This is My Son," was His decree, "The one I love, who pleases Me."**
- 4. Now rise, faint hearts, be resolute; This man is Christ, our substitute!
He was baptized in Jordan's stream, Proclaimed Redeemer, Lord supreme.**

THE SERMON

"Baptized to Serve"

(Matthew 3:13-17)

THE OFFERING - During the offering all worshipers are asked to fill out the blue or ivory cards found in the pew rack. Please pass cards down to center aisle. They will be collected immediately after the offering.

VOLUNTARY

8:00 & 10:30 Orchestra of Peace

Be Thou Near

J. S. Bach

***THE OFFERTORY** LSB page 192

♩ 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.

***PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

***LORD'S PRAYER** (Found on the inside back cover of the hymnal.)

NEW MEMBER WELCOME

***THE BENEDICTION**

L: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C: ♪ **Amen, amen, amen.**

***THE RECESSIONAL HYMN** *As We Go Our Homeward Ways*

1. **As we go our homeward ways, Guide us, gracious Savior,
Lead us by Your light always Let us never waver.
Here we saw You face to face; We'll be changed forever!
We will live within Your grace Throughout each endeavor!**

2. **Homeward Magi took Your course, For their safety given.
For direction, You're our source - Crib to cross to heaven!
Like the Magi, lead us, too, Angel-safe and guarded,
Far from Satan, close to You, On a path You've charted.**

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***SILENT PRAYER**

POSTLUDE 8:00 & 10:30 Orchestra of Peace

The King of Creation
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LOBE DEN HERREN/Jeff Cranfill

SERVING IN OUR WORSHIP TODAY:

Preacher: Pastor Jon C. Furgeson

Liturgist: Pastor Dennis A. Kastens

Organist: 5:00 & 9:20: Kendra Ruesler; 8:00 & 10:30: Burnell Hackman

Choir Dir.: Burnell Hackman, DMM

KFUO AM 850 Broadcaster/Engineer: Janice McCreary/Dennis Gerfen

NEWS AND NOTES:

THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

JANUARY 12, 2020

TODAY'S EDUCATION HOUR: 9:15 - 10:15 a.m.

Adult Bible Class (Sanctuary Hall): Gospel of Luke

Women's Bible Class (Office Conf. Rm.): led by Janice McCreary

Youth Bible Class: led by Christina Stackle, DCE

8th Gr: Rick Goodman & Mike Renner

7th Gr: Greg Wirtel & Louise Oster

ALTAR FLOWERS are from Ray and Ellen Fassold in celebration of their 60th wedding anniversary on January 9; from Mark and Louise Mullen in loving memory of Dale Mullen; from the Schweiss family in loving memory of Raymond and Evelyn Kappen.

2019 MEMBERS AKINS, Larry/Elise; BATEK, Joseph/Margie; BIERMANN, Sylvester/Judy; BLUETTE, Preston; DECKER, Collin, Christopher; DEHN, Robert/Thelma; DUFFY, Martina, Tedra Pavelski; GEARON, Deborah; GUEBERT, Jeffrey/Joyce, Kyle, Ryan; HAKE, Jennifer, Eisley; IRWIN, Patrick; JONES, Michael; KAUL, Timothy, Ashley; Patrick; LIEFER, Kyle/Laney; McALLISTER, Thomas; MITCHELL, Charles/Judith; NARZINSKI, Kirk/Amy, Max; OSTER, Andrew; QUANDT, Kenneth; RILEY, Justin/Sarah, Jacob Brannan, Jaden & Zachary Riley; RYAN, John; SCHILLING, Donna and John; SCHWEISS, Janice, Hannah; SHANER, Ryan; SLOVER, Ronald/Nancy; STEFFENS, Betty; TISON, Lowell III/Calli.

The above 50 new members were received by transfer, profession of faith, or by adult confirmation in 2019. (Infant baptisms and Junior Confirmants are not included.) We acknowledge these new members today, as they come forward following the Lord's Prayer, remain standing at the altar rail, and are recognized as new members.

COUPLES CLUB FAMILY GAME NIGHT/POTLUCK DINNER January 19, 5:00 p.m. here at Peace.

LADIES GUILD All ladies are invited to join us on Thursday, January 16, at 11:00a.m. in the meeting room. Please note the NEW TIME. The program will be information on Shoes of Hope. We will also be planning for activities in February and March; the Ash Wednesday dinner; and Peace is the designated hostess for upcoming LWML events in February and March.

HOST FAMILIES NEEDED Can you host students from Maple Grove Minnesota when they visit Peace on March 28 and 29? We are needing to find beds for 60 high school students. Visit the Peace Music Website www.peacestmusic.org or contact Burnell Hackman for more information.

SUPER SUBS are being sold by Boy Scout Troop 584 starting January 18 to help send Scouts to Philmont Scout Ranch this summer. Whole subs (16") are just \$12, and this year we are offering a half sub (8") option for \$8. Order by January 28 and pickup after any service on February 1 and 2. Thank you for your support!

ALASKA MISSIONS DINNER / AUCTION is Sunday, January 26! It is a dinner and silent auction to help send our mission team back to Hooper Bay, Alaska next summer. The menu is delicious fried chicken and sides and dessert. Doors open at 5:00 with dinner served at 5:30. Tickets are available at the Welcome Center in the Commons. Cost is \$8 per person or \$15 for two. Children under 5 are free.

CONCERT AT PEACE Join us on Sunday, January 19, at 3:00 pm for a concert by the Elsie Parker Poor People of Paris. The Poor People of Paris is a St. Louis based group which specializes in French popular music and Jazz. Come and enjoy an afternoon of memorable music.

NEW MEMBER CLASSES for those interested in joining Peace or wishing to audit, will be held on Sundays, 6:00-8:00 p.m., starting today. Sessions are in the Office Conference Room. Follow the signs.

FACILITY ENHANCEMENT DEDICATION

GENERAL CONTRACTOR: J.E. Foster Building Company, Project Manager and Vice President - Joe Sneed; Supt. - Jeff Myers.

ARCHITECTURE: Stauder Architecture - Daniel Stauder.

ENGINEERING: SSC Engineering, Inc.

SUBCONTRACTORS: Advanced Environmental (Asbestos Abatement), FCI (Demo/Cleanup); Platinum Specialty Service (Scaffolding, Retaining Wall Solutions (Modular retaining walls); Conover Brothers Landscaping (Landscaping); John Rufkahr, Jr. Concrete (Concrete); Toenjes Brick (Masonry); Affton Fabricating (Structural steel); H & H Sheet Metal (Sheet metal); Lorenz & Associates (Roofing); Vetter Construction (Drywall); Friend Acoustical (Acoustical ceilings); Flooring Systems (Flooring); Runge Painting (Painting); G & S Architectural Products (Acoustical fabric ceilings); Commercial Bathwares (Toilet partitions); Accurate Fire Protection (Fire protection); Kardell Plumbing (Plumbing); Crystal Heating & Cooling (HVAC); St. Louis Woodworks (Casework); Duranotic Door (Doors, frames, hardware); M. J. Products (Toilet accessories); Warren Signs (Signs); and Akron Electric (Electric).

CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF JANUARY 12, 2020:

Today: 11:30 Youth Board Meeting
2:00 Crossfire
6:00 Adult Inquiry
Mon: 3:30 GP Practice
6:30 Co-Ed Volleyball
6:30 Cub Scouts
Tue: 9:00 Quilters
3:30 GP Practice
6:00 Crossfire
7:00 Eagle Scout Board of Review
Wed: 9:00 TPL Assembly
4:00 5/6/7/8 grade Confirmation Class
6:00 Crossfire
7:00 Wednesday Bible Study
Thu: 9:00 Mary/Martha Bible Study
10:30 Parish Nurse Visit
11:00 Ladies Guild
3:30 GP Practice
6:00 Crossfire
6:30 College Girls Bible Study
Fri: 6:00 Crossfire
Sat: 5:00 Worship Service w/Comm.
Sun: 3:00 Poor People of Paris Concert
5:00 Couples Club Family Game Nite
6:00 Adult Inquiry