



January 17, 2021

2nd Sunday after Epiphany

It is in the Word that we hear the call of God that has in it the secret power of God to give what he commands. He commands: *Believe!* and the Word creates faith. He says, *Follow me!* and the Word creates the desire and the ability to follow him. That he should consider it glorious to call sinners, is that not an amazing thing? That he should attach such power to his Word that we answer the call, is that not a wonder that lasts an eternity for each of us?



Our Mission is to nurture each other in God's Word and spread the Good News of Christ to all.

The Only Son from Heaven

1 The on - ly Son from heav - en, Fore - told by an - cient seers,
 2 Oh, time of God ap - point - ed, Oh, bright and ho - ly morn!
 3 A - wak - en, Lord, our spir - it To know and love you more,
 4 O Fa - ther, here be - fore you With God the Ho - ly Ghost

By God the Fa - ther giv - en, In hu - man form ap - pears.
 He comes, the King a - noint - ed, The Christ, the vir - gin - born,
 In faith to stand un - shak - en, In spir - it to a - dore,
 And Je - sus, we a - dore you, O Pride of an - gel host.

No sphere his light con - fin - ing, No star so
 Grim death to con - quer for us, To o - pen
 That we, through this world mov - ing, Each glimpse of
 Be - fore you mor - tals low - ly Cry "Ho - ly,

bright - ly shin - ing As he, our Morn - ing Star.
 heav'n be - fore us And bring us life a - gain.
 heav - en prov - ing, May reap its full - ness there.
 ho - ly, ho - ly, O bless - ed Trin - i - ty!"

Text: Elizabeth Cruciger, c. 1500-35, abr., st. 1-3; *Lutheran Book of Worship*,
 Minneapolis, 1978, st. 4; tr. Arthur T. Russell, 1806-74, st. 1-3, alt.
 Tune: *Eyn Enchiridion oder Handbüchlein*, Erfurt, 1524, alt.

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STAND

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

C: Amen.

CONFESSION OF SINS

M: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

C: **Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

M: Let us pray.

Almighty God, you gave your one and only Son to be the light of the world. Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and believed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BE SEATED

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

1 Samuel 3:1-10 (NIV84)

The boy Samuel ministered before the LORD under Eli. In those days the word of the LORD was rare; there were not many visions. ² One night Eli, whose eyes were becoming so weak that he could barely see, was lying down in his usual place. ³ The lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. ⁴ Then the LORD called Samuel. Samuel answered, "Here I am." ⁵ And he ran to Eli and said, "Here I am; you called me." But Eli said, "I did not call; go back and lie down." So he went and lay down. ⁶ Again the LORD called, "Samuel!" And Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, "Here I am; you called me." "My son," Eli said, "I did not call; go back and lie down." ⁷ Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD: The word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. ⁸ The LORD called Samuel a third time, and Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, "Here I am; you called me." Then Eli realized that the LORD was calling the boy. ⁹ So Eli told Samuel, "Go and lie down, and if he calls you, say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place. ¹⁰ The LORD came and stood there, calling as at the other times, "Samuel! Samuel!" Then Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

PSALM 67

*read responsively by the pastor and **congregation***

May God be gracious to us and bless us*

and make his face shine upon us;

may your ways be known on earth,*

your salvation among all nations.

May the nations be glad and sing for joy,*

for you rule the peoples justly

and guide the nations of the earth.

Then the land will yield its harvest,*

and God, our God, will bless us.

God will bless us,*

and all the ends of the earth will fear him.

**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.**

SECOND LESSON

1 Corinthians 6:12-20 (NIV84)

“Everything is permissible for me”—but not everything is beneficial. “Everything is permissible for me”—but I will not be mastered by anything. ¹³ “Food for the stomach and the stomach for food”—but God will destroy them both. The body is not meant for sexual immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. ¹⁴ By his power God raised the Lord from the dead, and he will raise us also. ¹⁵ Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ himself? Shall I then take the members of Christ and unite them with a prostitute? Never! ¹⁶ Do you not know that he who unites himself with a prostitute is one with her in body? For it is said, “The two will become one flesh.” ¹⁷ But he who unites himself with the Lord is one with him in spirit. ¹⁸ Flee from sexual immorality. All other sins a man commits are outside his body, but he who sins sexually sins against his own body. ¹⁹ Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; ²⁰ you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your body.

VERSE OF THE DAY

Alleluia. He said to me, “You are my servant in whom I will display my splendor.”
Alleluia. (Isaiah 49:3)

STAND

M: The Gospel is from John, chapter 1, beginning at verse 43.

C: **Glory be to you, O Lord!**

GOSPEL

John 1:43-51 (NIV84)

The next day Jesus decided to leave for Galilee. Finding Philip, he said to him, “Follow me.” ⁴⁴ Philip, like Andrew and Peter, was from the town of Bethsaida. ⁴⁵ Philip found Nathanael and told him, “We have found the one Moses wrote about in the Law, and about whom the prophets also wrote—Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.” ⁴⁶ “Nazareth! Can anything good come from there?” Nathanael asked. “Come and see,” said Philip. ⁴⁷ When Jesus saw Nathanael approaching, he said of him, “Here is a true Israelite, in whom there is nothing false.” ⁴⁸ “How do you know me?” Nathanael asked.

Jesus answered, “I saw you while you were still under the fig tree before Philip called you.” ⁴⁹ Then Nathanael declared, “Rabbi, you are the Son of God; you are the King of Israel.” ⁵⁰ Jesus said, “You believe because I told you I saw you under the fig tree. You shall see greater things than that.” ⁵¹ He then added, “I tell you the truth, you shall see heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man.”

M: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

APOSTLES’ CREED

**I believe in God the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From there 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.**

BE SEATED

SERMON

Know Jesus By Listening

1 Samuel 3:1-10

OFFERING


GOOD NEWS FOR KIDS



1 Speak, O Sav - ior; I am lis - t'ning, As a ser - vant
 2 Oh, what bless - ing to be near you And to lis - ten
 3 Lord, your words are wa - ters liv - ing Where I quench my
 4 As I pray, dear Je - sus, hear me; Let your words in



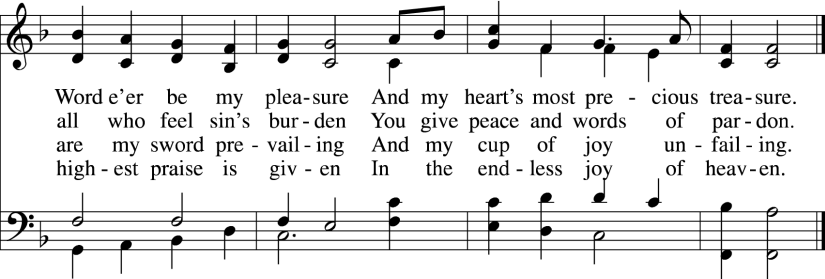
to his lord. Let me show re - spect and hon - or
 to your voice! Let me ev - er love and fear you;
 thirst - y needs. Lord, your words are bread life - giv - ing;
 me take root. May your Spir - it e'er be near me



To your ho - ly, pre - cious Word, That each day, my
 Let your Word still be my choice. Man - y hard - ened
 On your words my spir - it feeds. Lord, your words will
 That I bear a - bun - dant fruit. May I dai - ly



whole life through, I may serve and fol - low you. Let your
 sin - ners, Lord, Flee in ter - ror at your Word, But to
 be my light Through death's cold and drear - y night; Yes, they
 sing your praise, From my heart glad an - thems raise, Till my



Word e'er be my plea - sure And my heart's most pre - cious trea - sure.
 all who feel sin's bur - den You give peace and words of par - don.
 are my sword pre - vail - ing And my cup of joy un - fail - ing.
 high - est praise is giv - en In the end - less joy of heav - en.

Text: Anna Sophia of Hesse-Darmstadt, 1638-83, abt.: tr. composite
 Tune: Johann Schöpp, c. 1590-1667
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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M: Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God and Mary's son, in the fullness of time you came into our world to save us from sin and death:

C: You ushered in the day of grace so long foretold.

M: Beloved Son of the Father, revered by the Magi, baptized by John, you came preaching and teaching, healing and comforting, forgiving and encouraging:

C: You brought the light of life to those walking in darkness, and the joy of salvation to those doomed to death.

M: Prince of Peace, shine like a beacon for us and the people of our world. Let the good news of salvation be heard in the remotest corners of the earth. Open our own lips to speak your name to those around us who still live without faith or hope:

C: Arouse us and our missionaries to flood the world with the light of your gospel.

M: Lord of the Church, let your peace rule our hearts that we may use our gifts to serve you and each other in willing gratitude and joy. Watch over our loved ones near and far, that they may remember your love and rejoice in your salvation. Strengthen the faith of the sick and the disheartened. Give hope to those in despair and comfort those who mourn:

C: Be gracious to all and lead us to reflect your love in everything we say and do.

(Special prayers and intercessions may follow.)

M: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

(Silent prayer.)

M: Finally, bring us and all your believers to the heavenly home where we will stand in the full light of your glory and with all your saints and angels sing the everlasting song of triumph.

C: Amen.

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LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

M: Almighty God, grant to your Church the Holy Spirit and the wisdom that comes from above. Let nothing hinder your Word from being freely proclaimed to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people, so that we may serve you in steadfast faith and confess your name as long as we live, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.

C: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

The People that in Darkness Sat

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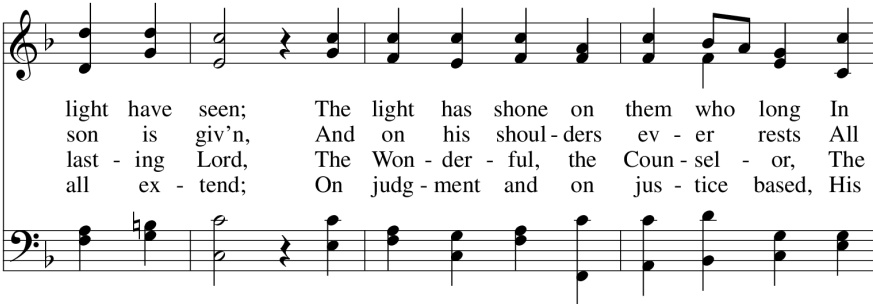
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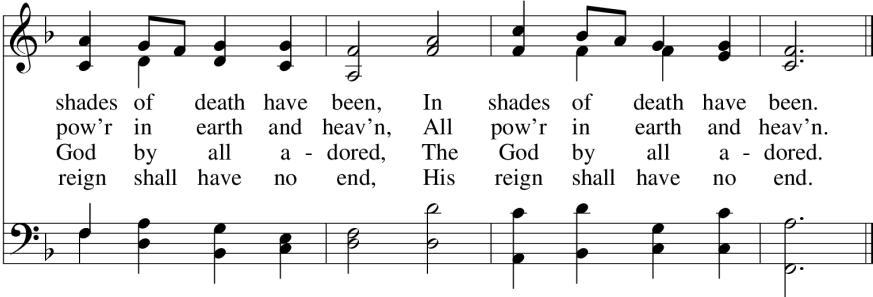
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1 The peo - ple that in dark - ness sat A glo - rious
 2 To us a child of hope is born, To us a
 3 His name shall be the Prince of Peace, The Ev - er -
 4 His right - eous gov - ern - ment and pow'r Shall o - ver



light have seen; The light has shone on them who long In
 son is giv'n, And on his shoul - ders ev - er rests All
 last - ing Lord, The Won - der - ful, the Coun - sel - or, The
 all ex - tend; On judg - ment and on jus - tice based, His



shades of death have been, In shades of death have been.
 pow'r in earth and heav'n, All pow'r in earth and heav'n.
 God by all a - dored, The God by all a - dored.
 reign shall have no end, His reign shall have no end.

5 Lord Jesus, reign in us, we pray,
 And make us yours alone,
 For you are with the Father and
 The Spirit ever one,
 The Spirit ever one.

Announcements

In Our Prayers

The Lord is eager to hear the prayers of thanks and petitions for help from his people. Please keep these members and families in your prayers. Contact Pastor to add someone to this list.

Ashley Covell - expecting in May
Roma Gould and Judy Solem - shut-ins

George Tremmel With the Lord

Our gracious Lord called George Tremmel home to heaven on January 13, 2021. A memorial service may be held in the future but nothing is planned soon. Cards may be sent to his daughter, Laura Gilbaugh, 1736 Red Oak Dr, Coralville, IA 52241.

Voters' Meeting Next Week at 8:45 am

The 2021 budget will be discussed and elections will take place. Please plan to attend.

NO 9:30 WORSHIP on January 24

The Church Council decided to hold the Annual Voters' Meeting at 8:45-10:15 am on January 24 (next Sunday). There will only be two worship services next Sunday. All who regularly attend the 9:30 services can choose to attend the 8:00 or 10:30 am service instead. Sunday School will be held at the normal time. Adults will be available to watch children from the time Sunday School ends until the Annual meeting ends. Thank you for understanding this late adjustment to our worship schedule.

Wednesday Bible Class Resumes

The Gospel in the Psalms

We go to the hymnbook of the Old Testament to be comforted by the Gospel. Join us Wednesdays via Zoom at 7 pm. Meeting ID: 884 4326 2808

New Sunday Bible Class

Large Catechism: 10 Commandments
Luther expanded and explained the parts of the Small Catechism in his Large Catechism. We look at the 10 Commandments and see how these laws given to Moses still show us our sin, keep us from sin and guide us to a life of thanks that is pleasing to God. Sundays at 8:45 am.

Building Fund Update

\$11,280 donated as of 1/10/2021 out of \$55,000 Goal

The money will be used for church window replacement in classrooms and offices.

Prepare for Next Sunday

For a simple devotional reading plan, review the reading for this week on Monday - Wednesday. Then read the Scripture for next Sunday on Thursday - Saturday. The Word for next Sunday: *Jonah 3:1-5, 10, 1 Corinthians 7:29-31, Mark 1:14-20*

THIS WEEK AT LINCOLN HEIGHTS

January 17 - 24

Today	8:00 am	Worship—Livestream
	8:45 am	Sunday School
	8:45 am	Bible Class
	8:45 am	Homeless Meal Delivery
	9:30 am	Worship
	10:30 am	Worship
Wednesday	1:30 pm	Kunama Worship
	5:30 pm	Catechism Class
	7:00 pm	Bible Class via Zoom
Saturday	8:45 am	Homeless Meal Preparation
Sunday	8:00 am	Worship—Livestream
	8:45 am	Annual Voters' Meeting
	8:45 am	Sunday School
	8:45 am	Homeless Meal Delivery
	10:30 am	Worship
	12:00 pm	Nuer Worship
	1:30 pm	Kunama Worship

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