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Sunday Divine Worship 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School/Bible Class 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday Worship 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, January 28, 2024



Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

Divine Service Setting Four (Page 203)

Open the Eyes of my Heart

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord
Open the eyes of my heart
I want to see You
I want to see You

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To see You high and lifted up
Shinin' in the light of Your glory
Pour out Your power and love
As we sing holy, holy, holy

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Stand

Invocation

LSB 203

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

Exhortation

203

- 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, 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.

Confession of Sins

203

- 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

Introit

Psalm 32:1–2, 5–7; antiphon: v. 10

Many are the sorrows of the wicked,
but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the LORD.

Blessèd is the one whose transgression is forgiven,
whose sin is covered.

Blessèd is the man against whom the LORD counts no iniquity,

and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity;

**I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,”
and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Therefore let everyone who is godly offer prayer to you at a time when you may be found;

surely in the rush of great waters, they shall not reach him.

You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble;

you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

**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.

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but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the LORD.

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

Gloria in Excelsis

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. ♪

Text: Stephen P. Starke

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.
C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, You know we live in the midst of so many dangers that in our frailty we cannot stand upright. Grant strength and protection to support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Deuteronomy 18:15–20

¹⁵“The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your brothers—it is to him you shall listen—¹⁶just as you desired of the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly, when you said, ‘Let me not hear again the voice of the LORD my God or see this great fire any more, lest I die.’¹⁷ And the LORD said to me, ‘They are right in what they have spoken. ¹⁸I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their brothers. And I will put my words in his mouth, and he shall speak to them all that I command him. ¹⁹And whoever will not listen to my words that he shall speak in my name, I myself will require it of him. ²⁰But the prophet who presumes to speak a word in my name that I have not commanded him to speak, or who speaks in the name of other gods, that same prophet shall die.’”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Psalm 117:1–2a; 96:8

Praise the LORD, all nations!

Extol him, all peoples!

For great is his steadfast love toward us,

and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever.

Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;
bring an offering, and come into his courts!

Epistle

1 Corinthians 8:1–13

¹Concerning food offered to idols: we know that “all of us possess knowledge.” This “knowledge” puffs up, but love builds up. ²If anyone imagines that he knows something, he does not yet know as he ought to know. ³But if anyone loves God, he is known by God.

⁴Therefore, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that “an idol has no real existence,” and that “there is no God but one.” ⁵For although there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as indeed there are many “gods” and many “lords”—⁶yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

⁷However, not all possess this knowledge. But some, through former association with idols, eat food as really offered to an idol, and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. ⁸Food will not commend us to God. We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. ⁹But take care that this right of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. ¹⁰For if anyone sees you who have knowledge eating in an idol’s temple, will he not be encouraged, if his conscience is weak, to eat food offered to idols? ¹¹And so by your knowledge this weak person is destroyed, the brother for whom Christ died.

¹²Thus, sinning against your brothers and wounding their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ.

¹³Therefore, if food makes my brother stumble, I will never eat meat, lest I make my brother stumble.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.



Special Music: Peace Ensemble: Light of the World

Stand

Alleluia and Verse

Alleluia 205

C ♪ Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.♪

Verse 205

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

Alleluia 205

C ♪ Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.♪

Holy Gospel

Mark 1:21–28

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

C Glory to You, O Lord.

²¹They went into Capernaum, and immediately on the Sabbath [Jesus] entered the synagogue and was teaching.

²²And they were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one who had authority, and not as the scribes.

²³And immediately there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit. And he cried out, ²⁴“What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God.” ²⁵But Jesus rebuked him, saying, “Be silent, and come out of him!” ²⁶And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying out with a loud voice, came out of him. ²⁷And they were all amazed, so that they questioned among themselves, saying, “What is this? A new teaching with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him.”

²⁸And at once his fame spread everywhere throughout all the surrounding region of Galilee.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed

LSB 207

C 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.

Sit

Children's Message

842 Son of God, Eternal Savior

1 Son of God, eternal Savior,
Source of life and truth and grace,
Word made flesh, whose birth among us
Hallows all our human race,
You our Head, who, throned in glory,
For Your own will ever plead:

Fill us with Your love and pity,
Heal our wrongs, and help our need.

- 2 As You, Lord, have lived for others,
So may we for others live.
Freely have Your gifts been granted;
Freely may Your servants give.
Yours the gold and Yours the silver,
Yours the wealth of land and sea;
We but stewards of Your bounty
Held in solemn trust will be.
- 3 Come, O Christ, and reign among us,
King of love and Prince of Peace;
Hush the storm of strife and passion,
Bid its cruel discords cease.
By Your patient years of toiling,
By Your silent hours of pain,
Quench our fevered thirst of pleasure,
Stem our selfish greed of gain.
- 4 Son of God, eternal Savior,
Source of life and truth and grace,
Word made flesh, whose birth among us
Hallows all our human race:
By Your praying, by Your willing
That Your people should be one,
Grant, O grant our hope's fruition:
Here on earth Your will be done.

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Sermon

Offering

Stand

Prayer of the Church

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.

Benedicamus

LSB 212

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

Benediction

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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 today and forevermore
C Amen.

Sit



541 “Away from Us!” the Demon Cried

- 1 “Away from us!” the demon cried
 When Christ, the Lord, drew near.
 “Our dark, disordered world is lost
 When You, the Light, appear!”
- 2 But Jesus spoke with God’s own pow’r;
 “Come forth!” was His command;
 For evil cannot bear the Light
 Nor sin the Truth withstand.
- 3 O risen Christ, God’s living Word,
 To us, we pray, draw near.
 Come, speak the truth that cleanses sin
 With love that conquers fear.
- 4 Drive out the doubt that cripples faith;
 Expel our pride and greed
 That we, from pow’rs that threaten us,
 May, by Your grace, be freed.
- 5 Then help us, Lord, to greet each day
 With hearts and wills made new
 And, when You call us forth to serve,
 To rise and follow You.

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THIS WEEK AT PEACE

TODAY

Worship 9:00AM

Streaming Worship on Facebook 9:00AM

Sunday School 10:30AM

Bible Class 10:30AM

Youth Group 4:30-5:30PM

Monday

Tuesday

GriefShare 6:30-8:30PM

Lifelight 7:00PM

Wednesday

Choir 6:30PM

Confirmation 5:30-6:30PM

Lightning Bugs 6:00-7:15PM

Worship 7:30PM

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

THOSE SERVING US IN JANUARY

Organist

Carol Emley
Kathy Fehler
Becky Ritz
Katriel Oyler

Ushers

1/7 Team Perry
1/14 Team Melde
1/21 Team Houle
1/28 Team Breyer

Acolytes 9:00AM Service

1/7 Jocelyn Hudspeth
1/14 Kit Petersen
1/21 Barrett Shelton
1/28 Ellie Williams

Altar Guild

Carol Masters

Elders

1/7 Tom Vorderkunz
1/14 Mike Meriage
1/21 Mike Meriage
1/28 Leon Woodward

Nursery Schedule

1/7 Roslyn Melde,
Nicol Hudspeth,
1/14 Dale & Shelley Caffey
1/21 Steve & Lisa Houle
1/28 Corrie Long,
Melinda Bray,
Madison Bray

Technology

1st Sunday Tracy Lightfoot
2nd Sunday Timothy Baker
3rd Sunday Roslyn Melde
4th Sunday Barrett Shelton

Nursery During SS

1/7-1/28 Roslyn Melde

Money Counters

Tom Webster
Ken Perry