

Old Testament

Isaiah 9:1–4

¹ There will be no gloom for her who was in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he has made glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

² The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shined. ³ You have multiplied the nation; you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as they are glad when they divide the spoil. ⁴ For the yoke of his burden, and the staff for his shoulder, the rod of his oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

Epistle

1 Corinthians 1:10–18

¹⁰ I appeal to you, brothers, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same judgment. ¹¹ For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there is quarreling among you, my brothers. ¹² What I mean is that each one of you says, "I follow Paul," or "I follow Apollos," or "I follow Cephas," or "I follow Christ." ¹³ Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? ¹⁴ I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, ¹⁵ so that no one may say that you were baptized in my name. ¹⁶ (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas. Beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) ¹⁷ For Christ did not send me to baptize but to preach the gospel, and not with words of eloquent wisdom, lest the cross of Christ be emptied of its power.

¹⁸ For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being

saved it is the power of God.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 4:12–25

¹² When [Jesus] heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew into Galilee. ¹³ And leaving Nazareth he went and lived in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, ¹⁴ so that what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: ¹⁵ "The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—¹⁶ the people dwelling in darkness have seen a great light, and for those dwelling in the region and shadow of death, on them a light has dawned."

¹⁷ From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

¹⁸ While walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon (who is called Peter) and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. ¹⁹ And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." ²⁰ Immediately they left their nets and followed him. ²¹ And going on from there he saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets, and he called them. ²² Immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him.

²³ And he went throughout all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affliction among the people. ²⁴ So his fame spread throughout all Syria, and they brought him all the sick, those afflicted with various diseases and pains, those oppressed by demons, epileptics, and paralytics, and he healed them. ²⁵ And great crowds followed him from Galilee and the Decapolis, and from Jerusalem and Judea, and from beyond the Jordan.

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Matthew 4:16



Epiphany

About the Cover: Like the sun breaking over the horizon to bring a new day, the light of Epiphany shone upon those who were in darkness as Jesus proclaimed the Kingdom. The darkness, no matter how severe, cannot overcome the light of Christ and the promise that He gives. His light dispels sin and death. It is right when we sing, "Thy strong word did cleave the darkness" (LSB 578:1).

3rd SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

January 22 & 26, 2020

Sharing, Believing, Living, Caring

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Liturgy: Divine Service Setting Four p. 203
Hymns: 545, 861, 589, 526, 805, 561, 588, 712, 578
Sermon: "Following the Light of the World"
Matthew 4:12-25

THE MEASURE OF OUR LOVE

Attendance 1/15 (Wed.): 41	Comm.: 39	Offering: \$960.03
Attendance 1/19 (Sun.): 72	Comm.: 59	Offering: \$1,435.00
S.S. – 10	Staff – 5	B.C. – 12
Budget Needs: \$3,386.00	Scrip Profit 1/12: \$100.00	

KINGDOM WORK THIS WEEK

WED (1/29) 3:30 p.m. – Confirmation Class
6:00 p.m. – Choir
7:00 p.m. – Worship w/Comm.
SUN (2/2) 8:00 a.m. – S.S./B.C.
9:00 a.m. – Worship w/Comm.

IN OUR PRAYERS we remember Norma Bailke who has been diagnosed with cancer and other health issues; Nancy Davidson who is dealing with blood clots.

TODAY'S BULLETINS are sponsored by Joan Zutz.

"SOUP"ER BOWL CHALLENGE – Who is going to win the Super Bowl? NFC 49ers or AFC Chiefs? Let your voice be heard by voting with cans of soup. You have until the end of the service on Feb. 2 to make your prediction. Place your can(s) in the appropriate stack in the narthex. Soup will be donated to the St. Vincent de Paul food pantry. Join the fun!

PENNIES FOR LIFE – You are encouraged to donate a penny for every year of life which God has granted you. Deposit your pennies in the jar in the narthex. *Please do not donate junk pennies or Canadian pennies.* Donations will go to Lutherans for Life of Wisconsin. Deadline is today (Sunday).

ADDRESS, PHONE, & EMAIL CHANGES – Please check and update the information we have for you on the sheets in the narthex, including any changes or additions. You may also email your information to the church office.

LADIES AID IS PLANNING A CHILI DINNER on February 23. We will serve from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. You can take out or eat here right after the church service. If you wish to take out, please bring your own container. Sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board if you would like to help purchase some of the ingredients or bake a pie. Please have items here by Wednesday February 19th.

LADIES AID IS REQUESTING YOUR HELP with their chili dinner on Saturday Feb. 22 for preparing and on Sunday, Feb. 23 for serving. Please sign-up on the bulletin board if you are available to help.

OUR STEWARDSHIP LIFE

Matt. 8:8 – "But the centurion replied, 'Lord, I am not worthy to have you come under my roof, but only say the word, and my servant will be healed.'" The Word of the Lord is powerful and effective. What God says, goes. "Let there be light." And there was light. His Word is still effective and creative for us: "This is my Body given for you." "Your sins are forgiven." This is why it is no burden for us to live according to the Word of God. We know that His Word is always aimed at our blessing.

