



THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER

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January 7, 2024

First Sunday of Epiphany

10:30 am

+ GATHERING +

PRELUDES

Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters

Raymond Haan

As With Gladness Men of Old

Michael Burkhardt

O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright

Robert Hobby

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

<We stand.>

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the Word made flesh, our life and our salvation.

Amen.

Trusting the goodness and lovingkindness of God our Savior, let us confess our sin.

<We kneel.>

God of life,

you promise good news of great joy for all people, and call us to be messengers of your peace. We confess that too often we hoard our joy, our resources, and our security. We nurture conflict and build barriers. We neglect the needs of our neighbors and ignore the groaning of creation.

Have mercy on us.

Where we are self-centered, open our hearts. Where we are reluctant, give us courage. Where we are cynical, restore our trust. Renew us with your grace and give us again the hope of eternal life in you. Amen.

<We stand.>

Hear the good news:

We are children of God and heirs of God's promises through the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. In † Jesus we are forgiven and redeemed. Sing with you, for all the ends of the earth shall know the salvation of God.

Amen.

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the Communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

ELW page 139

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray together. Lord of forgiveness,
you healed a paralytic by forgiving his sins. Forgive us, heal us, and teach us to walk in your ways. Amen.

<We sit.>

+ WORD +

READING

Psalm 103:6-14

Pew Bible pg. 482

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

LIL' LUTHERAN TALK

<We stand.>

The Gospel according to Mark

Glory to you, O Lord.

Mark 2:1-22

Pew Bible pg. 813

<At the conclusion of the reading>

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.

<We sit.>

SERMON

Pastor Matthew Titus

<We stand.>

HYMN OF THE DAY

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy
 (alternate tune: Armstrong)

ELW 588

NICENE CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father;
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation**

**He came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;**

**he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

<We kneel.>

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*Each prayer petition will end with "Hear us, O God.." and the response is "Your mercy is great."
At the conclusion of the prayers, we respond with "Amen."*

<We stand.>

SHARING OF THE PEACE

You are invited to share the peace however you and those around you are comfortable.

<We sit.>

RECEPTION OF THE OFFERING

ANTHEM

Washed Anew

Thomas Keesecker

<We stand.>

+ MEAL +

OFFERTORY HYMN

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

ELW 182

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray,..... Poured out in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh.

Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

ELW pg. 144

It is indeed right, our duty, and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise... *Here the minister continues with the preface for the day, concluding...* we praise your name and join their unending hymn.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray...

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.

INVITATION TO THE MEAL

Glory to God in the highest! Come to the table of peace.

<We sit.>

COMMUNION

Participation in Holy Communion is open to all the baptized of this and other Christian congregations. We come in faith that Christ is truly present in, with, and under the bread and the wine. We receive this gift knowing that we are forgiven and are nourished to be sent to proclaim God's love to the world. You are invited to come to the altar to receive the bread and wine. You may dip the bread into the chalice of wine. If you are not able, the meal will be brought to you in your pew. A gluten-free wafer is available, upon request, for those who need it.

<We stand.>

THE TABLE BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
Amen.



Thank-ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev-'ry-one what God has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.



Send us with your prom - is - es and lead your peo - ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray ... born to us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

+ SENDING +

SUNG BLESSING

In the name of the Father.

In the name of the Father.

In the name of the Son.

In the name of the Son.

In the name of the Spirit.

In the name of the Spirit.

The Three-in-One.

The Three-in-One.

May the Lord bless and keep you.

May the Lord bless and keep you.

May God's face shine upon you.

May God's face shine upon you.

May God's blessings be with you.

May God's blessings be with you.

And give you peace.

And give you peace.

SENDING HYMN

As with Gladness Men of Old

ELW 302

<Please turn and face the rear of the nave.>

DISMISSAL

Christ the Savior is born! Go in peace. Proclaim the good news.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Michael Burkhardt

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Communion Prep	Ann Jacobs and Susan Thomasson

Announcements

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God.

WELCA will meet today at 3:45 PM for its business meeting. At 4:00, we will begin our book study, Love Stories of the Bible. The Introduction and Chapter 1 will be our focus for this meeting. All women and friends of the congregation are invited to attend.

Altar Flowers are available on the following dates: January 21, March 31 (Easter), April 7, April 14, and April 21. Please sign up on the chart in the narthex or contact the church office.

The Worship and Music Committee is planning a workshop to repair our banners. If you are interested in learning more about the banners or are able to help make repairs, please let Huger Caughman, Jr. know. A date has not been set yet, but will be forthcoming.

Communion Assistant and Readers - If you would like to be included in the Communion Assistant/Reader list for 2024, please send a message to PM. The new list will be sent out in January of 2024. Thank you!

There are times that Pastor Matt and Donna both have to be away from the office at the same time. So as not to leave the office unattended, we are asking for volunteers that will answer the phone and take messages during these times. If you are available and can help out, please let Donna know.

Flower Chart - The 2024 Flower Chart is in the Narthex. Members and friends are encouraged to sign up for a Sunday. You may sign up on the chart or contact the church office to reserve a particular date.

Redeemer has been helping GAAP quite a bit on the THIRD Saturday of each month, you are all welcome to come volunteer every Saturday, but especially SATURDAY, January 20, don't hesitate to get in touch with Kevin Dove or the church office for more information.

The next quarter of 'Christ in Our Home' devotionals are available in the narthex!

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 7 - JANUARY 13, 2024

Today	9:30 am	Sunday School
	10:30 am	Worship
	3:45 pm	WELCA - Library
	5:00 pm	Youth - Central UMC
Monday	2:30 pm	Prayer & Care Card Making, Room 212
Tuesday	10:00 am	Prayer Shawl Ministry - Library
	6:00 pm	Finance - Library
	6:30 pm	Sistercare
	7:00 pm	LMM - FLC. Lay School of Religion - Grace Lutheran Church
Wednesday	6:00 pm	Handbell Choir - McCullough Music Ministry Room
	7:00 pm	Senior Choir - McCullough Music Ministry Room
Thursday		
Friday		
Saturday		

Attendance for December 31, 2023

Sunday School	20
In-Person	71
Online	93
Total	164

Offering Last Sunday:

Needed Weekly - \$6,000.00
Received 12-24-23 5:00 pm - \$11,218.00
Received 12-31-23 - \$2,385.98