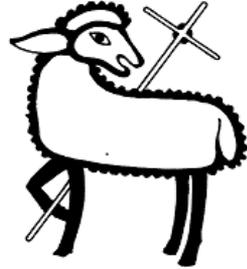


Second Sunday after Epiphany

January 19, 2020

9:30 A.M.



WELCOME TO GRACE

Prelude

Word of Welcome

stand as you are able

Confession and Forgiveness

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the eternal voice from heaven, the anointed and beloved one, the Spirit moving over the waters.

C Amen.

P As we approach the mystery of God, let us come in confession, trusting the love of Christ crucified and risen.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P God who searches us and knows us,

C you have shown us what is good, but we have looked to other lights to find our way. We have not been just in our dealings with others. We have chosen revenge over mercy. We have promoted ourselves instead of walking humbly with you. With what shall we come before you? Forgive us our sin, and show us your salvation in the face of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

P Beloved of God, you have not received the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, poured out for you in the faithfulness of Jesus Christ. Receive the promise of baptism:

You are God's child; † your sins are forgiven.
Rejoice and be glad, for yours is the reign of
heaven.

C Amen.

Gathering Hymn

'I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light'

815

Greeting

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

C And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

P Let us pray
Holy God, our strength and our redeemer, by
your Spirit hold us forever, that through your
grace we may worship you and faithfully serve
you, follow you and joyfully find you, through
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen

please be seated

First Reading

Isaiah 49:1-7

¹Listen to me, O coastlands, pay attention, you
peoples from far away! The LORD called me before I
was born, while I was in my mother's womb he
named me. ²He made my mouth like a sharp sword,
in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a
polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away. ³And
he said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom
I will be glorified." ⁴But I said, "I have labored in
vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and
vanity; yet surely my cause is with the LORD, and my
reward with my God." ⁵And now the LORD says,
who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to
bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be

gathered to him, for I am honored in the sight of the LORD, and my God has become my strength—⁶he says, “It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.”⁷ Thus says the LORD, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers, “Kings shall see and stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the Lord, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.”

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

¹Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes, ²To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: ³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, ⁵for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind—⁶just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you—⁷so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁸He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

stand as you are able

Gospel Acclamation 'Alleluia' p. 151

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 1st chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Holy Gospel John 1:29-42

²⁹[John the Baptist] saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, "Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!"³⁰This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.'³¹I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel."³²And John testified, "I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him."³³I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.'³⁴And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God."

³⁵The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples,³⁶and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!"³⁷The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus.³⁸When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?"³⁹He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon.⁴⁰One

of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. ⁴¹He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). ⁴²He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).

P The Gospel of the Lord.
C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

please be seated

Children's Sermon

Sermon

Hymn of the Day 'Thy Strong Word' **511**

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Apostles' Creed p. 105

Prayers of Intercession

Petitions end:

A Lord, in your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P We place our prayers before you, God, united in your Spirit; through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen**

Peace *The people greet one another saying: "Peace be with you". (If you are not feeling well, please do not shake hands but rather use other appropriate greetings.)*

please be seated

Offering

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Offertory

'Alleluia, Song of Gladness' vs 2 **318**

Offering Prayer

A Giver of every good thing,

C we set before you the gifts that you have already given to sustain our lives and to share with others. Help us to be good stewards of the earth and all that is in it, and let our lives be a testimony to the abundant feast you prepare for all who hunger. Amen

Great Thanksgiving

p.152-153 & p. 132

Lord's Prayer

p. 134

please be seated

Distribution of Holy Communion

Communion, this morning, will be by intinction. The ushers will direct you to the front, first the pulpit side and then lectern side. Come up using the center aisle and return by the side aisle. Wine will be in the larger portion and grape juice in the smaller portion of the chalice. Gluten free wafers available by request. Children are invited for a blessing. All are welcome who believe Christ is present in this meal for the forgiveness of sins.

Hymns at the Distribution

'Lamb of God' p. 154

'Here I am, Lord' **574**

'Break Now the Bread of Life' **515**

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Table Blessing

Post Communion Prayer

A Faithful God,

C you have kept your promise to us in this meal, nourishing us with the gift of salvation. Now send your servants forth in peace, that we may testify to your goodness and share the hope that is ours

**in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.**

Blessing

P May Christ, the wisdom and power of God, and the source of our life together, keep you united in mind and purpose. And the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the ☩ Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you always.

C Amen

Sending Hymn 'Lamb of God' **336**

Dismissal

A Go in peace. Let your light shine.

C Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Prayer Huddle

Other Music:

Prelude: "Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending" setting by Charles Callahan

Offertory: "The Ash Grove" setting by Charles Callahan

Postlude: "Hymn of Promise" Natalie Sleeth, setting by Jeremy J. Bankson

Worship Assistants: January 19

Greeters: Mason – Bonne Planner
East – Luann Seidl/Jonathon Seidl

Assisting Ministers: Tom Jensen

Lector: Tom Jensen

Communion: Gene Krull

Ushers: Dennis Pringnitz, Gary Schroeder, Joyce Learman

Accompanist: Becky Luett

Attendance 01/12/20: 9:30 – 67

Grilled Cheese Lunch: 01/09/20: 90

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Welcome to Grace

Whether you are a member or visiting for the first time, may God's grace surround you today. There is a guest book to sign in the gathering area. If you are looking for a church home, you are welcome here.

In Prayer this Week

For members on the Care List especially Marie Mueller.

For Healing Tom Jensen; Mardie Paalman, Cookie Regal's sister; Winston Augustus Smith, Cheryl Muggenthaler's nephew; Mary Langdon, Cheryl Muggenthaler's sister-in-law; Rev. Jennie Johnson Wrege; Valerie Sieg; Marvin Wrege; Margaret Congdon; Mike VerKuilen; Lloyd Learman; Charlotte Endorf; Marian Breitenfeldt; Bev; Jim Marks; Darlene, Linda Grebe's mom; Judy Cross; Tom Muggenthaler; Gene Krull; Ole Olson; Gerry Kerwell; Joyce; Ken and Edna; Paula.

For those with cancer especially Ellie; Mark Catlin; Kenny Verdegan; Louie Dumke; Sam Strong; Barb; Megan Scovronski.

“Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer.” Romans 12:12



If you have a Prayer Chain request, please contact Mary Hubers (422-1090) or Susan Pringnitz (733-7591). Call the church office with requests for prayer to be put in the bulletin and/or to ask for a prayer to be relayed to the Prayer Chain.

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Announcements

Thank you for **signing the card** each week on the table in the Narthex that are mailed out to the homebound members.

Check out the **Grace Web Site** www.gracelutheranappleton.org for updated information about our congregation. We also have a feature – Daily Devotions. Every day a new devotion is on our website. Check them out!

Snow shoveling is upon us once again. There is a sign up sheet on the table in the narthex. Can you help? It really helps for everyone to know it is taken care of. Thank you in advance for all the help.

Once again it is the **season of snow**. In case of extreme weather, Grace will announce any closures thru the radio on WHBY 1150 AM and thru the TV on station WBAY (ABC).

2019 End of year Statements are available now on the table in the narthex in a box. By law we have to mail out any that are over \$600.00 if not picked up. If you visit with our shut ins or have relatives that haven't picked theirs up, please do so for them.

If you give through your bank, remember to update your **envelope number**, in the account Section, to your **2020 envelope number**. If you haven't picked up your 2020 envelope, please do so today.

Devotional Books for 1st quarter 2020 are on the table in the narthex. Please take one if interested.

During this cold and flu season, there is now **hand sanitizer** by the front pew if you would like to use it before communion.

GRACE VISITORS The care team is looking for 2-3 people who are willing to meet and develop a friendly relationship with a less mobile member of our church family. As we age, we tend to stay home more, and that can get quiet and lonely...or just boring. The care team would match you with one individual who you would visit once a month and perhaps send a card or call them an additional time each month. That's all. Please contact Sharon Meier, 739-4291, for more information. You are needed!

FVLH would like to invite ALL people who enjoy singing to consider joining the choir at FVLH. We practice on Thursday afternoons from 3:30 to 4:30. We sing at the monthly worship and communion service at FVLH held at 9:30 AM on the 1st Thursday of each month. We make a Joyful Noise! No auditions required!

Call Becky Luett (920-594-2016) if you have questions. Rehearsals to start back up after Christmas break on January 16.

LOAVES & FISHES MEAL: 5:30-6:30pm, Mon., Wed. & Fri. nights at St. Therese Parish Activity Center. Dining room opens at 5pm. Parking off Summer Street. Entrance at East end of the building through the double glass doors. FREE meals are for anyone. Volunteers needed to help 10:15am. All are welcome! Call 920-750-0964 or email staff@loavesandfishesfv.org.

There are **poinsettia's** in the narthex for the taking if interested. Please enjoy.

GRACE FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, Jan 19 9:30 a.m. Worship
10:30 a.m. Sunday School
6:00 p.m. Potter's House Worship

Monday, Jan 207:30 pm AA Meeting
****Newsletter Articles Due****

Tuesday, Jan 218:30 am Quilters

Wednesday, Jan 22 9:00 am Bible Study
7:30 p.m. AA Meeting
6:30 pm Council

Thursday, Jan 2310:30 am Grilled Cheese

Friday, Jan 24 9:00 a.m. Bible Study

Saturday, Jan 259:00 a.m. Hmong Service
11:30 -1:00 [Re]Building Meeting

Sunday, Jan 26 9:30 a.m. Worship
10:30 am Sunday School
6:00 p.m. Potter's House Worship

