

**Third Sunday after Epiphany**  
**Service of Healing**  
January 26, 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**

'Will You Come and Follow Me'

**798**

### **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  
Lord God, your lovingkindness always goes  
before us and follows after us. Summon us into  
your light, and direct our steps in the ways of  
goodness that come through the cross of your  
Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C Amen**

*please be seated*

### **First Reading**

Isaiah 9:1-4

<sup>1</sup>There will be no gloom for those who were in  
anguish. In the former time [the LORD] brought into  
contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of  
Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious  
the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan,  
Galilee of the nations. <sup>2</sup>The people who walked in  
darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in  
a land of deep darkness—on them light has shined.  
<sup>3</sup>You have multiplied the nation, you have increased  
its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the  
harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder.  
<sup>4</sup>For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across  
their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have  
broken as on the day of Midian.

L The Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God**

**Second Reading**

1 Corinthians 1:10-18

<sup>10</sup>Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. <sup>11</sup>For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. <sup>12</sup>What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." <sup>13</sup>Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? <sup>14</sup>I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, <sup>15</sup>so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. <sup>16</sup>(I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) <sup>17</sup>For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power. <sup>18</sup>For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

L The Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

*stand as you are able*

**Gospel Acclamation**

'Alleluia'

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

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 4<sup>th</sup> chapter.

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

## Holy Gospel

Matthew 4:12-23

<sup>12</sup>Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. <sup>13</sup>He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, <sup>14</sup>so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: <sup>15</sup>“Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—<sup>16</sup>the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned.”

<sup>17</sup>From that time Jesus began to proclaim, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”

<sup>18</sup>As he walked 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. <sup>19</sup>And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.” <sup>20</sup>Immediately they left their nets and followed him. <sup>21</sup>As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. <sup>22</sup>Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

<sup>23</sup>Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

**C Praise to you, O Christ.**

*please be seated*

**Children’s Sermon**

**Sermon**

**Hymn of the Day** ‘Healer of Our Every Ill’

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## **Apostles' Creed**

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## **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**

*stand as you are able*

## **Offertory**

'Alleluia, Song of Gladness'     vs 3

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## **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**

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## **Lord's Prayer**

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*please be seated*

## **Distribution of Holy Communion and Laying on of Hands**

*Come to the communion rail by the center aisle and return by the side aisle. You may kneel or stand. Wine is in the common cup and tray of individual cups. If you prefer grape juice, ask the server. Children are invited for a blessing. All are welcome who believe Christ is present in this meal for the forgiveness of sins. Those who wish to receive laying on of hands please remain at the altar rail. You may continue kneeling or standing.*

### **Hymns at the Distribution**

'Lamb of God'	p. 154
'The Is a Balm in Gilead'	<b>614</b>
'We Come to You for Healing, Lord'	<b>617</b>

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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**

'Come Follow Me, the Savior Spake" **799**

**Dismissal**

A Go in peace. Let your light shine.

C **Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude**

**Prayer Huddle**



**Worship Assistants: January 26**

**Greeters:** Mason – Verla Koerner/Sue Anderson  
East – Mary Boldt

**Assisting Ministers:** Becky Luett

**Lector:** Becky Luett

**Communion:** Marty Grow

**Ushers:** Dennis Pringnitz, Gary Schroeder, Joyce Learman

**Accompanist:** Anita Golz

**Attendance 01/19/20:** 9:30 – 59

**Grilled Cheese Lunch: 01/16/20:** No Lunch

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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 Marv Wrege.***

***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](http://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 1<sup>st</sup> 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](mailto:staff@loavesandfishesfv.org).

## GRACE FOR THE WEEK

- Sunday, Jan 26** ..... 9:30 a.m. Worship  
10:30 a.m. Sunday School  
6:00 p.m. Potter's House Worship
- Monday, Jan 27** .....7:30 pm AA Meeting
- Tuesday, Jan 28** .....8:30 am Quilters
- Wednesday, Jan 29** ..... 9:00 am Bible Study  
7:30 p.m. AA Meeting
- Thursday, Jan 30** .....10:30 am Grilled Cheese
- Friday, Jan 31** ..... 9:00 a.m. Bible Study
- Saturday, Feb 1** .....9:00 a.m. Hmong Service
- Sunday, Feb 2** ..... 9:30 a.m. Worship  
10:30 am Sunday School  
6:00 p.m. Potter's House Worship

