

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany
February 3, 2019
8:30 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, who creates us and forms us, who redeems us and calls, who unites us and sends us.

C Amen

P Gathered in God's presence, let us confess our sin.

silence for reflection and self-examination

P Mighty and loving God,

C we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We seek our own way. We divide the body of Christ. In your mercy, cleanse us and heal us. Let the words of our mouths, the thoughts of our hearts, and everything that we do be filled with faith, hope, and love. Amen

P Hear the voice of Jesus: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me to proclaim release to the captives". In the name of † Jesus Christ, I proclaim to you that your sins are forgiven and you are released. The joy of the Lord is your strength, and the gifts of the Holy Spirit are yours forever.

C Amen

Greeting

P Arise, shine; for your light has come. 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.

please be seated

Call to Worship

A The people who sit in darkness

C have seen a great light.

A Arise, let us leave the gloomy night;

C let us behold the glorious sight;

A make straight, then, the crooked highways;

C exalt the valleys and make low the mountains

A to prepare the way of the Lord!

C To make ready our hearts for his appearance,

A let us celebrate the Light of the World,

C for upon us has the Light shined!

Prayer of the Day

P Let us pray

Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and love; and that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen

First Reading

Jeremiah 1:4-10

⁴Now the word of the LORD came to me saying,

⁵Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed

you a prophet to the nations. ⁶Then I said, "Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy." ⁷But the LORD said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a boy'; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you. ⁸Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the LORD." ⁹Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me, "Now I have put my words in your mouth. ¹⁰See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Second Reading

I Corinthians 13:1-13

¹If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. ²And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. ³If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing. ⁴Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant ⁵or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; ⁶it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. ⁷It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. ⁸Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. ⁹For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; ¹⁰but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. ¹¹When I was a child, I

spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. ¹²For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. ¹³And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

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Gospel Acclamation (*tune ELW 301*)

C As a star, God's holy word leads us to our King and Lord; brightly from its sacred pages shall this light throughout the ages shine upon our path of life, shine upon our path of life.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 4th chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

Holy Gospel

Luke 4:21-30

²¹Then [Jesus] began to say to [all in the synagogue in Nazareth,] "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." ²²All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, "Is not this Joseph's son?" ²³He said to them, "Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, 'Doctor, cure yourself!' And you will say, 'Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.'" ²⁴And he said, "Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown. ²⁵But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; ²⁶yet

Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. ²⁷There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian.” ²⁸When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. ²⁹They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. ³⁰But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

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

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Sermon

Hymn of the Day

'Lord, Speak to Us, That We May Speak' **676**

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Apostles' Creed p. 105

Prayers of Intercession

Petitions end:

A Lord, in your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Receive our prayers and fill us with the radiance of your love through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen**

Peace *The people greet one another saying: "Peace be with you".*

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Offering

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Offertory (tune ELW 302)

C As they offered gifts most rare at thy
cradle, rude and bare, so may we with
holy joy, pure and free from sin's alloy,
all our cost-liest treasures bring, Christ, to
thee, our heav'n-ly king.

Offering Prayer

A God of all creation,

C all you have made is good, and your love
endures forever. You bring forth bread
from the earth and fruit from the vine.
Nourish us with these gifts, that we might
be for the world signs of your gracious
presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and
Lord. Amen

Great Thanksgiving

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

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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
challis. 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.146
'Where Charity and Love Prevail'	359
'O Word of God Incarnate'	514

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Table Blessing

Prayer after Communion

A We thank you, O God,

C that you have fed us at your banqueting table with bread and wine beyond compare, the very life of Christ for us. Send your Spirit with us now, that we may set the captive free, use your gifts to build one another up, and in everything reflect your glory revealed in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

Benediction

P The God of glory dwell in you richly, name you beloved, and shine brightly on your path; and the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the † Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always.

C Amen

Closing Hymn

'Go, My Children, with My Blessing' **543**

Dismissal

A Go in peace. Christ is your light.

C Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Prayer Huddle

Worship Assistants: February 3

Greeters: Mason – Ron Bailey
East – Phyllis & Gary Schroeder

Assisting Minister: Lois Hilger

Lector: Lois Hilger

Communion 8:30: Dennis Pringnitz

Communion 10:30: Luann Seidl

Ushers: Larry Baumbach, Joe Wilharms

Pianist: Anita Golz

Attendance 01/20/19: 8:30 - 38 10:30 - 46

Grilled Cheese Lunch: 01/24/19 - 100

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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; Sharon Meier; Margaret Congdon; Mike VerKuilen; Rylene Houterman; Lloyd Learman; Charlotte Endorf; Marian Breitenfeldt; Bev; Jim Marks; Darlene, Linda Grebe's mom; Judy Cross.

For those with cancer especially Ellie; Mark Catlin; Kenny Verdegan; Carol Baumbach; Dottie Frankie; Kristi Meier; Jeannie Monfils; Karen Krull.

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



If you have a Prayer Chain request, please contact Mary Hubers (731-1428) 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.

We have been very fortunate in the lack of snowfall so far this season. There is a **sign up sheet** on the table in the narthex, which goes weekly, if you can **help clear the sidewalks** after a snowfall. Larry Baumbach has been helping out a lot and he is going to be gone from Feb 10th thru April 10th. Anything anyone can do to help would be appreciated.

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).

The **QUILTING GROUP needs some help**. They have an abundance of material and fabric but need help pulling it all together. Help is needed in sewing the tops and bottoms together which can be done at your home with all materials provided. They might even have an extra sewing machine for you to use. They also meet on Tuesday mornings from 8:30 am - 11:30 pm or any time in between to sew and tie all the quilts. The quilts get donated overseas thru Lutheran World Relief. If you would like time to enjoy others company and be part of this amazing giving or if you have questions, please let Susan Pringnitz know at 920-284-2074.

Fox Valley Lutheran Homes: Apartments for rent: 1 BR & 2 BR; Call Becky or Katie at 734-7225.

There is a **sign up sheet** on the table in the narthex to sign up to **bring treats** for hospitality time between services. Please help and sign up today.

THANK YOU to the students, teachers, parents, musicians, helpers and Pr. Dan for your roles in the Youth/Family Worship Service at 10:30 on Jan. 27. Everyone took part in proclaiming the Gospel. What a great effort in building up the Body of Christ at Grace! On a very cold Sunday, there were many who were able to be in attendance. Everyone accomplished their role to make it a welcoming, personal worship service. February 24 will be the next Y/F service. Come and see. Invite your family and friends.

-Worship and Music Committee

Watch the February Newsletter for information on **Quilts of Valor (QOV)** to see what it is all about and how you can help. Sandy Yerxa is starting a branch of this at Grace. She needs the names of those that have served and during what years and what war. They are applying to Thrivent for a grant to help cover the expense. More to follow when available however in the meantime, if you could let the office know or Sandy directly at 716-7728 as we gather this information. This ministry is in addition to the Quilters we currently have as these quilts are given directly to the veterans.

You are invited to a Pizza Ranch Community Impact Fundraising Event!

To Benefit **Kairos Prison Ministry** Feb 4th 4-8 pm

Location: 1051 S Washburn St. Oshkosh Pizza Ranch will donate 10% of your guests check to Kairos Prison Ministry.

Thanks for considering this opportunity to benefit Kairos!

GRACE FOR THE WEEK

- Sunday, February 3** 8:30 a.m. Worship
9:25 am Sunday School
10:30 am Worship
- Monday, February 4** 7:30 pm AA Meeting
- Tuesday, February 5** 8:30 am Quilting
6:00 pm Confirmation
- Wednesday, February 6**9:00 a.m. Bible Study
6:30 pm Worship
6:45 p.m. AA Meeting
- Thursday, February 7**10:00 am Grilled Cheese
- Friday, February 8** 9:00 a.m. Bible Study
- Saturday, February 9**9:00 a.m. Hmong Service
7:00 p.m. Potter's House Worship
- Sunday, February 10** 8:30 a.m. Worship
9:25 am Sunday School
9:30 2nd Sunday Conversation
10:30 am Worship

