

Immanuel Lutheran Church * St. Charles, MO

Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

January 31, 2020—8:00 am & February 1, 2020—6:30 pm

* - Congregation will rise

Welcome

Opening Hymn

“Christ Be My Leader” - #861

- 1 Christ be my Leader by night as by day;
Safe through the darkness, for He is the way.
Gladly I follow, my future His care,
Darkness is daylight when Jesus is there.
- 2 Christ be my Teacher in age as in youth,
Drifting or doubting, for He is the truth.
Grant me to trust Him; though shifting as sand,
Doubt cannot daunt me; in Jesus I stand.
- 3 Christ be my Savior in calm as in strife;
Death cannot hold me, for He is the life.
Nor darkness nor doubting nor sin and its stain
Can touch my salvation: with Jesus I reign.

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Order of Worship “Prayer & Preaching”

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*Invocation

L In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

*Opening Versicles

L This is the day which the Lord has made;

C let us rejoice and be glad in it.

L From the rising of the sun to its setting,

C the name of the Lord is to be praised.

L Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;

C I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.

L Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.

C Teach me Your paths.

- L** Sanctify us in Your truth.
- C** **Your Word is truth.**
- L** From the rising of the sun to its setting,
- C** **the name of the Lord is to be praised.**
- C** **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

***Old Testament Canticle (Sunday)**

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- C** **The Lord God is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.**

With joy will you draw water from the wells of salvation.

And you will say in that day: "Give thanks to the Lord, call upon His name, make known His deeds among the peoples, proclaim that His name is exalted."

The Lord God is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.

Sing praises to the Lord, for He has done gloriously; let this be made known in all the earth.

Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitants of Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.

The Lord God is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

The Lord God is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.

Readings From Holy Scripture

Old Testament Reading

Deuteronomy 18:15-20

¹⁵"The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your brothers—it is to him you shall listen—¹⁶just as you desired of the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly, when you said, 'Let me not hear again the voice of the LORD my God or see this great fire any more, lest I die.'¹⁷And the LORD said to me, 'They are right in what they have spoken.¹⁸I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their brothers. And I will put my words in his mouth, and he shall speak to them all that I command him.¹⁹And whoever will not listen to my words that he shall speak in my name, I myself will require it of him.

²⁰But the prophet who presumes to speak a word in my name that I have not commanded him to speak, or who speaks in the name of other gods, that same prophet shall die."

- L** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle Reading

1 Corinthians 8:1-13

¹Now concerning food offered to idols: we know that “all of us possess knowledge.” This “knowledge” puffs up, but love builds up. ²If anyone imagines that he knows something, he does not yet know as he ought to know. ³But if anyone loves God, he is known by God.

⁴Therefore, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that “an idol has no real existence,” and that “there is no God but one.” ⁵For although there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as indeed there are many “gods” and many “lords”— ⁶yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

⁷However, not all possess this knowledge. But some, through former association with idols, eat food as really offered to an idol, and their conscience, being weak, is defiled.

⁸Food will not commend us to God. We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. ⁹But take care that this right of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. ¹⁰For if anyone sees you who have knowledge eating in an idol’s temple, will he not be encouraged, if his conscience is weak, to eat food offered to idols?

¹¹And so by your knowledge this weak person is destroyed, the brother for whom Christ died. ¹²Thus, sinning against your brothers and wounding their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. ¹³Therefore, if food makes my brother stumble, I will never eat meat, lest I make my brother stumble.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 111

L Praise the LORD! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

C Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them.

L Full of splendor and majesty is his work, and his righteousness endures forever.

C He has caused his wondrous works to be remembered; the LORD is gracious and merciful.

L He provides food for those who fear him; he remembers his covenant forever.

C He has shown his people the power of his works, in giving them the inheritance of the nations.

L The works of his hands are faithful and just; all his precepts are trustworthy;

C they are established forever and ever, to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.

L He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant forever. Holy and awesome is his name!

C The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding. His praise endures forever!

C Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

***Gospel Reading**

Mark 1:21-28

²¹And they went into Capernaum, and immediately on the Sabbath [Jesus] entered the synagogue and was teaching.

²²And they were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one who had authority, and not as the scribes. ²³And immediately there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit. And he cried out, ²⁴“What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God.” ²⁵But Jesus rebuked him, saying, “Be silent, and come out of him!” ²⁶And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying out with a loud voice, came out of him. ²⁷And they were all amazed, so that they questioned among themselves, saying, “What is this? A new teaching with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him.” ²⁸And at once his fame spread everywhere throughout all the surrounding region of Galilee.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

***Responsory**

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L Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.

C Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

L Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.

C Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

L Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

C Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

***Apostles' Creed**

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C I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life † everlasting. Amen.

C 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.

Children's Message (Sunday)

Hymn

"Son of God, Eternal Savior" - #842

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| <p>1 Son of God, eternal Savior,
Source of life and truth and grace,
Word made flesh, whose birth among us
Hallows all our human race,
You our Head, who, throned in glory,
For Your own will ever plead:
Fill us with Your love and pity,
Heal our wrongs, and help our need.</p> <p>2 As You, Lord, have lived for others,
So may we for others live.
Freely have Your gifts been granted;
Freely may Your servants give.
Yours the gold and Yours the silver,
Yours the wealth of land and sea;
We but stewards of Your bounty
Held in solemn trust will be.</p> | <p>3 Come, O Christ, and reign among us,
King of love and Prince of Peace;
Hush the storm of strife and passion,
Bid its cruel discords cease.
By Your patient years of toiling,
By Your silent hours of pain,
Quench our fevered thirst of pleasure,
Stem our selfish greed of gain.</p> <p>4 Son of God, eternal Savior,
Source of life and truth and grace,
Word made flesh, whose birth among us
Hallows all our human race:
By Your praying, by Your willing
That Your people should be one,
Grant, O grant our hope's fruition:
Here on earth Your will be done.</p> |
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Sermon

"2021: A Time to Ponder Discipleship" - Matthew 4:19 & John 21:19

Offering

*Prayer

- L** In peace let us pray to the Lord:
- C** Lord, have mercy.
- L** For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** Lord, have mercy.

- L** For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- L** For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- L** For reasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- L** For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- L** For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- L** For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- L** For . . . (*special intercessions*) . . . Lord, in your mercy:
- C** **Hear our prayer.**

Special Intercessions

- † Don & Linda G who will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on February 6th.
- † Carol P who is celebrating her 90th birthday on February 3rd.
- † For Christ's help and hope for those fighting cancer: (*please notify the Church Office of updates for long-term cancer patients and we will gladly include them in our prayers*)
 Jim A, Tim A, Nadine B, Jodi B, Pat C, Mildred C, Lonna C, Diane D, Joni D, Donna F, Anita G, Christopher G, Doris G, Dorothy H, Bill H, Terri J, James K, Mitch K, Diane M, Rachel M, Susan M, Gary R, Tate S, Earl S, Marilyn S, Carol S, Julie S, Nicki S, Nicole T, Frank T, Tate V, Ulla W; *new additions: Dr. Jim B (friend of Bob S)*
- † All those ill with, and impacted by COVID;
 All healthcare, frontline and essential workers during these trying times.
- † Rev. Larry B who is seriously ill.
- † Hospitalized this past week: Ray F
- L** Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

Collect of the Day

- L** Almighty God, You know we live in the midst of so many dangers that in our frailty we cannot stand upright. Grant strength and protection to support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

Collect for the Word

- L** Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

*Morning Prayer (Sunday)

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- C** I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me.

*Evening Prayer (Monday)

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- C** I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me.

*New Testament Canticle (Sunday)

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- C** Christ has been raised from the dead! Alleluia. Alleluia.

Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed.
Raised from the dead, He will never die again.
Death has no more dominion over Him.

Christ has been raised from the dead! Alleluia. Alleluia.

Dying, Christ dies to sin, once for all.
Living, He lives to God.

Count yourselves as dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus, our Lord.

Christ has been raised from the dead! Alleluia. Alleluia.

***Blessing**

L Let us bless the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

L The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the ✝ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve us.

G Amen.

***Closing Hymn**

“Earth and All Stars” - #817 v. 1, 6, 7

**1 Earth and all stars!
Loud rushing planets!
Sing to the Lord a new song!
Oh, victory!
Loud shouting army!
Sing to the Lord a new song! Refrain**

**6 Knowledge and truth!
Loud sounding wisdom!
Sing to the Lord a new song!
Daughter and son!
Loud praying members!
Sing to the Lord a new song! Refrain**

**Refrain:
He has done marvelous things.
I too will praise Him with a new song!**

**7 Children of God,
Dying and rising,
Sing to the Lord a new song!
Heaven and earth,
Hosts everlasting,
Sing to the Lord a new song! Refrain**

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***Postlude**

Participants

Preacher Rev. Ryan Taylor
Liturgist Rev. Scott Schmieding (Sunday)
Children’s Message.....Sem. Josiah Schultz (Sunday)
Organist..... Mr. Andrew Schempf (Sunday); Mr. Josh Freund (Monday)
AcolyteLuke Huster (Sunday)
Sound Technician..... Paul Jansen (Sunday)

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