



Third Sunday after Epiphany

January 26, 2020

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PRELUDE

My Lighthouse (binder, #161)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Gathering

GATHERING SONG

Here I Am to Worship (binder, #59)

CALL TO WORSHIP

The invitation is given to every person by Jesus Christ: "Come to me! Follow me! Be my disciples!" **We come to this place, to this time, at the invitation of Jesus Christ.**

In the name of Christ, **we accept the invitation to discipleship.**

In the name of Christ, **as his disciples, we worship and praise God.**

In the midst of a world where cruelty abounds, **we proclaim the God of Compassion.**

In the midst of despair that threatens to swallow up whole lives, whole peoples, **we proclaim the God of Hope.**

In the midst of indifference and apathy, **we proclaim the God of Love.**

Come, let us worship together and share our witness of God's living presence in the world.

SONG OF PRAISE

This Changes Everything (binder #162)

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.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Lord God, **your loving kindness 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.**

Amen

Word

LET THE CHILDREN COME...

FIRST READING: 1 Corinthians 1:10-18

Paul calls on the Corinthians to end their dissensions and share the unified outlook of the gospel. Discord arises when we forget that we belong not to human leaders or institutions but to Christ. Indeed, the unifying word of the cross of Christ is the center of the gospel and the power of God's salvation.

A reading from 1 Corinthians.

¹⁰Now 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. ¹¹For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters.

¹²What 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." ¹³Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? ¹⁴I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, ¹⁵so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. ¹⁶(I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) ¹⁷For 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.

¹⁸For 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.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 27:1, 4-9

A reading from Psalm 27; please read responsively.

¹The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? ⁴**One thing I ask of the LORD; one thing I seek; that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life; to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to seek God in the temple.**

⁵For in the day of trouble God will give me shelter, hide me in the hidden places of the sanctuary, and raise me high upon a rock. ⁶Even now my head is lifted up above my enemies who surround me. Therefore I will offer sacrifice in the sanctuary, sacrifices of rejoicing; I will sing and make music to the LORD. ⁷Hear my voice, O LORD, when I call; have mercy on me and answer me. ⁸My heart speaks your message - "Seek my face." Your face, O LORD, I will seek. ⁹Hide not your face from me, turn not away from your servant in anger. Cast me not away—you have been my helper; forsake me not, O God of my salvation. Here end the readings.

GOSPEL: Matthew 4:12,18-23

The holy gospel according to Matthew. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹²Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. ¹⁸As 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. ¹⁹And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fish for people." ²⁰Immediately they left their nets and followed him. ²¹As 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. ²²Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him. ²³Jesus 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.

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON - PASTOR KARL

SONG OF THE DAY

I Will Follow (binder #144)

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Hear Our Prayer (ELW #178)

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

OFFERING

We Are an Offering (binder #73)

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray. Use our gifts, Loving God, so others might not be scared by life; so they may be sheltered in the blanket of your grace; so they might find a home with us as their family. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Sending

BLESSING

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. Amen.

SENDING SONG

Until the Whole World Hears (binder #163)

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Let your light shine. Thanks be to God.

Ministry & Mission Information

Large Print Bulletins

If you struggle reading this, the words on the screen, your pew hymnal or pew Bible, we have large print bulletins available which include the full service order of today's worship (except songs). We also have in-ear speakers for hearing assistance. Ask an usher if you are in need.

Prayer Concerns

Gary Ridley, John & Sandy Almlie, Kynlee Pengilly, Mark Schneider, Lyla Johnson & Catelyn Goodman.

Annual Congregational Meeting

After worship, today! We will look at this past year and toward 2020. We ended 2019 with a nice budget surplus, so the meeting will include "Blessed to be a Blessing" as we decide how to be faithful and generous stewards of this unexpected blessing. **Your presence is important!**

Stay for the potluck following the meeting; remember ULC is a peanut free building. This means no peanuts, tree nuts such as almonds, cashews, walnuts, or pistachios, or legumes, such as peas, chickpeas, lentils or soybeans; green beans and kidney beans are okay.

Binders Available

We have updated the black ULW binders for our contemporary worship services and are reducing the number of binders. If you could use any, feel free to pick them up from the church library. They still have the old song sheets in them and measure 8.5"x7".

Thank You

Thank you to everyone that stayed after worship last Sunday to help take Christmas decorations down.

Weather Cancellation Notice

If inclement weather should arise, Pastor and Council President will make any decisions to cancel worship by 7:00 AM Sunday morning. A post will be made on our Facebook page. TV (WDAZ) and radio (KNDK) will also be notified.

Fundraiser

The Wales Fire Hall will be hosting a Breakfast at the St. Michael's parish hall in Wales next Sunday, February 2nd. They will be serving 9AM - 1PM. Items to be served are scrambled eggs, pancakes, sausage, coffee and juice. Free will offering.

Youth Super Bowl Party

Next Sunday, February 2! Church will supply pizza; bring your own beverage and a small snack to share. Parents are welcome. If planning to come, **let Pastor Karl know by next Sunday AM** so we can plan for enough pizza! We will be setup for people to come by 5pm. Kickoff will be at 5:30pm!

Last Sunday, January 19

50 disciples were sent out from worship in God's name to make a difference and \$6,938 was given to support our ministry.

Calling all United Women

United Women (also known as WELCA) will be meeting after worship next Sunday in the sanctuary to discuss its leadership and funding. **All women are invited!**

Lost Items

Miscellaneous items can be found on the lost & found shelf in the narthex. Also unclaimed coats on the coat rack.

Suicide: The Ripple Effect

Wednesday, February 12, 6:30PM at the Roxy Theater. The film chronicles the story of Kevin Hines, who at age 19, attempted to take his life by jumping from the Golden Gate Bridge. Since then, Kevin uses his story to help others stay alive and find recovery. Sponsored by the Healthy Cavalier County Behavioral and Mental Health Task Force and Cavalier County Health District.

Park River Bible Camp

We are in need of delegates to the PRBC annual meeting, tomorrow, January 27 at 7pm. Talk to Pastor Karl if interested.

Summer 2020 registration is open! Register online through Jan.31, with promo code Earlybird2020 for huge savings!

Discover Islam Documentary

Join us for video and conversation in the church library, Sundays at 9am. February 2: African Americans & Islam, February 9 Islam—a Faith Hijacked, February 23: Christians & Islam.

The gospel describes the first disciples as fishermen. This may be a memory of the profession of some in the Jesus movement. As well, it grounds the early Christian imagery of baptism as water, believers as water-dwellers, the net as the gospel and the boat as the church. The Greek of the early Christian creed, “Jesus [i] Christ [ch], God’s [th] Son [u], Savior, [s]” produces the acronym *ichthus*, which is the Greek word for fish and fish show up in much Christian iconography.

Offering Envelopes

2020 offering envelopes are available and may be picked up in the fellowship hall. Please remember to not use your 2019 envelopes in the new year as each year the envelopes are renumbered.

New Member Meeting

Interested in joining United Lutheran or just visiting about what that would look like? Join us for a meeting after worship February 9 in the Fireside Room.

Today’s Faith and Care Leaders

Reader: Laura Dease
Greeter: Leota Mikkelsen
Ushers: Kevin Stein & Laura Dease
Projectionist: Addy Reidhammer
Music provided the ULC Praise Band

Next Sunday’s Leaders

Reader: Nancy Coyle
Greeters: Ryan & Shannon Wagner
Communion Prep: Peggy Fischer
Communion Assts: Peggy Fischer,
Ashton Hedger & LeeAnn Knudson
Acolytes: Isabelle Olson & Cora Badding
Ushers: Dan & Peggy Fischer
Coffee: Joan Schrader
Projectionist: Brock Freer
Organists: Kathie Johnson & Lisa Schuler

The Week Ahead at ULC

Today: 11AM Annual meeting followed by potluck
Monday: 7PM Park River Bible Camp Annual Meeting (6pm free-will meal)
Tuesday: 7PM Financial Peace University
Wednesday: 6PM Confirmation
Thursday: 9AM Mom's Group, 12PM Al-Anon
Next Sunday: 9AM Sunday School and Bible Study
10AM Worship with Holy Communion
11AM United Women meeting (for all women of ULC)
5PM Youth Super Bowl party—5:30pm kickoff

Name(s) _____			
Email _____		Phone _____	
Address _____			
City _____	State _____	Zip _____	

- I/we received communion today (please indicate at least annually)
- I contributed my offering with Bill Pay through my bank
- Prayers requested/answered:
- I would like a Pastor to call regarding:

Today, I am a

- Member
- First Time Visitor
- Second Time Visitor
- Regular Visitor

- Please send me information about membership in United Lutheran Church
- I am a member of another church. Where?

What brought you to United today?