
Christ Our Redeemer Lutheran Church

Pastor Mark Voss

January 15, 2017 - Epiphany 2

Opening

P: We begin our worship in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Opening Hymn "To Jordan's River Came Our Lord"

CW 89

A Psalm of Confession (Psalm 51)

P: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love;

C: According to your great compassion blot out all my transgressions.

P: Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin.

C: For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me.

P: Against you, you only have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight.

C: Surely I have been a sinner from birth, sinful from the time my mother conceived me.

P: Hide your face from my sins.

C: And blot out all my iniquity.



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right spir-it with - in me.



Cast me not a - way from your pres-ence, and take not your Ho-ly Spir-it



from me. Re-store un-to me the joy of your sal - va - tion, and up-hold me with



your free Spir-it. A-men.

P: Dear Father, as you said to King David so you say to us, "Be of good cheer, your sins are forgiven!" You grant us cleansing from all our sins and restore to us the joy of your

Prayer for the Day

P: Almighty God, you gave your one and only Son to be the light of the world. Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and believed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

God's Word

The theme of Epiphany comes through loud and clear in our lessons

Isaiah 49:1-6 *The Messiah is a concealed weapon in the hands of God*

Listen to me, you islands; hear this, you distant nations: Before I was born the LORD called me; from my birth he has made mention of my name. He made my mouth like a sharpened sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me into a polished arrow and concealed me in his quiver. He said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will display my splendor." But I said, "I have labored to no purpose; I have spent my strength in vain and for nothing. Yet what is due me is in the LORD's hand, and my reward is with my God." And now the LORD says-- he who formed me in the womb to be his servant to bring Jacob back to him and gather Israel to himself, for I am honored in the eyes of the LORD and my God has been my strength-- he says: "It is too small a thing for you to be my servant to restore the tribes of Jacob and bring back those of Israel I have kept. I will also make you a light for the Gentiles, that you may bring my salvation to the ends of the earth."

Verse of the Day

P: Alleluia. He said to me, "You are my servant in whom I will display my splendor." Alleluia.

Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! These words are writ-ten that
 we may be-lieve that Je-sus is the Christ, the Son of God.
 Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

John 1:29-41 *We see and share the Lamb of God*

The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! This is the one I meant when I said, 'A man who comes after me has surpassed me because he was before me.' I myself did not know him, but the reason I came baptizing with water was that he might be revealed to Israel." Then John gave this testimony: "I saw the Spirit come down from heaven as a dove and remain on him. I would not have known him, except that the one who sent me to baptize with water told me, 'The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and remain is he who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.' I have seen and I testify that this is the Son of God."

The next day John was there again with two of his disciples. When he saw Jesus passing by, he said, "Look, the Lamb of God!" When the two disciples heard him say this, they followed Jesus. Turning around, Jesus saw them following and asked, "What do you want?" They said, "Rabbi" (which means Teacher), "where are you staying?" "Come," he replied, "and you will see." So they went and saw where he was staying, and spent that day with him. It was about the tenth hour. Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, was one of the two who heard what John had said and who had followed Jesus. The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon and tell him, "We have found the Messiah" (that is, the Christ).

The Confession of Faith

I believe in God our Lord and Father in heaven, who made us the crown of his creation, and preserves us with every good thing, that we may live before him in peace and joy. I believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, God's only Son from eternity, who became a man for us sinners. He redeemed us from Satan's power with his holy precious blood, rose from death, and made us his own to live with him now and forever. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who draws us to our Savior by the Gospel, who keeps us united in the true faith, forgives our sins, and at the end of the world will raise us from death to eternal life. I believe in the Triune God. Amen.

Sermon Hymn "I Love Your Kingdom, Lord"

CW 533

Sermon 1 Corinthians 1:1-9

"The Body of Christ"

¹Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes,

²To the church of God in Corinth, to those sanctified in Christ Jesus and called to be holy, together with all those everywhere who call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ--their Lord and ours:

³Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴I always thank God for you because of his grace given you in Christ Jesus.

⁵For in him you have been enriched in every way--in all your speaking and in all your knowledge--

⁶because our testimony about Christ was confirmed in you.

⁷Therefore you do not lack any spiritual gift as you eagerly wait for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed.

⁸He will keep you strong to the end, so that you will be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

⁹God, who has called you into fellowship with his Son Jesus Christ our Lord, is faithful.

Offering and Signing of Friendship Register

Order of Lord's Supper

Our church practices membership communion. We ask that only members of our church body, the Wisconsin Lutheran Synod, partake of the sacrament.

P: What is the sacrament of Holy Communion?

C: It is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ together with bread and wine, instituted for us Christians to eat and to drink.

P: What blessings do we receive through this eating and drinking?

C: That is shown us by these words, "Given and poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins." Through these words we receive forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation in this sacrament. For where there is forgiveness of sins, there is also life and salvation.



Come to the ta-ble of mer-cy, Pre - pared with the wine and the bread; All who are hun-gry and thirst-y,



Come and your souls will be fed. Come at the Lord's in-vi - ta-tion; Re - ceive from His nail-scarred



hand. Eat of the bread of sal - va - tion; Drink of the blood of the Lamb.

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Lord's Prayer Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, Your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, As we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Words from the Upper Room

Come Share the Lord

The image shows three staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp). The melody is written on a treble clef. The lyrics are printed below the notes, with some words aligned under specific notes and others centered under groups of notes. The lyrics are: We gath-er here in Je-sus' name; His love is burn-ing in our hearts like We'll gath-er soon where an-gels sing; We'll see the glo-ry of our Lord and liv-ing flame, For thro' the lov-ing Son, The Fa-ther makes us one: com-ing King. Now we an-tic-i-pate The feast for which we wait: Come, take the bread; come drink the cup; come, share the Lord. Come, take the bread, come, drink the cup; come, share the Lord.

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Reception

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Thanksgiving

Thank you, Lord Jesus, for nourishing me in this Sacrament with your body and blood. You have given me forgiveness, life and salvation. Let me always remain in you as a branch remains in the vine. Send me out in the power of your Spirit to live to your praise and glory. Amen.

Blessing

P: May the blessing of the eternal God be upon us; his light to guide us, his presence to shelter us, his peace to unite us.

C: Amen.

Closing Hymn "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"

CWS 771



I want to walk as a child of the light; I want to
I want to see the bright-ness of God; I want to
I'm look-ing for the com-ing of Christ; I want to
fol-low Je-sus. God set the stars to give
look at Je-sus. Clear Sun of Right-eous-ness,
be with Je-sus. When we have run
light to the world; The star of my life is Je-sus.
shine on my path And show me the way to the Fa-ther.
pa-tience the race, We shall know the joy of Je-sus.
In him there is no dark-ness at all; The night and the day are both a-like.
The Lamb is the light of the cit-y of God. Shine in my heart. Lord Je-sus.

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THANK YOU:

To all of our “un-tree” trimmers, we appreciate your help in taking down the tree.

Thank you for all the cards, prayers and words of encouragement following the death of Keri’s father, Frederick Mann. How blessed it is to be a part of God’s family.

The Friesenegger Family

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- A warm welcome to our visitors. May the Lord bless your worship with us today. We ask that you please sign the friendship register located at the end of the pew.
- Children – Activity bags are available in the coat room, off the narthex. During our 10:30a service a staffed nursery is located straight ahead and to your left as you exit the sanctuary. While we encourage young children to be in the service, families may like to use the nursery and are invited to do so.
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