

**MOUNT ZION
EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 9:00am
Divine Service 10am**

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FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

February 5, 2017

PREPARATION PSALMS: (Hymnal pages): Psalm 145 (155), 100 (144), 72 (138).

PREPARATION PRAYER: LORD GOD, heavenly Father, You have filled us with the new Light of the Word who became flesh and lived among us. Let the light of our faith shine in all that we do, through Your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE HYMNS 343:1-3 408 412 309

THE ORDER OF HOLY COMMUNION Hymnal Pg. 15

The Invocation...The Confession of Sins...Absolution – “Amen.”
The Introit...The Gloria Patri (Pg. 16)...The Kyrie (Pg. 17) . . .The Gloria in Excelsis (Pg 17-19)
The Salutation (Pg. 9)...The Collect – “Amen.”

THE LESSON.....ISAIAH 58:5-9

Then shall your light break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up speedily; your righteousness shall go before you; the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard. Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry, and he will say, ‘Here I am.’

THE EPISTLE 1 CORINTHIANS 1:26-31

Brothers, think of what you were when you were called. Not many of you were wise by human standards; not many were influential; not many were of noble birth. ²⁷ But God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong. ²⁸ He chose the lowly things of this world and the despised things—and the things that are not—to nullify the things that are, ²⁹ so that no one may boast before him. ³⁰ It is because of him that you are in Christ Jesus, who has become for us wisdom from God—that is, our righteousness, holiness and redemption. ³¹ Therefore, as it is written: “Let him who boasts boast in the Lord.

THE GOSPELMATTHEW 5:13-20

“You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people’s feet.

¹⁴“You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. ¹⁵Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. ¹⁶In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

¹⁷“Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. ¹⁸For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law until all is accomplished. ¹⁹Therefore whoever relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. ²⁰For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

THE NICENE CREED (Pg. 22)

HYMN 408 “*Jesus Christ, My Pride and Glory*”

SERMON:..... MATTHEW 5:13-16

**YOU ARE THE SALT OF THE EARTH
YOU ARE THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD**

HYMN 412 “*May We Thy Precepts, Lord, Fulfill*”

OFFERTORY (Pg. 22)

THE GATHERING OF THE OFFERINGS

THE PRAYERS

THE COMMUNION LITURGY

The Preface...The Sanctus (Pg. 26)...The Lord’s Prayer (Pg. 27)
The Words of Institution...The Pax Domini...The Agnus Dei (Pg. 28)

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

Communicants who have announced to the pastor in the customary way will come forward at the time of distribution. Because the Lord requires that those who commune together be agreed in their faith and in the confession of His Word, we practice the Lutheran custom of Close Communion. This means that only those approach the altar who are members of our congregation or of a sister congregation of the Church of the Lutheran Confession. If you are not presently a member of our congregation and would like to commune with us in the future, please speak with the pastor. He will be pleased to supply you with what you need to know about our congregation’s faith and confession.

THE CLOSING LITURGY (Pgs. 30-31)

THE THANKSGIVING

THE BENEDICTION “Amen, Amen, Amen.”

CLOSING HYMN 309 “*O Jesus, Blessed Lord to Thee*”

Silent Prayer

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

THIS MORNING **11:15AM CALL MEETING**

NEXT SUNDAY FEBRUARY 12 **6TH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY**

9AM Adult Bible Study 10AM Divine Service

Sharon Vincent is hospitalized at St. John (Dequindre). She will undergo surgery in the next few days. Remember her in your prayers.

CLC NEWS . . . Rock of Ages Lutheran, Grand Rapids MI, has called the Rev. Mark Weis, pastor of Grace Lutheran, Cape Coral FL. He has since returned that call. <> St. Luke’s Lutheran, Lemmon SD, has called the Rev. Edward Starkey, pastor of Resurrection Lutheran, Corpus Christi TX. <> Brandan Heinze has accepted the call to teach Mathematics at Immanuel Lutheran School in Mankato MN. <> Messiah Lutheran, Eau Claire WI, has called Heidi Radtke to teach grades 3 and 4 in its school. <> St. Stephen Lutheran, Mt. View CA, has called Heidi Radtke to be the second teacher in its school.

Looking ahead...

TUESDAY **FEBRUARY 28** **7PM**

SHROVE TUESDAY COMMUNION SERVICE

Pastor Mike Wilke, Saginaw

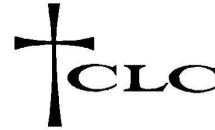
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**5th Sunday after
The Epiphany
of Our Lord**

February 5, 2017

Daily Bible readings for home devotions; Feb. 6-11, '17

Mon Genesis 28:10-22 Jacob had good reason to flee from his brother and to wonder if he was in trouble with God besides, so Jehovah came to reassure him that he was still under divine protection and would become a forefather of the Savior (13-15). In view of these assurances (20-21), Jacob vowed to dedicate Bethel to the worship of Jehovah and provide financing (22). [NIV 1984 footnote on vv. 20-22 gets the drift.]

Tues Mark 9:2-13 Jesus' transfiguration is visualized for us (2-3), and although His conversation with Moses and Elijah is not transcribed, the words which the Father spoke are perfectly clear: **"This is My beloved Son. Hear Him!"** So they listened (9), asked questions (10-11), and then listened some more (12-13) to events just around the corner.

Wed 2 Peter 3:14-18 *The longsuffering of our Lord is salvation* has a double meaning: a) Jesus achieved salvation via His longsuffering, and b) Jesus is extending the time of grace with long-suffering patience for sinners everywhere. Since we know these things beforehand, we shy away from dangers (17) as we gravitate heavenward (18).

Thurs Daniel 7:9-15 Amid grand scenery and thrilling introduction, we enter the presence of the Ancient of Days; pyrotechnics and angels in retinue herald Jesus entering the Throne Room to *receive dominion and glory and a kingdom* among humankind that lasts from eternity to eternity. It's almost too much for a mortal to absorb (15). Glory be!

Fri Mark 13:14-31 The short-range calamity for Judea would come at the hands of the Romans (14-22), which serves as preview for the long-range one when God closes the curtain on the Universe. We are anxious for this second one, when Jesus revisits Earth to gather His elect (24-27). Thanks for the advance notice, dear Lord Jesus (23)!

Sat Hebrews 12:22-24 In this preview of coming attractions we are allowed to view Jerusalem the Golden, God's homestead, countless angels, the entire assembly of God's children gathered around God Himself. . . and Jesus, the embodiment of God's covenant of grace and mercy, validated by His blood and righteousness (24). [We will finally get to meet Abel, too, in the grand resurrection.] See you there!