

January 23, 2022



“TODAY THIS
SCRIPTURE HAS
BEEN FULFILLED IN
YOUR HEARING.”

LUKE 4:21



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3rd Sunday after Epiphany

Pre-Service Personal Prayer: *Lord God, heavenly Father, make us diligent in the use of Your Word, and enable us by the grace of Your Holy Spirit to walk before You in fervent faith and all holy obedience. Through the Word made flesh, Your Son and our Savior Jesus Christ, work Your blessings in us for now and eternity. In His saving name, Amen.*

Today's Worship!

Greeting and Prayer

Opening Hymn 129 (TLH): *Hail, Thou Source of Every Blessing*

**1. Hail, Thou Source of every blessing, Sovereign Father of mankind!
Gentiles now, Thy grace possessing, In Thy courts admission find.
Grateful now we fall before Thee, In Thy Church obtain a place,
Now by faith behold Thy glory, Praise Thy truth, adore Thy grace.**

**2. Once far off, but now invited, We approach Thy sacred throne;
In Thy covenant united, Reconciled, redeemed, made one.
Now revealed to Eastern sages, See the Star of Mercy shine;
Mystery hid in former ages, Mystery great of love divine.**

**3. Hail, Thou all-inviting Savior! Gentiles now their offerings bring;
In Thy temples seek Thy favor, Jesus Christ, our Lord and King.
May we, body, soul, and spirit, Live devoted to Thy praise,
Glorious realms of bliss inherit, Grateful anthems ever raise!**

The Invocation

We invoke ("call upon") the name of the one true God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

P In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen!

The Confession and Absolution of Sins

We come before our Holy God admitting that we are sinful and need His forgiveness.

P We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve Him as His dear children. But we have disobeyed Him and deserve only His wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to Him and plead for His mercy.

C Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against You and do not deserve to

be called Your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray:
 Have mercy on me according to Your unfailing love. Cleanse me
 from my sin, and take away my guilt.

P God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect
 life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, He has removed
 your guilt forever. You are His own dear child. May God give you
 strength to live according to His will!

C Amen!

Lord, Have Mercy

Kyrie – Latin for "O Lord." We approach our Lord with a cry for help in all the needs of our earthly life.

Lord, have mer - cy on us. Christ, have mer - cy
 on us. Lord, have mer - cy on us.

Glory to God in the Highest

Gloria in Excelsis – Latin for "Glory in the Highest (to God)." A hymn glorifying and praising our God.

Glo - ry to God, we give you thanks and praise; Of
 Lord Je - sus Christ, the Fa - ther's on - ly Son, You
 A - lone, O Christ, You on - ly are the Lord, At
 heav'n - ly joy and peace on earth we sing. We wor - ship
 bore for us the load of this world's sin. O Lamb of
 God's right hand in maj - es - ty most high: Who, with the
 You, to You our hearts we raise, Lord God, al -
 God, Your glo - rious vic - t'ry won, Re - ceive our
 Spir - it wor - shiped and a - dored, With all the
 might - y Fa - ther, heav'n - ly King.
 prayer, grant us Your peace with - in.
 heav'n - ly host we glo - ri - fy.

The Prayer for the Day

The main thoughts for the day are collected together in this prayer.

- P** Let us pray. . . through Christ Jesus, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever
- C** Amen.

The Old Testament Reading: *Isaiah 61:1-6*

The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me to bring good news to the poor; he has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to those who are bound; ² to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn; ³ to grant to those who mourn in Zion-- to give them a beautiful headdress instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the garment of praise instead of a faint spirit; that they may be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, that he may be glorified. ⁴ They shall build up the ancient ruins; they shall raise up the former devastations; they shall repair the ruined cities, the devastations of many generations. ⁵ Strangers shall stand and tend your flocks; foreigners shall be your plowmen and vinedressers; ⁶ but you shall be called the priests of the LORD; they shall speak of you as the ministers of our God; you shall eat the wealth of the nations, and in their glory you shall boast.

The Responsive Reading: *Psalms 19 Selected Verses*

- P** The heavens declare the glory of God,
C And the sky above proclaims his handiwork.
- P** Day to day pours out speech,
C And night to night reveals knowledge.
- P** Their voice goes out through all the earth,
C And their words to the end of the world.
- P** The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul;
C The testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple;
- P** The precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart;
C The commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes;
- P** The fear of the LORD is clean, enduring forever;
C The rules of the LORD are true, and righteous altogether.
- P** Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight,
C O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.



The Epistle Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:12-21,26-27

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³ For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body--Jews or Greeks, slaves or free--and all were made to drink of one Spirit. ¹⁴ For the body does not consist of one member but of many. ¹⁵ If the foot should say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁶ And if the ear should say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁷ If the whole body were an eye, where would be the sense of hearing? If the whole body were an ear, where would be the sense of smell? ¹⁸ But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. ¹⁹ If all were a single member, where would the body be? ²⁰ As it is, there are many parts, yet one body. ²¹ The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you."

²⁶ If one member suffers, all suffer together; if one member is honored, all rejoice together. ²⁷ Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it.

P Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it.

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

The Apostle's Creed *We boldly confess what we believe.*

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there 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.

Hymn 391 (TLH): *Blessed Are the Sons of God*

**1. *Blessed are the sons of God, They are bought with Christ's own blood;
They are ransomed from the grave, Life eternal they shall have:
With them numbered may we be Here and in eternity!***

**2. *They are justified by grace, They enjoy the Savior's peace;
All their sins are washed away, They shall stand in God's great Day:
With them numbered may we be Here and in eternity!***

**3. *They are lights upon the earth, Children of a heavenly birth;
One with God, with Jesus one; Glory is in them begun:
With them numbered may we be Here and in eternity!***

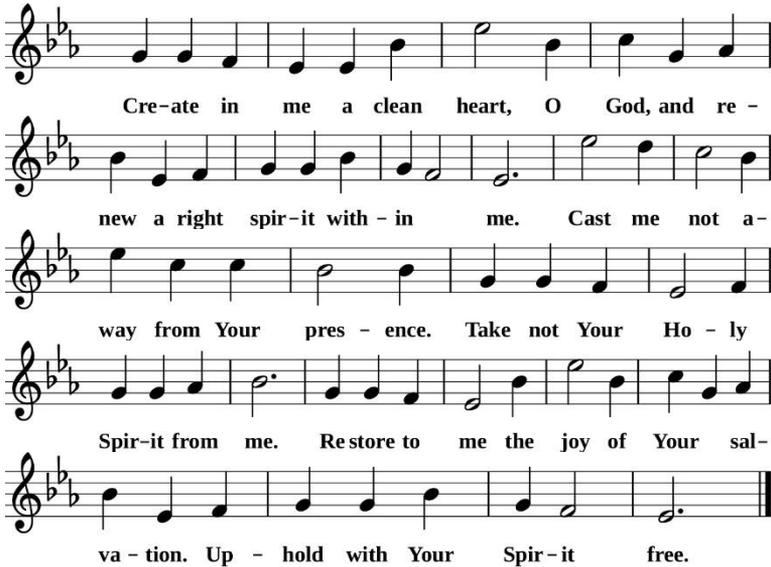
The Sermon: *Luke 4:14-21*

And Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit to Galilee, and a report about him went out through all the surrounding country. ¹⁵ And he taught in their synagogues, being glorified by all. ¹⁶ And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up. And as was his custom, he went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and he stood up to read. ¹⁷ And the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written, ¹⁸ "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, ¹⁹ to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." ²⁰ And he rolled up the scroll and gave it back to the attendant and sat down. And the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. ²¹ And he began to say to them, "Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

Theme: TODAY YOUR HELP HAS ARRIVED

The Offertory

Having heard God's Word, we ask Him to spiritually heal us, giving us the gift of the Holy Spirit.



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. Take not Your Ho - ly
Spir-it from me. Re store to me the joy of Your sal -
va - tion. Up - hold with Your Spir - it free.

Hymn 114 (TLH): *Jesus! Name of Wondrous Love*

- 1. *Jesus! Name of wondrous love, Name all other names above,
Unto which must every knee Bow in deep humility.***
- 2. *Jesus! Name decreed of old, To the maiden mother told--
Kneeling in her lowly cell-- By the angel Gabriel.***
- 3. *Jesus! Name of priceless worth To the fallen sons of earth,
For the promise that it gave, "Jesus shall His people save."***
- 4. *Jesus! Name of mercy mild, Given to the holy Child
When the cup of human woe First He tasted here below.***
- 5. *Jesus! Only name that's given Under all the mighty heaven
Whereby man, to sin enslaved, Bursts his fetters and is saved.***
- 6. *Jesus! Name of wondrous love, Human name of God above;
Pleading only this, we flee, Helpless, O our God, to Thee.***

The Offering of Thankful Hearts

In tangible evidence of our gratitude, we offer the Lord the gift of our money, remembering that He has first given to us that we might have to give to Him. If you wish to give your church offering electronically, you can do so by using the CashApp on your mobile device. The church's Scashtag is "ScIcmztzion". While the usher brings the offering plate forward we sing the following hymn verse

*(788:1): **Lord, You love the cheerful giver Who with open heart and hand
Blesses freely, as a river That refreshes all the land.
Grant us, then, the grace of giving With a spirit large and true
That our life and all our living We may consecrate to You.***

Prayer of the Church – The Lord's Prayer

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.

The Benediction

The blessing given by God for His people (Numbers 6:24-26)

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

C Amen!

Closing Hymn 498:1,4 (TLH): *Rise, Thou Light of Gentile Nations*

**1. Rise, Thou Light of Gentile nations, Jesus, bright and Morning Star;
Let Thy Word, the gladsome tidings, Ring out loudly near and far,
Bringing freedom to the captives, Peace and comfort to the slave,
That the heathen, free from bondage, May proclaim Thy pow'r to save.**

**4. Knowing Thee and Thy salvation, Grateful love dare never cease
To proclaim Thy tender mercies, Gracious Lord, Thy heav'nly peace.
Sound we forth the Gospel tidings To the earth's remotest bound
That the sinner has been pardoned And forgiveness can be found.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

“If the LORD wills, we will do this or that.” James 4:15

WELCOME EVERYONE! We pray that God’s Word and our worship today will help you grow in the grace and knowledge of our Savior Jesus. We ask our visitors to please sign our guest book. If you are looking for a church home, we hope you’ve found it with us. Ask our Pastor about a free Bible study he offers to explain what we believe and teach. Where and when? Your convenience.

THANK YOU to Matt Fobear for conducting today’s worship service, Randy Wittorp for leading Bible Class, and Kaity Mueller for playing the digital church music. Pastor Naumann and family are visiting relatives in Texas and will return later this week.

CLC CALL NEWS: Teacher Andrew Roehl of Messiah Lutheran School, Eau Claire, WI, **has received** the call to be the principal and upper grade teacher at Grace Lutheran School, Valentine, NE. + ILC Professor John Ude **is still considering** the call to be the pastor of Living Savior Lutheran Church, Eden Prairie, MN. + Pastor Luke Bernthal of St. Stephen Lutheran Churches, Mt. View, CA, Stockton, CA, and Hayward, CA, **is still considering** the call to Immanuel Lutheran Church, Winter Haven, FL.

SERVING US THIS WEEK

January Usher: Matt Fobear <> Church Cleaning: Muellers

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL

Worship Attendance Last Sunday = 25 <> Bible Class/Sunday School = 18

Bi-Weekly Offerings Needed:	\$3307.69	Total Offerings Needed YTD:	\$4,961.54
Bi-Weekly Offerings Received:	\$1871.00	Total Offerings Received YTD:	\$3317.50
Missions Offerings YTD (includes 10% of GB & individual offerings):			\$331.75
Maisie Wittorp Christian Education Memorial Fund:			\$1,925.00

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES AT MT. ZION

Thu. 1/27	8pm	Technology Committee Meeting
Sun. 1/30	9am	Bible Class / Sunday School
	10am	Worship
	4pm	Cleveland Area Worship Service
Tue. 2/8	7pm	Board of Elders Meeting
	7:30pm	Church Council Meeting
	8:00pm	Board of Christian Ed. Meeting
	8:30pm	Outreach Committee Meeting
Sun. 2/20	10am	Christian Education Sunday
		Following the service, Board of Ed. to present on plans for the opening a Christian Day School.

IN OUR PRAYERS <> ENCOURAGEMENT LIST

Ephesians 6:18 "Be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people."

Jackie McGruder remains homebound as she continues to suffer from lupus. **Denise Troyan's** sister, Amy, is receiving treatment for cancer. **Dave Troyan's** mother, Lois, was in a serious car accident several months ago, breaking her ankle, and suffering trauma to the brain. **The Naumanns** are expecting a newborn baby in June 2022.