

3 Epiphany

Your sins are forgiven...



Stand up and take your mat and walk

January 24, 2021

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

P: Our call to worship is from Mark, Chapter 1:

“The beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God.”

P: People of God, hear the story of Jesus Christ!

C: Where hope and faith shines through!

P: The life of Jesus, filled with compassion and love.

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P: The life, death, and resurrection of Jesus.

C: Where hope and faith shines through!

Call to Confession

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

P: Almighty God, to whom all desires are known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

(Silence for reflection)

Prayer of Confession

P: Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Forgiveness

P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God, strengthen you with power through the Holy

Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **C: Amen.**

Greeting

P: The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C: And also with you.**

Prayer of the Day

P: Almighty God,

C: by grace alone you call us and accept us in your service. Strengthen us by your Spirit, and make us worthy of your call, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Anthem

“Leave it There” – Joey & Rory

Tom & Deb Kaehler

Word

God Speaks to Us in Scripture Reading, Preaching, and Song.

Reading: Isaiah 43:18-25

¹⁸Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. ¹⁹I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. ²⁰The wild animals will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, ²¹the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise. ²²Yet you did not call upon me, O Jacob; but you have been weary of me, O Israel! ²³You have not brought me your sheep for burnt offerings, or honored me with your sacrifices. I have not burdened you with offerings, or wearied you with frankincense. ²⁴You have not bought me sweet cane with money, or satisfied me with the fat of your sacrifices. But you have burdened me with your sins; you have wearied me with your iniquities. ²⁵I, I am He who blots out your transgressions for my own sake, and I will not remember your sins.

P: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Reading: Psalm 41

¹Happy are they who regard the poor!

The LORD will deliver them in the time of trouble.

- ²The LORD protects and revives them, those
blessed in the land, and does not hand
them over to the power of their enemies.
- ³The LORD sustains them on their sickbed
and ministers to them in their illness.

Responsive hum

- ⁴I said, "LORD, be merciful to me;
heal me, for I have sinned against you."
- ⁵My enemies are saying wicked things about
me, asking when I will die, and my name
perish.
- ⁶Even if they come to see me, they speak
empty words; their heart collects false
rumors; they go outside and spread them.

Responsive hum

- ⁷All my enemies whisper together about me
and devise evil against me.
- ⁸"A deadly thing," they say, "has fastened on
him; he has taken to his bed and will never
get up again."
- ⁹Even my best friend, whom I trusted, who
broke bread with me, has violently turned
against me.

Responsive hum

- ¹⁰But you, O LORD, be merciful to me and raise
me up, and I shall repay them.
- ¹¹By this I know you are pleased with me:
that my enemy does not triumph over me.
- ¹²In my integrity you hold me fast,
and shall set me before your face forever.
- ¹³Blessed be the LORD God of Israel,
from age to age. Amen. Amen.

Responsive hum

Here Is Bread Here Is Wine

Verse 1

Here is bread here is wine
Christ is with us He is with us
Break the bread drink the wine
Christ is with us here

Chorus

In this bread there is healing
In this cup there's life forever
In this moment by the Spirit
Christ is with us here

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P: The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the second chapter. **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

Gospel: Mark 2:1-12

¹When he returned to Capernaum after some days, it was reported that he was at home. ²So many gathered around that there was no longer room for them, not even in front of the door; and he was speaking the word to them. ³Then some people came, bringing to him a paralyzed man, carried by four of them. ⁴And when they could not bring him to Jesus because of the crowd, they removed the roof above him; and after having dug through it, they let down the mat on which the paralytic lay. ⁵When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, "Son, your sins are forgiven." ⁶Now some of the scribes were sitting there, questioning in their hearts, ⁷Why does this fellow speak in this way? It is blasphemy! Who can forgive sins but God alone? ⁸At once Jesus perceived in his spirit that they were discussing these questions among themselves; and he said to them, "Why do you raise such questions in your hearts? ⁹Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Stand up and take your mat and walk'? ¹⁰But so that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins" — he said to the paralytic — ¹¹I say to you, stand up, take your mat and go to your home. ¹²And he stood up, and immediately took the mat and went out before all of them; so that they were all amazed and glorified God, saying, "We have never seen anything like this!"

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Message

Sermon

Pastor Kathy

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 the People

P: Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

Sharing God's Peace

Offering Prayer (*Noisy Offering – Benefits Laundry Love*)

P: Merciful Father,

C: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us – our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Holy Communion

Today we celebrate Holy Communion: If you are a guest, please know you are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Jesus said that the body and blood are given “for you and for all people.” Communion will be available as you leave worship. For gluten-free wafers, ask the pastors. Children not yet communing are invited to receive a blessing.

P: The Lord be with you,

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts,

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God,

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

C: 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. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Communion Blessing and Prayer

Benediction

1 "I will come to you in the silence,
I will lift you from all your fear.
You will hear my voice,
I claim you as my choice.
Be still and know I am here."

2 "I am hope for all who are hopeless,
I am eyes for all who long to see.
In the shadows of the night,
I will be your light.
Come and rest in me."

Refrain

"Do not be afraid, I am with you.
I have called you each by name.
Come and follow me,
I will bring you home;
I love you and you are mine."

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Dismissal

P: Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

**The Annual Meeting of Our Savior's Lutheran Church
will be held on Sunday, February 7, at 11:30 AM.**

You can attend the meeting in person or via Zoom. You can attend the meeting in person or via Zoom. We are asking people to sign up so that we can send a Zoom link, and also know how many will be here in person. The ballot for voting will be sent with the Zoom link for the meeting. This will be a very basic annual meeting with the plan being we vote on the budget and new council and committee members. To sign up for in person or Zoom, please call or email the church office. Please know that if you forget to sign up and want to attend in person, we will not be turning anyone away. We simply need to plan the space so we can keep everyone safe and healthy.

The Annual Report will be available Wednesday, January 27. You will be able to pick one up at church during the week or at Sunday worship. It will also be available on the church website.

A meeting to present and discuss the budget will be held on Sunday, January 31, at 11:30 AM. This will also be in person and via Zoom. Again, please sign up by calling or emailing the church to let us know how you plan to attend.



OUR SAVIOR'S

Lutheran Church

NEW ULM, MN

Senior Pastor: Kathleen Ulland-Klinkner

Director of Music Ministry: Shannon Stuckey

Education Ministries Coordinator: Lindsay Medina

Business Administrator: MaryLu Anderson

Soloist: Deb Kaehler, Tom Kaehler

Deacon: Linda Postel

Associate Pastor: Dave Nissen

Office Administrator: Jen Geiger

Facilities Manager: Scott Kathman

Pianist: Shannon Stuckey

Lector (8:30): Tom Kaehler



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	Weekly Offering	YTD Offering
1/17 General Offering	\$ 5,517.00	\$ 18,108.00
1/17 Building Fund	\$ 525.00	\$ 2,422.50
TOTAL:	\$ 6,042.00	\$ 20,530.50
1/17 World Hunger	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00

ATTENDANCE	8:30AM Sun.	FB Live Views	10:30AM Sun.
1/17/21	39	85	18

Facebook Online Service:	Indoor Worship Services:	New Ulm Community Access TV
Sunday at 8:30AM	Sunday at 8:30AM and 10:30AM	Comcast Ch. 14 & Nuvera Ch. 3: Mon. at 7:00PM; Thurs. at 5:00PM

In Our Prayers This Week:

Russ Brown, Dixie Flitter, Marj Frederickson, Ardis Groebner, Marilyn Hudson, Sharon Hulke, Joyce Jobe, Lyndon Jones, Dave Marsh, Brad Nicklay, Tom Postel, Keith Riser, Sharon Riser, Glenn Swanson, Con Trapp, Linda Trimnell, and Paul Wilker