



PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

Psalm III:1-10 Praise the LORD! I will praise the LORD with my whole heart, In the assembly of the upright and in the congregation. 2 The works of the LORD are great, Studied by all who have pleasure in them. 3 His work is honorable and glorious, And His righteousness endures forever. 4 He has made His wonderful works to be remembered; The LORD is gracious and full of compassion. 5 He has given food to those who fear Him; He will ever be mindful of His covenant. 6 He has declared to His people the power of His works, In giving them the heritage of the nations. 7 The works of His hands are verity and justice; All His precepts are sure. 8 They stand fast forever and ever, And are done in truth and uprightness. 9 He has sent redemption to His people; He has commanded His covenant forever: Holy and awesome is His name. 10 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; A good understanding have all those who do His commandments. His praise endures forever.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Speaker: Pastor Matthew Ude

Organists: Barry Hay & Ann Sprengeler

Hymn 83 Hark What Mean Those Holy Voices

INVOCATION


p In the name of the Father and of the Son and
of the Holy Spirit.

c  A-men.

CONFESSION OF SINS

p Beloved of God: let us draw near with a true
heart and confess our sins to God our Father,
asking Him, in the Name of our Lord Jesus
Christ, to grant us forgiveness.

c Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. for this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.


c  Lord, have mercy on us. Christ, have mercy on us. Lord, have mercy on us.

p God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.


c  A-men.

GLORIA

p In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

c  Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.
We praise You, we bless You, we worship You, we glorify You, we give thanks to You, for Your great glory, O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father almighty.
O Lord, the only begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
You take away the sin of the world; receive our prayer. You sit at the right hand of God the Father; have mercy on us. For You only are holy; You only are the Lord.
You only, O Christ, with the Holy Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

p The Lord be with you.

c  **And also with you.**

p Let us pray . . . O God, our Maker and Redeemer, You wonderfully created us and in the incarnation of Your Son yet more wondrously restored our human nature. Grant that we may ever be alive in Him who made Himself to be like us; through Jesus Christ your son, our Lord, who lives, and reigns with You and the Holy Ghost, one God, now and forever.

c  **A-men.**

THE WORD

Galatians 4:4-7 4 But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, 5 to redeem those who were under the law, that we might receive the adoption as sons. 6 And because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into


your hearts, crying out, "Abba, Father!" 7 Therefore you are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ.

Luke 2:22-44 22 Now when the days of her purification according to the law of Moses were completed, they brought Him to Jerusalem to present Him to the Lord 23 (as it is written in the law of the Lord, "Every male who opens the womb shall be called holy to the LORD"), 24 and to offer a sacrifice according to what is said in the law of the Lord, "A pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons." 25 And behold, there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon, and this man was just and devout, waiting for the Consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. 26 And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Christ. 27 So he came by the Spirit into the temple. And when the parents brought in the Child Jesus, to do for Him according to the custom of the law, 28 he took Him up in his arms and blessed God and said: 29 "Lord, now You are letting Your servant depart in peace, According to Your word; 30 For my eyes have seen Your salvation 31 Which You have prepared before the face of all peoples, 32 A light to bring revelation to the Gentiles, And the glory

of Your people Israel." 33 And Joseph and His mother marveled at those things which were spoken of Him. 34 Then Simeon blessed them, and said to Mary His mother, "Behold, this Child is destined for the fall and rising of many in Israel, and for a sign which will be spoken against 35 "(yes, a sword will pierce through your own soul also), that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed." 36 Now there was one, Anna, a prophetess, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, and had lived with a husband seven years from her virginity; 37 and this woman was a widow of about eighty-four years, who did not depart from the temple, but served God with fastings and prayers night and day. 38 And coming in that instant she gave thanks to the Lord, and spoke of Him to all those who looked for redemption in Jerusalem. 39 So when they had performed all things according to the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own city, Nazareth. 40 And the Child grew and became strong in spirit, filled with wisdom; and the grace of God was upon Him. 41 His parents went to Jerusalem every year at the Feast of the Passover. 42 And when He was twelve years old, they went up to Jerusalem according to the custom of the feast. 43 When they had finished the days, as they returned, the Boy Jesus lingered behind in Jerusalem. And

Joseph and His mother did not know it; 44 but supposing Him to have been in the company, they went a day's journey, and sought Him among their relatives and acquaintances.

p Blessed are they who hear the Word of God
and keep it!

c  Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by Whom all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered

and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, Whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, And I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

371:1-4 Jesus Thy Blood And Righteousness

SERMON

Isaiah 61:10 - 62:3 10 I will greatly rejoice in the LORD,
My soul shall be joyful in my God; For He has clothed me
with the garments of salvation, He has covered me with the
robe of righteousness, As a bridegroom decks himself with
ornaments, And as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

11 For as the earth brings forth its bud, As the garden
causes the things that are sown in it to spring forth, So the
Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise to spring
forth before all the nations. Isaiah 62:1 For Zion's sake
I will not hold My peace, And for Jerusalem's sake I will
not rest, Until her righteousness goes forth as brightness,
And her salvation as a lamp that burns. 2 The Gentiles
shall see your righteousness, And all kings your glory. You
shall be called by a new name, Which the mouth of the
LORD will name. 3 You shall also be a crown of glory In
the hand of the LORD, And a royal diadem In the hand of
your God.

**The Savior Comes to Give the Name of
Righteous One**

Isaiah rejoices in the Savior who gives him and us righteousness. Even though most won't listen Isaiah continues to preach about this Messiah for the sake of the few who do listen. He continues until he is proven correct when the Messiah comes. When the Messiah comes He gives us a new name, righteous one.

c ♪ Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Your presence, and take not Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Your salvation, and uphold me with Your free Spirit.




139 In His Temple Now Behold Him

OFFERING

PRAYERS AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

all 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.

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

p The Lord be with you.
c  And also with you.
p Lift up your hearts.
c  We lift them up unto the Lord.
p Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.
c  It is good and right so to do.

p It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, for in the wonder and mystery of His birth You have opened our eyes to the glory of Your grace and renewed in our hearts the fervor of Your love. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song;

c **♪ Holy, holy, holy Lord God of heavenly hosts: heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he, blessed is he, blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

p Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night He was betrayed, took bread; and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His

disciples, saying, “Take and eat; This is My body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me.”

Then He took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you; this is My blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

The peace of the Lord be with you always!

c **♪ Amen.**

c **♪ O Christ, Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**

O Christ, Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

O Christ, Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us Your peace. Amen.

THE DISTRIBUTION

Hymn 85 (MFH page 44)

We ask that only members of Faith Lutheran Church or the CLC come forward to receive the Lord's Supper. Visitors are welcome to speak to the pastor after the service.

THANKSGIVING

c **♪ Lord, now You let Your servant depart in peace according to Your Word. For my eyes have seen Your salvation, which You have prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Your people Israel.**

p O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

c **♪ And His mercy endures forever.**


p We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this holy supper. We pray

that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

c  Amen.

THE BENEDICTION

p The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

c  A-men A-men A-men.

98:1-3 - Of The Father's Love Begotten

This Week:

Sunday 12/31	9am Worship Service 7pm New Year's Eve Service
Tuesday 1/2	5pm Basketball Practice 7pm School Board Meeting
Wednesday 1/3	4pm Confirmation Class
Thursday 1/4	10:30am Bible Class 5pm Basketball Practice
Sunday 1/7	9am Sunday Service 10am Sunday School 10:15 Bible Class 2pm Sledding Party

Upcoming Dates:

- Jan 2nd - School Board meeting at 7pm
- Jan 2nd - Faith Basketball Practice at 5pm
- Jan 4th - Thursday morning bible class @ 10:30
- Jan 4th - Faith Basketball Practice at 5pm
- Jan 7th - Faith Alive sledding party at 2pm with Pizza and Games
- Jan 9th - Elders meeting /Church Council
- Jan 16th - Women of Faith meeting

Guests and Visitors

Thank you for worshipping with us today. Please sign the guest register in the entry as you leave the church today.

Thursday Morning Bible Class

Thursday morning bible class will begin again the Thursday, January 4th.

Call News

Immanuel Lutheran, Mankato MN, has called the Rev. Neal Radichel, Pastor of Luther Memorial, Fond du Lac, WI, as co-pastor.

Envelope Committee

This Week: Team #6: Kent Quade, Jim Kok

Next Week: Team #1: Dennis Jones, Jeff Jones

December Ushers

Sundays & Christmas Eve: Dan Thiem, Dave Dillie, Frank Quade, Andy Kohn

Advent 6, 13, 20 & Christmas Day, New Year's Eve: Randy Strelow, Gary Brown, Jeff Jones, Mitch Newton

Fruits of Faith

Attendance: 88 / 238 / 58

General Fund: \$7053

Mission Fund: \$986

School Fund: \$265

\$150 to Building Fund in memoriam Lyndon Pamentier

\$50 to School Fund in memoriam Tom Denson



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