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**Sunday Morning Worship**  
**10:00 a.m.**  
**January 26, 2020**

## Third Sunday After Epiphany

**Prayer Before Worship:** Gracious Father, we hear you calling to us over all of the distractions of our daily lives and we long to hear what you have to say to us. Help us to silence the earthly din and listen to you. Amen.

*(In preparation for our worship together, you are invited to take a moment of silence to offer your own prayers of worship and praise.)*

**KEY:** ELW and any page number = Worship hymnal (cranberry),  
OSB = Other Song Book (red), W&P = Worship & Praise (purple).

\* Indicates please stand if able. Congregational responses are printed in **BOLD** type.

**A Warm Welcome** to all as we gather as God's people to worship our Lord. We pray our worship together would strengthen your faith and desire to know and serve the One who loves us with an everlasting love as made known to us in Jesus Christ.

***Visitors**, we are especially glad to have you worshipping with us today.*

*Please join us in the reception area after worship for coffee and fellowship.*

**Worship Information Cards:** Everyone is invited to fill out a Worship Information card as you enter so that we know you are here, will be communion today or if you have a prayer request you would like us to include during worship today. Once you have filled out the card, please pass them to the inside aisle for the ushers to pick up. Thanks!

### Prelude Music

### Welcome and Announcements

**✠WE PREPARE OUR HEARTS✠**

### Call to Worship

Let us sing of the love of the Lord forever.

**We will proclaim God's faithfulness to all generations.**

The Lord has made a covenant with us through Jesus Christ,

**We will proclaim God's faithfulness to all generations.**

We gather as the baptized people of God

in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Come. Let us worship our God!**

Hymn: "Listen, God Is Calling"

ELW #513

**\*Confession of Sins/Assurance of Forgiveness**

*(All may make the sign of the cross ✠ the sign marked at baptism, as we begin)*

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

*(silence for reflection and self-examination)*

**We confess that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. Forgive us and give us strength to turn from sin and to serve you in newness of life. Amen.**

By water and the Holy Spirit, God gives us new birth, and through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. Almighty God strengthen us in all goodness and keep us in eternal life. **Amen.**

**\*Glory to God**

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**\*Greeting**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

**\*Prayer of the Day**

O Lord God,

**we bring before you the cries of a sorrowing world. In your mercy set us free from the chains that bind us, and defend us from everything that is evil, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

‡**GOD'S WORD SPEAKS TO US**‡

**First Reading: Daniel 4:28-37**

**Pew Bible p. 825, Old Testament**

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 89:1-4**

**Read Responsively**

<sup>1</sup>I will sing of your steadfast love, O LORD, forever;  
with my mouth I will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations.

<sup>2</sup>**I declare that your steadfast love is established forever;  
your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.**

<sup>3</sup>You said, "I have made a covenant with my chosen one,  
I have sworn to my servant David:

<sup>4</sup>**I will establish your descendants forever,  
and build your throne for all generations."**

**Second Reading: Mark 5:1-13**

**Pew Bible p. 39, New Testament**

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**\*Gospel Verse**

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**Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of eternal life.  
Alleluia. Alleluia.**

**\*Gospel: Mark 5:14-20**

**Pew Bible p. 39, New Testament**

*Response after the announcement of the gospel:*  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Response after the gospel reading:*  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Kids' Sermon**

**Pastor Sheryl**

**Sermon**

**Pastor Sheryl**

*(Silence for Reflection and Meditation.)*

**‡WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD‡**

**\*Hymn: "We Come to You for Healing, Lord"**

**ELW #617**

**\*Profession of Faith: The 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 Church:**

*Each petition ends with:*

Mighty God...**hear our prayer.**

*The prayers conclude with:*

...by the grace of your Son Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

**\*Sharing of the Peace**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*(You are invited to share the peace of Christ with one another.)*

## Offering

Offertory: "Here Is Bread"

ELW #483

### \*Offering Prayer

Blessed are you, O God,  
ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

## †HOLY COMMUNION†

### \*The Great Thanksgiving

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### \*Holy, Holy, Holy...

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Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

### \*Words of Institution

### \*The Lord's Prayer

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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.

### \*Invitation to Communion

Come, for the gifts of God are ready for the people of God. Amen.

### "Lamb of God" (sung)

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## Distribution of Communion:

Christ is truly present in the Lord's Supper with gifts of forgiveness, life, and salvation.

**All are welcome and invited to receive Holy Communion.**

*(Communion will be served continuously at two stations in the front of the church.*

*WHITE GRAPE JUICE and GLUTEN FREE WAFERS are available. Just ask the server.*

*Children who are not yet communicants are invited to come forward for a blessing.)*

## Distribution Music

Rhonda Boettcher

## \*Post-Communion Blessing and Prayer

Faithful God, you have kept your promise to us in this meal, nourishing us with the gift of salvation. Now send your servants forth in peace, that we may testify to your goodness and share the hope that is ours in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

**✠WE DEPART TO SERVE✠**

## \*Benediction

\*Hymn: "Thy Holy Wings"

**ELW #613**

## \*Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve our Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Postlude

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**JANUARY FOOD DONATIONS REQUESTED**

**FOOD PANTRY:** household items (laundry soap, dish soap, toilet paper, paper towels, household cleaners, etc.) and can openers

**BACKPACKS:** 16 oz. peanut butter (in plastic)



**Fighting Malaria**



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**WOMEN OF THE ELCA JANUARY MISSION PROJECT:**

The WELCA mission project for January and February will be the ELCA Malaria Campaign. Just \$10 can purchase a treated mosquito net, \$50 provides medicine for 25 people, and \$100 trains a village health team. Make donations in the tan “designated giving” envelopes and mark them for WELCA.

**±In Our Thoughts and Prayers±**

***Prayers for healing:*** **Twila Aschenbrenner** (recovering from surgery), **Fred Shriver** (recovering from a heart attack—son of Kenny and Alice), **Jordan Hein** (cancer treatment—former member of Calvary), **Candy** (chemo--friend of Susan Martin), **Beth Janecek** (recovering), **Neal Blomenkamp** (recovering), **Virginia Pickett** (recovering), **Deanna Zweifel** (recovering), **Michael Dietrich** (friend of Dave & Penny Stevens), **Julie** (cancer treatment--Travis Miller family), **Barb** (cancer--Marlene Downer’s sister-in-law), **Ella** (Andi Dorn’s friend), **Sean Woodral** (recovering), **Joan** (cancer--niece of Marj Nikont), **Patty** (cancer—Jim Dorn’s sister-in-law), **Judy Lueningborg** (recovering—Deanna Zweifel’s sister-in-law), **Kevin Feil** (healing--Melissa Guerrero’s father), **Bonnie Noble** (Leah Nikont’s mother).

**H A P P Y  
B I R T H D A Y**

Abby Newsom, 1/27; Kaetlyn Todd, 1/27;  
Christa Fulk, 1/29; Alice Johnson, 1/29

*If we have missed your birthday, please let the office know. Thanks.*

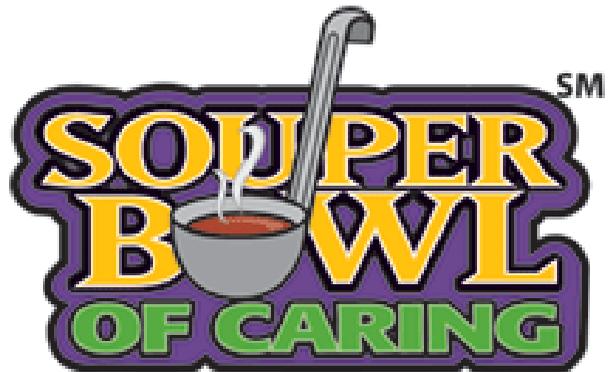


**Reminders:  
Today, January 26  
(following worship) –  
Annual Meeting**

**SUNDAY, FEB. 2 (Following Worship)**

**A Fundraiser for Cat/PupPacks**

Talk to Angie or sign up on the sheet if you are willing to donate a crock pot of soup or a dessert. And don't forget to stay after worship on the 2<sup>nd</sup> for some delicious homemade soups and desserts.



## WORSHIP LEADERS

**This Sunday – January 26**

**Pastors Chris and Sheryl Kester Beyer**

**USHERS:** Bill & Becky Michael

**LAY READER:** Mary Jo Huelle

**COMMUNION ASSTS:** Bill Huelle, Marj Nikont, Pat Smith

**POWERPOINT:** Trea Hess

**ACOLYTE:** Katie Hess

**ALTAR GUILD:** Deb Brown, Vicki Howell, Tracy Steele

**ORGANIST:** Rhonda Boettcher

**COFFEE SET UP: Volunteer today!**

**HOSPITALITY:** Wanda Payne

**Next Sunday – February 2**

**USHERS:** Chris & Barb Jensen

**PRAYER ASSISTANTS:** Wally & Kathy Randall

**LAY READER:** Ruth Harris

**COMMUNION ASSTS:** Jack Martin, Marlene Downer, Shari Copsey

**POWERPOINT:** Hunter Miller

**ACOLYTE:** Theron Miller

**ALTAR GUILD:** Deb Brown, Vicki Howell, Tracy Steele

**PIANIST:** Dee Brady

**COFFEE SET UP: Volunteer today!**

**HOSPITALITY:** Souper Bowl of Caring

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**Sunday, January 26**

9 a.m. – **Annual Meeting**

10 a.m. – Worship

**Tuesday, January 28**

8:30 a.m. – Men's Study

Noon – Women's Study

1 p.m. – Quilting

7 p.m. – Bible study

**Wednesday, January 29**

6 p.m. – JAM

6 p.m. – Confirmation

7 p.m. – Choir Practice

**Thursday, January 30**

6:45 p.m. – Bible Study @ Steeles

**Saturday, February 1**

5:30 p.m. – Worship

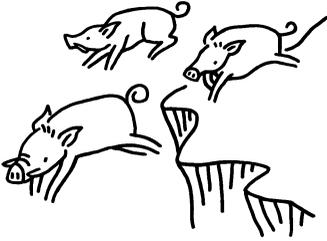
**Sunday, February 2**

9 a.m. – Adult Study

10 a.m. – Worship

## Jesus and the Gerasene Demoniac

January 26, 2020



Jesus shows the power of the kingdom by freeing the man from the demons. There was an entire army of demons preventing the man from being free. Jesus' power was stronger than the entire army. Jesus' power is stronger than anything in this world

### Daily Bible Readings @ Home

**Sunday – Read Mark 5:14-20** The demoniac is healed and shares the good news. How have you experienced God's healing in your life? Share that good news with those you know.

**Monday – Read Psalm 103:1-5** Bless the Lord, o my soul! Pray today's reading as a prayer.

**Tuesday – Read Psalm 103:6-14** The Lord's steadfast love endures forever. Tell a family member or friend that you love them!

**Wednesday – Read Psalm 103:15-22** God's love is from everlasting to everlasting. Write your own psalm of praise. Choose a characteristic of God, like God's love, healing, or presence in your life, and write a few sentences describing what it means to you!

**Thursday – Read Psalm 23** The Lord is our shepherd. Write this psalm in a card and send it to a friend going through a tough time.

**Friday – Read Psalm 1** Happy are those who love the Lord. What might it look like to plant your roots deep into the streams of God's living water? What do you need to do to make that happen?

**Saturday – Read Mark 5:21-34** Jesus heals a woman in need. Pray for someone you know who is in need of healing. Is there something you can do physically to support that person like provide a meal, help with a chore around the house, drive them to appointments, etc? Reach out and offer to help.