

In Our Prayers : Please pray for the following who have been added to our prayer list:

Ron and Kay Seilor, Nora Earley, John Strauch, Owen Strister, Gina Sheets, Randi Warbasse, Dayle Neddo, Jessa & Taylor Pickering, Andrei Joanna & Atlas, Nicoleta and Rebecca, James, Sidonia and their children, Christine Reedy, Jodi Brown, Callie Sidor, Mikaela Martinez-Harman, Ed & Pam Dorn, Luke Lay, Braxton Speicher, Luke Makings, and Zach Griffith.

THIS WEEK'S MINISTERS

Lector: Margie Dorn
Usher/Greeter: Betty Dahl
Council Steward: Kay Carter
Media Center: Bruce Buehner
Teller: Margie Dorn
Fellowship Host: Terresa Lauck
Organist: Diane Nicklas

NEXT WEEK'S MINISTERS

Lector: Bob Dorn
Usher/Greeter: Carol Foos
Council Steward: Kay Carter
Media Center: Bruce Buehner
Teller: Carol Foos
Fellowship Host: Kay Carter
Organist: Kristal Sneed

THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER

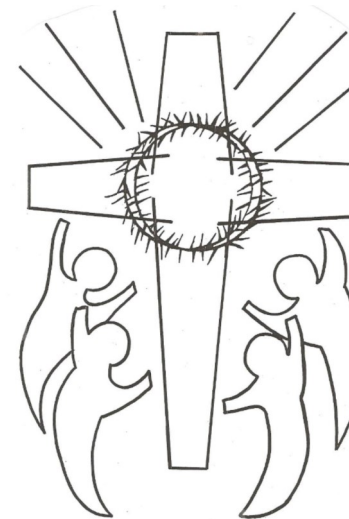
Today: 10:00am LCOR Worship
Next Sunday: 10:00am Worship

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2ND EPIPHANY SUNDAY

January 14, 2024



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10:00 a.m.

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WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Diane Nicklas

+GATHERING+

WELCOME—*All the baptized have a calling in God’s world. God calls not just pastors and deacons but also the youngest child, like Samuel. The story of the calling of Nathanael plays with the idea of place. Nathanael initially dismisses Jesus because he comes from Nazareth. But where we come from isn’t important; it’s where—or rather whom—we come to. Jesus refers to Jacob, who had a vision in a place he called “the house of God, and . . . the gate of heaven” (Gen. 28:17). Jesus says he himself is the place where Nathanael will meet God.*

GATHERING HYMN: “Be Thou My Vision” . . . vv.1,2,3 . . . # 793

APOSTOLIC 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.

MORNING PRAYER

P: Please join with me in the prayer of the day:

C: Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, most merciful redeemer, for the countless blessings you give. May we know you deeply in our hearts, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day praising you, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

+WORD+

FIRST READING: SAMUEL 3:1-10 [11-20]

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and

“Lord Be Glorified” . . . # 744; “Were You There” . . . #353.

BLESSING

P: Now may the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you always in his grace.

C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN “The Lord Now Sends Us Forth” . . . #538

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. You are called by our Lord Jesus Christ to love and serve others.

C: Thanks be to God.

SONG OF PEACE (*You may join hands.*)

C: My peace I give unto you. It’s a peace that the world cannot give. It’s a peace that the world cannot understand. Peace to know, peace to live. My peace I give unto you.

Thank You for worshipping with us today!

Please sign the guest book in the entryway if you are visiting. Coffee and snacks will be served in the fellowship hall following worship and we hope you can join us.

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

P: Let us pray:

C: Blessed are you, Holy One, for all good things come from you. In bread and cup you open heaven to us. Meet us at this table, that we receive what we seek and follow your Son, Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen.

+MEAL+

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

+WORDS OF INSTITUTION+

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P: Remember us into your kingdom, and teach us to pray.

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: At Jesus' table, heaven and earth are joined as one. Come and see.

COMMUNION HYMNS: "Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ" ...# 674

Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. Then the Lord called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. The Lord called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening." Then the Lord said to Samuel, "See, I am about to do something in Israel that will make both ears of anyone who hears of it tingle. On that day I will fulfill against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end. For I have told him that I am about to punish his house forever, for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were blaspheming God, and he did not restrain them. Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli's house shall not be expiated by sacrifice or offering forever."

Samuel lay there until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the Lord. Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. But Eli called Samuel and said, "Samuel, my son." He said, "Here I am." Eli said, "What was it that he told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also, if you hide anything from me of all that he told you." So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. Then he said, "It is the Lord; let him do what seems good to him."

As Samuel grew up, the Lord was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. And all Israel from Dan to Beer-sheba knew that Samuel was a trustworthy prophet of the Lord.]

L: Word of God Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 139:1-6, 13-18

Lord, you have searched me out;
O Lord, you have known me.

**You know my sitting down and my rising up;
you discern my thoughts from afar.**

You trace my journeys and my resting-places
and are acquainted with all my ways.

**Indeed, there is not a word on my lips,
but you, O Lord, know it altogether.**

You encompass me, behind and before,
and lay your hand upon me.

**Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;
it is so high that I cannot attain to it.**

For you yourself created my inmost parts;
you knit me together in my mother's womb.

**I will thank you because I am marvelously made;
your works are wonderful, and I know it well.**

My body was not hidden from you,

while I was being made in secret and woven in the depths of the earth.

**Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb; all of them
were written in your book;**

my days were fashioned before they came to be.

How deep I find your thoughts, O God!

How great is the sum of them!

If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand;
to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.

L: Word of God Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION "*CHANGE MY HEART, O GOD*".....#801

THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN 1:43-51

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about

whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

What Is Your Personal Calling?

Pastor Stahlberg

HYMN OF THE DAY "Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love".....# 708

STATEMENT OF FAITH

C: We believe God, a divine presence, gentle and loving, the ground of our being. We believe Jesus, who embodied the love of God, and who urged his followers to express that same love in their daily lives. We believe the Holy Spirit, as God's continuing presence in our world, surrounding us with compassion. We believe the church is the Body of Christ where people gather to praise and learn about Christ, to share our concern for one another, and to bring justice and healing to all of God's Creation. Amen.

PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE OF GOD

P: God of grace,

C: Receive our prayer.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

P: Let's share Christ's peace with one another.

OFFERING *We are now invited to praise God with our offering!*

Please stand to receive the Holy Gifts of God for the people of God!