December 27, 2020

First Sunday after Christmas 9:30 AM



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Our Mission: Boldly and Joyfully Sharing
The Good News of Jesus' Love and Forgiveness.

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Pastor's Greeting:



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Hymn: Come, Your Hearts and Voices Raising CW # 42 Stz 1–4

Confession and Absolution:

L: The Grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also, with you.

- **L:** 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.
- **L:** 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

Prayer and Praise

L: We Pray. For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayers, O Lord.

C: Lord have mercy

L: For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our pray, O Christ.

C: Christ have mercy

L: For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.

C: Lord have mercy

L: Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:

C: Amen.

Prayer of the Day

L: God of majesty and power, the works of your hands are gracious, glorious, and worthy of praise. Fill us with awe and reverence for your mighty deeds that we may follow your guidance all the days of our lives, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord

C: Amen.

First Lesson: Isaiah 45:20–25

²⁰ "Gather together and come; assemble, you fugitives from the nations. Ignorant are those who carry about idols of wood, who pray to gods that cannot save.

²¹ Declare what is to be, present it— let them take counsel together. Who foretold this long ago, who declared it from the distant past? Was it not I, the LORD?

And there is no God apart from me, a righteous God and a Savior; there is none but me.

- ²² "Turn to me and be saved, all you ends of the earth; for I am God, and there is no other.
- ²³ By myself I have sworn, my mouth has uttered in all integrity a word that will not be revoked: Before me every knee will bow; by me every tongue will swear.
- ²⁴ They will say of me, 'In the LORD alone are righteousness and strength.'" All who have raged against him will come to him and be put to shame.
- ²⁵ But in the LORD all the descendants of Israel will be found righteous and will exult. (The Word of our God)

Psalm 111





Great are the works of the LORD;*
they are pondered by all who delight in them.

Glorious and majestic are his deeds,* and his righteousness endures forever.

He has caused his wonders to be remembered;* the LORD is gracious and compassionate.

Refrain

The works of his hands are faithful and just;* all his precepts are trustworthy.

He provided redemption for his people;* he ordained his covenant forever.

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom;* all who follow his precepts have good understanding.

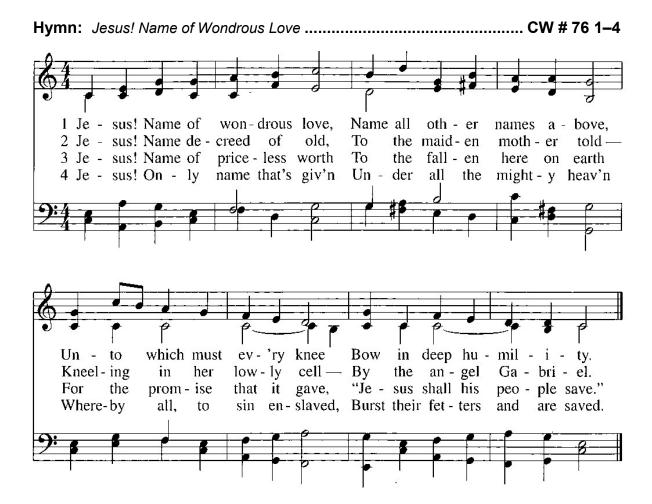
Glory be to the Father and to the Son* and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning,* is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Refrain

2nd Lesson:

Colossians 3:12-17

- ¹² Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.
- ¹³ Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you.
- ¹⁴ And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.
- ¹⁵ Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful.
- ¹⁶ Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God.
- ¹⁷ And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. (Word of the Lord)



Gospel: Luke 2:25-40

L: ²⁵ Now there was a man in Jerusalem called Simeon, who was righteous and devout. He was waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him.

- ²⁶ It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not die before he had seen the Lord's Christ. ²⁷ Moved by the Spirit, he went into the temple courts.
- When the parents brought in the child Jesus to do for him what the custom of the Law required, ²⁸ Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying:
- C: ²⁹ "Sovereign Lord, as you have promised, you now dismiss your servant in peace. ³⁰ For my eyes have seen your salvation, ³¹ which you have prepared in the sight of all people, ³² a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel."
- **L:** ³³ The child's father and mother marveled at what was said about him. ³⁴ Then Simeon blessed them and said to Mary, his mother:
- C: "This child is destined to cause the falling and rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be spoken against, ³⁵ so that the thoughts of many hearts will be revealed. And a sword will pierce your own soul too."
- **L:** ³⁶ There was also a prophetess, Anna, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was very old; she had lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, ³⁷ and then was a widow until she was eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshiped night and day, fasting and praying. ³⁸ Coming up to them at that very moment,
- C: she gave thanks to God and spoke about the child to all who were looking forward to the redemption of Jerusalem.
- **L:** ³⁹ When Joseph and Mary had done everything required by the Law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee to their own town of Nazareth. ⁴⁰ And the child grew and became strong; he was filled with wisdom, and the grace of God was upon him.

L: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!



Sermon:

What Should We Do With Jesus?

Apostles' Creed: (Rise) (together we confess)

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

Prayer: Almighty God, in your mercy you sent your one and only Son to take upon himself our human nature. By his gracious coming, we are deliver from the corruption of our sin and have been transformed into the likeness of his glory. Continue to guide and keep us as we face the challenges of this world. We ask in Jesus' name, who taught us to pray...

Lord's Prayer: (traditional)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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!

L: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.

C: Amen

Closing Hymn: On What Has Now Been Sown CW # 322





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January 3, 2021, Sunday will be **ONLINE ONLY,** No in person worship

May the joy and peace, found only in Christ Jesus our Lord, be yours now and forever more.

Pastor and Karen wish you God's richest blessings and offer to each of you their heartfelt thank you for your gifts, your prayers, and your service to the LORD.

December Birthdays

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- 29 Nate Potter
- 31 Larry Galbreath

January 2021, Birthdays and Anniversaries

- 2 Bob Baur
- 7 Nick Carne
- 10 Tom Legg
- 21 Addison Wittmershaus
- 23 Lindsey Backes
- 24 Ray Williams
- 27 Ryan & Keely Taylor
- 28 Sam Meister
- 31 Fay Jones

