



Bethlehem Lutheran Church & Early Childhood Center



4th Sunday After Epiphany

January 30, 2022

Worship Services

9:00 am Livestream | 10:30 am Outdoor

GATHERING

WELCOME

WELCOME STATEMENT LITANY

L: We are a diverse world. We are hurting, broken and heavy hearted.

C: We are loving, celebrating, and, above all, we are welcoming.

L: Regardless of the color of your skin, or the color of your hair;

C: Regardless of your gender identity, sexual orientation, relationship status, or political affiliation, you are welcome here.

L: If you are seeking, Buddhist, Roman Catholic, agnostic, Muslim, have never set foot in a church, or are a lifelong Lutheran;

C: You have a place here.

L: If you own, rent, or have nothing at all; you are welcome here.

C: If you are fully abled, disabled, or a person of differing abilities, you are welcome here.

L: If you have regrets, fears, addictions, or afflictions; you have a place here.

C: All who are wise and all who are confused, all who have found love and all who have lost it;

L: All who celebrate this welcome statement and all who fear it - are welcome here. For these are all of the things that make you who you are. The person God loves.

C: Come as you are and be celebrated for who you are. Whoever you are, your place is here. All are welcome!

PEACE

GATHERING SONG

“Lord, I Lift Your Name on High” – Rick Founds

Lord, I lift Your name on high. Lord, I love to sing your praises.
I'm so glad You're in my life. I'm so glad You came to save us.
You came from heaven to earth to show the way,
From the earth to the cross my debt to pay.
From the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky,
Lord, I lift Your name on high.
Lord, I lift Your name on high. Lord, I lift Your name on high.
Lord, I lift Your name on high.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Let us pray ...

C: Amen.

CHILDREN'S TIME

WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Jeremiah 1:4-10

Now the word of the Lord came to me saying, “Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations.” Then I said, “Ah, Lord God! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy.” But the Lord said to me, “Do not say, ‘I am only a boy’; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you, Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the Lord.” Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the Lord said to me, “Now I have put my words in your mouth. See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant.”

R: The Word of the Lord

C: **Thanks be to God**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

“Thy Word” – Amy Grant & Michael W. Smith

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.

I will not forget Your love for me, and yet my heart forever is wandering.

Jesus be my guide and hold me to Your side. I will love You to the end.

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.

And a light unto my path. You're the light unto my path.

GOSPEL READING

Luke 4:14-30

Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: “The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.” And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.”

All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, “Is not this Joseph’s son?” He said to them, “Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, ‘Doctor, cure yourself!’ And you will say, ‘Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.’”

And he said, "Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown. But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian." When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

R: The Gospel of the Lord

C: Praise to you, O Christ

SERMON

Pastor Sam Nelson

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Day by Day" – Godspell

Day by Day.

Day by Day.

Oh, Dear Lord, three things I pray.

To see thee more clearly.

Love thee more dearly.

Follow thee more nearly.

Day by Day.

MEAL

GREAT THANKSGIVING

L: The Lord be with you,

C: **And also with you.**

L: Lift up your hearts,

C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

L: 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

ELW pg. 112

**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.**

If you have prepared communion elements, you are invited to commune during the hymn saying: "The body of Christ, given for you." & "The blood of Christ, shed for you."

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

"In Remembrance" – Courtney & Red

"Come As You Are" – David Crowder

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SENDING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

SENDING HYMN

“I Saw the Light/I’ll Fly Away”
– Hank Williams/Albert Brumley

**I saw the light; I saw the light. No more darkness, no more night.
Now I’m so happy, no sorrow in sight, praise the Lord, I saw the light**

I’ve wandered so aimless, life filled with sin. I wouldn’t let my dear Savior in.
Then Jesus came like a stranger in the night, praise the Lord, I saw the light

**I saw the light; I saw the light. No more darkness, no more night.
Now I’m so happy, no sorrow in sight, praise the Lord, I saw the light**

Just like a blind man I wandered alone. Worries and fear I claimed for my own.
Then like a blind man who God gave back his sight,
Praise the Lord, I saw the light

**I saw the light; I saw the light. No more darkness, no more night.
Now I’m so happy, no sorrow in sight, praise the Lord, I saw the light**

Some glad morning when this life is o’er, I’ll fly away
To a home on God’s celestial shore, I’ll fly away

**I’ll fly away, O glory, I’ll fly away.
When I die, hallelujah, by and by I’ll fly away.**

Just a few more weary days, and then, I’ll fly away
To a land where joys shall never end, I’ll fly away

**I’ll fly away, O glory, I’ll fly away.
When I die, hallelujah, by and by I’ll fly away (Repeat)
I’ll fly away I’ll fly away I’ll fly away**

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ! C: **Thanks be to God!**



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