

4th Sunday after Epiphany

Sunday, February 3rd, 2019

Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW)
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CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (ELW p. 94)

OPENING HYMN: *I Love to Tell the Story* (ELW 661)

GREETING: (ELW p. 203)

KYRIE: (ELW p. 203)

CANTICLE OF PRAISE: *Glory be to God* (ELW p. 204)

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Let us pray. **Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and love; and that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 1:4-10 A reading from Jeremiah.

⁴Now the word of the Lord came to me saying,

⁵“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.”

⁶Then I said,

“Ah, Lord God! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy.”

⁷But 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. ⁸Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the Lord.”

⁹Then 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. ¹⁰See, 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.”

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 71:1-6 (*sung in unison*)

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 13:1-13 A reading from 1 Corinthians.

¹If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. ²And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. ³If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

⁴Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant ⁵or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; ⁶it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. ⁷It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

⁸Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. ⁹For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; ¹⁰but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. ¹¹When I was a child, I spoke like a

child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. ¹²For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. ¹³And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: *Alleluia* (ELW p. 205)

GOSPEL: Luke 4:21-30

The holy gospel according to Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

²¹Then [Jesus] began to say to [all in the synagogue in Nazareth,] “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.” ²²All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, “Is not this Joseph’s son?” ²³He 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.’” ²⁴And he said, “Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet’s hometown. ²⁵But 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; ²⁶yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. ²⁷There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian.” ²⁸When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. ²⁹They 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. ³⁰But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON (*read along on www.raspberryman.wordpress.com*)

HYMN OF THE DAY: *He Comes to Us as One Unknown* (ELW 737)

APOSTLES CREED: (ELW p. 105 or back cover of hymn book)

PRAYERS OF PETITION: Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

SHARING THE PEACE

GIFT GATHERING AND SONG: *Create in Me...* (ELW 185)

OFFERING PRAYER: Let us pray. **Merciful God, as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever. Amen.**

MEAL: (ELW p. 190)

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY: (ELW p. 190)

LORD’S PRAYER: (ELW p. 191)



COMMUNION HYMNS: *Lamb of God* (ELW p. 191)

Although I Speak With Angel's Tongue (ELW 644)

Lord, Speak to Us (ELW 676)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION: Let us pray. **Radiant God, with our eyes we have seen your salvation, and in this meal we have feasted on your grace. May your Word take flesh in us, that we may be your holy people, revealing your glory made known to us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

BLESSING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING SONG: *Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises* (ELW 535)

DISMISSAL

All who desire communion with Jesus and approach the sacrament with faith, are welcome at the Lord's Table. While both the common cup and individual glasses are offered, we encourage the use of the common cup to emphasize the unity we share in the Body of Christ, the church (please indicate your preference to the servers). A non-alcohol option is available in the tray. You may also partake of bread only or come to the table for a blessing only.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LECTIONARY STUDY: Monday, February 4, 2pm. Lectio: Luke 5:1-11

MEDITATION GROUP: Wednesday, February 6, 5 pm at FLC.

MEN'S BREAKFAST: Wednesday, February 13, 9 am, Chances 'R'.

CHILI COOK OFF & POTLUCK: Please join us after the service on Sunday February 10th for a Chili Cook Off and Potluck Lunch. This is a congregation-wide invitation to showcase your Champion Competition Chili!!! We are also asking for salads and buns to round out this event! The freewill offering in support of Camp Lutherlyn will be matched by Faith Life Financial. Please see Bruce Riley for details.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER: The annual service will be held on Friday, March 1st, 2 pm, at Parkwood Presbyterian Church (10 Chesterton Drive).

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: Will be held on Sunday, March 3rd, after the service at FLC.

CONSTITUTIONAL UPDATE: In preparation for the Annual General Meeting the council is considering updating our current constitution with a proposed model constitution for congregations. This gives congregations greater flexibility and ease in making changes, especially for bylaw items. You can download a copy of the proposed constitution at www.easternsynod.org, under 'Resources', 'Constitutional documents', then "Model Constitution and Bylaws 2017".