



**All
spoke
well of
him and were amazed
at the gracious words
that came from
his mouth.**

Luke 4:22

LUTHER MEMORIAL CHURCH AND SCHOOL

(Grades K-8)

CLC - Church of the Lutheran Confession

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10:00 am Service Sunday School and Bible Class at 9:00 am

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4TH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

JANUARY 31, 2010

Preparation for Worship: Read Psalm 96 front of hymnal p. 144

The Hymns: 358, 530, 441:1-2, 762, 352:1

Prayer, Gracious God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, as we look forward to the privilege of meditating upon the Cross of Christ during the coming Lenten season, may the message of the slain Lamb of God impress upon our hearts and minds the awfulness of our sins and may it lead us to Calvary for pardon and peace. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Bells – Opening Prayer

First Hymn 358

THE INVOCATION

*We invoke ("call upon") the name of the one true God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
(Hymnal, page 5 – Congregation Stands)*

PASTOR In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
CONGR. (sing) Amen.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION OF SINS

We come before our Holy God recognizing that we are sinful and daily need His forgiveness.

PASTOR Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the Lord.

CONGR. (sing) Who made heaven and earth.

PASTOR I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

CONGR. (sing) And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.

PASTOR Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

ALL O most merciful God, who hast given Thine only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Thy Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of Thee and of Thy will and true obedience to Thy Word, to the end that by Thy grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PASTOR Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in His name He gives power to become the sons of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He who believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

CONGR. (sing) Amen. (congregation is seated)

THE INTROIT

Having received the Lord's forgiveness, we are glad to enter into His courts with praise and thanksgiving. This entrance is made in the Introit with the Lord's own Word, most often drawn from the Psalms.

P: The lightnings lightened the world:

C: The earth trembled and shook.

P: How lovely is Your tabernacle, O Lord of hosts!

C: My soul longs, yes, even faints for the courts of the Lord.

P: Blessed are those who dwell in Your house:

C: They will be praising You forever.

THE GLORIA PATRI

Latin for "Glory to the Father" (Hymnal, page 6)

CONGR. (sing) Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

THE KYRIE

Latin for "O Lord." We approach our Lord with a cry for help in all the needs of our earthly life. (Hymnal page 7 - sing)

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

"Glory to God in the highest" (Hymnal page 7 - sing)

Glory be to God on high: And on earth peace, good will toward men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory. O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord the only begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of

the Father, That takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world. Receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE SALUTATION (Greeting)

PASTOR The Lord be with you.

CONGR. (sing) And with thy spirit.

THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY

The main thoughts for the day are "collected" together in this prayer.

PASTOR Let us pray.

CONGR. (sing) Amen.

THE BIBLE LESSONS

God speaks to us.

Old Testament Reading:

Jeremiah 1:4-10 Then the word of the LORD came to me, saying: 5 "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you; Before you were born I sanctified you; I ordained you a prophet to the nations." 6 Then said I: "Ah, Lord GOD! Behold, I cannot speak, for I am a youth." 7 But the LORD said to me: "Do not say, 'I am a youth,' For you shall go to all to whom I send you, And whatever I command you, you shall speak. 8 Do not be afraid of their faces, For I am with you to deliver you," says the LORD. 9 Then the LORD put forth His hand and touched my mouth, and the LORD said to me: "Behold, I have put My words in your mouth. 10 See, I have this day set you over the nations and over the kingdoms, To root out and to pull down, To destroy and to throw down, To build and to plant."

PASTOR Here ends the Old Testament Reading. We continue with the responsive reading of:

THE GRADUAL

The Gradual is a "Bridge of praise" that links the Old Testament with the New Testament.

P: You are fairer than the children of men:

C: Grace is poured into Your lips.

P: The Lord said to my Lord, Sit down at My right hand:

C: Until I make Your enemies Your footstool.

Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

P: Sing to the Lord, bless His name, and show forth His salvation from day to day:

C: Declare His glory among all people. Hallelujah!

PASTOR The New Testament Reading is from 1 Corinthians chapter 12, beginning there in the 27th verse.

CONGR. (sing) *Glory be to Thee, O Lord!*

New Testament Reading:

1 Corinthians 12:27-13:13 Now you are the body of Christ, and members individually. 28 And God has appointed these in the church: first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, administrations, varieties of tongues. 29 Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Are all workers of miracles? 30 Do all have gifts of healings? Do all speak with tongues? Do all interpret? 31 But earnestly desire the best gifts. And yet I show you a more excellent way.

PASTOR Here ends the New Testament Reading.

CONGR. (sing) *Praise be to Thee, O Christ!*

Congregation stands for:

THE APOSTLES' CREED

We boldly confess what we believe. (Hymnal, page 12)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; The Holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; The forgiveness of sins; The resurrection of the body; And the life everlasting. Amen.

Congregation sings Hymn 530

THE SERMON

Luke 4:21-30 And He began to say to them, "Today this Scripture is fulfilled in your hearing." 22 So all bore witness to Him, and marveled at the gracious words which proceeded out of His mouth. And they said, "Is this not Joseph's son?" 23 He said to them, "You will surely say this proverb to Me, 'Physician, heal yourself! Whatever we have heard done in Capernaum, do also here in Your country.'" 24 Then He said, "Assuredly, I say to you, no prophet is accepted in his own country. 25 "But I tell you truly, many widows were in Israel in the days of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a great famine throughout all the land; 26 "but to none of them was Elijah sent except to Zarephath, in the region of Sidon, to a woman who was a widow. 27 "And many lepers were in Israel in the time of Elisha the prophet, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian." 28 So all those in the synagogue, when they heard these things, were filled with wrath, 29 and rose up and thrust Him out of the city; and they led Him to the brow of the hill on which their city was built, that they might throw Him down over the cliff. 30 Then passing through the midst of them, He went His way.

Theme: The Hidden Danger of Unbelief

I. It is religiously reasonable (21-23)

II. It is spiritually deadly (24-30)

THE OFFERTORY

In this prayer we OFFER God our hearts, asking Him for that best of all gifts, the Holy Spirit. (Hymnal, pages 12-13) (sing)

Create in me a clean heart, O God,

And renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from Thy presence

And take not Thy Holy Spirit from me

Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation

And uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

THE OFFERING OF THANKFUL HEARTS

In tangible evidence of our gratitude, we offer the Lord the gift of our money, remembering that He has first given to us that we might have to give to Him. While the ushers present our offerings at the Lord's Altar, we stand and sing the offering hymn 441:1-2:

***We give Thee but Thine own, Whate'er the gift may be;
All that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.
May we Thy bounties thus As stewards true receive
And gladly, as Thou blessest us, To Thee our first-fruits give!***

THE GENERAL PRAYER

(Pastor)

THE LORD'S PRAYER

(All)

Congregation sings Hymn 762

Congregation stands for:

THE BENEDICTION

The blessing given by God for the blessing of His people (Numbers 6:24-26).

PASTOR The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

CONGR. (sing) Amen, Amen, Amen.

The Closing Hymn (standing) 352:1

*** Silent Prayer ***

Verbal Announcements - Ushers dismiss by row



Announcements

"If the LORD wills, we will do this or that." James 4:15

PASTOR NAUMANN RECEIVED A DIVINE CALL last Sunday from the dual parish of St. John's Lutheran in Clarkston WA and Peace Lutheran in Orofino, ID. Divine calls are from God the Holy Spirit Who works through the congregation to send a called worker into His Kingdom work. Now the Pastor has two divine calls – the one from Luther Memorial Church and the one from St. John's and Peace. The main objective question is: "In which of the two places can the called servant best serve the LORD with the abilities the LORD has given him?" Your comments and prayers are requested that the Lord's will be done.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

TUE: 10:00 am LM Church Service at the Lutheran Home
7:00 pm LM Evening Ladies Meeting

WED: 9:00 am Women's Bible Reading

FRI: 7:00-8:00 pm Family Gym Night at Theisen

TV CHURCH – Today's Service replayed on Cable TV Channel 21
Tuesday at noon and Wednesday at 4:00 pm

ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2009 Copies are available in the hallway.

COMMUNION Please sign up for next Sunday at the register.

ANNUAL CHILI DINNER Next Sunday the Ladies of Luther Memorial will be serving a delicious "Chili Dinner" immediately after church service until 12:30 pm. This hearty meal served up by the Ladies of our congregation is sure to satisfy every appetite and warm every heart! A basket will be put out and a free will offering will be accepted. Mark your calendar! Women's Team #1 is in charge and their names are on the bulletin board. All are encouraged to check the sign-up sheet to see how you can help with deserts. Thank you!

SAVE THE DAY! Our 50th anniversary "Homecoming" service is planned for Sunday March 21st, 2010. A special morning service is planned, followed by dinner and a 50th anniversary program.

PASTOR DAVE BAKER'S TRIP TO INDIA The Rev. Baker from our sister congregation Ascension Lutheran in the Chicago area, is currently overseas in India on a self-funded mission trip. From the following report of his activities for the LORD it certainly sounds like he has great opportunity to preach the Gospel of our LORD Jesus Christ. We certainly want to keep him in our prayers!
"I am at Port Blair, Andaman Islands, India. Conducting a four day seminar for the BELC Pastors here. The topic is, "Practical Advice for the Pastoral Ministry." Also preach at a different congregation every night, and twice on Sunday, once in the morning and once in the evening. Arrived in Andamans on Saturday, Jan. 23 and leave on Monday, Feb. 1 and go back to Chennai. From there go to Guntur for five days and have same seminar with CLCI Seminary students. Will preach every night in a different congregaiton while there. Then back to Chennai and on to Chenglephut for another two day seminar in BELC Chenglephut District, and preach for two nights there. Then Missionary Matt Ude and I head out for central Tamil Nadu State and perhaps also to Kerala State to visit prospective BELC/CLCI Pastors of scattered independent congregations. Then back to Chennai and board British Airways for USA on Feb. 16."

CHARTER MEMBER PHOTO The Rev. Paul Fleischer, editor of the the Lutheran Spokesman, has requested a group photo from our congregation for the April and May issues of the Spokesman. He would like a picture of all the charter members of Luther Memorial Church – all those who were here when we began in 1960. We will plan to take this photo on Easter Sunday, April 4, 2010.

GYM NITE FRIDAY Looking for some fun exercise? Please join us this Friday from 7-8:00 pm at the Theisen Gym for volley ball. The other half of the rented gym is used by our children to hone their basketball skills for for the upcoming CLC Grade School Basketball Tournament in Eau Claire, WI. We now also have the extra room available for the smaller children to play in. The whole congregation is invited!

THE 25TH ANNUAL GRADE SCHOOL BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT for CLC Youth will be held at Immanuel Lutheran College, Friday through Sunday, March 12-14, 2010. Information may be found online at www.clclutheran.net/tourney It is suggested that hotel reservations be made soon!

PLEASE DONATE YOUR ALUMINUM CANS Now is the time of year to bring in all those aluminum cans to donate to our grade school basketball team to help defray their costs in the upcoming yearly tournament in Eau Claire, WI. Please leave the bags of cans by the door of the church garage in the parking lot. Thank you!

WOMEN'S INVITATION The Christian Women's Retreat, sponsored annually by our sister congregation, Immanuel Lutheran Church, Mankato, MN, is being held Friday through Sunday, April 23-25 at Days Inn Hotel & Conference Center in La Crosse, WI. All the women of Luther Memorial are encouraged to consider attending this spiritually uplifting event. More information and registration forms are available in the orange flyer by the registry table. The theme this year: "Good News For Tired Souls" based on Mark 6:31, "**Come with Me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest.**"

TEACHER DUPLEX BUILDING FUND Built in 2000, the total cost was: \$163,028. In the past ten years God has greatly blessed our efforts to pay down this mortgage. The current remaining balance is down to \$23,370. Thank You, LORD! Please remember the Building Fund in your prayers and with your offerings. Envelopes are available by the registration table.

FREE COMPUTERS Help yourself to anything on the hallway table!

LM STUDENT AID FUND You can help the students from Luther Memorial attend Immanuel Lutheran High School , College, and Seminary by marking your offerings and memorials "LM Student Aid Fund." Envelopes are available on the registry table.

SPECIAL ENVELOPE Left over from 2009 is a \$32,000 deficit. We have all received a special envelope with a note attached from our Stewardship Committee to help us get going on the deficit. Led by a

faith that trusts in the incredible message of our impossible deficit of sins completely paid in full by our Savior Jesus, we give our prayerful attention to the blessing and privilege of this opportunity to give to Jesus. He says:

Luke 6:38 "Give, and it will be given to you: good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over will be put into your bosom. For with the same measure that you use, it will be measured back to you."

CLC NEWS >> The Rev. Dave Naumann, Luther Memorial Church, Fond du Lac, WI has the call to St. John's/Peace Lutheran, Clarkston, WA/Orofino, ID. >> Grace Lutheran, Sleepy Eye MN, and Faith Lutheran, New Ulm MN, have called the Rev. Eric Libby, Our Savior's Lutheran, Jamestown ND. >> Morning Star Lutheran, Fairchild WI, has called the Rev. David Fuerstenau, Ketchikan AK. >> The Board of Regents invites nominations for the office of ILC president since the current term of Professor John Pfeiffer expires May 31, 2010. All pastors, professors, male teachers, and voting members of the CLC are entitled to nominate a man from the faculty of Immanuel Lutheran College to serve a two-year term beginning June 1, 2010. Nominations must be written or E-mailed no later than midnight March 1, 2010 to: Mr. Craig Ryan, 499 Lloyd Lane, Fulda, MN 56131

ANNOUNCEMENT Messiah Lutheran Church in Eau Claire has a house for sale. It is a 3 bedroom, 1½ bath, split level (1,152 sq. ft. upper level and 648 sq. ft. on the lower level). New countertops are in the kitchen. There are laminate hardwood floors throughout the upstairs. The house has air-conditioning. There is a 3 season porch totaling 128 sq. ft. A 2 car garage is tucked under. Lot size is 11,571 sq. ft. Nice neighborhood with mature landscaping. Location: 1910 Glenwood Ave. Eau Claire, WI. Located approximately two miles from Messiah and about seven miles from ILC. The chief reason we are selling this now: We took the opportunity to move our principal and his family into a larger house on our property (the parsonage used by Pastor Gullerud). Ideally we would like to locate our second pastor on-site as well. We hope to sell this Glenwood property and use that money to build a parsonage where the other two houses are. For further information, please contact Pastor Paul Tiefel (715-829-2000, cell) or President Ron Roehl (715-832-2552).

SERVICE TODAY Usher Team 1 Lowell Boelk, Rodney Kern, John Scheberl, David Dexter, Sam N., Larry Stubbs, Craig Y. Organist: Rhoda E.
NEXT SUNDAY Usher Team 2 Don Seibel, Lowell Boelk, Joe Naumann, Ed Jacobs, Gene Mielke, Don Gescheidle, Tom Naumann. Organist: Adrienne

FOR THE LORD – FROM THANKFUL HEARTS Attendance - 151
(This is an unofficial summary. For the official summary, speak to the Financial Secretary)

Budgetary	weekly	for the fiscal year	
Received	\$3,038	\$14,233	
Non-budgetary			
Maintenance & Improvement	\$50	balance	\$3,108
Debt Retirement Fund	\$50	balance	\$1,529
LM Building Fund	\$0	mortgage	\$23,370
50 th Anniversary Sign Fund	\$501	balance	\$3,690
Missions (CLC fiscal year is July 1 to June 30)			
Budgetary	weekly	year to date	
Received	\$860	\$26,427	
Non-budgetary			
CLCI Orphan Fund		\$12	
ILC Student Aid		\$100	

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you;
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ordained you a prophet to the nations."

Jeremiah 1:5

New Testament Reading:

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Old Testament Reading for 4th Sunday after Epiphany Jeremiah 1:4-10

Jeremiah was commissioned by the LORD to preach His Word. That would mean stern judgment upon some and rich promise to others. God's Law pulls down and destroys, God's Gospel

builds and plants. We too are commissioned by the LORD to witness His Holy Name with this same powerful and saving Word. We read...

New Testament Reading 1 Corinthians 12:27-13:13

All of us have different spiritual gifts given to by the LORD for the benefit of His Church. And the Apostle Paul here encourages us to actively desire the best gifts, the greatest of which is love. The genuine care and concern for your neighbors best interest IS the "more excellent way." We read...