

January 16, 2022

Second Sunday after Epiphany



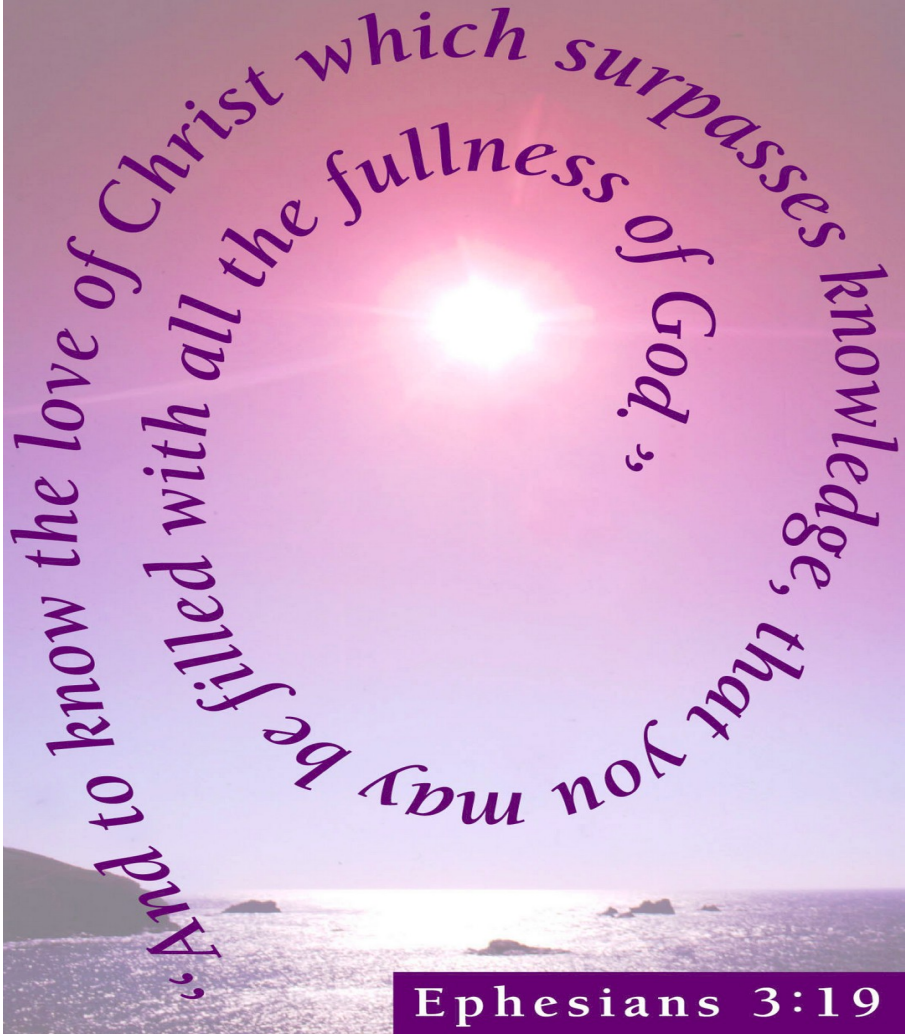
“We Preach Christ Crucified...”

- 1 Corinthians 1:23

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Ephesians 3:19

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Today's Worship

Is the pursuit of God and the pursuit of pleasure two separate paths? Many make that assumption—that life with Jesus is a boring, sterile experience. They are dead wrong. Jesus came to undo everything that is wrong with our world as a result of sin's curse. He also came to multiply our joy and deliver delight beyond our wildest dreams. Note that when Jesus begins to reveal his glory, it isn't by going to a hospital to cure every ailment. Instead, he starts at a local wedding, one of the greatest sources of joy in this life. The truth uncovered for us this week is that life with Jesus is not a life with less delight, but infinitely more.

✠ Preparation for Worship ✠

[Today's hymns are printed on pages 10-14 of the bulletin.]

Hymn

TLH 16 – Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word

Invocation

Matthew 28:19b

P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Confession and Absolution

[Hebrews 10:22]; Psalm 124:8; 32:5

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

P Our help is in the name of the LORD,

C who made heaven and earth.

P I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,"

C and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

P 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. Therefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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

P Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only-begotten Son to die for us, and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To all who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God, and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He who believes and is baptized shall be saved.

P Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

C Amen.

✠ Service of the Word ✠

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 145:1-4, 8-13

P I will extol you, my God and King,

C and bless your name forever and ever.

P Every day I will bless you

C and praise your name forever and ever.

P Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised,

C and his greatness is unsearchable.

P One generation shall commend your works to another,

C and shall declare your mighty acts.

P The LORD is gracious and merciful,

C slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

P The LORD is good to all,

C and his mercy is over all that he has made.

P All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD,

C and all your saints shall bless you!

P They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom

C and tell of your power,

P to make known to the children of man your mighty deeds,

C and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

P Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures throughout all generations.

C The LORD is faithful in all his words and kind in all his works.

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father



Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son
and to the Ho - ly Ghost; As it was in the be - ginning,
is now, and ev - er shall be for - ev - er more. A - men.

Kyrie

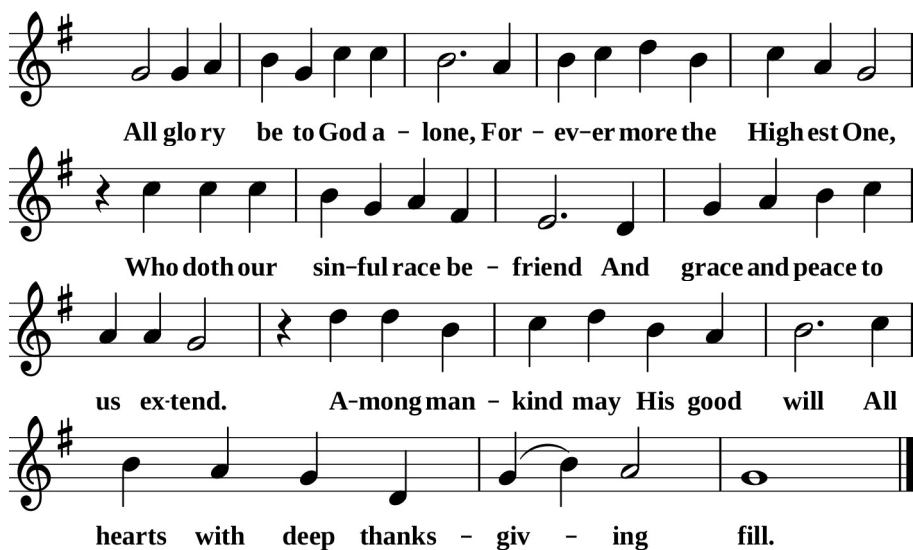
Lord, Have Mercy



Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Gloria in Excelsis

Glory be to God on High - Hymn 238, st. 1



All glory be to God a - lone, For - ev - er more the Highest One,
Who doth our sin - ful race be - friend And grace and peace to
us ex - tend. A - mong man - kind may His good will All
hearts with deep thanks - giv - ing fill.

Salutation

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

P Let us pray...

... who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 62:1-5

¹ For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not be quiet, until her righteousness goes forth as brightness, and her salvation as a burning torch. ² The nations shall see your righteousness, and all the kings your glory, and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give. ³ You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. ⁴ You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate, but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the LORD delights in you, and your land shall be married. ⁵ For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your sons marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

Gospel Reading

John 2:1-11

¹ On the third day there was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ² Jesus also was invited to the wedding with his disciples. ³ When the wine ran out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." ⁴ And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what does this have to do with me? My hour has not yet come." ⁵ His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." ⁶ Now there were six stone water jars there for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷ Jesus said to the servants, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸ And he said to them, "Now draw some out and take it to the master of the feast." So they took it. ⁹ When the master of the feast tasted the water now become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the master of the feast called the bridegroom ¹⁰ and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and when people have drunk freely, then the poor wine. But you have kept the good wine until now." ¹¹ This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory. And his disciples believed in him.

Alleluia

P Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it.



Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia!

Confession of Faith

Apostles' Creed

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.

Hymn

WS 775 – Thy Strong Word

Sermon Text

Ephesians 3:14-21

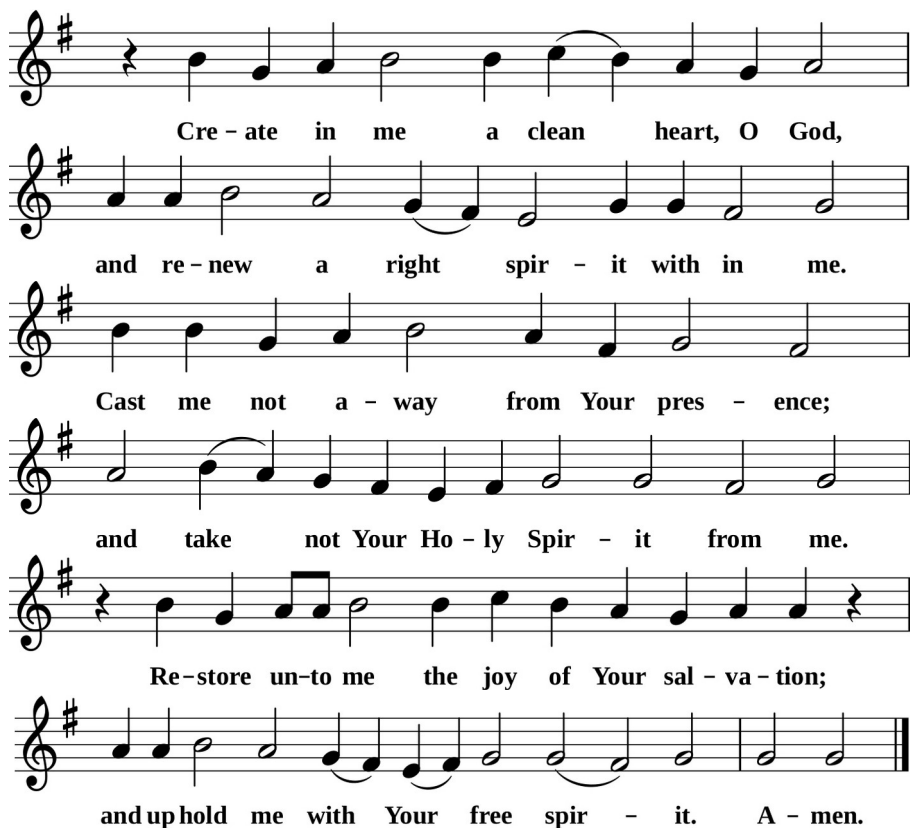
¹⁴ For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, ¹⁵ from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, ¹⁶ that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, ¹⁷ so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, ¹⁸ may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, ¹⁹ and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. ²⁰ Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, ²¹ to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.



Sermon

God's Blessings Through His Word

Offertory



Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God,
and re - new a right spir - it with in me.
Cast me not a - way from Your pres - ence;
and take not Your Ho - ly Spir - it from me.
Re - store un - to me the joy of Your sal - va - tion;
and uphold me with Your free spir - it. A - men.

Hymn

TLH 294 – O Word of God Incarnate

Offering Hymn

TLH 442 st. 2

Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to yield Thee
Gladly, freely, of Thine own;
With the sunshine of Thy goodness
Melt our thankless hearts of stone
Till our cold and selfish natures,
Warmed by Thee, at length believe
That more happy and more blessed
'Tis to give than to receive.

General Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Benediction

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

C Amen.

Hymn

WS 764 – God of Grace and God of Glory

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TLH 16 – Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word

Luke 11: 28

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Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier

St. 1-3, Tobias Clausnitzer, 1667

St. 4, author unknown, 1707

Tr., Catherine Winkworth, 1858

Tr., st. 4, unknown

Liebster Jesu

Johann R. Ahle, 1664

1 Bless - ed Je - sus, at Thy Word We are gath' - ered
 2 All our knowl - edge, sense, and sight Lie in deep - est
 3 Glo - rious Lord, Thy - self im - part, Light of Light, from
 4 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, Praise to Thee and

all to hear Thee; Let our hearts and souls be stirred
 dark - ness shroud - ed Till Thy Spir - it breaks our night
 God pro - ceed - ing; O - pen Thou our ears and heart,
 ad - o - ra - tion! Grant that we Thy Word may trust

Now to seek and love and fear Thee, By Thy teach - ings,
 With the beams of truth un - cloud - ed. Thou a - lone to
 Help us by Thy Spir - it's plead - ing; Hear the cry Thy
 And ob - tain true con - so - la - tion While we here be -

sweet and ho - ly, Drawn from earth to love Thee sole - ly.
 God canst win us; Thou must work all good with - in us.
 peo - ple rais - es, Hear and bless our prayers and prais - es.
 low must wan - der, Till we sing Thy prais - es yon - der. A - men.

WS 775 – Thy Strong Word

1 Thy strong word did cleave the dark - ness; At Thy
 2 Lo, on those who dwelt in dark - ness, Dark as
 3 Thy strong Word be - speaks us righ - teous; Bright with
 4 From the cross Thy wis - dom shin - ing Break-eth

speaking it was done. For cre - at - ed
 night and deep as death, Broke the light of
 Thine own ho - li - ness, Glo - rious now, we
 forth in con - qu'ring might; From the cross for -

light we thank Thee, While Thine or - dered sea - sons run.
 Thy sal - va - tion, Breathed Thine own life - giv - ing breath.
 press toward glo - ry, And our lives our hopes con - fess.
 ev - er beam - eth All Thy bright re - deem - ing light.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to

Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,
 Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,
 Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,
 Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!
 al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!
 al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!
 al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!

TLH 294 – O Word of God Incarnate

Ps. 119: 105
William W. How, 1867

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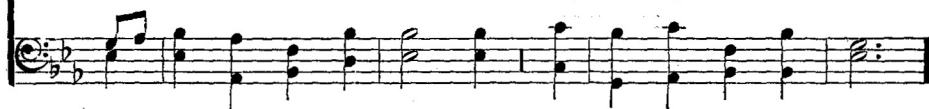
Munich
"Neuvermehrtes Gesangbuch"
Meiningen, 1893



1 O Word of God In - car - nate, O Wis - dom from on high,
2 The Church from her dear Mas - ter Re - ceived the gift di - vine,
3 It float - eth like a ban - ner Be - fore God's host un - furled;
4 Oh, make Thy Church, dear Sav - ior, A lamp of bur - nished gold



O Truth un - changed, un - chang - ing, O Light of our dark sky, -
And still that light she lift - eth O'er all the earth to shine.
It shin - eth like a bea - con A - bove the dark - ling world;
To bear be - fore the na - tions Thy true light as of old!

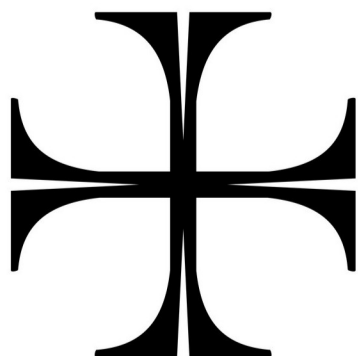


We praise Thee for the ra - diance That from the hal - lowed page,
It is the gold - en cas - ket Where gems of truth are stored;
It is the chart and com - pass That o'er life's surg - ing sea,
Oh, teach Thy wan - d'ring pil - grims By this their path to trace



A lan - tern to our foot - steps, Shines on from age to age.
It is the heav'n - drawn pic - ture Of Christ, the liv - ing Word.
Mid mists and rocks and quicksands, Still guides, O Christ, to Thee.
Till, clouds and dark - ness end - ed, They see Thee face to face! A - men.





WS 764 – God of Grace and God of Glory

1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, On Your peo - ple
 2 Lo, the hosts of e - vil round us Scorn the Christ, as -
 3 Cure Your chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; Bend our pride to
 4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion To the e - vils

pour Your pow'r; Crown Your an - cient Church's sto - ry;
 sail His ways. From our fears that long have bound us,
 Your con - trol; Shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness,
 we de - plore; Let the gift of Your sal - va - tion

Bring its bud to glo - rious flow'r. Grant us wis - dom;
 Free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom;
 Rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom;
 Be our glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom,

grant us cour - age For the fac - ing of this
 grant us cour - age For the liv - ing of these
 grant us cour - age Lest we miss Your king - dom's
 grant us cour - age, Serv - ing You whom we a -

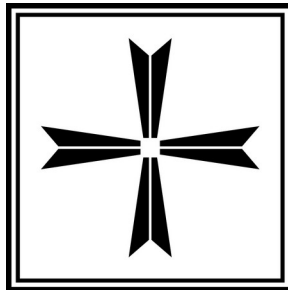
hour, For the fac - ing of this hour.
 days, For the liv - ing of these days.
 goal, Lest we miss Your king - dom's goal.
 dore, Serv - ing You whom we a - dore.

✠ Announcements ✠

Welcome to all of our guests and visitors this morning in our Savior's name. We are glad that you have come to worship with us this morning, and hope that you will come back and join us again. It is our prayer that your faith will be strengthened by the preaching of our Lord's pure Word and by the psalms and hymns that our Scripture-based liturgy offers. If you have any questions about our church or are interested in learning more about the Scriptures, please ask Pastor Sauers.

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

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January 16	9:00 am	Sunday School/Bible Class
	10:00 am	Worship Service
January 19	3:30 pm	Visitation for Joanne Johannes
	4:30 pm	Funeral for Joanne Johannes
January 20	10:00 am	Bible Class
January 23	9:00 am	Sunday School/Bible Class
	10:00 am	Worship Service
	11:15 am	Annual Meeting
January 25	6:30 pm	Elders
January 27	10:00 am	Bible Class
January 30	9:00 am	Sunday School/Bible Class
	10:00 am	Worship Service

Saint Called Home: Early this past Thursday, our Father called His daughter, Joanne Johannes home. Joanne was the wife of Pastor John Johannes who served our congregation for over twenty years. The funeral service will be held at Luther Memorial this Wednesday, January 19th with Pastor David Ude officiating. Visitation is at 3:30 pm and the worship service at 4:30 pm. A meal will follow the service.

Annual Voters' Meeting: The Annual Voters' Meeting is next Sunday following the worship service. All voters should make plans to attend if possible.

Council Meeting Notes: Here are the highlights from the council meeting held this past Tuesday:

- **Financial Secretary's Report:** Offerings for December were as follows: Budgetary \$16,345.00; Mission \$3,005.00; Non-Budgetary \$1,280.00 (offerings/rent); School \$40.00. The total offerings for the month were \$20,670.00.
- **Treasurer's Report:** Disbursements in December were: Budgetary \$9,523.19; Non-Budgetary \$1,998.50.
- **2022 Budget:** Council will be recommending a budget of \$152,000 to the voters at the Annual meeting (down from \$160,000 in 2021). This budget includes a 3% base salary raise for the called workers.

Tour Choir: Save the date! The ILC Tour Choir is traveling through Michigan and Wisconsin this year and has scheduled a concert at Luther Memorial on Saturday evening, March 19th. More details will be available in the next few weeks.

Man Up! Retreat: The 2022 ManUp! Men's Retreat is scheduled for September 22-25,2022 at beautiful Wyalusing State Park near Prairie du Chien, WI. The retreat offers strength and encouragement for men 18 and older for their personal faith, family, and fellowship at church. The weekend will include Bible study, fellowship, leadership training, team building, relationship building, worship, and many outdoor bonding activities. Register and send in your payment before September 1 for the discounted rate of \$75. Registration increases to \$150 on September 1st. The registration includes lodging and meals. You can register by going to the Man Up! website here: www.manup.clclutheran.org. Sign up today!

CLC News: Teacher Andrew Roehl of Messiah Lutheran School, Eau Claire, WI, has received the call to be the principal and upper grade teacher at Grace Lutheran School, Valentine, NE. + Mr. Nathan Wales of Columbia, SC, has accepted the call to be the principal and upper grade teacher at Grace Lutheran School, Sleepy Eye, MN. + ILC Professor John Ude is still considering the call to be the pastor of Living Savior Lutheran Church, Eden Prairie, MN. + Pastor Luke Bernthal of St. Stephen Lutheran Churches, Mt. View, CA, Stockton, CA, and Hayward, CA, is still considering the call to Immanuel Lutheran Church, Winter Haven, FL.

FRUITS OF FAITH – January 2

Attendance: 41

<u>Luther Memorial Church</u>		<u>Church of the Lutheran Confession</u>	
<i>Budgetary (Regular Expenses)</i>		<i>Budgetary (Regular Expenses)</i>	
\$1,599.00	LM General Budget (01/02)	\$95.00	CLC General Budget (01/02)
TBD 1/23	Weekly Need	\$384.62	Weekly Need
N/A	-Under / +Over	-\$289.62	-Under / +Over
\$1,599.00	Year to Date Offerings	\$9,738.00	Fiscal Year to Date Offerings
TBD 1/23	Year to Date Need	\$10,384.74	Fiscal Year to Date Need
N/A	Year to Date (+/-)	-\$646.74	Fiscal Year to Date (+/-)
<i>Non-Budgetary (Unplanned Expenses)</i>		<i>Non-Budgetary (Unplanned Expenses)</i>	
	LM School		ILC Student Aid Fund
	LM Student Aid Fund		ILC Building Fund
	LM Debt Retirement		ILC Improvement Fund
\$10.00	LM M & I	\$25.00	Mission Development (MDF)
	LM Local Missions/ Outreach	\$50.00	Project Kinship/Orphanage
	LM Building Fund		Fall Mission Festival
	LM Ladies Orphan Fund		Miscellaneous

CLC Financial Report - December

CLC Financial Report Operating Funds	Balance 7/1/2021	YTD Revenue	YTD Disbursed	Budget 6 Month	Balance 12/31/2021
General Fund	0	516,057	606,948	630,000	- 90,891
ILC Operations (incl. CLC subsidy)	0	832,240	736,065	723,600	96,175
Auxiliary Funds					
ILC Improvement Fund (IIF) **	124,590	354,552	198,227		280,915
ILC Building Projects **	1,096,716	69,217	9,862		1,156,071
Mission Development Fund (MDF)	132,313	107,518	61,522		178,309
Kinship	182,119	75,536	82,467		175,188
Church Extension Fund (CEF) **	3,527,885	-163,444	1,172,830		2,191,611
Student Aid Fund (SAF) **	133,585	38,929	62,893		109,621
CLC Reserve Fund (YTD gains/losses)	300,222	-38,749	0		261,473
Auxiliary Funds Totals	\$5,497,430	\$443,559	\$1,587,801		\$4,353,188

General Fund – December offerings were \$111,448 **VS** disbursements of \$84,451, a **positive** monthly cash flow of \$27,000, reducing the General Fund indebtedness to -\$90,891. YTD offerings are \$114,000 short of projected needs, while YTD disbursements are \$3,052 under projected expenses for the first half of the fiscal year. The General Fund provides the main subsidy (\$1,260,000) for the operation of our Boards of Missions, Regents, Trustees, and Ed & Publication.

ILC Operations – December revenue was \$144,265 (\$61,667 subsidy & \$81,007 2nd semester student revenue) **VS** disbursements of \$136,750 (wages/benefits \$75,367), a positive monthly cash flow of nearly \$8,000.

IIF – December revenue: \$94,358 (\$93,873 hail insurance receipts) **VS** \$0 disbursed. Realized earnings (dividends & interest) for FY22 YTD are \$2,392.

ILC Building Projects – December offerings: \$815 **VS** \$0 disbursements. December earnings (dividends-interest) were \$5,223, while changes in principal (capital) value were positive \$46,460 due to market movements. Realized earnings for FY22 YTD are \$23,850.

CEF – December revenue: \$42,027 loan repayments & \$520 offerings **VS** disbursements: \$159,878 (\$155,866 Cong final construction loan draw). Realized earnings for FY22 YTD are \$51,225.

MDF – December offerings \$20,344 (\$5,529 special) **VS** disbursements of \$9,623, including \$8,500 for Africa/Asia outreach and \$1,123 for admin expenses.

SAF – December receipts: \$4,800 (SAF loan repayments & gifts) **VS** \$19,239 disbursed (\$18,275 student grants & loans, & scholarships; \$964 admin expenses. SA Endowment realized earnings for FY22 YTD are: SAF: \$30,007; PMP: \$36,884; Scholarship Fund: \$2,436.

Kinship – December: Received: \$12,828 offerings & sponsors **VS** disbursed: \$10,595 (\$10,000, disaster relief, \$595 gifts/orphans/students/widows.

** Fluctuations up & down in the revenue column above for the ILC Building Projects, IIF, CEF, SAF, & Reserve Fund are partially due to gains & losses in their respective portfolio values due to market fluctuations from month to month. These are reported to help explain the changes in the fund balances, which of course also reflect disbursements from the funds. The earnings (interest & dividends) are real, constant, & cumulative each month, as are our other blessings from the Lord!

James E. Sandeen, CLC Treasurer

Thomas J. Lentz, Chairman, CLC Board of Trustees

