

REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH JANUARY 9, 2022 THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD IN-PERSON WORSHIP FACEBOOK, YOUTUBE, AND PARKING LOT WORSHIP

Redeemer Lutheran Church January 9, 2022 The Baptism of Our Lord In-Person, Facebook, YouTube, and Parking Lot Worship Pastor Jack Way Worship Leader: Geri Gorman Organist/Keyboard: Claudine Hanson

God's Spirit Gathers Us

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call To Worship

- L: Jesus calls us into this house of worship.
- C: We come with open ears, minds, and hearts.
- L: We come to nurture our relationship with others,
- C: With ourselves, and with God.

Confession and Forgiveness

L: We confess our sins before God and one another.

(Pause for silence and reflection.)

L: Merciful God,

C: Jesus shows us all the ways that we fall short. He also provides a way out of the holes we dig ourselves into. Forgive us our sins, and show us how to make better choices, be better friends, parents, kids, partners, and co- workers. Let Christ's light shine through us, for the sake of Jesus we pray. Amen.

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Gathering Hymn – Jesus Shall Reign - #434

 Jesus shall reign where'er the sun does its successive journeys run; his kingdom stretch from shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.

- 2 To him shall endless prayer be made, and praises throng to crown his head; his name like sweet perfume shall rise with ev'ry morning sacrifice.
- 3 People and realms of ev'ry tongue dwell on his love with sweetest song; and infant voices shall proclaim their early blessings on his name.
- 4 Blessings abound where'er he reigns: the pris'ners leap to lose their chains, the weary find eternal rest, and all who suffer want are blest.
- 5 Let ev'ry creature rise and bring peculiar honors to our king; angels descend with songs again, and earth repeat the loud amen.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674-1748, alt.

Greeting

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

L: Let us pray.

L: Holy God,

C: You rejoice with us when we celebrate our relationships. When Jesus turned water into wine, he honored the hosts. Teach us to honor our relationships as Jesus did. Amen.

God's Word Enlivens Us

John 2:1-11

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

L: On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you."

Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now."

Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

L: Word of God. Word of Life. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Message - The Twelve Days of Christmas - Geri Gorman

Hymn of the Day – The Twelve Days of Christmas

The Twelve Days of Christmas

On the first day: A partridge in a pear tree. On the second day: Two turtle doves On the third day: Three French hens On the fourth day: Four calling birds On the fifth day: Five golden rings On the fifth day: Six geese a-laying On the seventh day: Seven swans a-swimming On the seventh day: Eight maids a-milking On the eighth day: Nine ladies dancing On the tenth day: Ten lords a-leaping On the tenth day: Eleven pipers piping On the twelfth day: Twelve drummers drumming



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Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of Joys and Concerns

L: We pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

A brief silence.

- L: Wondrous God,
- C: Hear our prayer.

Sharing of the Peace

- L: The peace of Christ be with you always.
- C: And also with you.

Offertory Prayer

L: Let us pray.

C: Loving Lord, you provide for all our needs, both the important ones and the ones we may take for granted. May we never doubt that each act of kindness is blessed with your grace and received with thanksgiving. Pour your blessings upon these offerings and all those who give them, that we may be joined to one another in love. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

God's Spirit Sends Us

Benediction:

L: May the Lord bless us and keep us. May the Lord's face shine upon us and be gracious to us. May the Lord look upon us with favor and give us peace.

C: Amen

The Lord's Prayer

Sending Hymn – What a Friend We Have in Jesus - #742

- What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
 What a privilege to carry ev'rything to God in prayer!
 Oh, what peace we often forfeit; oh, what needless pain we bear-all because we do not carry ev'rything to God in prayer!
- Have we trials and temptations?
 Is there trouble anywhere?
 We should never be discouraged-take it to the Lord in prayer.
 Can we find a friend so faithful who will all our sorrows share?
 Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness-take it to the Lord in prayer.
- 3 Are we weak and heavy-laden, cumbered with a load of care?
 Precious Savior, still our refuge-take it to the Lord in prayer.
 Do your friends despise, forsake you?
 Take it to the Lord in prayer.
 In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a solace there.

Text: Joseph Scriven, 1820-1886

<u>Dismissal</u>

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Redeemer Lutheran Church January 16, 2022 The Second Sunday of Epiphany Facebook, YouTube, and Parking Lot Worship Pastor Jack Way Organist/Keyboard: Claudine Hanson

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- L: We honor and respect this house,
- C: And we bring our respect out into the world.

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Gathering Hymn – All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name - #634

- All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall; bring forth the royal diadem and crown him Lord of all. Bring forth the royal diadem and crown him Lord of all.
- 2 O seed of Israel's chosen race now ransomed from the fall, hail him who saves you by his grace and crown him Lord of all. Hail him who saves you by his grace and crown him Lord of all.
- Hail him, you heirs of David's line, whom David Lord did call the God incarnate, man divine and crown him Lord of all.
 The God Incarnate, man divine and crown him Lord of all.
- Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget the wormwood and the gall, go spread your trophies at his feet and crown him Lord of all.
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- Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe on this terrestrial ball to him all majesty ascribe and crown him Lord of all. To him all majesty ascribe and crown him Lord of all.

6 Oh, that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall!
We'll join the everlasting song and crown him Lord of all.
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Text: Edward Perronet, 1726-1792, sts. 1-4; J. Rippon, A Selection of Hymns, 1787, sts. 5-6

Greeting

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

- L: Let us pray. (Pause)
- L: God of justice,

C: Jesus was angry when he saw how people treated the temple, your house. Remind us that how we treat your house, your mission, and your people matters. Amen.

God's Word Enlivens Us

John 2:13-25

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

P: The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!". His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

When he was in Jerusalem during the Passover festival, many believed in his name because they saw the signs that he was doing. But Jesus on his part would not entrust himself to them, because he knew all people and needed no one to testify about anyone; for he himself knew what was in everyone.

P: Word of God. Word of Life. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Message – Pastor Jack Way

Hymn of the Day – Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters - #445

- Wash, O God, our sons and daughters, where your cleansing waters flow. Number them among your people; bless as Christ blessed long ago. Weave them garments bright and sparkling; compass them with love and light. Fill, anoint them; send your Spirit, holy dove and heart's delight
- We who bring them long for nurture; by your milk may we be fed. Let us join your feast, partaking cup of blessing, living bread. God, renew us, guide our footsteps; free from sin and all its snares, one with Christ in living, dying, by your Spirit, children, heirs.
- 3. Oh, how deep your holy wisdom! Unimagined, all your ways! To your name be glory, honor! With our lives we worship, praise! We your people stand before you, water washed and Spirit born. By your grace, our lives we offer. Recreate us; God, transform!

Text: Ruth Duck, b. 1947 Music: The Sacred Harp, Philadelphia, 1844; arr. Selected Hymns, 1985

Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.* On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of Joys and Concerns

P: We pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

A brief silence.

P: God of Righteousness,

C: Hear our Prayer.

Sharing of the Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Offertory Prayer

P: We pray.

C: We bring our offerings before you, Lord, not to show how good or deserving we are, but to praise you and to care for those that have greater needs than we do. Steer us toward justice, righteousness, and unity, for the sake of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

God's Meal Nourishes Us

Communion

Words of Institution

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Let us pray together the words our Savior taught us,

The Lord's Prayer

- P: The body of Christ given for you (Eat)
- P: The blood of Christ shed for you (Drink)

Post Communion Prayer

God's Spirit Sends Us

Benediction:

P: May the Lord bless us and keep us.May the Lord's face shine upon us and be gracious to us.May the Lord look upon us with favor and give us peace.

C: Amen

Sending Hymn – Built on a Rock - #652

- Built on a rock the church shall stand, even when steeples are falling; crumbled have spires in ev'ry land, bells still are chiming and calling calling the young and old to rest, calling the souls of those distressed, longing for life everlasting.
- 2 Surely, in temples made with hands God the Most High is not dwelling high in the heav'ns his temple stands, all earthly temples excelling. Yet he who dwells in heav'n above deigns to abide with us in love, making our bodies his temple.

Christ builds a house of living stones: we are his own habitation; he fills our hearts, his humble thrones, granting us life and salvation.

Where two or three will seek his face, he in their midst will show his grace, blessings upon them bestowing.

- 4 Yet in this house, an earthly frame, Jesus the children is blessing; hither we come to praise his name, faith in our Savior confessing. Jesus to us his Spirit sent, making with us his covenant, granting his children the kingdom.
- 5 Through all the passing years, O Lord, grant that, when church bells are ringing, many may come to hear your Word, who here this promise is bringing:
 "I know my own, my own know me; you, not the world, my face shall see; my peace I leave with you. Amen."

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Redeemer Lutheran Church January 23, 2022 The Third Sunday of Epiphany Facebook Live, YouTube, and Parking Lot Worship - Radio FM 101.7 Pastor Jack Way Organist/Keyboard: Claudine Hanson

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Call To Worship

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- C: We come with open ears, minds, and hearts.
- L: We come with our shame.
- C: We leave with healing

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Gathering Hymn – Baptized in Water - #456

- 1 Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, cleansed by the blood of Christ our king: heirs of salvation, trusting his promise, faithfully now God's praise we sing.
- 2 Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, dead in the tomb with Christ our king: one with his rising, freed and forgiven, thankfully now God's praise we sing.
- 3 Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, marked with the sign of Christ our king: born of the Spirit, we are God's children; joyfully now God's praise we sing.

Text: Michael Saward, b. 1932

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Greeting

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

- L: Let us pray. (Pause)
- L: Light of the world,

C: You sent Nicodemus by cover of night to learn from Jesus, and Jesus shone a light on the darkness many were living under. Shine your light on us so that we may be beacons for others. Amen.

God's Word Enlivens Us

John 3:1-21

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

P: Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God."

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Message – Pastor Jack Way

Hymn of the Day – God Loved the World – #323 v.1, 4 & 5

- 1. God loved the world so that he gave his only son the lost to save, that all who would in him believe should everlasting life receive.
- 4. Be of good cheer, for God's own Son forgives all sins that you have done, And justified by Jesus' blood, your baptism grants the highest good.
- All Glory to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Three in One! To you, O blessed Trinity, be praise now and eternally! Text: Gesangbuch, Bollhagen, 1791; tr. August Crull, 1846-1923, alt. Music: Edward Miller, 1731-1807, adapt.

Apostle's Creed

L: Let us confess our faith using the words of the Apostle's Creed.

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C: Amen

Sending Hymn – We Are Called - #720 – Solo, Steve Gilbert

 Come! Live in the light!
 Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord!
 We are called to be light for the kingdom, to live in the freedom of the city of God.

Refrain

We are called to act with justice, we are called to love tenderly; we are called to serve one another, to walk humbly with God.

- Come! Open your heart!
 Show your mercy to all those in fear!
 We are called to be hope for the hopeless so hatred and blindness will be no more. *Refrain*
- Sing! Sing a new song!
 Sing of that great day when all will be one!
 God will reign, and we'll walk with each other as sisters and brothers united in love. *Refrain*

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REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH JANUARY 30, 2022 THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY FACEBOOK LIVE, YOUTUBE, AND PARKING LOT WORSHIP – RADIO FM 101.7

Redeemer Lutheran Church January 30, 2022 The Fourth Sunday of Epiphany Facebook Live, YouTube, and Parking Lot Worship – Radio FM 101.7 Pastor Jack Way Organist/Keyboard: Claudine Hanson

God's Spirit Gathers Us

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Due to the rise in the number of Covid cases, Council has decided to return to virtual/recorded worship for the unforeseeable future. You can watch on Facebook Live at 9:00 a.m., and on YouTube in the afternoon. Parking Lot worship is available at 9:00 a.m. and you may worship from home by listening to Radio FM 101.7

In addition, the Annual Meeting is being postponed indefinitely.

If anyone currently not receiving a hard copy of either the weekly bulletin OR the monthly Newsletter – please contact the office if you would like one mailed to you.

If you wish to use the pre-packaged communion cups we have been using during inperson worship, please contact the office and we will make arrangements – otherwise you can use a cracker or piece of bread, along with either grape juice or wine at home during communion.

Call To Worship

- L: Jesus calls us into this house of worship.
- C: We come with open ears, minds, and hearts.
- L: We welcome and accept all who gather here,
- C: More importantly, all who are here matter.

Confession and Forgiveness

L: We confess our sins before God and one another.

(Pause for silence and reflection.)

L: Merciful God,

C: Jesus shows us all the ways that we fall short. He also provides a way out of the holes we dig ourselves into. Forgive us our sins, and show us how to make better choices, be better friends, parents, kids, partners, and co- workers. Let Christ's light shine through us, for the sake of Jesus we pray. Amen.

L: Jesus does, indeed, forgive. Jesus cleanses us of our sin and recreates us in God's image. Receive the entire forgiveness of all your sins. Go, and walk free of guilt, shame, and sin. You are made new!

C: In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Gathering Hymn – Glories of Your Name Are Spoken - #358

- Glories of Your name are spoken, Zion, city of our God;
 He whose word cannot be broken, Formed you for his own abode.
 On the Rock of Ages founded, What can shake your sure repose?
 With salvation's walls surrounded, You may smile at all your foes.
- 2 See, the streams of living waters, Springing from eternal love, Well supply your sons and daughters, And all fear of want remove.
 Who can faint, while such a river Ever will their thirst assuage?
 Grace which, like the Lord, the giver, Never fails from age to age.
- 3 Round each habitation hov'ring, See the cloud and fire appear For a glory and a cov'ring, Showing that the Lord is near. Thus deriving from their banner Light by night and shade by day, Save they feed upon the manna Which God gives them on their way.
- 4 Savior, since of Zion's city
 I shall through grace a member am,
 Let the world deride or pity,
 I will glory in your name.
 Facing are the worldlings' pleasures
 All their boasted pomp and show;
 Solid joys and lasting treasures
 None but Zion's children know.

Text: John Newton, 1725-1807, alt. Tune: Franz Joseph Haydn, 1732-1809

Greeting

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also with you. Prayer of the Day

L: Let us pray. (Pause)

L: God of unity,

C: Jesus broke down barriers wherever he went. Teach us to treat people like they matter, because they do. Amen.

God's Word Enlivens Us

John 4:1-42

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

P: Now when Jesus learned that the Pharisees had heard, "Jesus is making and baptizing more disciples than John" — although it was not Jesus himself but his disciples who baptized — he left Judea and started back to Galilee. But he had to go through Samaria. So, he came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.

A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Judean, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Judeans do not share things in common with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?" Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water." Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come back." The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!"

The woman said to him, "Sir, I see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem." Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Judeans. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us." Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one who is speaking to you."

Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, "What do you want?" or, "Why are you speaking with her?" Then the woman left her water jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, "Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?" They left the city and were on their way to him. Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, "Rabbi, eat something." But he said to them, "I have food to eat that you do not know about." So the disciples said to one another, "Surely no one has brought him something to eat?" Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work. Do you not say, 'Four months more, then comes the harvest'? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting. The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, 'One sows and another reaps.' I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor. Others have labored, and you have entered into their labor."

Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony, "He told me everything I have ever done." So, when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, "It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Savior of the world."

P: Word of God. Word of Life. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Message – Pastor Jack Way

Hymn of the Day – For All the Faithful Women - #419 v. 1,2, & 8

- For all the faithful women who served in days of old, To you shall thanks be given; to all, their story told. They served with strength and gladness in tasks your wisdom gave. To you their lives bore witness, proclaimed your Pow'r to save.
- O God, for saints and servants, those named and those unknown, In whom through all the ages your light of glory shone, With saints who went before us, with saints who witness still, That, faithful in your service, our lives may sing your praise.
- 8 Recall the outcast woman with whom our Lord conversed:
 Christ gave her living water to quench her deepest thirst.
 Like hers, our hearts are yearning; Christ offers us his word.
 Then may our lips be burning to witness to our Lord.

Text: Herman G. Stuempfle Jr., b. 1923 Music: Finnish Folk tune Text @ 1993 GIA Publications, Inc.

Apostle's Creed

L: Let us confess our faith using the words of the Apostle's Creed.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.* On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of Joys and Concerns

P: We pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

A brief silence.

- P: Renewing God,
- C: Hear our prayer.

Sharing of the Peace

- P: The peace of Christ be with you always.
- C: And also with you.

Offertory Prayer

P: We pray.

C: Lord, you desire that we love and accept those who are the same, and those who are different from us. Help us to appreciate the gifts we all bring to the table. Accept these gifts we bring today and use them to further unify our world, for the sake of Jesus. Amen.

God's Meal Nourishes Us

Communion

Words of Institution

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

> Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Let us pray together the words our Savior taught us,

The Lord's Prayer

P: The body of Christ given for you (Eat) P: The blood of Christ shed for you (Drink)

Post Communion Prayer

God's Spirit Sends Us

Benediction:

P: May the Lord bless us and keep us.May the Lord's face shine upon us and be gracious to us.May the Lord look upon us with favor and give us peace.

C: Amen

Sending Hymn – O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts - #658

- 1 O Jesus, joy of loving hearts, the fount of life, the light of all: from ev'ry bliss that earth imparts we turn, unfilled, to hear your call.
- 2 We taste you, ever-living bread, and long to feast upon you still; we drink of you, the fountainhead; our thirsting souls from you we fill.
- 3 For you our restless spirits yearn, where'er our changing lot is cast; glad, when your smile on us you turn, blest, when by faith we hold you fast.
- O Jesus, ever with us stay!
 Make all our moments fair and bright!
 Oh, chase the night of sin away!
 Shed o'er the world your holy light.

Text: attr. Bernard of Clairvaux, 1091-1153; tr. Ray Palmer, 1808-1887, alt.

Dismissal

- P: We go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

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Prayers 1 1

Pastor Jack's brother, Chris Way, who had surgery this past Monday; Katie Gorman Pilston; the family of Mark Twing, (Craig Corning's brother-in-law), who passed away recently; Barb and Alfred Nelson; Beth Welter, Julie Thompson's niece; Nancy and Cindy Drehmel's cousin, Jim, who was hospitalized recently; Vernon Wavra, who is experiencing additional concerns; and Tari Bergquist.

After two weeks, names will be taken off unless the church office is contacted to do otherwise.

We continue to hold in prayer those who have requested ongoing prayer:

Kristin Rolling, Jesus Valencia, Bev Stankiewicz, Sally Hohlstein, Sue Pulver, Brenda Vogeler (Harry Thompson's daughter), Scott Thompson, Marie Nobbs, Ron Huebner, Ryan & Kindra Bender, Virginia Olson, Betty Laper, Ken Wescott, Sarah Thompson, Heidi Bimrose, Raymond Endres, Max Pribbenow & Family, and Phyllis Selle,

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