LUTHERAN CHAPEL



GENESIS 6:5-6, 7:11-18, 8:6-21, 9:8-13 AND JOHN 2:1-11

"THE BEST WINE"

The signs of Epiphany point to the power and fulfillment of Jesus. Water into wine, the wedding feast that has no end, is coming for all who trust in Him.

2ND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY JANUARY 16, 2022

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BOLD indicates congregational responses. * Indicates that all who are able should stand to honor God.

GATHER

WELCOME

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: In the name of the Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Matthew 28:19b

C: Amen.

CALL TO CONFESSION

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P: Let us recite the gift of the Ten Commandments and the Great Commandment and use these teachings to examine our lives.

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

- 1. You shall have no other gods.
- 2. You shall not make wrongful use of the Name of the LORD your God.
- 3. Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.
- 4. Honor your father and mother.
- 5. You shall not murder.
- 6. You shall not commit adultery.
- 7. You shall not steal.
- 8. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.
- 9. You shall not covet your neighbor's house.
- 10. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife or (husband).

Exodus 20:1-17

1 John 1:8-9

THE GREAT COMMANDMENT

You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength...you shall love your neighbor as yourself.

P: Let us kneel or sit for a time of silent confession and self-examination.

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by His authority. I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

"Arise, My Soul, Arise!"



^{*}The Finnish stanza repeats the last line of music.

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***THE APOSTOLIC GREETING**

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

C: And also with you.





***THIS IS THE FEAST**

Revelation 5:12-13; 19:5-9





P: The Lord be with you. Lord God, source of every blessing, you showed forth your glory and led many to faith by the works of your Son, who brought gladness and salvation to his people. Transform us by the Spirit of his love, that we may find our life together in him, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

GENESIS 6:5-6, 7:11-18, 8:6-21, 9:8-13 STORY OF SALVATION LESSON

⁵The LORD saw that the wickedness of humankind was great in the earth, and that every inclination of the thoughts of their hearts was only evil continually. ⁶And the LORD was sorry that he had made humankind on the earth, and it grieved him to his heart.

¹¹In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, on the seventeenth day of the month, on that day all the fountains of the great deep burst forth, and the windows of the heavens were opened. ¹²The rain fell on the earth forty days and forty nights. ¹³On the very same day Noah with his sons, Shem and Ham and Japheth, and Noah's wife and the three wives of his sons entered the ark, ¹⁴they and every wild animal of every kind, and all domestic animals

of every kind, and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth, and every bird of every kind — every bird, every winged creature. ¹⁵They went into the ark with Noah, two and two of all flesh in which there was the breath of life. ¹⁶And those that entered, male and female of all flesh, went in as God had commanded him; and the LORD shut him in.

¹⁷The flood continued forty days on the earth; and the waters increased, and bore up the ark, and it rose high above the earth. ¹⁸The waters swelled and increased greatly on the earth; and the ark floated on the face of the waters.

⁶At the end of forty days Noah opened the window of the ark that he had made ⁷and sent out the raven; and it went to and fro until the waters were dried up from the earth. ⁸Then he sent out the dove from him, to see if the waters had subsided from the face of the ground; ⁹but the dove found no place to set its foot, and it returned to him to the ark, for the waters were still on the face of the whole earth. So he put out his hand and took it and brought it into the ark with him. ¹⁰He waited another seven days, and again he sent out the dove from the ark; ¹¹and the dove came back to him in the evening, and there in its beak was a freshly plucked olive leaf; so Noah knew that the waters had subsided from the earth. ¹²Then he waited another seven days, and sent out the dove; and it did not return to him any more.

¹³In the six hundred first year, in the first month, on first day of the month, the waters were dried up from the earth; and Noah removed the covering of the ark, and looked, and saw that the face of the ground was drying. ¹⁴In the second month, on the twenty-seventh day of the month, the earth was dry. ¹⁵Then God said to Noah, ¹⁶"Go out of the ark, you and your wife, and your sons and your sons' wives with you. ¹⁷Bring out with you every living thing that is with you of all flesh — birds and animals and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth — so that they may abound on the earth, and be fruitful and multiply on the earth." ¹⁸So Noah went out with his sons and his wife and his sons' wives. ¹⁹And every animal, every creeping thing, and every bird, everything that moves on the earth, went out of the ark by families. ²⁰Then Noah built an altar to the LORD, and took of every clean animal and of every clean bird, and offered burnt offerings on the altar. ²¹And when the LORD smelled the pleasing odor, the LORD said in his heart, "I will never again curse the ground because of humankind, for the inclination of the human heart is evil from youth; nor will I ever again destroy every living creature as I have done.

⁸Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, ⁹"As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, ¹⁰and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. ¹¹I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." ¹²God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: ¹³I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.



 Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens, Your faithfulness to the clouds. Your righteousness is like the strong mountains, Your justice like the great deep: You save humankind and animals.

Refrain:

 How priceless is Your love, O God! All people take refuge under the shadow of Your wings. They feast upon the abundance of Your house; You give them drink from the river of Your delights.

Refrain:

 With You is the well of life, and in Your light we see light. Continue Your lovingkindness to those who know You, Your favor to those who are true of heart.

Refrain:

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SECOND LESSON

1 CORINTHIANS 12:1-11

The congregation at Corinth experienced division as people were comparing their spiritual gifts, thinking some to be superior to others. Paul invites this fractured community to trust that God's Holy Spirit has gifted them all perfectly for their mission together.

¹Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. ²You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. ³Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.

⁴Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

L: The Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.





*GOSPEL

JOHN 2:1-11

Joel 2:13

Those who are able may stand to honor Christ during the reading of the Gospel. Response after the announcement:



Turning water to wine at the wedding at Cana is described as the first of Jesus' signs. Through many such epiphanies, Jesus reveals that he bears God's creative power and joyful presence into the world.

¹On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ²Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." ⁴And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." ⁵His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." ⁶Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. ⁹When 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 ¹⁰and 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." ¹¹Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.



MESSAGE

"The Best Wine"

On the Great Flood

Water into Wine

The Law is an aspect of God's Word that shows sin and brokenness: I don't understand Jesus' time. Make it happen now like I want it!

The Gospel is an aspect of God's Word that comforts and saves in Christ: Our Lord Jesus changed water into wine as a sign of the joy of the coming marriage feast between God and His bride, the Christian Church. All who believe in Christ will rejoice forever!

So What? Look for God every day in the creation and the ordinary events that happen. Recognize the mortality of the creation and walk with God like Noah of old. Come to Holy Communion frequently.

"Jesus, Come! For We Invite You"



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***THE APOSTLES' CREED**

All are invited to confess our faith in God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. If you have not received the gift of baptism or would like to affirm your faith in Jesus and join His mission here, please indicate on the attendance registry and talk to an usher or the pastor.

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 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit

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.

ANTHEM

"Songs of Thankfulness and Praise"

Songs of thankfulness and praise, Jesus, Lord, to Thee we raise; Manifested by the star. To the sages from afar. Branch of royal David's stem In Thy birth at Bethlehem: Anthems be to Thee addressed, God in flesh made manifest.

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Manifest at Jordan's stream, Prophet, Priest, and King supreme; And at Canna wedding guest In Thee is manifest. Manifest in pow'r divine, Changing water into wine; Anthems be to Thee addressed, God in flesh made manifest. Manifest in making whole Palsied limbs and fainting soul; Manifest in valiant fight, Quelling all the devil's might; Manifest in gracious will, Ever bringing good from ill; Anthem be to Thee addressed, God in flesh made manifest. Grant us grace to see Thee, Lord, Present in Thy Holy Word; Grace to imitate Thee now, And be pure as pure art Thou, That we might become like Thee At Thy great Epiphany, And may praise Thee, ever blest, God in flesh made manifest.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

A brief silence may be kept. Each prayer will conclude: Lord in Your mercy, and the congregation may respond **Hear our prayers.**

Prayers are commended in Jesus' Name.

P: All these prayers and whatever else You see that we need we ask in the Name of Jesus Christ, the Light of the world.

C: Amen.

THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

Matthew 5:22-24: Ephesians 4:1-3

P: Sisters and brothers, rejoice. Mend your ways, encourage one another, agree with one another, live in peace. 2 Corinthians 13:11

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

1 Timothy 2:1-4

THE MEAL AND SENDING

***THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

2 Timothy 4:22, Colossians 3:1, Psalm 136



*PREFACE FOR THE DAY AND THE HOLY, HOLY, HOLY Isaiah 6:3, Matthew 21:9



***THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

Matthew 26, Mark 14, Luke 22, 1 Corinthians 11

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.

***THE LORD'S PRAYER**

P: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

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. Matthew 6:9-13



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SENDING

***THE BLESSING**

P: May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. C: Amen.



***POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

P: We give You thanks, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in Your mercy You would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen**

***BENEDICTION**

"O Lord, Now Let Your Servant"



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*DISMISSAL P: Go in peace, serve the Lord! C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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OUR ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Sylvia Fogle in honor of Myra and Becky's birthday.

PARISH NEWS

Facemasks are recommended but not required during all indoor events and to spread out as much as possible during in-person worship with a 3-foot space between households.

NURSERY ATTENDANTS BY REQUEST: If your family is in need of a nursery attendant during the 10:30 service, please let our ushers know and they will contact one of our standby attendants.

NEW SUNDAY SCHEDULE: There is only one Worship Service at 10:00am in the Sanctuary. The early Service will not be offered. Bible Study (Sunday School) will begin at 9:00am.

COMMITTEE LEADERS: All committee leaders please contact your Council Representative to update information and membership on each committee. This is towards getting a 2022 Church Yearbook in good order. Thanks!

NEWSLETTER: Articles for the February newsletter are due Wednesday, January 19.

2022 ALTAR FLOWER CALENDAR: Two dates are still available on the 2022 altar flower calendar, March 27, and Nov. 20. If you'd like to sign up for one of these Sundays, please call or <u>text</u> Susan Lewis at 704-914-8451.

2022 OFFERING ENVELOPES: The 2022 offering envelopes are ready to be picked up and can be found in the Narthex.

BABY SHOWER: Please join us for a <u>baby shower</u> honoring *Amy & Josh Carpenter* on **January 23** immediately following worship in the Family Life Center. The proud parents are expecting a baby boy. They are registered at Amazon. Proud grandparents are Lisa & Chuck Burch and Katherine & Johnny Carpenter. Proud great-grandmother is Sara Carpenter.

ANNIVERSARY RECEPTION POSTPONED!: Due to the winter weather forecast, the anniversary reception for Terry & Trish Ratchford has been postponed.

DAILY PRAYER

EACH MORNING AND EVENING, PRAY TO THE LORD. (*Psalm 1:2*) Prayer lists and roster, Psalter readings, daily Bible lessons, and a song of praise are below.

PRAYER LIST FOR FELLOWSHIP: BT Bradley, Todd Carpenter, Renee Dockery, Kathy Finch, Judy Gault, Ervin Hoffman, Henry Hoffman, Pr. Peter Homovich, Larry Hoover, Dru Huffstickler, Ann Marie Lentz, Betty Petty, Terry Ratchford, Bill & Kay Robinson, Ed Robinson, Pat & Barbara Robinson, Bob Thornburg, and Myra Weaver

FRIENDS OF THE FELLOWSHIP: Harry Angstadt, Eula Brazell, Bill Bridges, Deborah Carpenter, Mary Collins, Laura Dixon, Jamison Franklin, Mona Fulton, Victoria Garcia, family of Sandy Helms, Sherry Hester, Jack Jeffries, Paula Kadel, Ernestine Kincaid, Robbie and Cathy Lewis, Frieda Moses, Lee Norris, Dakota Shuford, Luke Slessman, Charlene Sorenson, and Judi Truesdail

To share concerns and updates for the prayer list you can contact the church office (704-864-6491), Pastor Comer (704-787-6439) or our prayer team (Katherine Carpenter 704-214-2493).

PRAYER ROSTER - Pray for one another. (Ephesians 6:18)

Sunday: Lynn Evans	Thursday: Michael Finch
Monday: Rick Falls	Friday: Star Finch
Tuesday: Brenda Falls	Saturday: Braxton Finch
Wednesday: Kathy Finch	

FEAST OF PSALMS: Epiphany

	<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>
AM	1, 8	36, 40	46, 47	61, 62	71, 72	87, 93	99, 100
PM	19, 27	41, 45	48, 50	66, 67	84, 86	96, 97	103, 135

THE BIBLE IN A YEAR - Week 03: January 16 to January 23, 2022

01/16 Morning Reading: Matthew 11—Evening Reading: Genesis 39, 40

01/17 Morning Reading: Matthew 12:1-23—Evening Reading: Genesis 41, 42

01/18 Morning Reading: Matthew 12:24-50—Evening Reading: Genesis 43, 44, 45

01/19 Morning Reading: Matthew 13:1-30—Evening Reading: Genesis 46, 47, 48

01/20 Morning Reading: Matthew 13:31-58—Evening Reading: Genesis 49, 50

01/21 Morning Reading: Matthew 14:1-21—Evening Reading: Exodus 1, 2, 3

01/22 Morning Reading: Matthew 14:22-36—Evening Reading: Exodus 4, 5, 6

01/23 Morning Reading: Matthew 15:1-20—Evening Reading: Exodus 7, 8

Songs of Praise:	Songs of Praise: "Songs of Thankfulness and Praise"	
	"The Summons"	W&P #137

Next Sunday, January 23, 2022

Genesis 12:1-9 and Luke 4:14-21 ~ "Lessons"

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CHURCH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK SUNDAY, JANUARY 16 - SATURDAY, JANUARY 22, 2022

Sun-16	9:00 am	Luther Choir & Bible Study (Sunday School)
	10:00 am	Worship w/ Holy Communion (Sanctuary)
	11:00 am	Confirmation
	6:00 pm	Chancel Choir
	8:00 pm	Faith Group (Fellowship Hall)
Mon-17	8:30 am	Preschool
Tues-18	8:30 am	Preschool
	10:00 am	Clothing Closet Workday
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Wed-19	8:30 am	Preschool
	6:00 pm	Handbell Choir
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Thur-20	8:30 am	Preschool