

# LUTHERAN CHAPEL



**GENESIS 22:1-18 AND MATTHEW 4:12-23**

***“FISHING”***

*In Christ I am changing to be a godly man - God changes me, transforms me in daily repentance that I can catch others sharing faith, hope, and love.*

**3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY  
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SERVICE OF THE WORD

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

GATHER

WELCOME

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREETING

*Isaiah 60:1, 4; Psalm 27:1*

P: We gather together in the name of the Father, + the Son and the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

P: Arise, shine, for your light has come!

**C: The glory of the Lord has risen upon us.**

P: Lift your eyes and look around:

**C: all gather together to proclaim the praise of the Lord.**

P: Your sun will never set again.

**C: The Lord is our light and our salvation!**

P: Your days of sorrow will end.

**C: The Lord is our light and our salvation!**

P: Whom shall we fear?

**C: Whom shall we fear? The Lord is the strength of our life, whom shall we fear?**

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

*"I Love to Tell the Story"*

ELW #661

1 I love to tell the sto - ry of un - seen things a - bove,  
2 I love to tell the sto - ry: how pleas - ant to re - peat  
3 I love to tell the sto - ry, for those who know it best

of Je - sus and his glo - ry, of Je - sus and his love.  
 what seems, each time I tell it, more won - der - ful - ly sweet!  
 seem hun - ger - ing and thirst - ing to hear it like the rest.

I love to tell the sto - ry, be - cause I know it's true;  
 I love to tell the sto - ry, for some have nev - er heard  
 And when, in scenes of glo - ry, I sing the new, new song,

it sat - is - fies my long - ings as noth - ing else would do.  
 the mes - sage of sal - va - tion from God's own ho - ly word.  
 I'll sing the old, old sto - ry that I have loved so long.

*Refrain*

I love to tell the sto - ry; 'twill be my theme in glo - ry

to tell the old, old sto - ry of Je - sus and his love.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Let us pray.

**C: Lord God, your lovingkindness always goes before us and follows after us. Summon us into your light, and direct our steps in the ways of goodness that come through the cross of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## WORD

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*All children who want to come forward for the Children's Message at the front of the church are welcome to do so. Let the little children come unto our Lord always!*

### STORY OF SALVATION LESSON

### GENESIS 22:1-18

<sup>1</sup>After these things God tested Abraham. He said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." <sup>2</sup>He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you." <sup>3</sup>So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt offering, and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him. <sup>4</sup>On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away. <sup>5</sup>Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you." <sup>6</sup>Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. So the two of them walked on together. <sup>7</sup>Isaac said to his father Abraham, "Father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." He said, "The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" <sup>8</sup>Abraham said, "God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So the two of them walked on together.

<sup>9</sup>When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac, and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. <sup>10</sup>Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill his son. <sup>11</sup>But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven, and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." <sup>12</sup>He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me." <sup>13</sup>And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a thicket by its horns. Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. <sup>14</sup>So Abraham called that place "The LORD will provide"; as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided."

<sup>15</sup>The angel of the LORD called to Abraham a second time from heaven, <sup>16</sup>and said, "By myself I have sworn, says the LORD: Because you have done this, and have not withheld your son, your only son, <sup>17</sup>I will indeed bless you, and I will make your offspring as numerous as the stars

of heaven and as the sand that is on the seashore. And your offspring shall possess the gate of their enemies,<sup>18</sup> and by your offspring shall all the nations of the earth gain blessing for themselves, because you have obeyed my voice."

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

### PSALM 27:1, 4-9

♩ = 76

The Lord is my light and my sal - va - tion, \_\_\_\_\_ of whom should I be a -  
4  
fraid, of whom should I be a - fraid?

The Lord is my light and my help; whom should I fear?

The Lord is the strong-hold of my life; before whom should I shrink?

#### [Refrain]

There is one thing I ask of the Lord; for this I long;

To live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

#### [Refrain]

I believe I shall see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living;

Hope in him, and take heart. Hope in the Lord!

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## SECOND LESSON

## 1 CORINTHIANS 1:10-18

*Paul calls on the Corinthians to end their dissensions and share the unified outlook of the gospel. Discord arises when we forget that we belong not to human leaders or institutions but to Christ. Indeed, the unifying word of the cross of Christ is the center of the gospel and the power of God's salvation.*

<sup>10</sup>Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. <sup>11</sup>For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. <sup>12</sup>What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." <sup>13</sup>**Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of**

**Paul?** <sup>14</sup>I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, <sup>15</sup>so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. <sup>16</sup>(I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) <sup>17</sup>For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.

<sup>18</sup>For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### STORY OF SALVATION TIMELINE

*The timeline below offers an overview of the Story of Salvation lesson and Bible in a Year readings from Genesis to Revelation. The + marks where we are now. Claim the gift for yourself!*

*Creation : Fall : + **Promise** : Exodus : Conquest : Judges: Kings and Prophets : Exile :  
Restoration : 2<sup>nd</sup> Temple : **JESUS** : Apostles : Last Day : New Creation*

### TIME FOR SHARING

Charles Edwards

### \*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*John 1:1, Luke 24:32*

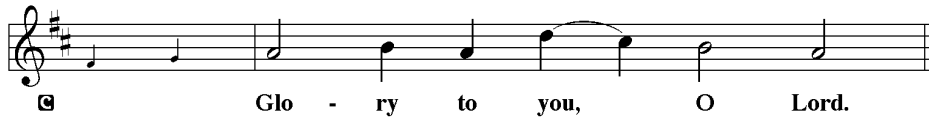


**\*GOSPEL**

**MATTHEW 4:12-23**

*Those who are able may stand to honor Christ during the reading of the Gospel.*

Response after the announcement:



*Jesus begins his public ministry shortly after John the Baptist is imprisoned by Herod. He proclaims the nearness of God’s reign and calls four fishermen to be his first disciples.*

<sup>12</sup>Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. <sup>13</sup>He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, <sup>14</sup>so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

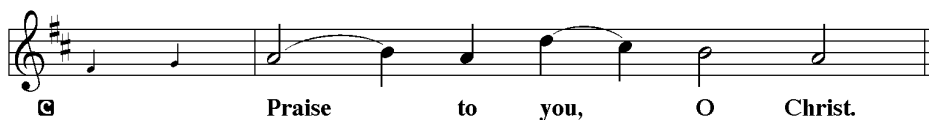
<sup>15</sup>“Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali,  
on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—  
<sup>16</sup>the people who sat in darkness  
have seen a great light,  
and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death  
light has dawned.”

<sup>17</sup>From that time Jesus began to proclaim, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”

<sup>18</sup>As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. <sup>19</sup>And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.” <sup>20</sup>Immediately they left their nets and followed him. <sup>21</sup>As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. <sup>22</sup>Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

<sup>23</sup>Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.



The Binding of Isaac and the Testing of Abraham’s Faith

Catching People in Christ

**The Law** is an aspect of God’s Word that shows sin and brokenness: Do I need to repent? Do I fish for people - catch them for and in Christ?

**The Gospel** is an aspect of God’s Word that comforts and saves in Christ: In Christ, I am changing to be a godly man. God changes me, transforms me in daily repentance that I can invite, catch, and do outreach to bring others in Christ to saving faith.

**So What?** God saves us from temptation and times of trial (6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> petition of the Lord’s Prayer). Grow and strengthen our faith, our trust in You as we negotiate this broken, sin-sick world. Who caught me for Christ? Who do I need to catch with the love of God here and now?

\*HYMN OF THE DAY

“Will You Come and Follow Me”

ELW #798



1 “Will you come and fol - low me if I but call  
 2 “Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call  
 3 “Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call  
 4 “Will you love the you you hide if I but call  
 5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call



your name? Will you go where you don't  
 your name? Will you care for cruel and  
 your name? Will you set the pris - 'ners  
 your name? Will you quell the fear in -  
 my name. Let me turn and fol - low



know and nev - er be the same?  
 kind and nev - er be the same?  
 free and nev - er be the same?  
 side and nev - er be the same?  
 you and nev - er be the same.

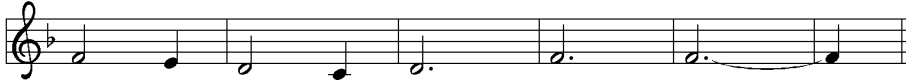


Will you let my love be shown, will you let my  
 Will you risk the hos - tile stare, should your life at -  
 Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as  
 Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the  
 In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and





name be known, will you let my life be  
 tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer  
 this un - seen, and ad - mit to what I  
 world a - round, through my sight and touch and  
 foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and



grown in you and you in me?"  
 pray'r in you and you in me?"  
 mean in you and you in me?"  
 sound in you and you in me?"  
 grow in you and you in me.

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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,**

**the holy Christian Church,**

**the communion of saints,**

**the forgiveness of sins,**

**the resurrection of the body**

**and the life + everlasting. Amen.**

P: God has given us the ministry of reconciliation. Therefore, let us be reconciled to God and to one another.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

P: Gracious God,

**C: have mercy on us. In Your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by Your Spirit so that we may live and serve You in newness of life, to the honor and glory of Your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

P: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

**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.**

### ANTHEM

### CHANCEL CHOIR

*“Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me”*

Thomas Lynch / arr. K. Lee Scott

Gracious spirit, dwell with me, I would gracious be;  
Help me now thy grace to see, I would be like thee;  
And, with words that help and heal, thy life would mine reveal;  
And, with actions bold and meek, for Christ, my Savior, speak.

Truthful Spirit, dwell with me, I would truthful be;  
Help me now thy truth to see, I would be like thee;  
And, with wisdom kind and clear, thy life in mine appear;  
And, with actions brotherly, speak Christ’s sincerity.

Holy Spirit, dwell with me, I would holy be;  
Show thy mercy tenderly, make me more like thee;  
Separate from sin, I would and cherish all things good,  
And whatever I can be give him who gave me thee.

Mighty Spirit, dwell with me, I would mighty be;  
Help me now thy power to see, I would be like thee;  
‘Gainst all weapons hell can wield, be thou my strength and shield;  
Let thy word my weapon be, Lord, Thine the victory.

Gracious Spirit, dwell with me, I would be like thee!

## PRAYER

### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*1 Timothy 2:1-4*

AM: 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.*

AM: 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 LORD'S PRAYER

*Matthew 6:9-13*

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.**

## SENDING

### \*THE BLESSING

*Numbers 6:24-26*

P: The LORD bless you and keep you. The LORD make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The LORD look upon you with favor and give you peace. In the Name of the Father, + the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**



1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;  
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;  
 3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise,  
 4 Light of my soul, af - ter vic - to - ry won,



naught be all else to me, save that thou art:  
 I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord.  
 thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways:  
 may I reach heav - en's joys, O heav - en's Sun!



thou my best thought both by day and by night,  
 Thou my soul's shel - ter, and thou my high tow'r,  
 thou and thou on - ly, the first in my heart,  
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,



wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.  
 raise thou me heav'n - ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.  
 great God of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.  
 still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

Text: Irish, 8th cent.; vers. Eleanor H. Hull, 1860–1935, alt.; tr. Mary E. Byrne, 1880–1931  
 Music: SLANE, Irish traditional

\*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 the God by Susan Cooper-Cox in memory of John W. Cooper.

**THOSE SERVING AT LUTHERAN CHAPEL TODAY**

Ministers .....People of Lutheran Chapel  
Pastor.....Michael Comer  
Administrative Assistant..... Kim Rundzieher  
Choir Director .....Kathie Riebe  
Organist..... Lisa Burch  
Assistant Minister ..... Pam Overcash  
Lector ..... Jason Sanders  
Acolyte.....Hunter Clark  
Crucifer .....Olivia Berghello  
Head Ushers ..... Steve Clark and Ervin Hoffman  
First Aid/AED/CPR ..... Debra Hoffman

**PARISH NEWS**

**NURSERY ATTENDANTS BY REQUEST:** If your family is in need of a nursery attendant during the 10:00 service, please let our ushers know and they will contact one of our standby attendants.

**ACOLYTES & CRUCIFERS:** A training session is scheduled for any youth who would like to participate in our worship services as Acolyte or Crucifer TODAY, **January 22 immediately following worship.** We request that all current Acolytes and Crucifers attend as well for a short re-training session. Thank you!

**ESTHER CIRCLE:** The Esther Circle will gather in the Fellowship Hall on **Monday, February 6 at 10:00am** in the **Fellowship Hall.**

**REBECCA CIRCLE:** Rebecca Circle will meet at the home of Delana Clark on **Monday, February 6 at 7:00pm.**

**2023 OFFERING ENVELOPES:** 2023 offering envelopes for members of the church are now available and can be found in the Narthex. *For those who regularly give online or through a financial institution, please contact Kim in the church office if you still would like your envelopes.*

## 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:** Larry Collins, Kathy Finch, Paulette Hale, Henry Hoffman, Pr. Peter & Nancy Homovich, Dru Huffstickler, Betty Petty, Nancy Rankin, Doug Rhyne, Bill & Kay Robinson, Pat & Barbara Robinson, Bob Thornburg, Joe Veale, and Myra Weaver

**FRIENDS OF THE FELLOWSHIP:** Harry & Fran Angstadt, Sam Bell, Mark Boben, Bill & Carol Bridges, Deborah Carpenter, Doris Coggins, Mary Collins, Jill Dieffenbach, Tucker Doyne, Craig Evanoff, Jamison Franklin, Alice Hanks, Jonnie Heavner, David Helms, Wade Huss, **Jackie Mango**, Pr. Charles McManus, Tracy Moore, Rita Pasour, Brooks Reeder, Dakota Shuford, Charlene Sorenson, and Jeannie Trayband

*To share concerns and updates for the prayer list you can contact the church office (704-864-6491) or call/text Pastor Comer (704-787-6439).*

### 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>
<b>AM</b>	1, 8	36, 40	46, 47	61, 62	71, 72	87, 93	99, 100
<b>PM</b>	19, 27	41, 45	48, 50	66, 67	84, 86	96, 97	103, 135

### THE BIBLE IN A YEAR - Week 4 January 22, 2023 to January 29, 2023

**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

**01/24** Morning Reading: Matthew 15:21-39—Evening Reading: Exodus 9, 10, 11

**01/25** Morning Reading: Matthew 16—Evening Reading: Exodus 12, 13

**01/26** Morning Reading: Matthew 17—Evening Reading: Exodus 14, 15

**01/27** Morning Reading: Matthew 18:1-20—Evening Reading: Exodus 16, 17, 18

**01/28** Morning Reading: Matthew 18:21-35—Evening Reading: Exodus 19, 20

**01/29** Morning Reading: Matthew 19—Evening Reading: Exodus 21, 22

**Songs of Praise:** “*Songs of Thankfulness and Praise*” ELW #310  
“*The Summons*” W&P #137

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**Wednesday, January 25 ~ Evening Prayer with Holy Communion**

Titus 3:5-8 *“Holy Baptism : Gift of the Holy Spirit”*

**Thursday, January 26 ~ Story of Salvation Bible Study**

Genesis 22 *“The Testing of Abraham”*

**Sunday, January 29 ~ Service of the Word**

Genesis 32:22-32 and Matthew 5:1-12 *“The Beatitudes”*

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**CHURCH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK**

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 22 - SATURDAY, JANUARY 28, 2023**

- Sun-22**    8:30 am    Fellowship  
              9:00 am    Bible Study/Sunday School  
              10:00 am    Worship (Sanctuary)  
              11:00 am    Acolytes & Crucifers Training (Sanctuary)  
              11:30 am    Chancel Choir  
              8:00 pm    Faith Group (Fellowship Hall)
- Mon-23**    8:30 am    Preschool
- Tues-24**    8:30 am    Preschool  
              10:00 am    Clothing Closet Workday
- Wed-25**    8:30 am    Preschool  
              6:00 pm    Handbells  
              7:00 pm    Evening Prayers (Chapel)
- Thur-26**    8:30 am    Preschool  
              10:00 am    Story of Salvation Bible Study (Library)