

Epiphany II

Ephesians 5:27

“...so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish.” Our Lord has cleansed us with His blood – in His sight we are now pure and holy. He has given Himself, laying down His life for us. Now we are his spotless and beautiful bride. By His sacrifice, we are moved to sacrifice. By His cleansing, we find a desire to ourselves be clean and live blamelessly as He is blameless.

Stewardship News

Attendance last Sunday: 60

Last Sunday GF Offerings: \$2,170.00.

Weekly 2017 Budget: \$3,192.68

GF offerings YTD: \$3,682.00

2016 Budget YTD: \$6,385.36

“Every life has value because every life is someone created by God, redeemed by the blood of Jesus, and someone He either has called or wants to call into an eternal relationship with Him. It doesn’t have to be complicated! Amen.” *Rev. Dr. James I. Lamb, former executive director of Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org*

Youth Group Lock In

Mark your calendar, Jan. 27th, beginning @ 6 p.m. 5th graders to 12th graders are welcome to join us. We have new games and fun activities planned. Dinner and breakfast will be provided as well as plenty of snacks to last the night. We suggest kids bring some sort of blanket, pillow, sleeping bag, an air mattress or all of the above just in case they want to go to sleep. Please contact Lisa (337)501-0234 or Bart (337)3549247 with any questions.

Volunteers Needed

Looking for coffee drinkers who are willing to volunteer to clean up the coffee pots and pick up supplies after Sunday School on the 2nd Sunday of each month. If you would like to help out, please see Bonnie Dupre.

Your Favorite Programs with a Lutheran Worldview on your Radio Station Worldwide

KFUO.org. Listen to programming that feeds your soul and mind, including a study in Romans, our Lutheran Confessions, previewing the March for Life, and discovering our Lutheran heritage. Mon, Jan 16 --- Cross Defense: Fleshly Obligations @ 2:00 p.m. CST; Tues, Jan 17 --- Concord Matters: Apology of the Augsburg Confession @ 2:00 p.m. CST; Wed, Jan 18 --- Free to be Faithful: Preview of the 44th Annual National March for Life @ 2:30 p.m. CST; Thurs, Jan 19 --- His Time: Historically Speaking @ 8:45 a.m. CST; Fri, Jan 20 --- Thy Strong Word: Romans 10 @ 11:00 a.m. CST
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Grace’s Diners Club

The Diners Club will meet Friday, January 20th at El Paso at 1055 West Tunnel Blvd at 6pm. Please RSVP to Lisa Giroir at 337-501-0234 by Sunday, January 15.

BISCUIT MAKERS

January 17 - Victoria Thalheim
31 - Brandon & Jacob Cinnater

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

+ PREPARATION +

Stand

HYMN

“You Are My All in All” #243 in the Best of the Best Songbook

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

OPENING SENTENCES *Galatians 5:22–23; 1 Corinthians 3:16; Romans 15:13*

Pastor: The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. Do you not know that you are God’s temple and that God’s Spirit dwells in you?

People: **May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION *Psalms 40:9; 1 Corinthians 6:19–20a*

Pastor: Let us go to our heavenly Father rejoicing, confident of His forgiveness for Jesus’ sake.

Silence for reflection on God’s Word and for self-examination

Pastor: Heavenly Father,

People: **we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have failed to exhibit joy, the fruit of Your Holy Spirit, in our thinking, speaking, and acting. We have let the sorrows of this world mask the joy inside. We have not always told “the glad news of deliverance.” We have not loved You completely or our neighbors as ourselves. Our Lord Jesus revealed His person and ministry through His words and actions. In Your great mercy, forgive, renew, and lead us so that we may be revealed as His faith-filled followers to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

Pastor: “Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, for you were bought with a price.” Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

+ WORD +

INTROIT *Psalm 19:1–4a, b; antiphon: Psalm 19:14*

Pastor: Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in Your sight, O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.

People: **The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims His handiwork.**

Pastor: Day to day pours out speech, and night to night reveals knowledge.

People: **There is no speech, nor are there words, whose voice is not heard.**

Pastor: Their measuring line goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In them He has set a tent for the sun.

People: **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen. Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in Your sight, O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.**

KYRIE

Pastor: Lord, have mercy.

People: **Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray.

People: **Almighty and everlasting God, who governs all things in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the prayers of Your people and grant us Your peace through all our days;**

Pastor: through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

Sit

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Isaiah 49:1–7*

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

PAX DOMINI

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

People: **Amen.**

AGNUS DEI *(p. 163 in hymnal)*

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

Sit

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

“The Lamb” #210, “There is a Redeemer” #211, “Peace Be Yours” #183, All in the Best of the Best Songbook

Stand

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE *(p. 164 in hymnal)*

Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev’ryone what He has done. Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name. He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Let us pray.

We give thanks, heavenly Father, that You have refreshed us through this Sacrament, and we pray that, strengthened thereby, we will exhibit the fruit of the Spirit in all that we do in our daily living; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

BENEDICTION

Pastor: The blessing of God Almighty—the Father, who gave His Son for the life of the world; the Son, who has revealed to us God’s grace, mercy, and love; and the Spirit, by whose fruit we are seen to be children of God—bless you now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

HYMN “Then I Will Praise You, My Savior, Again” #216 in the Best of the Best Songbook

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THE WORDS OF OUR LORD *Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25*

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes. *1 Corinthians 11:26*
People: **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.** *Revelation 22:20*

Pastor: O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

LORD’S PRAYER *(Matthew 6:9–13)*

People: **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.**

EPISTLE *1 Corinthians 1:1–9*

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

VERSE *John 1:29b*

Pastor: Alleluia. Behold, the Lamb of God,
People: **who takes away the sin of the world! Alleluia.**

HOLY GOSPEL *John 1:29–42a*

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the first chapter.
People: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

(The Gospel is read.)

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.
People: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

CREED Nicene Creed

People: **I believe in One God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.**

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried.

And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

Sit

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY "Lamb of God" #139 in the Best of the Best Songbook

Your only Son, no sin to hide
But You have sent Him from Your side
To walk upon this guilty sod
And to become the Lamb of God

Your gift of love, they crucified
They laughed and scorned Him as He died
The humble King, they named a fraud
And sacrificed the Lamb of God

Oh, Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God
I love the holy Lamb of God
Oh, wash me in Your precious blood
My Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God

I was so lost, I should have died
But You have brought me to Your side
To be led by Your staff and rod
And to be called a lamb of God

Oh, Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God
I love the holy Lamb of God
Oh, wash me in Your precious blood
My Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God

SERMON

MEDITATION

Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

(After each petition...)

Pastor: Let us pray to the Lord;
People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Sit

OFFERING

Stand

OFFERTORY "We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise" # in the Best of the Best Songbook

+ SACRAMENT +

PREFACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your glory. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS *(p. 161 in hymnal)*

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might: Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Blessed are You, Sovereign Lord, for in Your great mercy You sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to be our Savior. You have graciously given us the gift of faith and endowed us with the gifts of the Spirit, deigning to allow us to carry forward Your Son's ministry. Grant that we remain strong in faith as we approach the Table of the Lord and receive the gifts of forgiveness, life, and salvation, which come to us in His body and blood.

People: Amen.