



Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer

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2nd Sunday after Epiphany

Sunday January 14, 2023, 9:30 a.m.

Welcome and Call to Worship

Today we remember our mission.

We are making God known through word & deed.

Come to the light that God has sent into our world.

Let light flood our hearts and lives.

The light is meant for all the world.

We receive the light that we might share it with others.

Let us worship the God who has so graciously blessed us.

We praise and adore our God of light.

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, creator of darkness and light, word of truth,
wind sweeping over the waters.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. (Silence is kept for reflection)

God, our rock and refuge,

we pour out our hearts before you. We have known you but have not always loved you. We have wounded one another and sinned against you. We have not always recognized the Holy Spirit dwelling in each of us. Remember your covenant. Renew your creation. Restore us, that we might proclaim your good news to all. Amen.

The voice of the Lord is upon the waters. God has spoken: The time of grace is now. In Jesus, the reign of God has come near. By the authority of ☩ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are God's beloved.

Amen.

Opening Song

“Jesus We Love You”

Old things have passed away Your love has stayed the same

Your constant grace remains the cornerstone Things that we thought were dead

Are breathing in life again You cause your Son to shine on darkest nights

For all that You've done we will pour out our love This will be our anthem song

(Chorus) (Jesus) we love You Oh how we love You You are the one our hearts adore

The hopeless have found their hope The orphans now have a home

All that was lost has found its place in You You lift our weary head

You make us strong instead You took these rags and made us beautiful

For all that You've done we will pour out our love This will be our anthem song (Chorus x2)

Greeting

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

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray. **Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, most merciful redeemer, for the countless blessings and benefits you give. May we know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day praising you, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**

Amen.

Children's Sermon

First Reading

1 Samuel 3:1-10

¹Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread. ²At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; ³the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. ⁴Then the LORD called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" ⁵and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. ⁶The LORD called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." ⁷Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. ⁸The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. ⁹Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place. ¹⁰Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm

Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18

¹LORD, you have searched me out; O LORD, you have known me. ²You know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar. ³You trace my journeys and my resting-places and are acquainted with all my ways. ⁴Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, but you, O LORD, know it altogether. ⁵You encompass me, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me. ⁶Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain to it. ¹³For you yourself created my inmost parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb. ¹⁴I will thank you because I am marvelously made; your works are wonderful, and I know it well. ¹⁵My body was not hidden from you, while I was being made in secret and woven in the depths of the earth. ¹⁶Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb; all of them were written in your book; my days were fashioned before they came to be. ¹⁷How deep I find your thoughts, O God! How great is the sum of them! ¹⁸If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand; to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 6:12-20

¹²"All things are lawful for me," but not all things are beneficial. "All things are lawful for me," but I will not be dominated by anything. ¹³"Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food," and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is meant not for fornication but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. ¹⁴And God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power. ¹⁵Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Should I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! ¹⁶Do you not know that whoever is united to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For it is said, "The two shall be one flesh." ¹⁷But anyone united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. ¹⁸Shun fornication! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body; but the fornicator sins against the body itself. ¹⁹Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own? ²⁰For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

"You Are My All in All"

You are my strength When I am weak You are the treasure That I seek You are my all in all
Seeking You as a precious jew'l Lord to give up I'd be a fool You are my all in all

(Chorus) Jesus Lamb of God Worthy is Your name Jesus Lamb of God Worthy is Your name

Taking my sin My cross my shame Rising again I bless Your name You are my all in all

When I fall down You pick me up When I am dry You fill my cup You are my all in all (Chorus x2)

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The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 1st Chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Gospel Reading

John 1:43-51

⁴³The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." ⁴⁴Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. ⁴⁵Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." ⁴⁶Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." ⁴⁷When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" ⁴⁸Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." ⁴⁹Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" ⁵⁰Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." ⁵¹And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Hymn of the Day

“Here I Am, Lord”

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Apostles’ 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.

Prayer Song

“Lord I Need You”

Lord I come I confess Bowing here I find my rest And without You I fall apart

You're the one that guides my heart Lord I need You oh I need You

Ev'ry hour I need You My one defense my righteousness Oh God how I need You

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Prayers of the Church

Hospitalized/ill: *Ashlea West, Mark Mandery, Kevin Stark, Ric Holmquest, Jack Pereira,*

Gretchen Morrow Bray- Daughter of Darline Morrow & Sister of Ann (Greg) DeSpiegler,

Matt Schlaht-Friend of Rachel & Jesse Hauck, Merry Lemke,

Death: *Jessica Fischer, Joan Zarro- Sister of Joyce (Marv) McGillivary*

Prayer Song

“Lord I Need You”

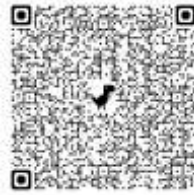
Lord I need You oh I need You Ev'ry hour I need You My one defense my righteousness

Oh God how I need You My one defense my righteousness Oh God how I need You

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Offering

Text to Give: 605-250-6765 or Scan the QR code located in the pew
Noisy Can Offering (for all ages) Mission of the Month:
Nicaragua Partner Ministry & Nicaragua Youth Retreat



Offertory Response

“Create In Me A Clean Heart”

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Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me (repeat)
Cast me not away from thy presence, O Lord and take not thy Holy Spirit from me
Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation and renew a right spirit within me
Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. (repeat)

Offering Prayer

Blessed are you, Holy One, for all good things come from you. In bread and cup you open heaven to us.
Meet us at this table, that we receive what we seek and follow your Son, Jesus, in whose name we pray.
Amen.

Lord’s Prayer

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.
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.

Announcements

Blessing

God who names you, Christ who claims you, and the Holy Spirit who dwells in you, ✠ bless you and
remain with you always.
Amen.

Sending Song

“Your Grace Is Enough”

Great is Your faithfulness O God You wrestle with the sinner's restless heart
You lead us by still waters into mercy And nothing can keep us apart

(Pre-Chorus) So remember Your people Remember Your children Remember Your promise O God

(Chorus) Your grace is enough Your grace is enough Your grace is enough for me

Great is Your love and justice God of Jacob You use the weak to lead the strong
You lead us in the song of Your salvation And all Your people sing along (Pre-Chorus), (Chorus x2)

So remember Your people Remember Your children Remember Your promise O God

Your grace is enough Your grace is enough Your grace is enough for me

Yeah Your grace is enough Heaven reaches out to us Your grace is enough for me

God I sing Your grace is enough I'm covered in Your love Your grace is enough for me for me

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Call to Service

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please share the peace, as well as your name when you leave today.

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Serving This Morning

Preaching: Pastor Laura Overbo; **Sound & Projection:** Zach Stanton, Pete Juba; **Worship Team;** **Greeters;**
Ushers: Kevin Luoma; **Coffee Servers:** Kevin & Bernie Luoma; **Welcome Center:** Pam Luckhurst; **Lector:** Brylie Schlotterbeck; **Acolyte:** Brayden Fisk, Carter Brennan;

Altar Flowers Given in Memory of Brenda Coleman by Lynn & Chuck Langner

*This worship service is livestreamed on YouTube and the LCOOR Facebook page.

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HYMN OF THE WEEK

You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore

WEEKLY MILESTONES

Take a moment to tell or think about a recent mountain high and/or valley low in your life.

CARING CONVERSATIONS

Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:

- Who is someone you trust and why do you put your trust in that person?
- Who has helped you as a follower of Jesus? What was it about this person that encouraged you in your Christian life?

DEVOTIONS

Read: John 1:35-51.

Beginning with the wise men from the East and Jesus' baptism, Epiphany is the season that focuses on revealing Jesus to the world. In John 1 it is the followers of Jesus who do some of that revealing. Jesus "found" Philip and brings him into the fold of followers. Just as Jesus "found" Philip, now Philip finds Nathanael (vv. 43, 45). Philip is described as someone from Bethsaida, the same hometown as Andrew and Peter who were just added to Jesus' followers. It is likely they had been neighborhood boys, familiar with one another. These are examples of faith formed through personal relationships. First, it was John the Baptist pointing to Jesus that drew in Andrew, and then Andrew "found" Peter and brought in his brother. Now Philip is added to the group, and he goes and gets his friend Nathanael. Nathanael is a skeptic. Philip simply suggests with a note of confidence that Nathanael should find out for himself. Nathanael then has his own experience of being "found" by Jesus and he, too, is drawn in. *Discuss:* How do you speak about Jesus to others?

Pray: Faithful God, we thank you for those you have placed in our lives to help us in our life's journey as a follower of Jesus. Amen.

SERVICE

Jesus calls us to serve our neighbor in love. Based on the Daily Bible Readings and theme for this week, as a follower of Jesus, how can you encourage someone in their faith?

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

Psalms 139 speaks poetically about the intimate relationship that God has with us. We are fully and utterly known by God and God's love for us. Take time to read Psalm 139:1-6 and 13-18. Think about the personal relationship you have with God. How has that relationship been enriched by others who have nurtured you in the Christian faith over the years? Consider writing a card thanking one or more people for their care for you in your Christian faith.



In addition to *Taking Faith Home*, celebrate milestones in your daily life as an effective faith formation tool. Go to: www.milestonesministry.org



THE WEEKLY WORD - ANNOUNCEMENTS

30-35 HOURS/WEEK

Position Opening: Custodian

Full job description and applications are available on our website or in the church office.



NEW MEMBER RECOGNITION

New Member orientation is Wednesday, January 17 at 5:15 p.m.

If you are interested in attending please contact Twila in the church office at (605) 886-2696. New Members will be recognized during worship services on January 17, 20 & 21.

CRAFT NIGHT

Winter Wonderland Vase

Tuesday, Jan. 23 at 6:30pm \$15

Sign up at the Welcome Center



WHY OLD MEN WEEP IN THE MORNING BY GARY WESTGARD

Available for purchase for \$20 at the Welcome Center. Pastor Gary was a member of LCOOR and visitation pastor here. Gary passed away in 2022, but decades of Gary's preaching and writings from every day events to the most profound have inspired and strengthened many. Thank you to his wife, Vivian, for making this book available to us.



LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF

We are collecting baby care kits in January.

Instructions can be found at the Welcome Center or in the church office.



JANUARY MISSION OF THE MONTH

Nicaragua Partner Ministry & Nicaragua Youth Retreat

Mission of the Month dollars are above and beyond your regular giving. Please clearly mark your offering with Mission of the Month. Thank you!



ANNUAL MEETING

OF THE CONGREGATION

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28 | 10:30AM



Luther League 7-12 Grade

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See your January newsletter for more information!

Sunday Nights at 6pm



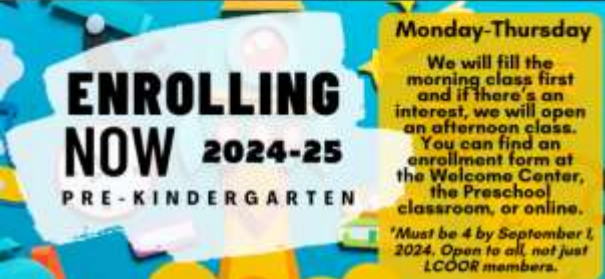
ENROLLING NOW 2024-25

PRE-KINDERGARTEN

Monday-Thursday

We will fill the morning class first and if there's an interest, we will open an afternoon class. You can find an enrollment form at the Welcome Center, the Preschool classroom, or online.

*Must be 4 by September 1, 2024. Open to all, not just LCOOR members.



VACCINATION EVENT

Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer

February 6 | 9:30am

Vaccines Available: RSV, Shingles, Influenza & COVID

Pick up a form at the Welcome Center and return the form to the church office by January 31st.



January 14-21

Print too small? Large print bulletins are available at all worship services.

Sunday January 14

8:30 a.m. Church School
8:30 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry
8:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study w/ Pastor Dan
9:30 a.m. Blended Worship
6:00 p.m. Luther League 2.0 (7-12 Grade)
7:00 p.m. Youth Music Team Practice (7-12 Grade)

Monday January 15

No Preschool- Martin Luther King Jr. Day
No Sandwich Ministry
6:45 p.m. Al-Anon

Tuesday January 16

10:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Group
11:00 a.m. Text Study
1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting

Wednesday January 17

8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry
12:15 p.m. Men's Lunch
4:45 p.m. Community Meal- Goulash
5:15 p.m. New Member Class
5:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study w/ Pastor Dan
5:30 p.m. Church School
6:30 p.m. New Members Received
6:30 p.m. Worship
7:15 p.m. 7th/8th Grade Confirmation
7:30 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal
7:30 p.m. Praise & Rejoice Choir Rehearsal

Thursday January 18

9:00 a.m. Quilting
10:00 a.m. Pastors Conference
1:15 p.m. Chair Yoga
5:15 p.m. Al-Anon

Friday January 19

Church Office Closes at Noon
8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry
9:00 a.m. Quilting

Saturday January 20

Stewardship Moment
5:30 p.m. New Members Received
5:30 p.m. Traditional Worship w/ Holy Communion

Sunday January 21

Stewardship Moment
8:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study w/ Pastor Dan
8:30 a.m. Church School
8:30 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry
9:30 a.m. New Members Received
9:30 a.m. Blended Worship w/ Holy Communion
6:00 p.m. Luther League 2.0 (7-12 Grade)
7:00 p.m. Youth Music Team Practice (7-12 Grade)

Attendance & Offering

December 31 Live Stream- 102
Saturday, January 6- 91
Sunday, January 7- 244
Wednesday, January 10- 157
Offering (1/7):
General Fund: \$9,316; Other: \$300;
Mission of the Month: \$72.86;
Debt Reduction: \$25;
Church School: \$33.13;
Simply Giving Offering (1/1-1/5):
General Fund: \$10,320.21;
Debt Reduction: \$158; Other: \$381.76;
Mission of the Month: \$86.78;

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Wendy Kruger, Paraprofessional
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Zach Stanton

JANUARY 14, 2024 SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Trusted relationships help people follow Jesus.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These passages are related to the Lectionary texts for this Sunday.

Sunday	John 1:43-51	Jesus calls Philip and Nathanael
Monday	1 Samuel 3:1-20	The call of Samuel
Tuesday	1 Corinthians 6:12-20	Honor God in body and spirit
Wednesday	Ephesians 6:1-4	Nurturing faith at home
Thursday	2 Timothy 1:1-7	Timothy's faith through family
Friday	2 John 1:12-13	Nurturing faith by relationships
Saturday	Psalms 139:1-6, 13-18	The Lord knows us well
Sunday	Mark 1:14-20	Jesus calls the first disciples

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." John 1:45 (NRSV)

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

Nurturing God, we thank you for your love that reaches out to us through others that we may have confidence and joy as followers of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

Dear God, with this food you care for our lives and our physical wellbeing; we thank you for the many ways you show your love for us. In Jesus' name, amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May God bless you with joy as a follower of Jesus.

