

✦ 1st Sunday after Epiphany ✦
January 14, 2018 10:00 A.M.

GATHERING IN WORSHIP

Please use the time during the prelude for quiet meditation to prepare yourself for worship.

◆Prelude

◆Call to Worship (Responsively)

Pastor: You who bring good news to Zion,
go up on a high mountain.
You who bring good news to Jerusalem,
lift up your voice with a shout,
lift it up, do not be afraid;
say to the towns of Judah,
“Here is your God!”

People: **See, the Sovereign LORD comes with power,
and he rules with a mighty arm.
See, his reward is with him,
and his recompense accompanies him.**

Pastor: He tends his flock like a shepherd:
He gathers the lambs in his arms
and carries them close to his heart;
he gently leads those that have young.

◆Hymn of Praise (BH #522) *The Word of God is Solid Ground*

◆Invocation

The Lord’s Prayer (forgive us our sins...)

WORD

Scripture Readings

Isaiah 60:1-6

Ephesians 4:17-5:2

◆*Gloria Patri* (BH #109)

Pastoral Prayer

◆Hymn of Preparation (BH #549) *I Believe in You, Lord Jesus*

Message

“Christmas All Year Long!
How To Live”
Rev. Mark Westlind

RESPONSE

◆Hymn of Response (BH #430) *Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine*

Prayer of Confession (In Unison):

**Almighty God, in love you spread good gifts before us,
more than we need or deserve. You feed, heal, teach, and
save us. We confess that we always want more, that we
never share as freely as you give. We resent what we lack
and are jealous of neighbors! We misuse what you intend
for joy. God, forgive our stubborn greed and our
destructiveness. In mercy, help us to take such pleasure in
your goodness that we will always be thanking you,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Time for personal reflection and confession.

Words of Assurance (Pastor):

Hear the good news: Our Lord Jesus hears the contriteness of our hearts! “Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that is God’s own proof of His love toward us.” In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! **In the name of Jesus Christ you are forgiven! Thanks be to God!**

Passing of the Peace

Life Together

Offering

Offertory *There’s Something About that Name*

◆ *Doxology*

◆ Prayer of Dedication

SENDING

◆**Hymn of Dismissal** (BH #589) *We Will Lay Our Burden Down*

◆**Benediction**

Postlude

◆**Indicates those who are able should stand.**

NOTES OF INTEREST

Childcare is offered for infants and younger children in the church nursery. If you need directions or more information feel free to ask an usher for assistance.

PRAYER CONCERNS: Greg Goetz, Britta Johnson, Carol Latimer, Bruce Sladek, Lorraine Sorensen, Linnea Wimpenny.

Rev. Mark Westlind.....Interim Pastor
Stuart Seale.....Director of Music and Worship
Betty Aardema and Nate Van Der Male.....Organists
Amanda Fulton.....Director, Noah's Ark Preschool
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Coming Soon

Join Pastor Mark for his Lenten Journey class.
Details and class schedule to come
in upcoming bulletins.

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WELCOME TO TRINITY

So that we can get to know you better and you can better know us, please complete the tear-off below and place in the offering plate. Thank you!

Date: _____

Name _____

Phone _____

Address _____

Calendar for the Week:

Today:

- 10 A.M. Worship
- 10–11 A.M. Nursery for Infants/Sunday School Pre-K – 6th Grade
- 11:15 A.M. Confirmation Class and High School Youth Group
- 11:30 A.M. Adult Sunday School

This Week:

- Mon Martin Luther King Holiday
- Tues.-Fri. 9 A.M. Noah's Ark Preschool
- Tues. 9:30 A.M. Women's Bible Study
- Wed. 6 P.M. Light supper before "Kingdom" class
- Wed. 6:30 P.M. Pastor Mark's "The Kingdom" - final class
- Thurs. 7 P.M. Church Board meeting

Next Sunday:

- 10 A.M. Worship
 - 10–11 A.M. Nursery for Infants/Sunday School Pre-K – 6th Grade
 - 11:15 A.M. Camp Rally Day brunch, Peterson Hall
- Note: No Confirmation Class, High School Youth Group or Adult Sunday School.

Articles for February Messenger are due January 21.

Jan. 21 – Nursery Helpers: Kristine Schroeder, Carol Byland
Greeters: Brian & Danielle Khan

Announcements:

Join Greg Goetz for Adult Sunday School in the Fireside Room after worship today.

"The Kingdom" class

On Wednesday, January 17, at 6:30 P.M. Pastor Mark will conclude his Wednesday evening series on the study into what the Gospel means for our lives.

Camp Rally Day

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Today's Scripture:

Isaiah 60:1-6

¹Arise, shine, for your light has come,
and the glory of the LORD rises upon you.

²See, darkness covers the earth
and thick darkness is over the peoples,
but the LORD rises upon you
and his glory appears over you.

³Nations will come to your light,
and kings to the brightness of your dawn.

⁴Lift up your eyes and look about you:
All assemble and come to you;
your sons come from afar,
and your daughters are carried on the hip.

⁵Then you will look and be radiant,
your heart will throb and swell with joy;
the wealth on the seas will be brought to you,
to you the riches of the nations will come.

⁶Herds of camels will cover your land,
young camels of Midian and Ephah.
And all from Sheba will come,
bearing gold and incense
and proclaiming the praise of the LORD.

Ephesians 4:17-5:2

¹⁷So I tell you this, and insist on it in the Lord, that you must no longer live as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their thinking. ¹⁸They are darkened in their understanding and separated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them due to the hardening of their hearts. ¹⁹Having lost all sensitivity, they have given themselves over to sensuality so as to indulge in every kind of impurity, and they are full of greed. ²⁰That, however, is not the way of life you learned ²¹when you heard about Christ and were taught in him in accordance with the truth that is in Jesus. ²²You were taught, with regard to your former way of life, to put off your old self, which is

being corrupted by its deceitful desires; ²³to be made new in the attitude of your minds; ²⁴and to put on the new self, created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness. ²⁵Therefore each of you must put off falsehood and speak truthfully to your neighbor, for we are all members of one body. ²⁶"In your anger do not sin": Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry, ²⁷and do not give the devil a foothold. ²⁸Anyone who has been stealing must steal no longer, but must work, doing something useful with their own hands, that they may have something to share with those in need. ²⁹Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen. ³⁰And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. ³¹Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. ³²Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

5 ¹Follow God's example, therefore, as dearly loved children ²and walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.



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