

Welcome to
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†Make Disciples for Jesus through Word & Sacrament†

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

February 2, 2020

Opening Hymn: #223 *As We Begin Another Week*

Order of Worship: Service of Word and Sacrament on page 26

Old Testament Lesson: Micah 6:1-8

Psalm of the Day: Psalm 1 on page 64 in front of hymnal

Epistle Lesson: I Corinthians 1:26-31

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 5:1-12

Children's Sermon

Sermon Hymn: #395 *Seek Where You May to Find a Way*

Sermon Text: Matthew 5:1-12

Sermon Theme: Find His blessings in unexpected places

Confession of Faith: The Nicene Creed on page 31 in front of the hymnal

The Gathering of Our Gifts to the Praise and Glory of God

Prayer of the Church on page 32 in front of the hymnal

The Lord's Prayer

The Sacrament on page 33 in front of the hymnal

Hymn #311 *Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness*

Closing Prayer & Blessing

Closing Hymn: #325 *How Blest Are They Who Hear*

The Lord's Supper

In I Corinthians 10:16-17 and 11:23-29 God's Word gives us important instructions concerning the reception of the Lord's Supper. In keeping with these instructions we practice "close communion" at Grace Lutheran Church. We ask that only confirmed members at Grace or members of other WELS or ELS congregations come forward for the Lord's Supper today. If you are not a WELS or ELS member and would like to discuss reception of the Lord's Supper please speak with Pastor Tobison.

Organist: Elizabeth Kurth; **Ushers:** Ken & Jonnie Sitz, Randy & Margie Kirchhoff, Terry Sitz; **Altar Flower Committee:** Cari Hohenstein & Dana Leibfried; **Worship Folders 2/9:** Micke; **Treats today:** K & R Sitz; **2/9:** T Sitz & Schindler; **Counters today:** Ross/Lade; **2/9:** Radant

Last Week at Grace

Total Worship Attendance (Sat/Sun): 22/77
Total Offerings (Sat/Sun): \$5,360.25 Needed: \$4,612
Thrivent donations: \$1,200 LIMA: \$174

Living in God's Grace This Week

Sunday:	8am Bible Study 9am Worship w/ Communion 10:15am Sunday School
Tuesday:	2 & 7pm Bible Study
Wednesday:	4pm Confirmation 7pm Bible Study at St. Peter's
Thursday:	6:15pm Women's Bible Study 7pm Women's Circle
Saturday:	7pm Worship w/ Communion
Sunday:	8am Bible Study 9am Worship w/ Communion 10:15am Sunday School 2pm Game Day 6:30pm GILL

Calendars for February are now available.

The new **Forward in Christ** are available on the table in the narthex.

On Sunday, February 9 we will be having a **Fellowship/Game Day** at 2pm. Please bring an appetizer or snack and a game if you have a favorite. Decks of cards will be available. **All are invited to attend!**

Ash Wednesday is February 26. There will be a pancake supper served by the Women's Circle at 5:30pm. Worship with Communion will begin at 7pm.

St. Peter's is holding a **Bible Study** starting this Wednesday, February 5 at 7pm. It's a three week study on: ***What would you like to ask God?***

Pastor Lindhorst from Great Plains will be here the weekend of February 22 & 23. We will have a door offering for the school.

If anyone is interested in participating in **Reality Easter**, please speak to Pastor Tobison. There are non-speaking parts.

Save the Date:

Friday, February 21: Play at Martin Luther College at 7pm
See bulletin board for description – There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the narthex if you would like to attend. **Please sign up by February 16** so reservations can be made at The Kaiserhoff.

March 12 & 13: Movie nights at Grace at 7pm
Unplanned

April 17-25: TBD – Play at Bethany Lutheran College
Treasure Island

May 22: Tour of St. John's College & St. John's Bible
More info to come

August: St. Paul Saints game (possible date Aug. 30)

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Christian Worship: A Lutheran Hymnal 3-Year Lectionary, Year A
Evangelical Heritage Version TM

Old Testament Lesson: Micah 6:1-8

1 Listen now to what the LORD is saying. Get up. Plead your case to the mountains. Let the hills hear your voice. **2** Listen, you mountains, to the accusation from the LORD. Pay attention, you enduring foundations of the earth, because the LORD is presenting a case against his people, and he is indicting Israel. **3** My people, what have I done to you, and how have I made you weary? Answer me! **4** I was the one who brought you up from the land of Egypt. I redeemed you from the place where you were slaves. I sent Moses, Aaron, and Miriam ahead of you. **5** My people, remember what Balak king of Moab planned, and how Balaam son of Beor responded to him when you were about to travel from Shittim to Gilgal, so that you may acknowledge the LORD's righteous acts. **6** With what am I to appear before the LORD? How should I bow down to God on high? Should I appear before him with burnt offerings, with one-year-old calves? **7** Will the LORD be delighted with thousands of rams, with tens of thousands of streams of oil? Should I give my firstborn for my rebellion, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul? **8** He has told you, mankind, what is good. What does the LORD require from you, except to carry out justice and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God?

Epistle Lesson: 1 Corinthians 1:26-31

26 For example, consider your call, brothers. Not many of you were wise from a human point of view, not many were powerful, and not many were born with high status. **27** But God chose the foolish things of the world to put to shame those who are wise. God chose the weak things of the world to put to shame the things that are strong, **28** and God chose the lowly things of the world and the despised things, and the things that are not, to do away with the

things that are, **29** so that no one may boast before God. **30** But because of him you are in Christ Jesus, who became for us the wisdom from God, namely, our righteousness and sanctification and redemption. **31** God did this so that, just as it is written, "Let the one who boasts boast in the Lord."

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 5:1-12

1 When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up onto a mountain. When he sat down, his disciples came to him. **2** He opened his mouth and began to teach them. He said these things: **3** "Blessed are the poor in spirit, because theirs is the kingdom of heaven. **4** Blessed are those who mourn, because they will be comforted. **5** Blessed are the gentle, because they will inherit the earth. **6** Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, because they will be filled. **7** Blessed are the merciful, because they will receive mercy. **8** Blessed are the pure in heart, because they will see God. **9** Blessed are the peacemakers, because they will be called sons of God. **10** Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, because theirs is the kingdom of heaven. **11** "Blessed are you when people insult you and persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. **12** Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven. In fact, that is how they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

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