



Welcome to worship at Spirit of Christ!

If you are worshipping inside, please choose chairs that work for the number of people in your family.

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February 20, 2021

Seventh Sunday after Epiphany

Today we welcome Matthew Ervin Smith as our brother in Christ through the waters of Holy Baptism. Matthew is the son of Ryan and Breanna Smith, his sponsors are Emily Freundschuh and Tyler Young.

Welcome

Come, Thou Almighty King

LSB 905

- 1** Come, thou almighty King,
Help us thy name to sing;
Help us to praise;
Father all-glorious,
O'er all victorious,
Come and reign over us,
Ancient of Days.

- 2** Come, thou incarnate Word,
Gird on thy mighty sword;
Our prayer attend.
Come and thy people bless,
And give thy Word success,
And let thy righteousness
On us descend.

- 3** Come, holy Comforter,
Thy sacred witness bear
In this glad hour!
Thou, who almighty art,
Now rule in ev'ry heart,
And ne'er from us depart,
Spirit of pow'r.

- △ 4** To thee, great One in three,
Eternal praises be

**Hence evermore!
Thy sov'reign majesty
May we in glory see,
And to eternity
Love and adore.**

Invocation

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Confession and Absolution

- P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

We take time in silence to confess our personal and communal sin before God, confident that we will receive forgiveness.

- P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name. Amen**
P 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.
C **Amen! Thanks be to God!**

God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It

LSB 594

- 1** **God's own child, I gladly say it:
I am baptized into Christ!
He, because I could not pay it,
Gave my full redemption price.
Do I need earth's treasures many?
I have one worth more than any
That brought me salvation free
Lasting to eternity!**

- 2 **Sin, disturb my soul no longer:
I am baptized into Christ!
I have comfort even stronger:
Jesus' cleansing sacrifice.
Should a guilty conscience seize me
Since my Baptism did release me
In a dear forgiving flood,
Sprinkling me with Jesus' blood?**
- 3 **Satan, hear this proclamation:
I am baptized into Christ!
Drop your ugly accusation,
I am not so soon enticed.
Now that to the font I've traveled,
All your might has come unraveled,
And, against your tyranny,
God, my Lord, unites with me!**
- 4 **Death, you cannot end my gladness:
I am baptized into Christ!
When I die, I leave all sadness
To inherit paradise!
Though I lie in dust and ashes
Faith's assurance brightly flashes:
Baptism has the strength divine
To make life immortal mine.**
- 5 **There is nothing worth comparing
To this lifelong comfort sure!
Open-eyed my grave is staring:
Even there I'll sleep secure.
Though my flesh awaits its raising,
Still my soul continues praising:
I am baptized into Christ;
I'm a child of paradise!**

Holy Baptism

P Holy Baptism is God's gift to us. In this Sacrament we become a part of the family of God as we are welcomed into the Church, the body of Christ. Luther's Small Catechism says "Baptism is not water only, but it is water used together with God's word and by God's command." God's living Word of promise works powerfully with the water, putting to death the old sinner and birthing a new life in Christ. Let us read the words of Jesus together:

C *"I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and the Spirit." "Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved."* (John 3:5; Mark 16:16a) *"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations,*

baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.” (Matthew 28:18b-20)

P How is this child named?

Parents: *Matthew Ervin Smith*

P Matthew, receive the sign of the cross on your forehead and heart, because you are redeemed by Christ the crucified.

Today, Ryan and Breanna, you are responding to the command of Jesus and the love that God has shown to Matthew in the gift of Jesus himself. I ask you, parents: will you faithfully bring this child to worship, teach him the Lord’s Prayer, the Creeds and the Commandments, place in his hands the Holy Scriptures, and provide for him instruction in the Christian faith? If so, say “We will, by God’s grace.”

Parents: *We will, by God’s grace.*

P On behalf of Matthew, do you as his parents reject the devil and all his works and all his ways?

Parents: *We do.*

P Sponsors, will you pray for Matthew, support him parents in his ongoing instruction and nurture in the Christian Faith, and love him in a way that gives an example of Christ’s love? If so, answer “We will, with God’s help.”

Sponsors: *We will, with God’s help.*

P Saints of God, will you support this child and this family in their life in Christ? If so, answer, “We will, in the power of the Spirit of Christ.”

C **We will, in the power of the Spirit of Christ.**

P I ask the parents, sponsors, and the entire community, on behalf of Matthew to give witness to our faith. Do you believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth?

C **We do.**

P Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered for us 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?

C **We do.**

P Do you 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?

C **We do.**

P Let us pray as a family the prayer that our Lord Jesus taught us.

C **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.**

P Please present Matthew for baptism...Matthew Ervin Smith, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Receive this light to show that you have received Christ who is the light of the world. Live in his light and let it shine forth in your life. Let us pray: God, you make light to shine in the darkness. You bring new life from death. We are thankful that you have accepted Matthew as your own. May he grow in faith and love and know always that he is part of your family and that you are his loving God. May we each know the abundant life you give in Jesus and remember how you joined water to Word to claim us forever.

C Amen.

P Go in peace!

C Thanks be to God!

First Reading

Genesis 45:3-11,15

³ Joseph said to his brothers, “I am Joseph! Is my father still living?” But his brothers were not able to answer him, because they were terrified at his presence. ⁴ Then Joseph said to his brothers, “Come close to me.” When they had done so, he said, “I am your brother Joseph, the one you sold into Egypt! ⁵ And now, do not be distressed and do not be angry with yourselves for selling me here, because it was to save lives that God sent me ahead of you. ⁶ For two years now there has been famine in the land, and for the next five years there will be no plowing and reaping. ⁷ But God sent me ahead of you to preserve for you a remnant on earth and to save your lives by a great deliverance.^[a] ⁸ “So then, it was not you who sent me here, but God. He made me father to Pharaoh, lord of his entire household and ruler of all Egypt. ⁹ Now hurry back to my father and say to him, ‘This is what your son Joseph says: God has made me lord of all Egypt. Come down to me; don’t delay. ¹⁰ You shall live in the region of Goshen and be near me—you, your children and grandchildren, your flocks and herds, and all you have. ¹¹ I will provide for you there, because five years of famine are still to come. Otherwise you and your household and all who belong to you will become destitute.’”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50

³⁵ But someone will ask, “How are the dead raised? With what kind of body will they come?” ³⁶ How foolish! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. ³⁷ When you sow, you do not plant the body that will be, but just a seed, perhaps of wheat or of something else. ³⁸ But God gives it a body as he has determined, and to each kind of seed he gives its own body. ⁴² So will it be with the

resurrection of the dead. The body that is sown is perishable, it is raised imperishable; ⁴³ it is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory; it is sown in weakness, it is raised in power; ⁴⁴ it is sown a natural body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a natural body, there is also a spiritual body. ⁴⁵ So it is written: “The first man Adam became a living being”; the last Adam, a life-giving spirit. ⁴⁶ The spiritual did not come first, but the natural, and after that the spiritual. ⁴⁷ The first man was of the dust of the earth; the second man is of heaven. ⁴⁸ As was the earthly man, so are those who are of the earth; and as is the heavenly man, so also are those who are of heaven. ⁴⁹ And just as we have borne the image of the earthly man, so shall we bear the image of the heavenly man.

⁵⁰ I declare to you, brothers and sisters, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse

C Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ the Son of God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Holy Gospel

Luke 6:17-26

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the sixth chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁷ “But to you who are listening I say: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, ²⁸ bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you. ²⁹ If someone slaps you on one cheek, turn to them the other also. If someone takes your coat, do not withhold your shirt from them. ³⁰ Give to everyone who asks you, and if anyone takes what belongs to you, do not demand it back. ³¹ Do to others as you would have them do to you.

³² “If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners love those who love them. ³³ And if you do good to those who are good to you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners do that. ³⁴ And if you lend to those from whom you expect repayment, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, expecting to be repaid in full. ³⁵ But love your enemies, do good to them, and lend to them without expecting to get anything back. Then your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High, because he is kind to the ungrateful and wicked. ³⁶ Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

Judging Others

³⁷ “Do not judge, and you will not be judged. Do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven. ³⁸ Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.”

P This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

- 1 Baptized into your name most holy,
O Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
I claim a place, though weak and lowly,
Among your saints, your chosen host.
Buried with Christ and dead to sin,
Your Spirit now shall live within.

- 2 My loving Father, here you take me
To be henceforth your child and heir.
My faithful Savior, here you make me
The fruit of all your sorrows share.
O Holy Spirit, comfort me
When threat'ning clouds around I see.

- 3 My faithful God, you fail me never;
Your promise surely will endure.
O cast me not away forever
If words and deeds become impure.
Have mercy when I come defiled;
Forgive, lift up, restore your child.

- 4 All that I am and love most dearly—
Receive it all, O Lord, from me.
Let me confess my faith sincerely;
Help me your faithful child to be!
Let nothing that I am or own
Serve any will but yours alone.

Homily

Nicene Creed

C 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 catholic and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life \ddagger of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the Church

Presentation of the Offering

Please sign the Friendship Register located on each pew and pass it to others seated with you so that we may have a record of all those who are worshipping and receiving communion with us today.

Stand

Preface

spoken

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** And also with you.
- P** Lift up your hearts.
- C** We lift them to the Lord
- P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C** It is right to give him thanks and praise

Sanctus

Praise Band

Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are filled with your glory
Holy is the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord
Hosanna, Hosanna, Holy is the Lord.

The Words of Our Lord

Agnus Dei

Praise Band

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of all the world,
Hear us, Jesus.
Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of all the world,
Have mercy on us.
Have mercy on us
And give us your peace.**

Distribution

We believe that as we partake of the bread and wine in Holy Communion, Jesus the Messiah is feeding us with his own true body and blood. In eating his body and drinking his blood we receive the promise that our sins are forgiven, and that we will therefore live eternally with God. We also believe that this eating and drinking is a confession of our faith.

If you have been baptized into the Christian faith and if you share our understanding of Christ's Real Presence in this meal, you are welcome to receive Christ's body and blood for your benefit.

Choir

Choir

Jesus, Strong and Kind

Praise Band

Children of the Heavenly Father

LSB 725

- 1 Children of the heav'nly Father
Safely in his bosom gather;
Nestling bird nor star in heaven
Such a refuge e'er was given.**
- 2 God his own doth tend and nourish;
In his holy courts they flourish.
From all evil things he spares them;
In His mighty arms he bears them.**
- 3 Neither life nor death shall ever
From the Lord his children sever;
Unto them his grace he showeth,
And their sorrows all he knoweth.**
- 4 Though he giveth or he taketh,
God his children ne'er forsaketh;
His the loving purpose solely
To preserve them pure and holy.**

Dismissal

Benediction

LSB 166

- 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.
- C** Amen.

Forth in the Peace of Christ We Go

LSB 920

- 1 **Forth in the peace of Christ we go;
Christ to the world with joy we bring;
Christ in our minds, Christ on our lips,
Christ in our hearts, the world's true king.**
- 2 **King of our hearts, Christ makes us kings;
Kingship with him his servants gain;
With Christ the Servant-Lord of all,
Christ's world we serve to share Christ's reign.**
- 3 **Priests of the world, Christ sends us forth
This world of time to consecrate,
This world of sin by grace to heal,
Christ's world in Christ to re-create.**
- 4 **Christ's are our lips, his Word we speak;
Prophets are we whose deeds proclaim
Christ's truth in love that we may be
Christ in the world, to spread Christ's name.**
- 5 **We are the Church; Christ bids us show
That in his Church all nations find
Their hearth and home where Christ restores
True peace, true love to all mankind.**

Announcements

Sending

- P** Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
C Thanks be to God!

February 20, 2022

Pastor:

Jason Neel

Elder:

Kevin Zimmerman

In our prayers

Celebrating Birthdays: Daniel Callies 2/22, Leon Mager 2/23, Renee Chambard 2/24, and Tyler Mathiason 2/25.

Celebrating Baptismal Birthdays: Carl Jauch 2/23

This Week at a Glance

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| Today | 8:00 a.m. | Bible Study |
| | 9:00 a.m. | Worship Service |
| | 10:30 a.m. | Congregational Voter's Meeting |
| | 6:00 p.m. | <i>Free to Be</i> Study |
| Tuesday | 12:00 p.m. | Congregational Prayer |
| Thursday | 7:00 p.m. | Choir |
| Friday | 6:00 a.m. | Men's Bible Study |
| Sunday | 8:00 a.m. | Bible Study |
| | 9:00 a.m. | Worship Service |
| | 12:00 p.m. | NYG Bible Study |
| | 6:00 p.m. | <i>Free to Be</i> Study |

Notes of Information:

LWML Mites Boxes- Women's Ministry will collect LWML Mites regularly on the 4th Sunday of each month. That means that the large Mite Box will be available to collect Mites on Sunday, February 27th. All are welcome to contribute, and we thank you for your participation. A list of the missions to which Mites are currently being funded is also available, so you can see what great power these Mites really have.

Thrivent Choice Dollars:

If you have not specified your Thrivent Choice Dollars for the 2021 year you can still do so until March 1st. If you have trouble with logging on via the computer, you can give your Thrivent Rep a call. If you are eligible, you can specifically choose an organization, such as Spirit of Christ Lutheran Church. Choice Dollars designated during the calendar year can be directed until March 31 of the following year. To direct those dollars, log onto <http://www.thrivent.com>. Under **What We Offer**, choose the **Generosity** tab. Then choose **Choice Dollars**.

Movie Night- Mark your calendars for Friday March 4th for a SoC movie night. We will be watching American Underdog a 2022 movie release which is the inspirational true story of Kurt Warner, who overcomes years of challenges and setbacks to become a two-time NFL MVP, Super Bowl champion, and Hall of Fame quarterback. Just when his dreams seem all but out of reach, it's only with the

support of his wife, Brenda, and the encouragement of his family, coaches, and teammates that Warner perseveres and finds the strength to show the world the champion that he already is.

Adult Catechism: Adult Catechism will resume tonight please read Chapters 8-10 for tonight's class. For the past 17 years, confirmands at Spirit of Christ have read *Free to Be*, an exploration of Luther's Small Catechism intended for younger audiences. Join us to think through the Ten Commandments, the Apostles' Creed, the Lord's Prayer, Holy Baptism, Holy Communion, and the Office of the Keys in the context of St. Paul's picture of the "Old You" and the "New You." Pick up a copy of the book in the office for \$13, and plan to join us on Sunday evenings as we explore the Christian faith!

Library- There has been some progress made on sorting and shelving the library books. Fiction, non-fiction, biographies, and children's books are good. Work has begun on the "Christian Family" category. It is loosely divided by "age/stage," with small sections for men, women, marriage, parenting, issues that may come up in families, teens/young adults, and emotions. There are also some books on the shelf with "inspirational" themes, which have so far only been sorted by category. A group labeled "Bible Helps" is also currently piled in the library floor, awaiting further work. In the meantime, **you are strongly encouraged to browse the library**, and check out any of the books on the shelves. If you have books you would like to donate to the library, they also will be considered, particularly Christian fiction. Any questions may be directed to Lois Spadgenske, at SecondTim1.5@gmail.com, or 763-757-5377.

Adopt a Student Address: The Stewardship Board has received inquiries about an address for our assigned Seminarian. Those wishing to send a Christmas card, note of encouragement, and/or a small gift, may use the following address: Jonathan and Stephanie Chapa, Campus Post Office Box, 801 Seminary Place, St. Louis Missouri 63105-3196. Thank you for your interest. The love and generosity in our church family is truly amazing!

Book Club: The book for February will be *Remember Me Like This* by Bret Anthony Johnston. The Spirit of Christ Book Club will meet on Monday, February 28th at 7 p.m. in s Fellowship Hall. All are invited to attend our book review. Call Joan Mager at 763-434-9652 if you have any questions.

NACE: Do you know someone in need of food? NACE is expanding their Home Delivery Program and would like to help those who may not be able to drive or find a ride to the food shelf. The Delivery Program brings a complete grocery order right to your door, including produce, bakery, meats, dairy, canned goods, and hygiene products. If you or someone you know could benefit from NACE Home Delivery please call Katie @763-434-7685 or e mail at kritchel@nacefoodshelf.org

Sermons and bulletins posted online: Audio recordings of worship sermons and digital bulletins are posted weekly at soclc.org. Check them out if you are not able to make it to drive in worship or would like to avoid a paper bulletin! Bulletins and past sermons can be found at www.spiritofchristhamlake.org

Main Street Living: Main Street Living is a Lutheran Television program that is endorsed by the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. The broadcast has two parts. Remastered episodes of the Emmy award-winning Lutheran Hour Ministries “This is the Life” program was originally aired from the 1950’s to the 1980’s. This program has been re-mastered to the modern format. The Worship Service is produced locally and features a different presenter each week selected from the Pastors in each broadcast area. 9+ Sunday Mornings at 9 am.

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'The Lutheran Hour' can be heard at 6:00 a.m. Sundays on WCCO radio

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| February 13, 2022 | |
| Average Offering | \$5581 |
| <i>Average offering needed per week to fulfill work plan</i> | \$6335 |

Readings for next week:

Exodus 34:29-35, 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2, Luke 9:28-36, 37-43a

Spirit of Christ Congregational Meeting

February 20, 2022

Opening Prayer

Roll call or registration

New members received

Les and Suzanne Geren

Review/approve November Congregational Meeting minutes

Pastor's Report

Music Director's Report

President's Report

Treasurer's Report

Board Reports

Stewardship

Education

Trustees

Finance

Evangelism

Elders

Youth

Old Business

New Business

Building Repair/Maintenance presentation

Announcements

Motion to Adjourn

Closing Prayer



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