



Welcome to worship at Spirit of Christ!

We are a member congregation of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod. We gather here as the living body of Jesus Christ to be nourished and empowered by the Holy Spirit in what we call the "Means of Grace" — God's gifts of Word and Sacrament. Through these Means of Grace, we receive the promise of the Gospel: that in the Spirit of Christ God forgives us, remakes us, and reigns in us. May the Lord bless your worship today!

January 21, 2024

Third Sunday of Epiphany

Welcome

Rise, Shine, You People

LSB 825

- 1 Rise, shine, you people! Christ the Lord has entered
Our human story; God in him is centered.
He comes to us, by death and sin surrounded,
With grace unbounded.**
- 2 See how he sends the pow'rs of evil reeling;
He brings us freedom, light and life and healing.
All men and women, who by guilt are driven,
Now are forgiven.**
- 3 Come, celebrate, your banners high unfurling,
Your songs and prayers against the darkness hurling.
To all the world go out and tell the story
Of Jesus' glory.**
- 4 Tell how the Father sent his Son to save us.
Tell of the Son, who life and freedom gave us.
Tell how the Spirit calls from ev'ry nation
His new creation.**

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

Invocation

P We begin our worship in the name of the Father, of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

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.

Sharing of the Peace

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

P We share Christ's peace with one another.

The people greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22-24; Eph. 4:1-3).

Prayer of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Almighty God, by grace alone you call us and accept us in your service. Strengthen us by your Spirit, and make us worthy of your call, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen**

Nursery care for small children is offered from this point in the service through Holy Communion. Children may meet their caregivers in the back of the sanctuary.

Sit

First Reading

Jonah 3:1-5, 10

Then the word of the LORD came to Jonah a second time: ²“Go to the great city of Nineveh and proclaim to it the message I give you.”

³ Jonah obeyed the word of the LORD and went to Nineveh. Now Nineveh was a very large city; it took three days to go through it.

⁴ Jonah began by going a day’s journey into the city, proclaiming, “Forty more days and Nineveh will be overthrown.” ⁵ The

Ninevites believed God. A fast was proclaimed, and all of them, from the greatest to the least, put on sackcloth.

¹⁰ When God saw what they did and how they turned from their evil ways, he relented and did not bring on them the destruction he had threatened.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 7:29-31

²⁹ What I mean, brothers and sisters, is that the time is short. From

now on those who have wives should live as if they do not; ³⁰those who mourn, as if they did not; those who are happy, as if they were not; those who buy something, as if it were not theirs to keep; ³¹those who use the things of the world, as if not engrossed in them. For this world in its present form is passing away.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse

Praise Band

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

Mark 1:14-20

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the first chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁴ After John was put in prison, Jesus went into Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God. ¹⁵ “The time has come,” he said. “The kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news!”

¹⁶ As Jesus walked beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. ¹⁷ “Come, follow me,” Jesus said, “and I will send you out to fish for people.” ¹⁸ At once they left their nets and followed him.

¹⁹ When he had gone a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John in a boat, preparing their nets. ²⁰ Without delay he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men and followed him.

P This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Sit

Spread the Reign of God the Lord

LSB 830

- 1 Spread the reign of God the Lord,
Spoken, written, mighty Word;
Ev'rywhere his creatures call
To his heav'nly banquet hall.**

- 2 Tell how God the Father's will
Made the world, upholds it still,
How his own dear Son he gave
Us from sin and death to save.**

- 3 Tell of our Redeemer's grace,
Who, to save our human race
And to pay rebellion's price,
Gave Himself as sacrifice.**

- 4 Tell of God the Spirit giv'n
Now to guide us on to heav'n,
Strong and holy, just and true,
Working both to will and do.**

- 5 Enter, mighty Word, the field;
Ripe the promise of its yield.
But the reapers, oh, how few
For the work there is to do!**

- 6 Lord of harvest, great and kind,
Rouse to action heart and mind;
Let the gath'ring nations all
See your light and heed your call.**

Homily

Stand

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 \dagger of the world to come. Amen.

Sit

Prayers of the Church

Presentation of the Offering

Stand

Preface

LSB 160

- 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.**

Lord's Prayer

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.

Sit

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. If you do not confess the understanding of the Christian Faith as expressed by the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod, you may still come to the altar to receive a blessing. Please fold your hands to indicate that you will not be receiving the sacrament.

You Alone

Choir

Piano Interlude

Renee Chambard

I Love to Tell the Story

Praise Band

We Are Called to Stand Together

LSB 828 (tune 924)

**1 We are called to stand together
With the saints of ages past,
With the patriarchs and prophets
In the faith they once held fast;
Promises and hopes they treasured
Now we find fulfilled at last!**

**2 Those whom Jesus called apostles
Journeyed with him side by side,
Heard his teaching, felt his power,
Saw the way he lived and died;**

**Then the news of resurrection
They delivered far and wide.**

**3 Through the intervening ages
Round the world the Gospel spread:
Faithful heralds took the message,
Guided where the Spirit led;
So the body grew in stature,
Serving Christ, the living head.**

**4 Now in many tongues and cultures
Songs of celebration ring;
Millions who confess our Savior
Honor him as Lord and King
And, for courage, grace and guidance
Ev'ry day their prayers they bring.**

**5 To each coming generation
Tell the truth, persuade, explain,
Till the time when time is ended,
Till the Savior comes again—
Till the saints are all united
Under Christ's eternal reign!**

O Christ, Our True and Only Light

LSB 839 (tune 664)

**1 O Christ, our true and only light,
Enlighten those who sit in night;
Let those afar now hear your voice
And in your fold with us rejoice.**

**2 Fill with the radiance of your grace
The souls now lost in error's maze;
Enlighten those whose inmost minds
Some dark delusion haunts and blinds.**

**3 O gently call those gone astray
That they may find the saving way!**

Let ev'ry conscience sore oppressed
In You find peace and heav'nly rest.

- 4 Shine on the darkened and the cold;
Recall the wand'ers to your fold.
Unite all those who walk apart;
Confirm the weak and doubting heart,
- 5 That they with us may evermore
Such grace with wond'ring thanks adore
And endless praise to you be giv'n
By all your Church in earth and heav'n.

Stand

Benediction

- 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.
- G** Amen.

Sent Forth by God's Blessing

LSB 643

- 1 Sent forth by God's blessing,
Our true faith confessing,
The people of God from his dwelling take leave.
The Supper is ended.
O now be extended
The fruits of this service in all who believe.
The seed of his teaching,
Receptive souls reaching,
Shall blossom in action for God and for all.
His grace did invite us,
His love shall unite us
To work for God's kingdom and answer his call.
- 2 With praise and thanksgiving
To God ever-living,

**The tasks of our ev'ryday life we will face.
Our faith ever sharing,
In love ever caring,
Embracing his children of each tribe and race.
With your feast you feed us,
With your light now lead us;
Unite us as one in this life that we share.
Then may all the living
With praise and thanksgiving
Give honor to Christ and his name that we bear.**

Announcements

Sending

Serving in worship today

January 21, 2024

Pastor

Jason Neel

Elders

Phil Hagel

Wayne Chambard

Reader

Karine Platt

Acolyte

Eddie Kothrade

Usher

Mike Voegele

In our prayers

Celebrating Birthdays: Autumn Parson 1/16 and Jan Johnson 1/20

Celebrating Baptismal Birthdays: Jeff Parson 1/16, Alissa Voegele 1/19, Sue Anderson 1/19, and Nora Weinhold 1/20.

This Week at a Glance

Today	8:00 a.m.	Bible Study
	9:00 a.m.	Worship Service
	10:30 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Adult Bible Study
	5:30 p.m.	Everyone His Witness Study
Wednesday	6:00 p.m.	Confirmation
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Bible Study
	9:00 a.m.	Worship Service
	10:30 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Adult Bible Study
	11:30 a.m.	Middle School and High School Youth Group- Tubing/Sledding Event
	5:30 p.m.	Everyone His Witness Study

Notes of Information:

Everyone His Witness: The Everyone His Witness class will begin **TONIGHT at 5:30** with a two-week session on witnessing to the “Nones”.

Youth Group Tubing Adventure: Next Sunday the middle school and high school youth groups will combine to have some fun in the snow. We plan on leaving following education hour and head to Elm Creek to do some snow tubing. Please dress for the weather and bring \$20 to cover the cost of tubing. (If we get more snow on the ground we will switch to sledding at a local hill)

Camp Omega Plunge: The SOC youth groups are plunging to support Camp Omega on February 25th. You can support them in a couple of ways: You can jump with them, or you can support them with a pledge. If we raise over \$5000, one of the Elders will jump with the kids. This past year, MN South, has pulled its funding from Camp Omega and this may impact the ability for Camp Omega to continue to bring their programming to children across the state. Camp Omega provides 1,500 kids each year with a Christ centered camp experience at an affordable rate for families. Camp Omega also offers retreats for groups like LWML and family

camps throughout the year.

Women's Bible Study: The Women's Bible study group would like to invite all women of SOC to join us as we begin a new study titled "Equipped: The Armor of God" by Christopher Kennedy. Based on Ephesians 6 it is a practical guide to understanding, recognizing, and using the tools God gives us to defend ourselves against dark forces and their attacks in our daily lives. It also provides insight on how to use these tools for our brothers and sisters in Christ.

We will meet the first and third Tuesday of the month, 10AM at church, beginning February 6th. The cost is \$12.00 per book. We hope to see you there.

LWML Mission Byte: FORTIFYING FAITH IN THOSE WITH VISION IMPAIRMENT Lutheran Braille Workers | \$100,000
Lutheran Braille Workers freely supplies large print and braille materials for blind and visually impaired people around the world. The \$100,000 LWML grant, Fortifying Faith in Those with Vision Impairment, will help in developing, formatting, producing, and distributing fifty to one hundred new Scripture-based and theologically related materials to people in need around the world. To learn more, visit lwml.org/2023-2025-mission-grant-4.

Book Club: Spirit of Christ Book Club: Spirit of Christ Book Club will meet in the fellowship hall at 7 p.m. Dates and books are:

January 22 Zorro: A Novel by Isabel Allende

February 26 The Chemist by Stefanie Meyer

March 25 The Last Mrs. Parrish by Liv Constantine

April 22 The Unsinkable Molly Brown

If you have any questions, please contact Joan Mager at 763-434-9652.

Puzzle Exchange: Today we are having a puzzle exchange. If you brought puzzles to share, please join us after worship with your tickets to pick out new puzzles!

NACE: North Anoka County Emergency Food Shelf needs new socks in all sizes. You can leave nonperishable food and other donations in the box in the Narthex. Thank you for your donations. For more information reach out to Toni Peterson at 763-434-5665

Prayer Cards/Prayer Box- Please find in the narthex blue prayer request cards, and a small slotted black box for your requests. A need for continuing prayers for healing of body, mind, and spirit, was identified at our recent Women's Wellness Day. A Prayer Partner will privately and confidentially pray for you, and those in your life in need of healing. Names are optional. You may write on the back of the card if needed. Jesus promises that those who ask will receive, those who seek will find, and to those who knock, the door will be opened. Come with confidence to the prayer box.

Sermons and bulletins posted online: Audio and video recordings of worship sermons and digital bulletins are posted weekly. Bulletins and past sermons can be found at www.spiritofchristhamlake.org.

Offerings via Give+: Online giving is easy to do, one-time gifts and recurring donations are accepted. Visit the link at soclc.org to sign up or learn more.

Average Weekly Offering	\$5985
<i>Average offering needed per week to fulfill work plan</i>	\$6662

Readings for next week:

Deutronomy 18:15-20, 1 Corinthians 8:1-13, Mark 2:21-28



Sunday, February 25th, 2024

- 1:00-2:00 PM REGISTRATION/
PRE-GAME "WARM UP"
- 2:00-2:30 PM INTRODUCING THE
TEAMS/JUMPERS PARADE
- 2:30 PM FIRST PLUNGER
- 3:30 PM GO HOME & THAW OUT!

ALL EVENTS AT CAMP OMEGA

**First one held here*

Fundraiser for Camp Omega

❄️ ❄️ **GOAL: 50 TEAMS OF JUMPERS** ❄️ ❄️


Each team will raise funds and compete for "traveling trophies" awarded to teams with the highest pledges/endorsements!

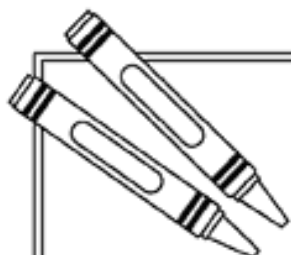
- 50-50 split arrangement for youth groups/sports teams
- Name your team and dress in costumes (have fun with it!)
- Changing areas provided--but come prepared--bring towels
- Shoes must be worn and bring a "safety first mentality"
- Everyone must sign a "release waiver" to participate

**\$100
Channel Inn Gift
Certificate for
"Best Dressed"
Team!**

***For more information, and/or to
pre-register a team of jumpers
contact Russ@CampOmega.org
or call/text 507-384-7947***



 **Donation Link**



Just for **KIDS**

★ **EXTRA! EXTRA!** ★ READ ALL ABOUT IT!

Many people read their local newspapers, but Jesus says we should read and share God's Word daily! Below, hidden among the words **READ YOUR BIBLE**, is a message from Jesus recorded in Mark 1:15, NIV. Circle those words and write them on the lines below. (For extra fun, count how many times the word "Bible" appears in the article!)

LOCAL EDITION

BIBLE TIMES

TODAY

GOOD NEWS!

READ YOUR BIBLE THE READ YOUR BIBLE READ YOUR
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YOUR BIBLE GOOD READ YOUR BIBLE READ YOUR BIBLE READ YOUR BIBLE READ
YOUR BIBLE NEWS READ YOUR BIBLE READ YOUR BIBLE READ YOUR BIBLE.

“

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MARK 1:15, NIV

Answers:
“The time has come ... The kingdom of God is near. Repent and believe the
good news!”
Bible: 48 times



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