



Third Sunday after Epiphany

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January 22, 2023

10:00am

Third Sunday after Epiphany Introduction

Jesus begins his public ministry by calling fishers to leave their nets and follow him. In Jesus the kingdom of God has come near. We who have walked in darkness have seen a great light. We see this light most profoundly in the cross—as God suffers with us and all who are oppressed by sickness, sin, or evil. Light dawns for us as we gather around the word, the font, and the holy table. We are then sent to share the good news that others may be “caught” in the net of God’s grace and mercy.

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PRELUDE

*THE CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✚ one God,
who makes all things new,
whose mercy endures forever.
Amen.

Trusting in God’s mercy, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Holy One, source of our renewal,
**we confess that we are wrapped up in sin,
and cannot free ourselves.
We have not practiced your righteousness.
Our hearts have turned away from you.
For the sake of the world you so love,
forgive us,
that we may be reconciled to one another
for the glory of your holy name.
Amen.**

Thus says our God:

“The former things have come to pass
and new things I now declare.”

God’s mercy makes us new.

We are forgiven in the name of † Christ our *Savior*.

Amen.

THE GATHERING SONG: Here I am Lord #574

*** THE GREETING** page 213

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

C: And also with you.

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***THE CANTICLE OF PRAISE** page 213

*** THE PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Lord God, your lovingkindness always goes before us and follows
after us. Summon us into your light, and direct our steps in the ways of
goodness that come through the cross of your Son, Jesus Christ, our
Savior and Lord.

Amen.

WORD

First Reading: Isaiah 9:1-4

¹There will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former
time [the Lord] brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land
of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the
sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

²The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who
lived in a land of deep darkness on them light has shined.

³You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they
rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when
dividing plunder.

⁴For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the
rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian

The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm: Psalm 27: 1, 4-9

¹The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear?

The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

⁴**One thing I ask of the LORD; one thing I seek; that I may dwell in
the house of the LORD all the days of my life; to gaze upon the
beauty of the LORD and to seek God in the temple.**

⁵For in the day of trouble God will give me shelter, hide me in the
hidden places of the sanctuary, and raise me high upon a rock.

⁶**Even now my head is lifted up above my enemies who surround
me. Therefore I will offer sacrifice in the sanctuary, sacrifices
of rejoicing; I will sing and make music to the LORD.**

⁷Hear my voice, O LORD, when I call;
have mercy on me and answer me.

⁸**My heart speaks your message— “Seek my face.”
Your face, O LORD, I will seek.**

⁹Hide not your face from me, turn not away from your servant in anger.
Cast me not away—you have been my helper; forsake me not, O
God of my salvation.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:10-18

¹⁰Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord
Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no
divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the
same purpose. ¹¹For it has been reported to me by Chloe’s people that
there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. ¹²What I mean is
that each of you says, “I belong to Paul,” or “I belong to Apollos,” or
“I belong to Cephas,” or “I belong to Christ.” ¹³Has Christ been
divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the
name of Paul? ¹⁴I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus
and Gaius, ¹⁵so that no one can say that you were baptized in my
name. ¹⁶(I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I
do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) ¹⁷For Christ did not send
me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent
wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.
¹⁸For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are
perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

C: Alleluia. Lord to whom shall we go? Alleluia You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, Alleluia.

* P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew the 4th Chapter

* C: **Glory to you, O Lord!**

Gospel: Matthew 4:12-23

¹²Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. ¹³He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, ¹⁴so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: ¹⁵“Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—

¹⁶the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned.”

¹⁷From that time Jesus began to proclaim, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”

¹⁸As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. ¹⁹And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.” ²⁰Immediately they left their nets and followed him.

²¹As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them.

²²Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

²³Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

P: The Gospel of the Lord!

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

GOOD NEWS 101

THE SERMON

THE HYMN OF THE DAY: I Love To Tell The Story #661

*THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Called together to follow Jesus, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

Merciful God
Receive our prayer

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

THANKSGIVING

OFFERING

SPECIAL MUSIC

* **CANTICLE OF THANKSGIVING** page 219

* **THANKSGIVING FOR THE WORD:**

O God of justice and love, we give thanks to you that you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, awaken us to the needs of others, and at the end bring the world to your feast; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever.

Amen.

* **THE LORD’S PRAYER** page 221

SENDING

* **BLESSING**

The God who faithfully brings forth justice
and breaks the oppressor’s rod

✚ bless, strengthen, and uphold you,
today and always.

Amen.

* **THE SENDING SONG:** Shine Jesus Shine #671

* **THE DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Follow the way of Jesus.
Thanks be to God.

Serving Today: January 22, 2023

Acolyte: Maris Rodig

Lector: Bonnie Mazza

Ushers: Ferol Howell & Chris Rodig

Musician: Ryan Peiffer

Serving Next Week: January 29, 2023

Communion Assistant: Nicole Rodig

Acolyte: Addison Lee

Lectors: Judy Bariexca

Ushers: Steve Anderson & Chris Rodig

Musician: Ryan Peiffer

Congregational Meeting



TODAY!!

Immediately Following 10am worship.

Once a year we ask our members to please attend our Annual Congregation meeting. This meeting is an important part in the life of the church.

We will give a review of the 2022 committee and church events.

Council will layout for our church our projected budget and events for the 2023 year. **In order to implement this we need a 2/3 majority vote of all congregational members old and new.**

This is a wonderful time of fellowship as well. Coffee, tea, juice, bagels and cream cheese will be provided by the church.

Please remain for this important meeting. The church needs all voices to be heard and votes counted.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY SERVICES: Our Sunday morning worship services will continue at 10:00 AM. Services are also streamed live on our Facebook Page.

THE CHURCH OFFICE is usually open on Wednesdays and Fridays when Pastor is there. Bonnie will be in the office, Mon 10-1, Wed—Friday 10-2. You can always call and leave a message if you need us.

GIVING DOOR: Our Giving Door (located in the Narthex) will remain up during the month of January.

SOCIAL MINISTRY OUTREACH continues with our Phillip the Bucket spare change Loud Offering on the first Sunday of each month. Our Offerings have gone to help those in need in our community. We are also continuing to collect nonperishable food items for St. Luke's Food Pantry.

CONTEMPORARY SERVICES: We are continuing with our Contemporary Services featuring *Voices That Reign*. Our next services will be on Tuesday, January 24th @7pm.

Offering Envelopes



Our offering envelope supplier advises it has a very big backlog of 2023 orders. They do not expect to ship our envelopes until February. Until they are received, you can either mail a check to the Church or use one of the blank envelopes in the pew racks on Sundays – just be sure to write your name on the envelope.



If you want a financial statement of your Church donations for the year 2022, you can email me at htelctreasurer@gmail.com, call me at (609) 726-0292 or see me on Sundays in Church.

Thanks, Hank Bariexca

FASTNACHT

Tuesday, February 21, 2023

6:00 – 8:00pm

6:00pm: Pancake Supper

6:30pm: Games

7:15pm: Shared Talents & Skits

Its almost time for annual Fastnacht Celebration!

If you have a talent that you would like to share or if you would like to help us prepare the pancakes please see sign up sheet on the main bulletin board.

Mark your calendars and come out for a great night of fun and fellowship.

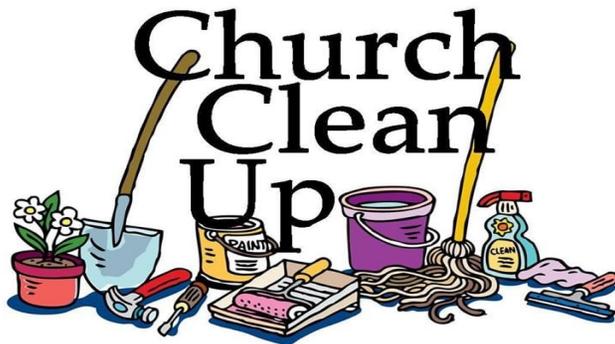


VBS Planning Committee Meeting

Sunday, February 26, 2023

Immediately after worship

It is time to begin planning Vacation Bible School for 2023. We need new ideas and members to join our VBS team.



March 18, 2023
10am-2pm

We need all hands on deck to help us get ready for the Easter Season and summer, Please.

Lunch will be provided



We are so glad you worshipped with us today.

Our hope is that you have a blessed week and we will see you again next Sunday.

If you are visiting and have any questions about Holy Trinity, please ask Pastor Haab, one of our Greeters, Ushers, or any of our wonderful members.

Go in Peace and serve the Lord.