

# Welcome

## Third Sunday after Epiphany

January 27, 2019



**He has anointed me  
to proclaim good news  
to the poor.**

Luke 4:18

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ORDER OF SERVICE—Setting One

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kay Morgan

**(Please devotionally read the lessons from Nehemiah 8 and Psalm 19.)**

PRELUDE

What A Friend We have in Jesus - Hobby

*Please stand*

CONFESSIONS OF SINS (From ReClaim Hymnal)

Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sin to God our Father, imploring Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Our Help is in the name of the Lord.

**Who made heaven and earth.**

I said I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.

**And You forgive the iniquity of my sins.**

*(Time for silent confession of our personal sins.)*

Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess to You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed. Therefore, we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Most merciful God, You have given Your only Son to die for us. Have mercy on us, and for His sake grant us remission/forgiveness of all our sins. By Your holy Spirit, increase in us true knowledge of Your and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, so that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**Amen.**

*(Pronouncement of absolution and forgiveness.)*

HYMN

Oh, For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

LBW 559

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

Almighty and eternal God, graciously look down on our weakness. Reach out to us with your majestic right hand, and satisfy us with his glory. We ask through the same Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

*Please be seated*

## CHILDREN'S SERMON

FIRST LESSON Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10 (Read devotionally)

1 All the people gathered as one man into the square before the Water Gate. And they told Ezra the scribe to bring the Book of the Law of Moses that the Lord had commanded Israel. 2 So Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could understand what they heard, on the first day of the seventh month. 3 And he read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand. And the ears of all the people were attentive to the Book of the Law. 5 And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was above all the people, and as he opened it all the people stood. 6 And Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. And they bowed their heads and worshiped the Lord with their faces to the ground. 8 They read from the book, from the Law of God, clearly, and they gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading. 9 And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept as they heard the words of the Law. 10 Then he said to them, "Go your way. Eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions to anyone who has nothing ready, for this day is holy to our Lord. And do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength."

L The Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 19:[1-6] 7-14 (Read devotionally)

<sup>1</sup> The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims his handiwork.

<sup>2</sup> **Day to day pours out speech, and night to night reveals knowledge.**

<sup>3</sup> There is no speech, nor are there words, whose voice is not heard.

<sup>4</sup> **Their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world.  
In them he has set a tent for the sun,**

<sup>5</sup> which comes out like a bridegroom leaving his chamber, and, like a strong man, runs its course with joy.

**<sup>6</sup> Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its circuit to the end of them, and there is nothing hidden from its heat.**

<sup>7</sup> The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul; the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple;

**<sup>8</sup> the precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes;**

<sup>9</sup> the fear of the LORD is clean, enduring forever; the rules of the LORD are true, and righteous altogether.

**<sup>10</sup> More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey and drippings of the honeycomb.**

<sup>11</sup> Moreover, by them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward.

**<sup>12</sup> Who can discern his errors? Declare me innocent from hidden faults.**

<sup>13</sup> Keep back your servant also from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over me! Then I shall be blameless, and innocent of great transgression.

**<sup>14</sup> Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.**

## SECOND LESSON 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

12Just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. 13For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body — Jews or Greeks, slaves or free — and all were made to drink of one Spirit. 14For the body does not consist of one member but of many. 15If the foot should say, “Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body. 16And if the ear should say, “Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body. 17If the whole body were an eye, where would be the sense of hearing? If the whole body were an ear, where would be the sense of smell? 18But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. 19If all were a single member, where would the body be? 20As it is, there are many parts, yet one body. 21The eye cannot say to the hand, “I have no need of you,” nor again the head to the feet, “I have no need of you.” 22On the contrary, the parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, 23and on those parts of the body that we think less honorable we bestow the greater honor, and our unpresentable parts are treated with greater modesty, 24which our more presentable parts do not require. But God has so composed the body, giving greater honor to the part that lacked it, 25that there may be no division in the body, but that the members may have the same care for one another. 26If one member suffers, all suffer together; if one member is honored, all rejoice together.

27Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. 28And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healing, helping, administrating, and various kinds of tongues. 29Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? 30Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak with tongues? Do all interpret? 31But earnestly desire the higher gifts.

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 4th chapter.

Luke 4:16-30

16{Jesus} came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up. And as was his custom, he went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and he stood up to read. 17And the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written, 18“‘The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, 19to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.” 20And he rolled up the scroll and gave it back to the attendant and sat down. And the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. 21And he began to say to them, “‘Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.” 22And all spoke well of him and marveled at the gracious words that were coming from his mouth. And they said, “‘Is not this Joseph’s son?” 23And he said to them, “‘Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, “‘Physician, heal yourself.” What we have heard you did at Capernaum, do here in your hometown as well.”” 24And he said, “‘Truly, I say to you, no prophet is acceptable in his hometown. 25But in truth, I tell you, there were many widows in Israel in the days of Elijah, when the heavens were shut up three years and six months, and a great famine came over all the land, 26and Elijah was sent to none of them but only to Zarephath, in the land of Sidon, to a woman who was a widow. 27And there were many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed, but only Naaman the Syrian.” 28When they heard these things, all in the synagogue were filled with wrath. 29And they rose up and drove him out of the town and brought him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they could throw him down the cliff. 30But passing through their midst, he went away.

P The Gospel of our Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please be seated*

SERMON

Pastor Tom Corbell

THE APOSTLES' CREED

A God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended into hell.\*  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I 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.  
Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P Let us pray for the Church, the world, and for all people according to their needs.

*Following each petition:* A: Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C Amen.**

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C And also with you.**

*Please be seated*

## OFFERING

ANTHEM

Jesu - Skillings

Chancel Choir

*Please stand*

## THE OFFERTORY SPOKEN

**Let the vineyards be fruitful Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing. Gather the harvest from the seeds that were sown, that might be filled with the bread of life. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## OFFERTORY PRAYER

A Let us pray. Merciful Father,

**C we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray;

**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.**

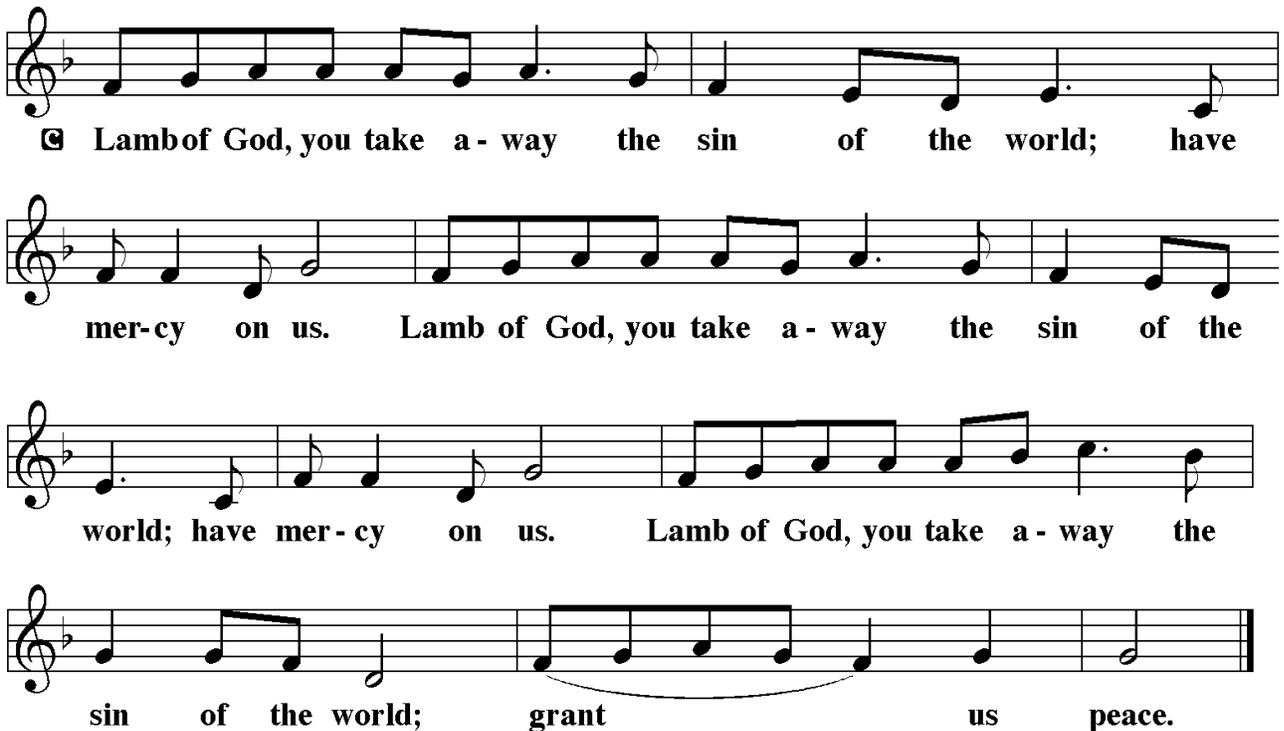
**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever.  
Amen.**

*Please be seated*

## DISTRIBUTION

*All who are baptized and believe Christ is truly present within the elements of the bread and wine are welcome to God's table. Today we receive the sacrament by way of "intinction." After receiving the wafer, dip it into the wine. Grape juice is provided for anyone who is not able to receive the wine.*

## AGNUS DEI



**Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace.**

## HYMNS DURING HOLY COMMUNION

The Church of Christ, in Every Age  
Break Now the Bread of Life

LBW 433  
LBW 235

*Please stand*

## POST COMMUNION BLESSING

**P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**C** **Amen.**

Let us pray.

**Pour out upon us the spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of those whom you have fed with one heavenly food; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE CONGREGATIONAL MEETING IS CALLED TO ORDER

Kay Morgan

## THE 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.

**C** **Amen.**

HYMN

The Church's One Foundation

LBW 369

## SENDING

**A** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

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## Lessons for Next Week:

Jeremiah 1:4-10 [17-19]; Psalm 71:1-6 [7-11]; 1 Corinthians 12:31b-13:13; Luke 4:31-44

THE ALTAR FLOWERS ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD.

## **ASSISTANTS SERVING THIS SUNDAY, January 27, 2019**

Acolytes: Ethan and Ellie Wilhelm

Lay Reader: The Eddie Morgan Family

Communion Assistants: Deena Lanning and Karen Morgan

Ushers: Phil and Linda Cauble, Mike and Brenda Cauble, Frank and Dawn Merrell

**Loose Offering: Lutheridge Scholarship Fund**

## **ASSISTANTS SERVING NEXT SUNDAY, February 3, 2019**

Acolytes: Ethan, Ellie, Bailey, & Lucas Wilhelm

Lay Reader: Pam Vellines and Elbert Kluttz

Communion Assistants: Elbert Kluttz and Gladys Morgan

Ushers: Phil Cauble (HU), Larry Barringer, John Kesler, Richard Shue, & Wayne Vellines

### REMEMBER IN PRAYER

**Nursing Home Residents** - Brenda Mahaley, Jane Peeler, Zarah Plyler, Pat and Wayne Miller, Ruth Monroe (Autumn Care), Bob Wilhelm (The Meadows of Rockwell), and Ed & Betty Denker (Trinity Oaks, Apt. 123B). Horace Cross (Genesis).

**Homebound Members** - Ray Chambers, Bill and Mary Brady, Rachel Earnhardt, Billy Waller, Michael Walton, Betty Goodwin, Frances Norris, and Jean Kluttz.

**Sick/Surgery/Recovery**— Bob Goodwin, Glenn Eagle, Donnie Miller, Kay Morgan, Steve Hutchens, Larry Shepherd, Harold Miller, Susan & John Knight, Jean Ray, Grace Morgan, Pat Kluttz, Effie Vellines, Karen Plyler, Tommy Kerns, and Bill Broadway.

**Continual Prayer** - Pat Kluttz, Jane Stoner, (Grandmother of Noah Cauble), Marie Gorapic, (sister of Linda Spencer), Carol Cauble, (sister of Judy Walton), Marvin Nunn, Vanna Calloway, friend of Kat Clifton, Ophelia Curlee (sister-in-law of Grace Morgan), Karen DeMunbrun (Niece of Grace Morgan), Hong Nguyen (Pete Nguyen's mother), Justin West and David Mitchell (friends of Pete Nguyen), Austin Mowry, (friend of Karen Barringer), Robert Parker (brother of Jimmy Parker), Pat & J. C. Miller, Marvin Feezor, Derek Maner (friend of the Misenheimers), Ruth McSwaim, Mary Knapp, Suzanne Greene, Benny Myers (friends of Jan Huffman), Della Morgan (mother of Pam Vellines), Nancy Ballew (mother of Kat Clifton), Marc & Donna Collins (friends of Sharon Leazer), Evonne Batten (mother of Lisa Morgan), Robert Cook (uncle of Lisa Morgan).

## **THIS WEEK'S EVENTS**

Sun. January 27, 2019	10:30 am Worship and Holy Communion-Congregation Meeting MESSENGER DEADLINE
Wed. January 30, 2019	7:00 pm Scouts 7:30 pm Chancel Choir
Fri. Feb. 1, 2019	5:00 pm Game Night
Sat. Feb. 2, 2019	8:00 am until noon Council Retreat at the church
Next Sun. Feb. 3, 2019	9:15 am Confirmation 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship & Holy Communion



### **UNION WOMEN SHOWING LOVE FOR CHILDREN**

Union Women will be collecting needed school items for the children of Hanford-Dole Community and Schools for our winter project. The following items are most needed: ear buds, boxes of tissues, disinfectant wipes, socks, plain sweat shirts (sizes 6 to kids XL), toboggans, dry erase markers, composition books (not wire bounded) and zip lock bags. Everyone is welcomed to help us with this project. Collection boxes will be placed in the church exits. Thrivent Action Project is assisting us in this project.

**Join Us!**

**Union Lutheran Church**

4770 Bringle Ferry Road Salisbury, NC

*Saturday, February 16, 2019 5:00 - until*

**Food**

**Fellowship**

**Fun!**



**Chili CookOff & Tasting  
Silent Auction - Desserts**

*Proceeds to benefit the Narthex Accessibility & Expansion Project*