Faith Lutheran Church



The water now become WINE ... the first of his signs.

John 2:9, 11, ESV

January 26, 2025

WELCOME

Thank you for worshipping with us today. Please sign the guest register in the entry as you leave the church today.

TODAY'S SERVICE

January 26th, 2025 Liturgy: Common Service

Speaker: Pastor Matthew Ude

Organist: Lila Brown

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PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

The Divine Glory Is Manifested in the Signs of Christ Psalm 128

When Jesus turned water into wine at the wedding in Cana, it was "the first of his signs" by which He "manifested his glory" (John 2:11). It pointed to His coming "hour," when He was lifted up on the cross for the forgiveness of sins and the life of the world (John 2:4; 12:23–32). The glory of the cross is incomprehensible apart from the Word and Spirit of God, but disciples of Jesus recognize that glory in the signs of His Gospel, and so they believe in Him. Jesus does not wait for His disciples to discover Him on their own, but He seeks out the forsaken and the desolate and unites them to Himself. He adorns them with His own beautiful righteousness and delights in them "as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride" (Is. 62:4–5). Purified by the washing of water with His Word in Holy Baptism, His disciples confess that "Jesus is Lord," and they return thanks to Him "in the Holy Spirit" (I Cor. 12:3) as they drink the good wine that He pours out for them, which is the new testament in His blood.

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SERVICE OF THE WORD

#LSB 686 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing





INVOCATION

p In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



CONFESSION OF SINS

- p Beloved of God: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking Him, in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.
- all Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. for this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

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p God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



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In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.









Let us pray ... Almighty and everlasting God, who governs all things in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the prayers of Your people and grant us Your peace through all our days; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Isaiah 62:1-5 For Zion's sake I will not hold My peace, And for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, Until her righteousness goes forth as brightness, And her salvation as a lamp *that* burns. ² The Gentiles shall see your righteousness, And all kings your glory. You shall be called by a new name, Which the mouth of the LORD will name. ³ You shall also be a crown of glory In the hand of the LORD, And a royal diadem In the hand of your God. ⁴ You shall no longer be termed Forsaken, Nor shall your land any more be termed Desolate; But you shall be called Hephzibah¹, and your land Beulah²; For the LORD delights in you, And your land shall be married. ⁵ For *as* a young man marries a virgin, *So* shall your sons marry you; And *as* the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, *So* shall your God rejoice over you.

I Corinthians 12:I-II Now concerning spiritual gifts, brethren, I do not want you to be ignorant: ² You know that you were Gentiles, carried away to these dumb idols, however you were led. ³ Therefore I make known to you that no one speaking by the Spirit of God calls Jesus accursed, and no one can say that Jesus is Lord except by the Holy Spirit. ⁴ There are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit. ⁵ There are differences of ministries, but the same Lord. ⁶ And there are diversities of activities, but it is the same God who works all in all. ⁷ But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to each one for the profit of all: 8 for to one is given the word of wisdom through the Spirit, to another the word of knowledge through the same Spirit, ⁹ to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healings by the same¹ Spirit, ¹⁰ to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another discerning of spirits, to another *different* kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹ But one and the same Spirit works all these things, distributing to each one individually as He wills.



THE NICENE CREED

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 Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, And I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Installation of Church Officers

#134 Songs of Thankfulness and Praise

SERMON

John 2:1-11 On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ² Now both Jesus and His disciples were invited to the wedding.³ And when they ran out of wine, the mother of Jesus said to Him, "They have no wine." ⁴ Jesus said to her, "Woman, what does your concern have to do with Me? My hour has not yet come." ⁵ His mother said to the servants, "Whatever He says to you, do it." ⁶ Now there were set there six waterpots of stone, according to the manner of purification of the Jews, containing twenty or thirty gallons apiece. ⁷ Jesus said to them, "Fill the waterpots with water." And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸ And He said to them, "Draw some out now, and take it to the master of the feast." And they took it. 9 When the master of the feast had tasted the water that was made wine, and did not know where it came from (but the servants who had drawn the water knew), the master of the feast called the bridegroom. ¹⁰ And he said to him, "Every man at the beginning sets out the good wine, and when the guests have well drunk, then the inferior. You have kept the good wine until now!" ¹¹ This beginning of signs Jesus did in Cana of Galilee, and manifested His glory; and His disciples believed in Him.

Jesus Manifests His Glory

In The Cross - In Abundance (worksheet page 26)





#394 My Faith Looks Up To Thee Offering Hymn #788:1

Lord, You love the cheerful giver who with open heart and hand blesses freely, as a river that refreshes all the land. Grant us, then, the grace of giving with a spirit large and true that our life and all our living we may consecrate to You.

PRAYERS, THE LORD'S PRAYER

all 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.

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT



p It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lived among us as a human being and revealed his glory as your only Son, full of grace and truth. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song;





WORDS OF INSTITUTION

p Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night He was betrayed, took bread; and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples, saying, "Take and eat; This is My body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me."

Then He took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is My blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always!



THE DISTRIBUTION

Prayers for before and after communion are available on page 118 of your hymnal.

Distribution Hymn #309, and #313



We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this holy supper. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



THE BENEDICTION

p The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.



Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee



SUNDAY JANUARY 26

9 am Communion Service10 am Sunday School10:15 am Bible Class

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 29

3:45 pm Confirmation

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 2

9 am Worship Service10 am Sunday School10:15 am Bible Class

USHERS FOR JANUARY

BJ Lillo, Mike Dumke, Todd Thiem, Austin Thiem

YEAR END FINANCIAL REPORTS

Are done and are available in your boxes. If there are any questions, contact Sue Klawitter.

COUNTERS

This Week Team # 6 Jim Kok

VOTERS' MEETING NOTES

Highlights from the voters meeting The voters passed the council's recommendation to replace the lunchroom roof with steel. The cost was estimated at \$21,000.

A motion was made and passed to pay for the steel roof out of the building fund. If there is not enough money the council has permission to get a loan for the remainder.

Donations are needed in the short term for the lunchroom roof. Such donations should go to the building fund.

Within the next five years we will need another \$60,000 to redo the rest of the church roof with steel. Again, these donations should go to the building fund.

The voters would like input from

the congregation concerning the color of the steel to be put on the roof. Please look at the colors posted on the bulletin board and speak to one of the council men about your thoughts.

The voters passed the council's recommendations to increase the base salary of the called workers by 3%.

The following men were elected to council Daniel Thiem Michael Dumke Gregory Jones

The following men were elected to school board Andrew Reyes Tristan Jenkins Clay Bobek

Full report will be available next week.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Neh. 8:1–3, 5–6, 8–10 Psalm 19:(1–6) 7–14 1 Cor. 12:12–31a Luke 4:16–30

CALL NEWS

Ms. Blair Sydow has **received and accepted** the call to continue serving as the full-time upper grade teacher at Holy Trinity Lutheran School, West Columbia, SC.

Pastor Paul Krause of Trinity Lutheran Church and School, Watertown, SD and Zion Lutheran Church, Hidewood Township, SD has **received** the call to St. Stephen Lutheran Church and School, Mountain View, CA.

Sam Naumann of Eau Claire, WI has **received** the call to Faith Lutheran Church, Manchester, MO.

Teacher Claire Abbas of Berea Lutheran School, Inver Grove Heights, MN has **received** the call to Trinity Lutheran School, Watertown, SD.

Sermon Worksheet—John 2:1-11

Why is this first miracle normally a part of Epiphany?

What can miracles not do?

What can miracles do?

What seeming problem is there with Jesus' words to Mary?

What is Jesus talking about when he says, "My hour?"

What did Jesus not come to do?

What did Jesus come to do?

What is the connection between Jesus' death and this first miracle?

How does Jesus give blessings?

What do humans often do with Jesus' blessings?

What are some examples of God's excessiveness?

What do humans often do with God's spiritual blessings?

Of what should this miracle remind us?



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