

A weathered wooden boat is docked on a calm lake. The boat's hull is yellowed and stained with dark streaks, suggesting age and exposure to the elements. A wooden post with a curved handle is attached to the boat, and a rope is tied around it. The boat is reflected in the still water. In the background, there are hazy, rolling mountains under a soft, golden light, likely from a setting or rising sun. The overall mood is serene and contemplative.

Follow Me,

and I will make you fishers of men.

Faith Lutheran Church
January 21st 2024

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 21st 2024

Liturgy: Setting One, WS page 1

Speaker:

Pastor Matthew Ude

Organist:

Ann Sprengeler

Liturgy: Worship Supplement 2000 compiled and edited by John C Reim

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PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

Psalm 62

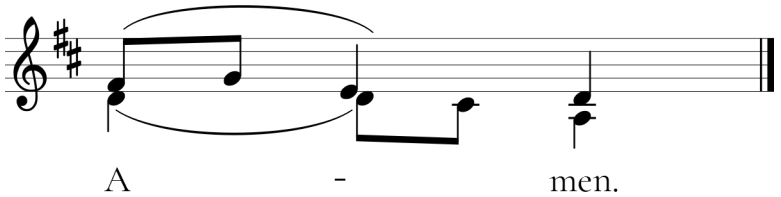
Truly my soul silently *waits* for God; From Him *comes* my salvation. ² He only *is* my rock and my salvation; *He is* my defense; I shall not be greatly moved. ³ How long will you attack a man? You shall be slain, all of you, Like a leaning wall and a tottering fence. ⁴ They only consult to cast *him* down from his high position; They delight in lies; They bless with their mouth, But they curse inwardly. Selah ⁵ My soul, wait silently for God alone, For my expectation is from Him. ⁶ He only *is* my rock and my salvation; *He is* my defense; I shall not be moved. ⁷ In God *is* my salvation and my glory; The rock of my strength, *And* my refuge, *is* in God. ⁸ Trust in Him at all times, you people; Pour out your heart before Him; God *is* a refuge for us. Selah ⁹ Surely men of low degree *are* a vapor, Men of high degree *are* a lie; If they are weighed on the scales, They *are* altogether *lighter* than vapor. ¹⁰ Do not trust in oppression, Nor vainly hope in robbery; If riches increase, Do not set *your heart on them*. ¹¹ God has spoken once, Twice I have heard this: That power *belongs* to God. ¹² Also to You, O Lord, *belongs* mercy; For You render to each one according to his work.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

#16 Blessed Jesus, at thy Word

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 **Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer: we confess that we are sinful by nature, and have sinned against**



Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and



peace to all peo-ple on earth. Lord God,



heav-enly king, al - might - y God and Fa - ther; We



wor - ship You, we give You thanks, we



praise You for Your glory. Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly



Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take away the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. You are seated at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-

ceiveour prayer For You alone are the Ho-lyOne,
 You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High,
 Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it, in the glo-ry of
 God the Fa - ther. A - men.

p Let us pray . . . Almighty and everlasting God, mercifully look upon this troubled and oppressed world and send forth your gospel to grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

A - men.

THE WORD

Jonah 3:1-10 Now the word of the LORD came to Jonah the second time, saying, ² "Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and preach to it the message that I tell you." ³ So Jonah arose and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly great city, a three-day journey^t *in extent*. ⁴ And Jonah began to enter the city on the first day's walk. Then he cried out and said, "Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" ⁵ So the people of Nineveh believed God, proclaimed a fast, and put on sackcloth, from the greatest to the least of them. ⁶ Then word came to the king of Nineveh; and he arose from his throne and laid aside his robe, covered *himself* with sackcloth and sat in ashes. ⁷ And he caused *it* to be proclaimed and published throughout Nineveh by the decree of the king and his nobles, saying, Let neither man nor beast, herd nor flock, taste anything; do not let them eat, or drink water. ⁸ But let man and beast be covered with sackcloth, and cry mightily to God; yes, let every one turn from his evil way and from the violence that is in his hands. ⁹ Who can tell *if* God will turn and relent, and turn away from His fierce anger, so that we may not per-

ish? ¹⁰ Then God saw their works, that they turned from their evil way; and God relented from the disaster that He had said He would bring upon them, and He did not do it.

1 Corinthians 7:29-35 ²⁹ But this I say, brethren, the time is short, so that from now on even those who have wives should be as though they had none, ³⁰ those who weep as though they did not weep, those who rejoice as though they did not rejoice, those who buy as though they did not possess, ³¹ and those who use this world as not misusing it. For the form of this world is passing away. ³² But I want you to be without care. He who is unmarried cares for the things of the Lord-- how he may please the Lord. ³³ But he who is married cares about the things of the world-- how he may please *his* wife. ³⁴ There is¹ a difference between a wife and a virgin. The unmarried woman cares about the things of the Lord, that she may be holy both in body and in spirit. But she who is married cares about the things of the world-- how she may please *her* husband. ³⁵ And this I say for your own profit, not that I may put a leash on you, but for what is proper, and that you may serve the Lord without distraction.

p Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it!



Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!



These words are written that we may believe that



Je-sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, Born of the virgin Mary; Suffered 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins, The resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.

Children's Hymn: My Lighthouse

Words and Music by Rend Collective

#771 Listen, God Is Calling

SERMON

Mark 1:14-20 ¹⁴ Now after John was put in prison, Jesus came to Galilee, preaching the gospel of the kingdom^t of God, ¹⁵ and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel." ¹⁶ And as He walked by the Sea of Galilee, He saw Simon

and Andrew his brother casting a net into the sea; for they were fishermen. ¹⁷ Then Jesus said to them, "Follow Me, and I will make you become fishers of men." ¹⁸ They immediately left their nets and followed Him. ¹⁹ When He had gone a little farther from there, He saw James the *son* of Zebedee, and John his brother, who also *were* in the boat mending their nets. ²⁰ And immediately He called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired servants, and went after Him.

THE KINGDOM KEEPS GOING

The kingdom keeps going. Jesus keeps preaching. He calls sinners to repent. He promises the grace of God. He sends preachers.

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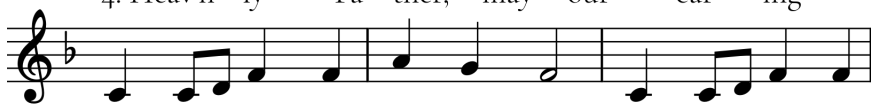
#LSB 782 Gracious God, You Send Great Blessings

Author: Gregory J. Wismar

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1. Gra - cious God, You send great bless - ings
2. By Your Word You formed cre - a - tion
3. In His earth - ly life, our Sav - ior
4. Heav'n - ly Fa - ther, may our car - ing



New each morn - ing all our days. For Your mer - cies
Filled with crea - tures large and small; As we tend that
Knew the care of faith - ful friends; May our deeds of
Bear the im - print of Your grace; With the Son and



nev - er end - ing, For Your love we of - fer praise.
end - less trea - sure May our care en - cir - cle all.
ded - i - ca - tion Of - fer love that nev - er ends.
Ho - ly Spir - it, Prasie be Yours in ev - 'ry place!



Lord, we pray that we Your peo - ple Who Your gifts un -



num - bered claim, Through the shar - ing of Your bless - ings



May bring glo - ry to Your name.

OFFERING HYMN #442:2

Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to yield Thee gladly, freely, of Thine own; With the sunshine of Thy goodness melt our thankless hearts of stone Till our cold and selfish natures, warmed by Thee, at length believe That more happy and more blessed 'Tis to give than to receive.

PRAYERS AND 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.

Sermon Worksheet - Mark 1:14-20

God's kingdom keeps going.

Example from Luther

Example from Acts

Example of Voltaire

Jesus keeps preaching.

Why is Jesus the perfect prophet?

Why is it so important that he is still our prophet?

Jesus keeps preaching to sinners.

Why did Jesus go to Galilee?

What is God's response to sinners?

Are you more like Herod or Jesus?

The Gospel keeps going to all

What doesn't God promise?

What gift does God give to all?

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, January 21

9am Worship Service

10:00 am Sunday School

10:15am Bible Class

Wednesday, January 24

3:45 Confirmation Class

Thursday, January 25

7pm Annual Voters Meeting

Sunday, January 28

9am Confirmation Service

10am Sunday School

10:15 Bible Class

FRUITS OF FAITH

Sunday Service – 59

Sunday School - 7

Bible Class - 10

General Fund - \$2060

Missions - \$100

School fund - \$25

School Fund - \$100

USHERS FOR JANUARY

Jeff Jones, Gary Brown,

David Draeger, Wayne Draeger

USHERS FOR FEBRUARY

John Bobek, Dan Thiem,

Tim Gabrielski, Jeremy Golz

COUNTERS

This Week Team # 5

Steve Meilahn, Jim Kok

Next Week Team # 6

Bill Jenkins, Adam Frederick

TAX INFORMATION

Annual offering information for tax purposes is available in your boxes. Let Diane know if there are any problems.

JANUARY REPORTS

are available on the shelf

NOMINEES FOR CHURCH OFFICERS

The nominees for church officers and counters are posted on the bulletin board.

VOTERS MEETING AGENDA

Voters' meeting is Thursday January 25 at 7pm.

Items on the agenda include:

Calling a teacher

Approve a plan for the printer

Financial reports and audit

Called workers compensation

Elect new board members

February - April Calendar

VBS

VBS would normally be July 15-19. School board will approve the dates in February. Talk to the pastor before February 6th if there are any concerns.

SUNDAY SCHOOL MATERIAL

The bottom bookshelf in the office contains various pieces of past Sunday school materials. If anyone wants any of this, please take it home. After January we will be getting rid of anything that is left.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Deut. 18:15-20

Psalm 111

1 Cor. 8:1-13

Mark 1:21-28

CALL NEWS

Mr. Dan Roehl is still considering the call to be the new professor at Immanuel Lutheran College, Eau Claire, WI, replacing retiring Professor Mark Kranz.

Pastor Thomas Schuetze of St. Paul Lutheran of Lakewood, CO is still considering the calls from Calvary Lutheran of Marquette, MI and St. Peter's Lutheran of Iron River, MI.



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