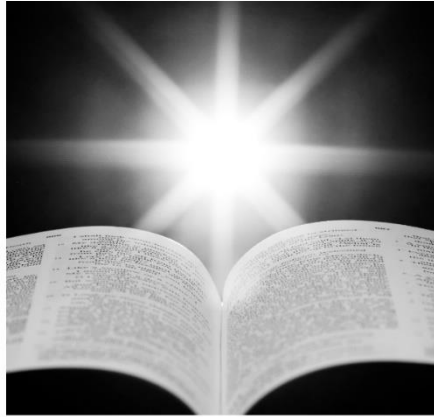


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4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Epiphany

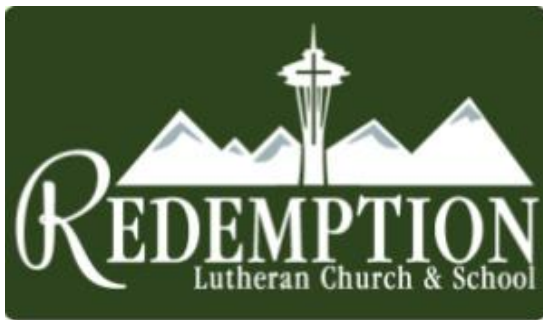


... I will put my words in the  
**MOUTH** OF THE **PROPHET,**  
who shall speak to them  
everything that I command.

Deuteronomy 18:18, NRSV

**WELCOME** To all of you who are visiting our service this morning, we extend a most cordial welcome in Jesus' name. It is our hope that you will feel at home in our midst and will be blessed by our message of Christ crucified and risen for the sins of the world.

If you are looking for a church home or would like to know more about our beliefs and practices, please see the pastor. He will be glad to visit with you at your convenience. Be sure to join us again.



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**Pre-Service Meditation:**

**Deuteronomy 18:15** "The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your brothers-- it is to him you shall listen"

**Prayer:** Dear Heavenly Father, You sent Your Son Jesus into this world to be THE Prophet. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that He may teach us to listen to Him and His Word and not our own sinful desires. Through Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit forevermore, Amen.

# Service of the Word

## Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn **LSB 842 Son of God, Eternal Savior [Insert]**

## Invocation

- P** In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

## Confession and Absolution

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- P** We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve Him as His dear children. But we have disobeyed Him and deserve only His wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to Him and plead for His mercy.
- C** Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against You and do not deserve to be called Your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to Your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.
- P** God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, He has removed your guilt forever. You are His own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to His will.
- C** Amen.

LORD, HAVE MERCY *Kyrie*



C: Lord, have mer - cy on us. Christ, have mer-cy



on us. Lord, have mer - cy on us.



C: 1 Glo - ry to God, we give You thanks and praise;  
 2 Lord Je - sus Christ, the Fa - ther's on - ly Son,  
 3 A - lone, O Christ, You on - ly are the Lord,



Of heav'n - ly joy and peace on earth we sing.  
 You bore for us the load of this world's sin.  
 At God's right hand in maj - es - ty most high:



We wor - ship You, to You our hearts we raise,  
 O Lamb of God, Your glo - rious vic - t'ry won,  
 Who, with the Spir - it wor - shiped and a - dored,



Lord God, al - might - y Fa - ther, heav'n - ly King,  
 Re - ceive our prayer, grant us Your peace with - in.  
 With all the heav'n - ly host we glo - ri - fy.

**Salutation and Collect of the Day**

- P** Let us pray. . .
- . . . through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

**Old Testament Lesson**

**Deuteronomy 18:15-20**

"The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your brothers-- it is to him you shall listen-- <sup>16</sup> just as you desired of the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly, when you said, 'Let me not hear again the voice of the LORD my God or see this great fire any more, lest I die.' <sup>17</sup> And the LORD said to me, 'They are right in what they have spoken. <sup>18</sup> I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their brothers. And I will put my words in his mouth, and he shall speak to them all that I command him. <sup>19</sup> And whoever will not listen to my words that he shall speak in my name, I myself will require it of him. <sup>20</sup>

But the prophet who presumes to speak a word in my name that I have not commanded him to speak, or who speaks in the name of other gods, that same prophet shall die.'

## Psalm of the Day

## Psalm 111 (selected verses)

- P** Great are the works of the Lord,  
**C** studied by all who delight in them.  
**P** Full of splendor and majesty is his work,  
**C** and his righteousness endures forever.  
**P** He has caused his wondrous works to be remembered;  
**C** the Lord is gracious and merciful.  
**P** He sent redemption to his people;  
he has commanded his covenant forever.  
**C** Holy and awesome is his name!  
**P** The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom;  
**C** His praise endures forever!

## Epistle Lesson

## 1 Corinthians 8:1-13

Now concerning food offered to idols: we know that "all of us possess knowledge." This "knowledge" puffs up, but love builds up. <sup>2</sup> If anyone imagines that he knows something, he does not yet know as he ought to know. <sup>3</sup> But if anyone loves God, he is known by God. <sup>4</sup> Therefore, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that "an idol has no real existence," and that "there is no God but one." <sup>5</sup> For although there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth-- as indeed there are many "gods" and many "lords"-- <sup>6</sup> yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist. <sup>7</sup> However, not all possess this knowledge. But some, through former association with idols, eat food as really offered to an idol, and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. <sup>8</sup> Food will not commend us to God. We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. <sup>9</sup> But take care that this right of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. <sup>10</sup> For if anyone sees you who have knowledge eating in an idol's temple, will he not be encouraged, if his conscience is weak, to eat food offered to idols? <sup>11</sup> And so by your knowledge this weak person is destroyed, the brother for whom Christ died. <sup>12</sup> Thus, sinning

against your brothers and wounding their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. <sup>13</sup> Therefore, if food makes my brother stumble, I will never eat meat, lest I make my brother stumble.

**Gospel Lesson**

**Mark 1:21-28**

And they went into Capernaum, and immediately on the Sabbath he entered the synagogue and was teaching. <sup>22</sup> And they were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one who had authority, and not as the scribes. <sup>23</sup> And immediately there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit. And he cried out, <sup>24</sup> "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are-- the Holy One of God." <sup>25</sup> But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" <sup>26</sup> And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying out with a loud voice, came out of him. <sup>27</sup> And they were all amazed, so that they questioned among themselves, saying, "What is this? A new teaching with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." <sup>28</sup> And at once his fame spread everywhere throughout all the surrounding region of Galilee.

**Confession of Faith:**

**Luther's Explanation to 2<sup>nd</sup> Article**

I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord, who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity. This is most certainly true.

**Hymn**

**TLH 360 Oh For a Thousand Tongues to Sing vs. 1-4**

**Sermon**

**Mark 1:21-28**

**Jesus Speaks with God's Authority**

## Create in Me ♪♪

Create in me a clean heart O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

## Offering of Thankful Hearts

**Hymn: TLH 339 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name vs. 1-5**

## Prayer & Lord's Prayer

**P** . . . in whose Name we also join to pray together:

**C** Our Father who art in heaven,  
Hallowed by 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

## Benediction

**C** Amen.

## Hymn

**LSB 690 Hope of the World [Insert]**

## Silent Prayer

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# Announcements

## Upcoming Events:

- **Lent:** The Lenten season begins early this year. February 14<sup>th</sup> is Ash Wednesday and our first midweek worship service.
- **Voter's Meeting:** The notes from our annual meeting last week will be made available to anyone who would like them. Please speak with the Pastor if you are interested.
- **Baseball Outing:** We were asked if we would like to do another congregational outing to a Mariners game (once it is baseball season again). We don't have to have an answer anytime soon, but if you are interested, please speak with Pastor.

## Call News:

- Mr. Dan Roehl is **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.

## Upcoming Schedule:

Sunday Feb. 4<sup>th</sup> Redemption Sunday Service at 9

Sunday Feb. 11<sup>th</sup> Redemption Sunday Service at 9

Wednesday, Feb. 14<sup>th</sup> Midweek Lenten Service at 7pm

Sunday Feb. 18<sup>th</sup> Communion Sunday Service at 9