

January 28, 2018
The Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany
St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church

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St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church exists by the grace of God to be the body of Christ in Holbrook. Therefore, we proclaim God's word to the world, teach the faithful, administer the sacraments, and show the love of Christ in care for our community. Welcome! Every person who comes to worship is a special gift from God. Thank you for being with us today!

Serving in God's house

Presiding Minister: Rev. Dr. George Kirkup
 Organist: Marie Diane Melfi
 Saturday 6pm R – Tom Serio
 Sunday 9am R – Scott Krause R – Lennox Debra
 Sunday 11am R – Don Karnik
 Altar Guild: Betty Kuerner, Claudia Manzella

The flowers under the cross are for the glory of God and the adornment of His sanctuary.

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Week Of January 29th

Tuesday	Bible Study	10–12am (SB)
	NO Ladies' Aide Crafts	
	Confirmation Class	6:30 –8pm (SB)
Wednesday	Bible Study	7 pm (SB)
Thursday	Ladies' Aide Business Meeting	12:30pm
Saturday	Divine Service	6 pm (BC)
Sunday	Divine Service	9am & 11am (BC)
	Sunday School	9am (BC/SB)

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Worship</u>	<u>Sunday School</u>	<u>Offering</u>	<u>Weekly Need</u>	<u>Difference</u>
12/31	39	0	\$990.00	\$3021.00	(\$2031.00)
1/7	51	0	\$1270.00	\$3021.00	(\$1751.00)
1/14	90	16	\$2219.00	\$3021.00	(\$702.00)
1/21	81	14	\$1879.00	\$3021.00	(\$1142.00)

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The Ladies' Aide is collecting soap and deodorant throughout February for the Lighthouse Mission, a Christian organization that shares the Gospel and provides to those in need throughout ours and local communities. Please leave your donations in the narthex or Steidel Building boxes.

There will be a pancake and sausage dinner on Shrove Tuesday, Feb. 13 from 6 to 8pm in the Steidel Building. If you can help with the cooking or serving, please talk to Don, Gordon or Pastor.

Prelude

Announcements

Stand

Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

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CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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SERVICE OF THE WORD

INTROIT

Psalm 32

Many are the sorrows of the wicked,
but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the LORD.

**Blessèd is the one whose transgression is forgiven,
whose sin is covered.**

Blessèd is the man against whom the LORD counts no iniquity,
and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity;

**I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,” and you forgave the
iniquity of my sin.**

Therefore let everyone who is godly offer prayer to you at a time when you may be found;
surely in the rush of great waters, they shall not reach him.

**You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble;
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;**

**as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Many are the sorrows of the wicked,
but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the LORD.

KYRIE

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GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

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SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY

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Sit

A The Old Testament Reading for the Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany is from Deuteronomy, chapter eighteen.

“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— 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.’ And the LORD said to me, ‘They are right in what they have spoken. 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. And whoever will not listen to my words that he shall speak in my name, I myself will require it of him. 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.’”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

Psalm 111

Full of splendor and majesty is his work,
and his righteousness endures forever.

**Praise the LORD! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart,
in the company of the upright, in the congregation.**

Great are the works of the LORD,
studied by all who delight in them.

**Full of splendor and majesty is his work,
and his righteousness endures forever.**

He has caused his wondrous works to be remembered;
the LORD is gracious and merciful.

**He provides food for those who fear him;
he remembers his covenant forever.**

He has shown his people the power of his works,
in giving them the inheritance of the nations.

**The works of his hands are faithful and just;
all his precepts are trustworthy;**

they are established forever and ever,
to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.

**He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant forever.
Holy and awesome is his name!**

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding.

His praise endures forever!

A The Epistle is from First Corinthians, chapter eight.

Now concerning food offered to idols: we know that “all of us possess knowledge.” This “knowledge” puffs up, but love builds up. If anyone imagines that he knows something, he does not yet know as he ought to know. But if anyone loves God, he is known by God.

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.” For although there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as indeed there are many “gods” and many “lords”—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.

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. Food will not commend us to God. We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. But take care that this right of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. 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? And so by your knowledge this weak person is destroyed, the brother for whom Christ died. Thus, sinning against your brothers and wounding their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food makes my brother stumble, I will never eat meat, lest I make my brother stumble.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

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ALLELUIA

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HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 1:21–28

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.

C **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

And they went into Capernaum, and immediately on the Sabbath [Jesus] entered the synagogue and was teaching. And they were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one who had authority, and not as the scribes. And immediately there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit. And he cried out, “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.” But Jesus rebuked him, saying,

“Be silent, and come out of him!” And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying out with a loud voice, came out of him. 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.” And at once his fame spread everywhere throughout all the surrounding region of Galilee.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

Nicene Creed

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Sit

Son of God, Eternal Savior

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SERMON

Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P Lord, in Your mercy

C **Hear our prayer.**

Following the prayers, the people greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying “Peace be with you,” as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

OFFERING

Stand

Doxology

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In Holy Communion, our Lord invites us to eat and drink His true body and blood. In preparation for this sacrament, each communicant will examine himself and come to the Lord's Table seeking forgiveness of sins. As the catechism says, "a person is truly worthy and well prepared who has faith in these words: 'Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.'" Therefore we expect all communicants to have been baptized, instructed in the Christian faith, repent of their sins, and believe that Jesus here offers His true body and blood for their forgiveness.

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Where Charity and Love Prevail

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Sung Benediction:

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

The Lord bless you. The Lord keep you. Alleluia. Amen

Postlude



IN OUR PRAYERS: Paula Steidel, Yvonne Germano, Esther Laub, Bill Leidlich, Jacquelyn Berntsen, Joan Wiemer, Jay & Sherry Blais, Edward Greco, Denise Costo, Frank Sandmeyer, Elizabeth & Bill Armstrong, Robert Schmidt, Pat Calo, Sunil Balmick, Janice Hanhan, Daniel Wolfe, Liam Balroop

CHURCH MEMBERS: Susan Mantyla, Joe Sagerstrand, Nancy Cataldo, Al Hansen, Marie Melfi, John Wimmer, Ken Skjeveland, Rich Kuerner, MaryAnne Boucher, Howie Hansen

OUR SHUT-INS: Phyllis Toell, William Colomb, Earnest Bick, Dorothy Kranz

THOSE IN THE MILITARY: Jonathan Swedborg (USAR), Mark Kummer (USN), Kristine Broger (USA), Parker VandeVenter (USA), Michael Deck (USAF), Patrick Ullrich (USA)

OUR CHILDREN: Andrew Zeo, Erin Nicole Kuerner, Emma Ullrich, Rebecca Shannon, Emily Heuthe, Kaitlyn Martin, Casey Angelo, Ryleigh Barovgdsn

FRIENDS OF ST. JOHN'S: Beth Laine Mattarella, Bob Selkirk, David Bayley, Carloyn & Harry Gronlund, Susan Pulzone, Marion Meihoeffer, Kristine Clifford, Bonnie Schulman, Annette Barone, Margaret Torino, Kim Hoffes, Mary & Elaine Ott, Ann & Christine Schulz, Joanne Novena, Rose Neva, Joan Heuthe, Maryanne Barone, Joseph Masem, Maureen & Paul Bryant, Michele Marquardt, Michael & Joanne Yandlino, Augie & Frances Clements, Alex Wernikowski, Sheri Wolfe, Eric Harbord, Frank Shaddock, Michael Schepp