



3rd Sunday after Epiphany

Kent Memorial Lutheran Church

184 Sunset Hill Drive
Sunrise Beach, Missouri 65079

The Rev. Edward L. Foster, Pastor

January 24, 2021

Hearing God's Call & Responding in Love,
We Share Jesus With All!

FROM PASTOR ED

Living at THE Lake, fishing is a common, nearly everyday occurrence. Jesus calls his first disciples, who by chance were fishermen, to come, use their skills and talents and fish for people. We are called, to use who we are, our gifts, our talents and our very selves in service of God's Kingdom and our neighbors. We are promised that we do all indeed have gifts, talents and skills that are vital for God's kingdom. How is God calling you to be a part of God's work in the world? How is God using you, to love the world, bless the world, and save the world?

OUR 10:00 a.m. WORSHIP IS AVAILABLE VIA ZOOM:

To join a worship service, call the church office, 573-374-5267, to obtain the link.

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

As we continue through the time after Epiphany, stories of the call to discipleship show us the implications of our baptismal calling to show Christ to the world. Jesus begins proclaiming the good news and calling people to repentance right after John the Baptist is arrested for preaching in a similar way. Knowing that John was later executed, we see at the very outset the cost of discipleship. Still, the two sets of brothers leave everything they have known and worked for all their lives to follow Jesus and fish for people.

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Prelude

Jesus, Messiah, arr. Carol Tornquist

Joyce Wanamaker

You are invited to use this time of musical offering to prepare for worship, to open yourself to God, our Father, his Son, Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit, present in this place.

Welcome

Call To Worship

P: In the name of the father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: God is light, and in him there is no darkness at all.

C: If we walk in the light as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ, his Son, cleanses us from all sin.

P: Today the good news is announced. The Savior calls!

Silence for reflection and self-examination

P: Most merciful God,

C: We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. Our lives are short-sighted and surrounded only by ourselves. We need repentance and the good news your Son, Jesus Christ came to proclaim. For his sake, have mercy upon us, so. Forgive us, renew us, and let your light shine upon us, so that we may delight in your will and follow where you call, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

P: Good News! Jesus Christ was given to die for you; in him the time is fulfilled, and the Kingdom of God has come near. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Sharing of the Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Gathering Hymn (spoken)

Jesus Calls Us; o'er the Tumult

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Liturgy (spoken)

Kyrie

L: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

L: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

L: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

L: For this holy house and for all who offer their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

L: Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: Amen.

Canticle of Praise

L: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

C: Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father, Amen.

Prayer of the Day

All: Almighty God, by grace alone you call us and accept us in your service. Strengthen us by your Spirit, and make us worthy of your call, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Special Music

Lead Me, Guide Me

Chuck Wanamaker

First Reading

Jonah 3:1-5, 10

L: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 62:5-12 (*Congregation reads responsively*)

⁵For God alone I wait in silence;
truly, my hope is in God.

⁶**God alone is my rock and my salvation,
my stronghold, so that I shall never be shaken.**

⁷In God is my deliverance and my honor;
God is my strong rock and my refuge.

⁸**Put your trust in God always, O people,
pour out your hearts before the one who is our refuge.**

⁹Those of high degree are but a fleeting breath; those of low estate cannot be trusted.
Placed on the scales together they weigh even less than a breath.

¹⁰**Put no trust in extortion; in robbery take no empty pride;
though wealth increase, set not your heart upon it.**

¹¹God has spoken once, twice have I heard it,
that power belongs to God.

¹²**Steadfast love belongs to you, O Lord,
for you repay all according to their deeds.**

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 7:29-31

L: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Announcement

Pastor Ed Foster

P: The gospel according to Mark, the first chapter

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel Reading

Mark 1:14-20

P: The Gospel of the Lord

C: Praise to you, O Christ

Sermon

Pastor Ed Foster

Hymn of the Day (spoken) *You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore*

Installation of Church Council

Profession of Faith–Apostle’s Creed

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s 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 to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and 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.**

The Prayers

P: Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

Presentation of Our Offerings

Offering Prayer

P: O God,

**C: receive these gifts as you receive us: like a mother receives her child, with arms open wide.
Nourish us anew in your tender care, and empower us in faithful service to tend to others with
this same love, through Jesus Christ, our saving grace. Amen.**

Holy Communion

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.
And so, with all the choir of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy (spoken)
**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow’r and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Words of Institution

The Lord’s Prayer

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.

Holy Communion is the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ given with bread and wine, instituted by Christ himself for us to eat and drink. All believers are welcome at the Lord’s table.

Distribution (please open your communion packet)

P: The body of Christ given for you.
The blood of Christ shed for you.

Post-Communion Prayer

Benediction

Announcements

Sending Hymn (spoken) *Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ*

The Dismissal

P: Hearing God’s call and responding in love,

C: we share Jesus with all!

Postlude *He Knows My Name*, arr. Carol Tornquist Joyce Wanamaker

WORSHIP LEADERS

PastorEd Foster
Organist/PianistJoyce Wanamaker
Choir Director.....Tracy Garrett
Handbells Director..... Katie Heaford

10:00 AM

Altar Guild..... Linda Williams
Greeters/Ushers Larry & Kathy Fair
Lector..... Melba Bangert
Sound Technician Bill Blomberg
Zoom Technician..... Vanessa Hebrank

COMING THIS WEEK

January 24-31

Today	10:00 a.m.	Worship with Holy Communion
	11:00 a.m.	Virtual Fellowship Time
Monday		OFFICE CLOSED
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Women's Bible Study
Thursday	10:00 a.m.	Men's Devotion & Bible Study
Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Worship with Holy Communion
	11:00 a.m.	Virtual Fellowship Time

† *Prayer Concerns* †

OUR MEMBERS

Ken Gerardy—health concerns
Shirley Clark—recovering at Arrowhead Senior Living
Jim Ziehl—serious health concerns

OUR FAMILY & FRIENDS

Renate Strothmann & family—tested positive for COVID (Margo Strothmann's niece)
Keith Kresse—hospitalized with COVID-19 (friend of Barb Gidley)
Kathy Kresse—dementia (friend of Barb Gidley)
Jane Needles—under palliative care (Joyce McHenry's sister)

Prayers for the families of Kent members who have been deployed to Washington D.C.

CONTINUED PRAYERS

Mary Bowton
Delaney Brumm
J.C. Buck
Jim Clements
Bill Corliss
Kelly Covey
Dave Deily
Marianne Howley
Kay Hunt
Linda Kimberling
Jim Lane

Lisa Lind
Gene Melton
Charles Niemann
Ingrid Niemann
Julie Patterson
Helen Pragman
Diane Reams
Sandy Robinson
Loren Saathoff
Pat Shank
Ellie Torres
Rose Marie Unrein
Joan Wilken
Clarion Winzenburg
Bob Worthley

REMEMBERING THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Christopher Babcock
Eric Blomberg
Ben Brammeier
Shade Bullock
Aaron Davis
Tanner Glodt
Kristine Hubbard
Jason Ites
Jason Judge
Nathan Karls
Adam Kralina
Jordan Lindeman
Glenn Maddock
Tristan Morgan
Adam Peterson

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR JANUARY 24

WELCOME TO KENT MEMORIAL Thank you for worshipping with us this morning. Communion is open to all who believe that Jesus Christ is our savior. Personal hearing assistance devices are available in the sanctuary sound room. First time here? Please introduce yourself to Pastor at the end of the service.

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are given by Altar Guild.

CARE CORE for January is Ruth Osterbur, 217-242-0610.

THANK YOU to our Council Members for sharing your time and talents to serve Kent.

USHERS NEEDED Please sign up to help out on Sunday mornings.

BLOOD DRIVE February 12, 1:30pm-5:30pm. Mask are required. Appointments are strongly encouraged, call 417-227-5006 or visit www.cbco.org/donate-blood.

PUT FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR There are still open slots in January and February. The 2021 FLOWER CHART is now on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall. Sign up this morning or call the church office and specify the date. Cost: \$20.

ANNUAL THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLAR DESIGNATION Eligible members can recommend where Thrivent distributes a portion of its charitable funding by directing Choice Dollars®. Members become eligible for Thrivent Choice based on insurance premiums, contract values and Thrivent volunteer leadership. Log on now to the Thrivent website to direct your Choice Dollars to Kent Memorial.

Log in with your ID and password, then follow this path:

What We Offer

Generosity

Thrivent Choice

Direct Choice Dollars

Pick/Confirm the Organization

If you have questions about this, please contact Joyce Wanamaker, Kathy Fair, or Al Mohling.

BLUE BOX NEEDS Your generosity in the year 2020 helped feed 352 families. Remember the goal for each month is 200 items. Thank you for sharing your gifts with others.

Ensure or some sort of protein drinks

Deodorant (men's & women's)

Cereals (hot & cold)

Canned Fruit (low sugar if possible)

Canned Chef Boy-R-Dee type meals

Hearty Soups

Diapers (size 4, 5 & 6) *Our babies are getting bigger!!!*

Condiments (catsup, mustard, salad dressing)

Chili & Taco seasonings

A TABLE between the main sets of doors into the church has individual communion servings, the latest newsletter, the phone directory, new daily devotional materials, and a lot more. Also, there is a basket for you to drop off your giving envelopes. If you need the door code, call Tracy in the church office, 573-374-5267, or on her cell at 214-206-5807. Or you may mail your offering to the church: Kent Memorial PO Box 155 Sunrise Beach, MO 65079

REMINDER--

- We are worshipping in-person again. We are also Zooming every service.
- Masks are requested when in the church.
- Bulletins are available in the entry, beside the communion sets.
- Communion will be celebrated every Sunday with the pre-filled wafer/cup combination. You may stop by the church to pick one up for the on-line service.
- Communication to members and friends will continue via weekly email blast concerning upcoming services and activities.