

4th Sunday after Epiphany

Kent Memorial Lutheran Church

184 Sunset Hill Drive Sunrise Beach, Missouri 65079

The Rev. Edward L. Foster, Pastor January 30, 2022

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

FROM PASTOR ED

The people of Nazareth were initially thrilled when they heard what Jesus said in worship that morning, he was the hometown boy after all. But Jesus refused to be just the hometown boy. The mission He was called to wasn't just a matter of familiarity or family relationships. He was coming to bring salvation to everyone, especially those the world thought didn't deserve saving. Jesus continues to challenge the world to truly love everyone but especially those who seem unlovable. Jesus continues to refuse to be held back from all of us he came to save.

Have a wonderful week! God bless you all, Pastor Ed Tested Positive: One of our members who attended worship with us last weekend has tested positive for Covid 19. They will be notifying those with whom they had close contact, but, as always, it is important to be as open as possible. We continue to encourage both practicing safety measures when here at church, hand washing, social distancing etc., and staying home and attending on Zoom or watching on YouTube if you aren't feeling well. While we are in this latest surge, I have returned to wearing a mask when in close quarters especially before and after worship, and anyone who is more comfortable is welcome to do so as well. Stay safe, love and protect each other as best we can. Pastor Ed

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

To join a worship service, click the link below. Please mute your phone and turn off video when you join the meeting to ensure everyone can hear.

Welcome to Worship

The glory of God is often revealed when and where it is least expected. God uses our lips to declare that glory, inexperienced and hesitant though they may be. God uses our love to demonstrate that glory and so urges us to exercise it. God uses Jesus of Nazareth, water and the word, bread and wine, to reveal God's glory where and when God chooses. Take heed, lest the glory of God slip through our midst unnoticed.

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Prelude Walk Worthy

Vanessa Hebrank Joseph M. Martin

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.

Invocation

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

C: Amen.

A Litany of Confession

- P: O Lord, you call us to be your followers, and like your Father before you, you ask us to heed the Ten Commandments.
- C: Forgive us, O Lord, for not always following your commands in our walk of faith.
- P: O Lord, the paths you ask us to take are often different from the paths we have in mind for ourselves.
- C: Forgive us, O Lord, for not always accepting your will for our lives.
- P: O Lord, you tell us to be attentive to the words and messages you send us from above.
- C: Forgive us, O Lord, for not always listening to your heavenly call.
- P: O Lord, you gave us an example to follow by spending time with tax collectors and sinners.
- C: Forgive us, O Lord, for not always wanting to share your good news with the people who need to hear it the most.
- P: O Lord, you made miracles happen and turned people's hearts toward God.
- C: Forgive us, O Lord, for often underestimating your power.
- P: O Lord, you said to love one another as you have loved us.
- C: Forgive us, O Lord, for not always loving as much as we ought.
- P: O Lord of the nations and Lord of our hometowns, you strengthen your people wherever they may serve. Forgive us for the sake of Christ our Lord.
- C: Strengthen us, O Lord, to follow you faithfully in all we say and do.

Sharing of the Peace (We share the words, "Peace be with you" with one another)

- P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C: And also with you.

- 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 Setting 4 ELW p. 147

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, an for all who offer here 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: Glory to God in the highest

ELW p. 148

- 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 sins 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 along are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Prayer of the Day

All: Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and love; and that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Children's Sermon Pastor Ed

Special Music Great Is Thy Faithfulness Eldeen Hanke, Jane Maher,

Al Mohling, Chuck Wanamaker & Joyce Wanamaker

First Reading Jeremiah 1:4-10 Bible-Old Testament p. 715

L: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 71:1-6 (congregation reads responsively)

¹In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge;

let me never be put to shame.

²In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free;

incline your ear to me and save me.

³Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe;

you are my crag and my stronghold.

⁴Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked,

from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor.

⁵For you are my hope, O Lord GOD,

my confidence since I was young.

⁶I have been sustained by you ever since I was born; from my mother's womb you have been my strength;

my praise shall be always of you.

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 13:1-13 Bible-New Testament p. 166

L: The Word of the Lord C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Announcement Pastor Ed Foster

P: The gospel according to Luke, the fourth chapter

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel Reading Luke 4:21-30 Bible-New Testament p. 58

P: The Gospel of the LordC: Praise to you, O Christ

Sermon Pastor Ed Foster

Hymn of the Day Christ, Be Our Light ELW # 715, v. 1, 2 & 5

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: God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

Reception of Offerings Please fill out the red friendship pad and pass it to your neighbor

Offertory Sweet Hour of Prayer Vanessa Hebrank

C.E Walz; tune by William B. Bradbury

Offering Prayer

P: Blessed are you, O God,

C: Sovereign of the universe. You offer us new beginnings and guide us on our journey. Lead us to your table, nourish us with this heavenly food, and prepare us to carry your love to a hungry world, in the name of Christ our light. Amen.

Holy Communion ELW p. 152

- 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...

Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, 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.

Congregation may be seated

Distribution

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. Communion is open to all who believe that Jesus Christ is our savior. Children who do not commune may come forward for a blessing. You may commune in place using a communion kit, if preferred.

Communion Hymns	Dearest Jesus, At Your Word	ELW # 520	
	Break Now the Bread of Life	ELW # 515	
	For the Bread Which You Have Broken	ELW # 494	

Post-Communion Prayer

Benediction

Announcements

Sending Hymn Go, My Children, with My Blessing ELW # 543

The Dismissal

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

C: we share Jesus with all!

PostludeRepeated BlessingsVanessa HebrankDonna J. Krieger

WORSHIP LEADERS

Pastor	Ed Foster
Organist/Pianist	Vanessa Hebrank
Choir Director	
Handbells Director	
10	:00 AM
Altar Guild	Diane Ziehl
Greeter & Usher	Carol Hanson & Gail Kruse
Liturgist	Katie Heaford
Lector	Sally Burke
Sound & Zoom Technician	Al Mohling
Coffee Fellowship	Lvnn & Jovce Burke

COMING THIS WEEK January 30-February 6

Today	10:00 a.m.	Worship with Holy Communion
	11:00 a.m.	Fellowship (coffee & donuts)
		Handbells Rehearsal
		Audit Committee
Tuesday	9:30 a.m.	Altar Guild
	11:00 a.m.	W/ELCA Meeting
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Women's Bible Study
	6:00 p.m.	Evening Bible Study
Thursday	10:00 a.m.	Men's Devotion
Sunday	8:45 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
		Sunday School & Bible Study for all ages
	10:00 a.m.	Worship with Holy Communion
	11:00 a.m.	Fellowship (coffee & donuts)
		Handbells Rehearsal

🕈 Prayer Concerns 🕈

OUR MEMBERS

Charles Niemann—health concerns Marilyn Peterson—health concerns

LeeAnne Brumm—broken left foot, still on oxygen from COVID-19

Ken Gerardy—in therapy in Kansas City

OUR FAMILY & FRIENDS

Evelyn & Dick Clements & daughter, Pam Babcock

Ezra Elcock—serious health concerns (4½ mo. old great grandson of friend of Nancy Larson)

Bernie Wiegel—health concerns (Nancy Larson's cousin)

Jerry Hawk—serious health concerns (choir member)

Warren & Diane Lichthardt—serious health concerns (Jan Lacas' sister and brother-in-law)

Mike Holmes—health concerns (friend of Wendy Blomberg)

Steve O'Connor—hospitalized with COVID (friend of Wendy Blomberg)

Larry Wilson – severe health problems (friend of Wendy Blomberg)

PRAYING FOR ONE ANOTHER—Central States Synod

St. Andrew, Poplar Bluff, MO; Glorii Dei, Kansas City, MO; Excelsior, Wilson, KS; Bethany, Webster Groves, MO.

CONTINUED PRAYERS

Shirley Clark

Mary Beth Fair

Georgi Anne

Shirley Hamm

Linda Harris

Marianne Howley

Linda Kimberling

Joel Luna

Mike Page

Ron Roberts

Ellie Torres

Joan Wilken

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

Matt Lee

Jordan Lindeman

Glenn Maddock

Tristan Morgan

Adam Peterson

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR JANUARY 30

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 sound room. We invite you to stay for coffee and fellowship (and donuts!) after the service. If you are visiting for the first time or searching for a church home, please include your address and phone number on the Red Friendship Pad and let us know. First time here? Please introduce yourself to Pastor at the end of the service.

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are given by Ray and Kathrine Lacroix in celebration of

God's Love.

CARE CORE for January is Joyce Burke, 712-298-0993; for February is Cindy Mohling, 319-269-9853.

<u>COMMUNITY FOR CHRIST</u> needs volunteers for February 8, 10 and 12. The sign-up sheet is posted. Thanks to all those who will assist.

WELCA will meet on Tuesday, February 1st, at 11A.M for its monthly meeting. See you there!

<u>THANK YOU & UPDATE FROM KENT KLOWNS</u> - Sally Burke previously reported the total offering as \$458.00 However, additional cash and checks were received this past Sunday bringing the total offering/donation to Ivy Bend Food Pantry to \$583.00. Thank you all for helping make our Noisy Offering a success.