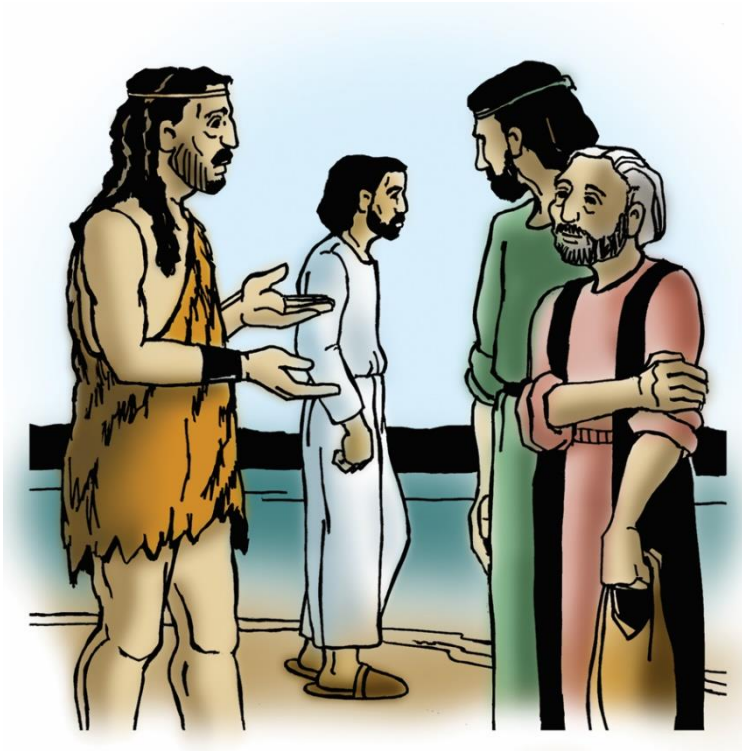


Welcome to
WEST CLERMONT LUTHERAN CHURCH
Member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
January 15, 2023



Worship 9:30am

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Second Sunday after Epiphany

January 15, 2023

INTRODUCTION

Today's gospel opens with further reflection on Jesus' baptism. He is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world and the one anointed by the Spirit. In the liturgy we come and see Christ revealed among us in word and meal. We go forth to invite others to come and worship the Holy One and to receive the gifts of grace and peace made known among us.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

GREETING

V: 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.**

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

WCLC MISSION STATEMENT: *As children of God, called to love God and one another, we proclaim the Word of God through study, prayer, worship, and discipleship. We serve those in need within our congregation, our community, and our world as an expression of God's love for us. LOVE, PROCLAIM, SERVE!*

GATHERING MUSIC: *Christ, Be Our Light* ELW 715

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

V: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who makes all things new, whose mercy endures forever.

C: **Amen.**

V: Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin.

Holy One, source of our renewal,

C: **we confess that we are wrapped up in sin, and cannot free ourselves. We have not practiced your righteousness.**

Our hearts have turned away from you. For the sake of the world you so love, forgive us, that we may be reconciled to one another for the glory of your holy name. Amen.

V: Thus says our God: "The former things have come to pass and new things I now declare." God's mercy makes us new. We are forgiven in the name of † Christ our Savior. C: **Amen.**

KYRIE

ELW pg. 120

CANTICLE OF PRAISE *Glory to God....* ELW pg. 121

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Holy God, our strength and our redeemer, by your Spirit hold us forever, that through your grace we may worship you and faithfully serve you, follow you and joyfully find you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

NOISY CAN OFFERING

SPECIAL MUSIC: *WCLC Choir*

WORD

First Reading: Isaiah 49:1-7

¹Listen to me, O coastlands, pay attention, you peoples from far away! The LORD called me before I was born, while I was in my mother's womb he named me. ²He made my mouth like a sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away. ³And he said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified." ⁴But I said, "I have labored in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the LORD, and my reward with my God."

⁵And now the LORD says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honored in the sight of the LORD, and my God has become my strength— ⁶he says, "It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth."

⁷Thus says the LORD, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers, "Kings shall see and stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the LORD, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."

R: *The Word of the Lord.*

C: **Thanks be to God!**

Psalm: 40:1-11 (Responsively)

¹I waited patiently upon the LORD, who stooped to me and heard my cry.

²**The LORD lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a high cliff, making my footing sure.**

³The LORD put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God; many shall see, and stand in awe, and put their trust in the LORD.

⁴**Happy are they who trust in the LORD! They do not turn to enemies or to those who follow lies.**

⁵Great are the wonders you have done, O LORD my God! In your plans for us, none can be compared with you! Oh, that I could make them known and tell them! But they are more than I can count.

⁶**Sacrifice and offering you do not desire; you have opened my ears: burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required.**

⁷And so I said, “Here I am; I come.

In the scroll of the book it is written of me:

⁸**‘I love to do your will, O my God; your law is deep within me.’”**

⁹I proclaimed righteousness in the great assembly; I have not restrained my lips, O LORD, you know.

¹⁰**I have not hidden your righteousness in my heart; I have spoken of your faithfulness and your deliverance; I have not concealed your steadfast love and truth from the great assembly.**

¹¹You are the LORD; do not withhold your compassion from me; may your steadfast love and your truth continually keep me safe.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:1-9

¹Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes,

²To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: ³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, ⁵for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind—⁶just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you—⁷so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁸He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

R: *The Word of the Lord.*

C: **Thanks be to God!**

Gospel Acclamation: *Alleluia.....*

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Gospel: John 1:29-42

V: The Holy Gospel according to John.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁹[John the Baptist] saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!”³⁰This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’³¹I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.”³²And John testified, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him.”³³I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’³⁴And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.”

³⁵The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples,³⁶and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, “Look, here is the Lamb of God!”³⁷The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus.³⁸When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, “What are you looking for?” They said to him, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?”³⁹He said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon.⁴⁰One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother.⁴¹He first found his brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated Anointed).⁴²He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas” (which is translated Peter).

V: *The gospel of the Lord.*

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN’S SERMON

YOUTH & TEACHERS RELEASED FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL

SERMON

Vicar Micheal Erickson

HYMN OF THE DAY: *Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song* **ELW 808**

***APOSTLES’ 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 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.**

***INTERCESSIONS**

V: Merciful God, **C:** receive our prayer.

***WE SHARE GOD'S PEACE**

V: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

V: Let us offer each other a sign of peace.

OFFERING

OFFERING HYMN: *Now the Silence* **ELW 460**

OFFERING PRAYER:

V: Liberating God, you break the bonds of injustice and let the oppressed go free. Receive these offerings in thanksgiving for all your works of merciful power, and shape us as people of your justice and freedom. You we magnify and adore, through Jesus our Savior,

C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

V: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**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.**

SENDING

BLESSING

V: The God who faithfully brings forth justice and breaks the oppressor's rod
✠ bless, strengthen, and uphold you, today and always.

C: Amen.

SENDING MUSIC: *Arise, Your Light Has Come!* ELW 314

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Follow the way of Jesus. **C: Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

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Prayer List

Requested: Jeanette (Davisson) Cain, Bob Kress, Don Erickson, Ken Erickson, Jake Noggle, Karen Guyer, Lynzee Henrikson-Makowski, Karen Kohls, Ardell Fortune, Inez Oakland, Jerry Erickson, Julie Albertson, Danice Cummings.

Assisted Living, Nursing Homes & Shut-Ins: Millard Nelson, Betty Erickson, Gail Herman, John Yauslin, Marilyn Knutsen, Marilyn Shipton, Bud Siebrecht, Karen Follett, Rodney Guyer.

In the Military: Jeff Kleppe, Nathan Guyer, Major Stephanie Wilkins, Kennedy White.

Sunday, January 8, 2023

Loose: \$41.01

Initial: \$20.00

Regular: \$1,255.00

Total General Fund: \$2,391.66

Building Fund/Roof: \$180.00

Attendance: 47

Copies: \$11.25

Paint Project: \$1,025.00

Noisy Can: \$39.40



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| Mon. | 1/16 | 6pm | Community Club Mtg. |
| Tues. | 1/17 | 9am | Quilting |
| Wed. | 1/11 | 9am | Sarah Circle |
| | | 1pm | Mary Circle |
| | | 2pm | Ruth Circle |
| | | 2:30pm | Confirmation Class |
| Sun. | 1/22 | 9:30am | Worship Service |
| | | | Holy Communion |
| | | | Sunday School |
| | | 10:30am | Fellowship |
| | | 6:00pm | Sunday Mtg. |



Annual Meeting is TODAY FOLLOWING SERVICE

Paint Project Donations and Matching Gift. Double your donation! Thanks to the kindness of an anonymous donor; beginning December 11th, all paint project donations will be matched (up to \$10,000 in new donations).

Bread Providers Needed. If you would like to provide bread for communion, please let the office know ASAP. **Right now, we only have one person.**



2023 Offering Envelopes are available for pickup in the back of church.



The **Luther League Drive-Thru Meatball Dinner** will be held on Sunday, February 12th from 10:30am-12:30pm or until sold out. Free will offering to go toward youth activities. Serving: Spaghetti with homemade meatballs, garlic bread, green beans, and dessert.



Shechem Luther League will host a **Pancake Supper & Bake Sale** on Wednesday, January 25th @ the West Union Events Center. Cost is \$10 per person. Serving: Pancakes and sausage with beverage.