

Black Forest Lutheran Church

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Third Sunday after Epiphany/January 24, 2021

GATHERING

Prelude and Announcements

*Gathering Hymn *Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

1. Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise, the glories of my God and king, the triumphs of his grace!
2. My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim, to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of your name.
3. Look unto him, your Savior own, O fallen human race! Look and be saved through faith alone, be justified by grace!
4. To God all glory, praise and love be now and ever giv'n by saints below and saints above, the church in earth and heav'n.

Kyrie P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Cong: Lord, have mercy.**

P: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord. **Cong: Lord, have mercy.**

P: 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.

Cong: Lord, have mercy.

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

Cong: Lord, have mercy.

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

Cong: Amen

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, you sent your Son to proclaim your kingdom and to teach with authority. Anoint us with the power of your Spirit, that we, too, may bring good news to the afflicted, bind up the brokenhearted, and proclaim liberty to the captive; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

WORD

Children's Sermon *Children please stay with parents.* Jacob Oglesby

First Reading Jonah 3:1-5, 10

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

*Gospel Acclamation *Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?*

You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.

*Congregation please stand.

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Gospel

Mark 1:14-20

Response: **Thanks be to God**

Sermon

Follow Me

Pastor Ken

*Hymn of the Day

Will You Come and Follow Me

1. "Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known,
will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?"
2. "Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare, should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer pray'r in you and you in me?"
3. "Will you love the you you hide if I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around,
through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?"
4. Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.
In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

Apostles' Creed

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

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.

Prayers of Intercession

Response: **Hear our prayer**

MEAL

Offering Prayer

P: Let us pray.

P: Merciful Father,

C: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us-ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Great Thanksgiving

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 him thanks and praise.

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power 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!

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.

Distribution Hymns *See communion instructions.*

Insert

*Prayer after Communion

Benediction

*Sending Song *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

1. Come, thou Fount of ev'ry blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace; streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. While the hope of endless glory fills my heart with joy and love, teach me ever to adore thee; may still thy goodness prove.
2. Here I raise my Ebenezer*; "Hither by thy help I've come"; and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God; he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.
3. Oh, to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be; let that grace now like a fetter bind my wandering heart to thee. Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it; Prone to leave the God I love. Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above.

*Ebenezer means rock of help.

**Dismissal
Postlude**

Response: **Thanks be to God**