



Faith Lutheran Church

Faithfully Growing, Welcoming, and Caring through Christ

Sunday, February 3, 2019

**The 4th Sunday
after Epiphany**

9:30 am

LOVE IS PATIENT
LOVE IS KIND
IT DOES NOT ENVY
IT DOES NOT BOAST
IT IS NOT RUDE
IT IS NOT SELF-SEEKING
IT IS NOT EASILY ANGERED
IT KEEPS NO RECORD OF WRONGS
LOVE DOES NOT DELIGHT IN EVIL
BUT REJOICES WITH THE TRUTH
IT ALWAYS PROTECTS
ALWAYS TRUSTS
ALWAYS HOPES
ALWAYS PERSEVERES
LOVE NEVER FAILS

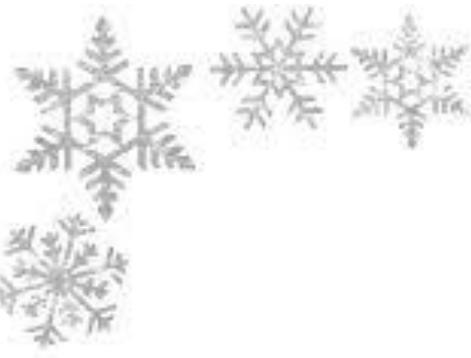
1ST CORINTHIANS 13:4-8



PRELUDE

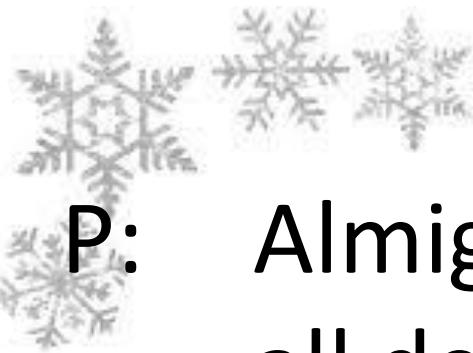
WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS



CONFESSiON AND FORGIVENESS

- P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, \dagger one God,
who forgives all our sin, whose mercy
endures forever.
- C: Amen.



P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

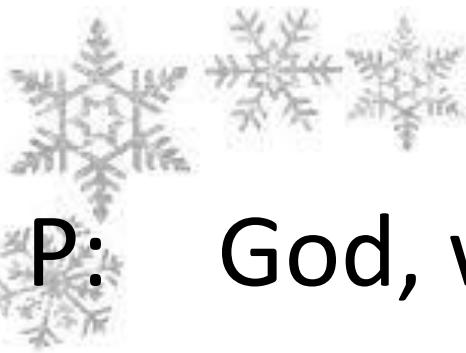
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P:

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Gracious God, **have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do.**



**Turn us again to you, and uphold
us by your Spirit, so that we may
live and serve you in newness of
life through Jesus Christ, our
Savior and Lord. Amen.**



P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C: Amen.



OPENING SONG “*Son of God, Eternal Savior*”

**Son of God, eternal Savior,
source of life and truth and grace,
Word made flesh, whose birth among us
hallows all our human race,
you our head, who, throned in glory,
for your own will ever plead:
fill us with your love and pity,
heal our wrong, and help our need.**

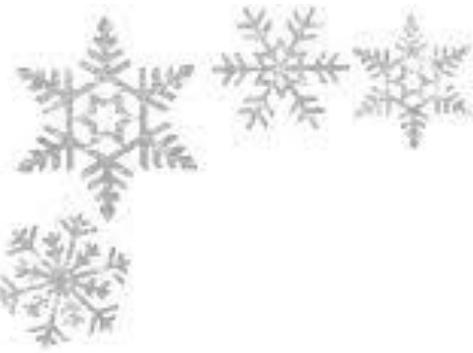


**As you, Lord, have lived for others,
so may we for others live.
Freely have your gifts been granted;
freely may your servants give.
Yours the gold and yours the silver,
yours the wealth of land and sea;
we but stewards of your bounty
held in solemn trust will be.**



Come, O Christ, and reign among us,
King of love and Prince of peace;
hush the storm of strife and passion,
bid its cruel discords cease.

By your patient years of toiling,
by your silent hours of pain,
quench our fevered thirst of pleasure,
stem our selfish greed of gain.



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

INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

P: 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.

C: Amen.

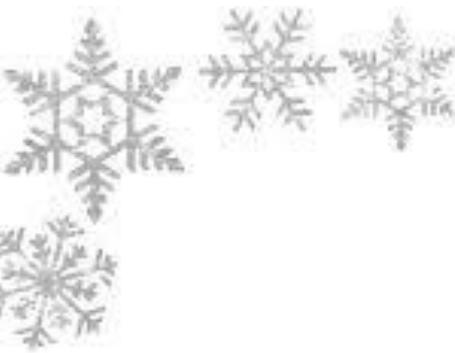


PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray. (*A brief silence.*)

Almighty and ever-living God,

C: 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 Church

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 1:4-10

A reading from Jeremiah, the 1st chapter.

Now the word of the LORD came to me saying, “Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations.” Then I said, “Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy.” But the LORD said to me, “Do not say, ‘I am only a boy’; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you.

Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the LORD.” Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me, “Now I have put my words in your mouth. See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant.”

R:Word of God, word of life.

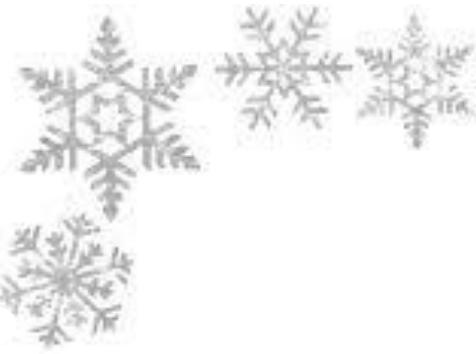
C:Thanks be to God.



A Responsive Reading From Psalm 71

R:In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame.

C:In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free; incline your ear to me and save me.



R:Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe;
you are my crag and my stronghold.

C:Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the
wicked, from the clutches of the evildoer and
the oppressor.



R:For you are my hope, O Lord GOD, my confidence since I was young.

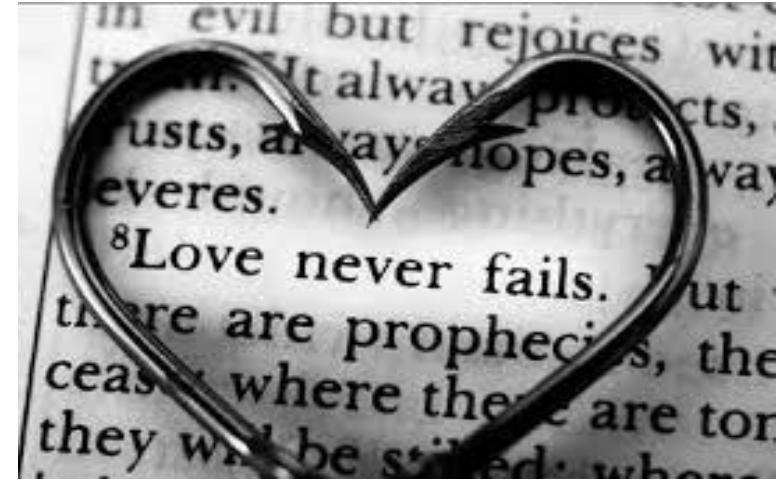
C:**I have been sustained by you ever since I was born; from my mother's womb you have been my strength; my praise shall be always of you.**

SECOND READING:

1 Corinthians 13:1-13

A reading from 1st Corinthians,
the 13th chapter.

If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal.
And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing.



If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing. Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end.

For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

R:Word of God, word of life.

C:Thanks be to God.



“ALLELUIA”

A musical staff with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The notes are quarter notes and eighth notes, starting with a dotted half note.

Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav-ing word.

A musical staff with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The notes are quarter notes and eighth notes, starting with a dotted half note.

Let it burn like fire with-in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.

A musical staff with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The notes are quarter notes and eighth notes, starting with a dotted half note.

Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

GOSPEL: Luke 4:21-30

P: The holy gospel according to Luke.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Then Jesus began to say to all in the synagogue in Nazareth, “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.” All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, “Is not this Joseph’s son?” He said to them, “Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, ‘Doctor, cure yourself!’”

And you will say, ‘Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.’ ” And he said, “Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet’s hometown. But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon.

There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian.” When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**



SERMON

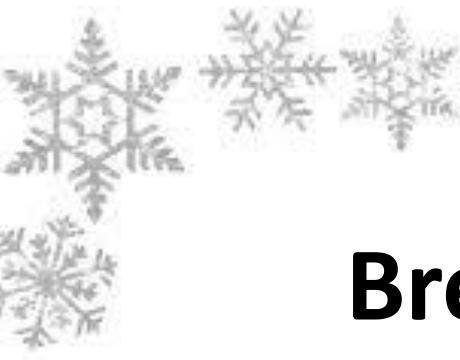
Pastor John Heins



HYMN OF THE DAY

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

**Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heav'n, to earth come down!
Fix in us thy humble dwelling,
all thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, thou art all compassion,
pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation,
enter ev'ry trembling heart.**



**Breathe, oh, breathe thy loving Spirit
into ev'ry troubled breast;
let us all in thee inherit;
let us find thy promised rest.

Take away the love of sinning;
Alpha and Omega be;
end of faith, as its beginning,
set our hearts at liberty.**



**Come, Almighty, to deliver;
let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return, and never,
nevermore thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray, and praise thee without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.**



THE 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.**



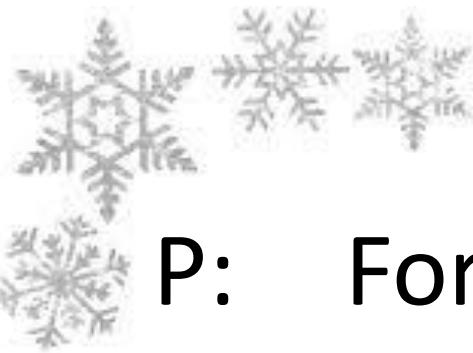
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.



PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

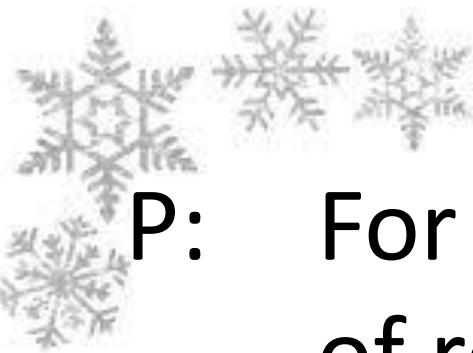
P: United as one body in Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.
(A brief silence.) We pray for the church. Inspire us by your Spirit as we respond to your call. When we are reluctant, strengthen us; when we are doubtful, encourage us. Above all, let your love shine through us. Lord, in your mercy,

C: **hear our prayer.**

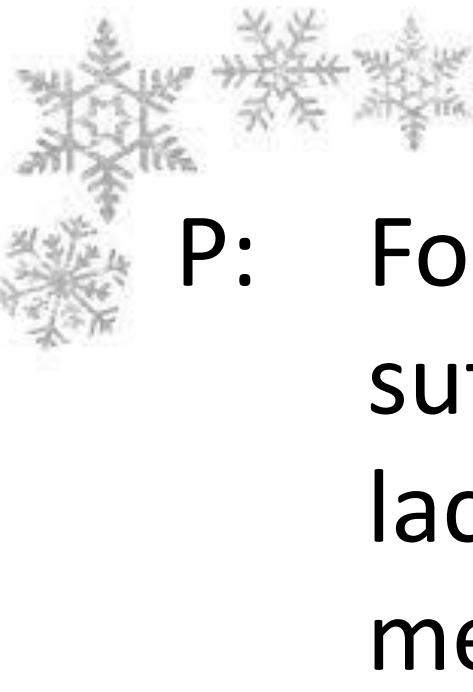


P: For the earth. For mountains and prairies, cities and farms, rain forests and deserts. Awaken us to the mystery and diversity of your creation. Nurture all living things and protect your creation from harm. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

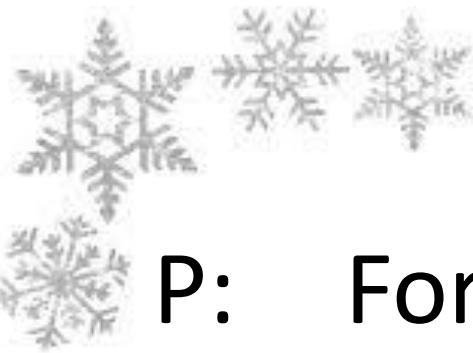


P: For the nations. Kindle within us a spirit of respect for one another. Protect those fleeing their homes to escape danger or oppression. Bring peace to communities torn apart by warfare and violence.
Lord, in your mercy,
C: hear our prayer.



P: For those in need. Protect those who suffer abuse and encourage those who lack hope. Guide all who provide medical care. Comfort those who grieve and bring healing to the sick (*especially*). Lord, in your mercy,

C: **hear our prayer.**



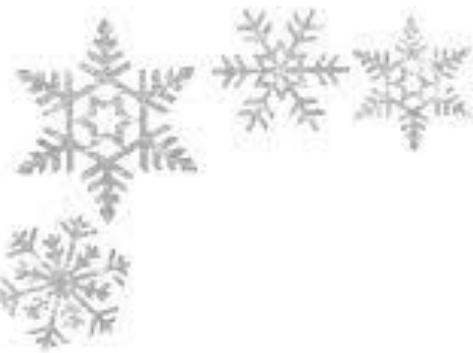
P: For this assembly. Bless our children and our elders. Gather us into a community guided by your love. Inspire in us a spirit of hospitality and kindness. Teach us to bear one another's burdens with compassion. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.



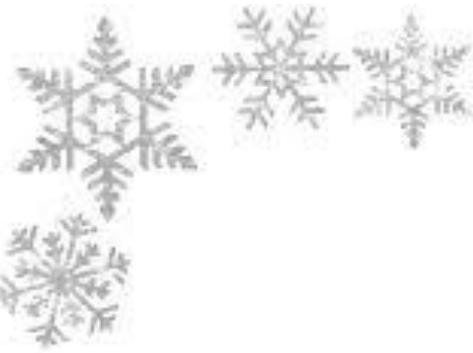
P: We give thanks for those who have gone before us in faith, and who now see you face-to-face. Inspire us by their example and bring us into your everlasting presence. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.



P: Receive our prayers and fill us with
the radiance of your love; through
Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.



SHARING PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.
C: And also with you.



VIDEO DURING OFFERTORY

“Joy”

by For King & Country



OFFERTORY RESPONSE

Musical notation for the Offertory Response, featuring a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp, and a time signature of common time. The music consists of two staves of eight measures each, with a fermata over the eighth note of the first staff.

1 We give thee but thine own, what - e'er the gift may be;
2 May we thy boun - ties thus as stew - ards true re - ceive,

Continuation of musical notation for the Offertory Response, featuring a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp, and a time signature of common time. The music consists of two staves of eight measures each, continuing from the previous staff.

all that we have is thine a - lone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.
and glad - ly, as thou bless - est us, to thee our first - fruits give.



OFFERING PRAYER

P: God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.



DIALOGUE

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

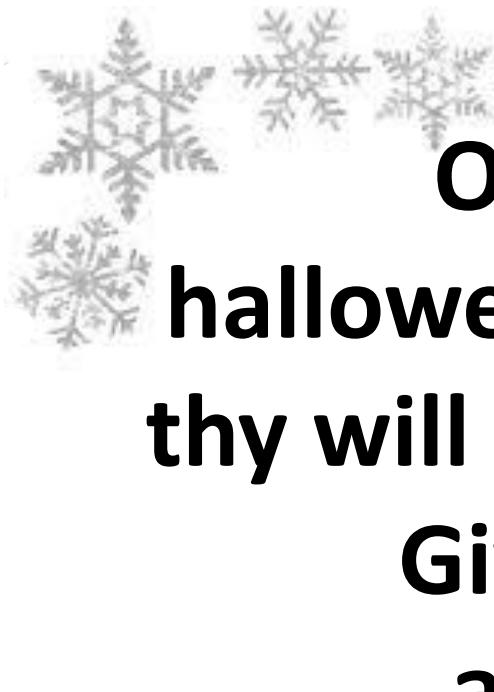
C: We lift them to the Lord.

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

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



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.



~ COMMUNION ~



PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: We thank you, O God, that you have fed us at your banquet table with bread and wine beyond compare, the very life of Christ for us. Send your Spirit with us now, that we may set the captive free, use your gifts to build one another up, and in everything reflect your glory revealed in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.



BLESSING

P: Almighty God, Father, + Son,
and Holy Spirit, bless you now
and forever.

C: Amen.



CLOSING HYMN *“On Our Way Rejoicing”*

On our way rejoicing
gladly let us go.
Christ our Lord has conquered;
vanquished is the foe.
Christ without, our safety;
Christ within, our joy;
who, if we be faithful,
can our hope destroy?



Refrain
On our way rejoicing;
as we forward move,
hearken to our praises,
O blest God of love!



**Unto God the Father
joyful songs we sing;
unto God the Savior
thankful hearts we bring;
unto God the Spirit
bow we and adore,
on our way rejoicing
now and evermore.**



Refrain
On our way rejoicing;
as we forward move,
hearken to our praises,
O blest God of love!



DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.



















