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Show Me Your Glory



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✠ Opening Prayer ✠

Hymn: TLH #132

"O God of God, O Light of Light"

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

C Amen.

P Pastor

C Congregation

Confession of Our Sins

We come before God recognizing that we are sinful and daily need His forgiveness.

P God is light and in Him 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 If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P Let us pray.

C Almighty God, merciful Father, we are sinful by nature, and have sinned against You in our thoughts, words, and actions. But we are sorry for our transgressions and pray You, of Your bountiful mercy, to be gracious and merciful unto us. Forgive us for Jesus' sake, renew us by Your Spirit, and lead us in the way everlasting. Amen.

Absolution from Our God

"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." (1 John 1:9)

P Jesus Christ is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world. We are forgiven. With boldness and confidence we may approach the throne to find grace to help in time of need. In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

Response

TLH #525:2,4

C ♪ For Thee, my God, the living God, My thirsty soul doth pine;
Oh, when shall I behold Thy face, Thou Majesty Divine?

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, The God whom we adore,
Be glory as it was, is now, And shall be evermore.

The Introit

Ps. 66:1-5, 20; 92:1

A collection of passages that set the tone for the service.

- P** All the earth worships you and sings praises to you; they sing praises to your name.
- G** **It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to your name, O Most High.**
- P** Shout for joy to God, all the earth; sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise!
- G** **Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! So great is your power that your enemies come cringing to you.**
- P** All the earth worships you and sings praises to you; they sing praises to your name."
- G** **Come and see what God has done: he is awesome in his deeds toward the children of man.**
- P** Blessed be God, because he has not rejected my prayer or removed his steadfast love from me!

Collect Prayer of the Day

A prayer to God that collects together the thoughts and theme of the day.

- P** Almighty and everlasting God, who governs all things in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the prayers of Your people and grant us Your peace through all our days; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- G** **Amen.**



Exodus 33:12-23

Moses said to the LORD, "See, you say to me, 'Bring up this people,' but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, 'I know you by name, and you have also found favor in my sight.' ¹³ Now therefore, if I have found favor in your sight, please show me now your ways, that I may know you in order to find favor in your sight. Consider too that this nation is your people." ¹⁴ And he said, "My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." ¹⁵ And he said to him, "If your presence will not go with me, do not bring us up from here. ¹⁶ For how shall it be known that I have found favor

in your sight, I and your people? Is it not in your going with us, so that we are distinct, I and your people, from every other people on the face of the earth?" ¹⁷ And the LORD said to Moses, "This very thing that you have spoken I will do, for you have found favor in my sight, and I know you by name." ¹⁸ Moses said, "Please show me your glory." ¹⁹ And he said, "I will make all my goodness pass before you and will proclaim before you my name 'The LORD.' And I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy." ²⁰ But," he said, "you cannot see my face, for man shall not see me and live." ²¹ And the LORD said, "Behold, there is a place by me where you shall stand on the rock, ²² and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by. ²³ Then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back, but my face shall not be seen."



Romans 12:6-16

Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if

prophecy, in proportion to our faith; ⁷ if service, in our serving; the one who teaches, in his teaching; ⁸ the one who exhorts, in his exhortation; the one who contributes, in generosity; the one who leads, with zeal; the one who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness. ⁹ Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. ¹⁰ Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. ¹¹ Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. ¹² Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. ¹³ Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality. ¹⁴ Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵ Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. ¹⁶ Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be wise in your own sight.

PRESENT YOUR
BODIES AS A
LIVING
SACRIFICE.

HOLY
—AND—
ACCEPTABLE
TO GOD.
ROMANS 12:1, ESV

I BELIEVE...

in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;

I believe in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; the Holy Christian Church, the Communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Hymn: TLH #403

"Savior, Thy Dying Love"

✠ The Sermon ✠



John 2:1-12

On the third day there was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was

there. ² Jesus also was invited to the wedding with his disciples. ³ When the wine ran out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." ⁴ And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what does this have to do with me? My hour has not yet come." ⁵ His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." ⁶ Now there were six stone water jars there for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷ Jesus said to the servants, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸ And he said to them, "Now draw some out and take it to the master of the feast." So they took it. ⁹ When the master of the feast tasted the water now become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the master of the feast called the bridegroom ¹⁰ and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and when people have drunk freely, then the poor wine. But you have kept the good wine

until now." ¹¹ This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory. And his disciples believed in him. ¹² After this he went down to Capernaum, with his mother and his brothers and his disciples, and they stayed there for a few days.

Jesus Gives the Best Gifts



The Offertory

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- C** *♩ Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Your presence. Take not Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation. Uphold with Your Spirit free.*

✠ The Offering of Thankful Hearts ✠

Hymn: TLH #134

"Songs of Thankfulness and Praise"

✠ The General Prayer & The Lord's Prayer ✠

The Benediction

Numbers 6:24-26

The blessing given by God for His people.

- P** The LORD bless you and keep you; The LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you; The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you His peace.
- C Amen!**

Hymn: TLH #20

"God of Mercy, God of Grace"



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Annual Meeting – The voting members of St. John's are invited and encouraged to attend the Annual Voters' Meeting today after the noon potluck meal. Besides regular Board reports, Agenda items will include: CBP estimate, worship schedule for Lent/Easter, April Quarterly Meeting date.

Announcement from the Treasurer – We've reached our fiscal year budgeted amount for the CLC CBP. You are still free to designate your offerings to the CLC General Fund if you wish, any further offerings will just be over and above what we budgeted for the present fiscal year.

Birth Announcement – Last weekend, Jeremy and Stephanie Appel were blessed with the birth of a healthy baby girl. Julie Joy Appel, born 1/11/2025, will be brought to God's baptismal waters next Sunday, 1/26/2025. Praise the Lord!

Mission Helper Trip Applications Closed – Applications are closed for the 2025 trip to Nepal. Larry Boernsen will be representing our congregation on the trip this summer, please pray that the Lord would bless his preparations!

CLC Call News – Pastor Paul Krause of Trinity Lutheran Church and School, Watertown, SD and Zion Lutheran Church, Hidewood Township, SD has **received** the call to St. Stephen Lutheran Church and School, Mountain View, CA. <> Sam Naumann of Eau Claire, WI has **received** the call to Faith Lutheran Church, Manchester, MO. <> Teacher Claire Abbas of Berea Lutheran School, Inver Grove Heights, MN has **received** the call to Trinity Lutheran School, Watertown, SD.

Ushers	1/19	Trevor B, Tim Z, Josh E, Christian K, David R.
	1/26	Kendall B, Larry B.
	2/2	Phil S, Nathan V, Anthony F, Daniel R.
Cleaning	This Week – Boernsen, Boernsen (wk. 2)	
	Up Next – Lueck, Liepold	

Daily Bible Readings for Home Devotions

January 20th – 25th, 2025

"Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path."

-Psalm 119:105

Mon John 1:43-51 Jesus finds Philip. Philip finds Nathanael, but Jesus had already found him, too, under the fig tree. Moses and the prophets reveal the promised One, but Jesus will open their eyes to much more.

Tues Romans 5:1-5 Through the forgiveness of sins, Jesus brings us peace with God and confident joy. This joy remains also in times of suffering, for God, in His love, causes even suffering to serve for our good.

Wed Genesis 14:8-20 Abram rescues his nephew Lot, along with many others. Melchizedek expresses gratitude to him and to God most high, the Creator of heaven and earth, who gave the victory to Abram.

Thurs Isaiah 61:1-6 The Spirit of the Lord God rests upon His Servant, the Anointed (v1), and He preaches spiritual freedom and healing brought about by Jesus (Lk4:21). Great blessings result for God's people!

Fri 1 Thessalonians 5:6-9 Seeing that God has caused the day of salvation to dawn through Christ Jesus, let us remain alert and sober, walking in the faith, love, and hope which He has given to us.

Sat Joshua 1:7-9 As the Lord prepares Joshua to lead the people into the promised land, He urges him to meditate on the Word given through Moses, and He promises to be with him wherever he goes.