# FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH



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# Welcome to Worship

# January 28, 2024 — Epiphany Sunday 4

# **Today's Worship Ministers**

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#### **Check out Our Welcome Center**



Under the window to the Narthex .. We have offering plates and a bin for vision and purpose giving.

Weekly newsletters are available as well.

Coffee and other refreshments are available at the Narthex Coffee Stand.

# **Sunday Bible Study**

So That's My Bible

Begins Sunday, February 11

## Scout Troop 705 Pancake Supper

Tuesday, February 13th 5 PM to 7 PM

## Ash Wednesday

Wednesday, February 14th 6 PM worship

# Order of Service

# **Gathering**

Announcements, Prelude Confession and Forgiveness Peace

Opening Hymn: ELW #553 Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies

## **The Word**

Pastoral Greeting
Learn ACS Setting 12: The Kyrie
(Sung 1x)
Hymn of Praise (all verses)

# Prayer of the Day

Compassionate God, you gather the whole universe into your radiant presence and continually reveal your Son as our Savior. Bring wholeness to all that is broken and speak truth to us in our confusion, that all creation will see and know your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Deuteronomy 18:15-20
1 Corinthians 8:1-13
Learn ACS Setting 12: The Gospel Acclamation
(sung 1x)
Mark 1:21-28
Sermon

Hymn: ELW 611 I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say Apostles' Creed

#### **Prayers of Intercession**

Linda Ellison, Ila Roseberry, Kathi Cruce, Dean Sandstrom, Emily Agema, Gary Eyler, Cecil Lovdahl, Janet Lowe, Brian Elliott, Reva Stachinew, John Van Kirk, Hannah Taylor, Chris Camp

## Communion

Offering Prayer

Offering Refrain: ELW 481 Come to the Table

**Great Thanksgiving** 

Learn ACS Setting 12: "Holy, Holy, Holy"

(Sung 1x)

Lord's Prayer

Learn ACS Setting 12: "Be Known To Us"

(Sung 1x)

Distribution

Post-Communion Prayer

Hymn: ACS 1072 God, Bless the Hand

Benediction

Benediction Refrain: ELW 860 I'm So Glad, Jesus Lifted Me

(verse 1, Sung 1x)

Dismissal

# **Deuteronomy 18:15-20**

<sup>15</sup> "The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you shall heed such a prophet. <sup>16</sup> This is what you requested of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said, 'Let me not hear again the voice of the Lord my God or see this great fire any more, lest I die.' <sup>17</sup> Then the Lord replied to me, 'They are right in what they have said. <sup>18</sup> I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their own people; I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, who shall speak to them everything that I command. <sup>19</sup> Anyone who does not heed the words that the prophet shall speak in my name, I myself will hold accountable. <sup>20</sup> But any prophet who presumes to speak in my name a word that I have not commanded the prophet to speak or who speaks in the name of other gods, that prophet shall die.'

# 1 Corinthians 8:1-13

8 Now concerning food sacrificed to idols: we know that "all of us possess knowledge." Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up. 2 Anyone who claims to know something does not yet have the necessary knowledge, 3 but anyone who loves God is known by him.

4 Hence, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that "no idol in the world really exists" and that "there is no God but one." 5 Indeed, even though there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as in fact there are many gods and many lords— 6 yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

7 It is not everyone, however, who has this knowledge. Since some have become so accustomed to idols until now, they still think of the food they eat as food offered to an idol, and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. 8 "Food will not bring us close to God." We are no worse off if we do not eat and no better off if we do. 9 But take care that this liberty of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. 10 For if others see you, who possess knowledge, eating in the temple of an idol, might they not, since their conscience is weak, be encouraged to the point of eating food sacrificed to idols? 11 So by your knowledge the weak brother or sister for whom Christ died is destroyed. 12 But when you thus sin against brothers and sisters and wound their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. 13 Therefore, if food is a cause of their falling, I will never again eat meat, so that I may not cause one of them to fall.

#### Mark 1:21-28

21 They went to Capernaum, and when the Sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. 22 They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority and not as the scribes. 23 Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, 24 and he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God." 25 But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be quiet and come out of him!" 26 And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. 27 They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, "What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He[a] commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." 28 At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.