

**Third Sunday after Epiphany**  
**January 22, 2023**

Prelude / Bell

Welcome

Opening Song

*I Love to Tell the Story*

ELW 661

Confession and Forgiveness

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

**C: Amen.**

L: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen.**

L: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Gracious God,

**C: 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.**

L: 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: Thanks be to God. Amen! Amen! Amen!**

Sharing the Peace

Prayer

Reading

Isaiah 9:1-4

Responsive Reading

Psalm 27:1, 4-9

L: The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

**C: One thing I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after: to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in his temple.**

L: For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble; he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will set me high on a rock.

**C: Now my head is lifted up above my enemies all around me, and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy; I will sing and make melody to the Lord.**

L: Hear, O Lord, when I cry aloud, be gracious to me and answer me!

**C: "Come," my heart says, "seek his face!" Your face, Lord, do I seek.**

L: Do not hide your face from me. Do not turn your servant away in anger, you who have been my help. Do not cast me off, do not forsake me, O God of my salvation!

Reading

1 Corinthians 1:10-18

L: The Word of the Lord

**C: Thanks be to God**

Gospel Acclamation	Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil	ELW 512
Gospel Reading	Matthew 4:12-23	
L: The Gospel of the Lord.	<b>C: Glory to you, O Lord.</b> <b>C: Praise to you, O Christ</b>	
Message		
Hymn	<i>Will You Come and Follow Me</i>	ELW 798
Prayers		
Offering / Offertory	<i>A Fragrant Offering</i>	
The Great <a href="#">Thanksgiving</a>		
L: The Lord be with you.		
<b>C: And also with you.</b>		
L: Lift up your hearts.		
<b>C: We lift them to the Lord.</b>		
L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.		
<b>C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.</b>		
L: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. By the leading of a star he was shown forth to all nations; In the waters of the Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son; and in the miracle of the water turned to wine he revealed your glory. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:		
Hymn	<i>You Are Holy</i>	ELW 525
Words of Institution		
Lord's Prayer		
Communion		
Blessing / Benediction		
Closing Hymn	<i>Oh, For a Thousand Tongues to Sing</i>	ELW 886
Dismissal		
Bell / Postlude		

*You are a beloved child of God, deserving of love and respect and God is using you to care for the world.*

We Thank  
Ushers; Sound & Screen Techs  
Reader: Deb Friedrichs

January 22, 2023  
Pianist / Organist: RaNae Martinson

## Nordland's Week & Notices

Today 9:15 /10:30 Education & Fellowship / Communion Worship  
Wed. 6 / 6:30 pm Wed. Meal / Education & Confirmation  
Sat. 7:30 pm Youth Lock-In for grades 5<sup>th</sup> -10<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 pm at Nordland – Sun. Jan. 29.  
Bring your favorite food to share. Sign up on the youth bulletin board.  
Sun. 9:15 am Education & Fellowship with cake to celebrate Avie Hunt's Birthday!  
10:30 am Communion Worship & Annual Meeting  
11:30 am Baked Potato Dinner, Youth Fundraiser

Sign up to bring Wednesday night meals for youth, poster in the entryway. If two families want to work together to serve a Wednesday meal from 6 – 6:30 pm that would be great. Thanks! –Education Board

Nordland Lutheran Church Annual Meeting will be on Sunday, January 29, 2023 at 11:30 am and also a Baked Potato Dinner, youth fundraiser. Annual Reports are in church mailboxes today.

Moonlight Meander Sat. Feb. 4, from 7 – 9 pm at the Crow River Nature Park at 200 Burr Street, Paynesville. Trails will be lined with candle luminaries and the public is invited to walk in the park. Campfire stations and hot refreshments keep visitors warm while they enjoy free family fun. Alternative parking and access is at Grace United Methodist Church.

If you are interested in going to the Wilderness Canoe Base Feb. 9 – 12, talk to Pastor Mark.