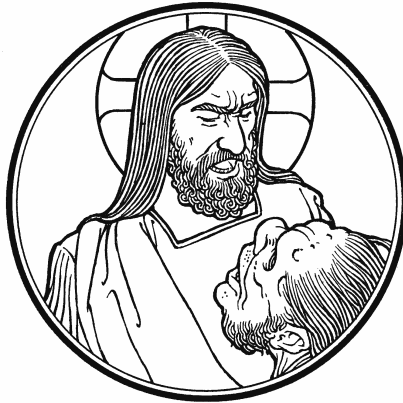


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Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

January 28, 2024



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Please pray for Roger Blum, Barbara Dahme, Gladys Felix, Harry and Fern Preston, Sheyenne Seely, Andrew & Cindy Ruenzel, Courtney Frohling, Dawn Dohn, Lorelei Hartung, Baelyn Schwab, Pam Dutenhoffer, Clayton and Karen Johnson, Dan Lingor, Viril Layton, Martha Jerke, Geraldine McIntire, Sandy Wolf, Barb Wacholz, Joanne Boldt, Myron Voegele, and Lynn.

Please inform the Pastor or the church office when you or a loved one is hospitalized.

Christ in Film (Ben-Hur): Join us on Wednesday evenings at 7pm thru March 6th for a study on the portrayal of Christ in film. We will be watching the 1959 version of Ben-Hur: A Tale of the Christ. We will watch and analyze the film as Christians should—drawing from what is good and true and discarding that which is contrary to God. This study will be led by DCE Michael Leapley. Class discussions will be livestreamed. Those watching class online will need to secure their own copy of the movie.

The Women's Bible Study is transitioning to Zoom on Wednesdays at 5:15 p.m. for the next few months. The group is finishing up Donna Snow's book, Chosen, and will begin a different book soon. All women are welcome to join in the Bible Study via the following link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83599566152> or log on to Zoom and enter the following meeting ID: 835 9956 6152

Soup/Chili Cook-off: Sunday, Feb. 4 at 12:15 pm. Come bring your soup, chili, or dessert and let the voters decide which is the best! This may be the year where your soup or dessert reigns supreme. We'll find out on the 4th. All proceeds will go towards the St. Paul's youth group so our kids can continue to learn about Jesus. Please contact DCE Michael Leapley at michaell@stpaulsaberdeen.org to submit your soup or dessert.

Looking for anyone who plays brass instruments, please contact Pastor Drevlow or the church office.

Thank you for all your prayers this past year! My heart procedure went well. Hope to see you soon. Gloria Anderson

Please sign the fellowship booklet attendance.

MAIN STREET LIVING – Feb. 4, 2024 KDLT (NBC) This the Life –
10:00 AM – “Which Way Grows the Vine” **10:30 AM – Worship** –
 TBA. For more information go to the web site:
www.mainstreetliving.com.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR – Feb. 4, 2024 “Nature Abhors a Vacuum”
 The Lutheran Hour can be heard on KAWZ 88.1 at 9:00 am or
 Bismarck radio station KFYZ at 7:30 am on Sundays.

The February newsletter is now on-line. To view – go to St. Paul’s
 website, click the news tab and select church newsletters – February.

Organist: Sunday – Cyrece Kono **Wed** – Cindy Jung

Offering: January 21, 2024 - \$16,783.00
 Coffee - \$110.00 Sunday School - \$14.00 Missions - \$73.00
Amount to meet budget: \$12,569.00 per week

Sunday Attendance: January 21: 8:00 am - 93 Communed - 82
 10:45 am – 103 - Communed - 82 Wed. - 28 Communed - 22
 Bible Study: Sun. –69 Wed 10am – 5 5:15pm – 5 7pm - 9

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL’S: (Jan. 28 – Feb. 4)

Sun 8:00 am Worship Service
 9:30 am Bible Study, Donuts and Coffee
 9:30 am Sunday School
10:45 am Worship Service
 5-7:00 pm Youth Group Meeting

Wed 10:00 am Bible study
 5:15 pm Women’s Bible Study – Zoom
 5:15 pm Altar Guild Meeting
6:15 pm Worship Service
 7:00 pm Confirmation
 7:00 pm Christ in Film Bible Study

Thurs 9:00 am Quilting
 6:30 pm Preschool Board meeting

Sun 8:00 am Worship Service
 9:30 am Bible Study/Coffee & Donuts
 9:30 am Sunday School
10:45 am Worship Service
 12:15 pm Soup/Dessert Cook-off

Psalm *Psalm 111; antiphon: v. 3*

P: ¹Praise the LORD!

**C: I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart,
in the company of the upright, in the congregation.**

P: ²Great are the works of the LORD,

C: studied by all who delight in them.

P: ³Full of splendor and majesty is his work,

C: and his righteousness endures forever.

P: ⁴He has caused his wondrous works to be remembered;

C: the LORD is gracious and merciful.

P: ⁵He provides food for those who fear him;

C: he remembers his covenant forever.

P: ⁶He has shown his people the power of his works,

C: in giving them the inheritance of the nations.

P: ⁷The works of his hands are faithful and just;

C: all his precepts are trustworthy;

P: ⁸they are established forever and ever,

C: to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.

P: ⁹He sent redemption to his people;

C: he has commanded his covenant forever.

Holy and awesome is his name!

P: ¹⁰The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom;

**C: all those who practice it have a good understanding.
His praise endures forever!**

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, You know we live in the midst of so many dangers that in our frailty we cannot stand upright. Grant strength and protection to support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading *Deuteronomy 18:15–20*

¹⁵“The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your brothers—it is to him you shall listen—¹⁶just as you desired 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.’¹⁷And the LORD said to me, ‘They are right in what they have spoken.¹⁸I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their brothers. And I will put my words in his mouth, and he shall speak to them all that I command him.¹⁹And whoever will not listen to my words that he shall speak in my name, I myself will require it of him.²⁰But the prophet who presumes to speak a word in my name that I have not commanded him to speak, or who speaks in the name of other gods, that same prophet shall die.’”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual *Psalms 117:1–2a; 96:8*

P: Praise the LORD, all nations!

C: Extol him, all peoples!

P: For great is his steadfast love toward us,

C: and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever.

P: Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;

C: bring an offering, and come into his courts!

Epistle *1 Corinthians 8:1–13*

¹Concerning food offered to idols: we know that “all of us possess knowledge.” This “knowledge” puffs up, but love builds up. ²If anyone imagines that he knows something, he does not yet know as he ought to know. ³But if anyone loves God, he is known by God.

⁴Therefore, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that “an idol has no real existence,” and that “there is no God but one.” ⁵For although there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as indeed there are many “gods” and many “lords”—⁶yet 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.

⁷However, not all possess this knowledge. But some, through former association with idols, eat food as really offered to an idol, and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. ⁸Food will not commend us to God. We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. ⁹But take care that this right of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. ¹⁰For if anyone sees you who have knowledge eating in an idol's temple, will he not be encouraged, if his conscience is weak, to eat food offered to idols? ¹¹And so by your knowledge this weak person is destroyed, the brother for whom Christ died. ¹²Thus, sinning against your brothers and wounding their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. ¹³Therefore, if food makes my brother stumble, I will never eat meat, lest I make my brother stumble.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel *Mark 1:21–28*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

C²¹They went into Capernaum, and immediately on the Sabbath [Jesus] entered the synagogue and was teaching. ²²And they were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one who had authority, and not as the scribes. ²³And immediately there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit. And he cried out, ²⁴“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.” ²⁵But Jesus rebuked him, saying, “Be silent, and come out of him!” ²⁶And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying out with a loud voice, came out of him. ²⁷And they were all amazed, so that they questioned among themselves, saying, “What is this? A new teaching with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him.” ²⁸And at once his fame spread everywhere throughout all the surrounding region of Galilee.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Catechetical Review - The Fifth Petition

C: Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

P: What does this mean?

C: We pray in this petition that our Father in heaven would not look at our sins, or deny our prayer because of them. We are neither worthy of the things for which we pray, nor have we deserved them, but we ask that He would give them all to us by grace, for we daily sin much and surely deserve nothing but punishment. So we too will sincerely forgive and gladly do good to those who sin against us.