St. Luke Lutheran Church • Pastor Eric Hanson 6:45PM • January 26, 2022

Welcome and Announcements

Gathering Hymn: "Lord I Lift Your Name On High" 2X #857 Lord I lift Your name on high. Lord I love to sing Your praises. I'm so glad You're in my life. I'm so glad You came to save us

Pianist, Debbi St. John

CHORUS: You came from heaven to earth. To show the way. From the earth to the cross. My debt to pay. From the cross to the grave. From the grave to the sky. Lord I lift Your name on high.

Confession and Forgiveness:

P: We confess our sins together, in the name of the Father, and of the Son +, and of the Holy Spirit.

- C: God of all Mercy, come to our aid. When we hide brokenness and only show you wholeness, forgive us. When we cover shame and guilt with pride and pretense, forgive us. When we point out the speck in our neighbor's eye but ignore the log in our own eye, forgive us. When we choose old, harmful ways of living over new, live-giving ways, forgive us. Transform us by the power of your Spirit, Lord God, & make us New.
- P: Children of God, God loved us even when we were dead in sin, & makes us new through Jesus Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Live as people set free. **Amen.**

Reading: Ecclesiastes 1:12-15, 7:13-14, 12:13-14 read by Ethan O'Reilly

^{1:12} I, the Teacher, was king over Israel in Jerusalem. ¹³ I applied my mind to study and to explore by wisdom all that is done under the heavens. What a heavy burden God has laid on mankind! ¹⁴ I have seen all the things that are done under the sun; all of them are meaningless, a chasing after the wind. ¹⁵ What is crooked cannot be straightened; what is lacking cannot be counted.

^{7:13} Consider what God has done: Who can straighten what he has made crooked? ¹⁴ When times are good, be happy; but when times are bad, consider this: God has made the one as well as the other. Therefore, no one can discover anything about their future.

^{12:13}Now all has been heard; here is the conclusion of the matter: Fear God and keep his commandments, for this is the duty of all mankind. ¹⁴For God will bring every deed into judgment, including every hidden thing, whether it is good or evil.

Student Messages: by Ethan O'Reilly

What is the meaning of life for you?

Teaching: Pastor Eric Hanson

Song of the Day: "Jesus Name Above All Names"

- Vs. 1: Jesus, name above all names, beautiful Savior, glorious Lord. Emmanuel, God is with us, blessed Redeemer, Living Word.
- Vs. 2: Jesus, loving Shepherd, Vine of the branches, Son of God. Prince of Peace, Wonderful Counselor, Lord of the universe, Light of the world.
- Vs. 3: Jesus, way of salvation King of Kings, Lord of Lords. The Way, the truth, and the life Mighty Creator, My Savior and Friend.

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, & 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, & he will come to judge the living & 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, & the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers: by Henry Ludwig (call and response)

L: Let us Pray.... L: Lord in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

Sharing the Peace: P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Offertory Prayer: P: Let us pray together,

C: Blessed are you, O God, Sovereign of the universe. You offer us new beginnings and guide us on our journey. Lead us to your table, nourish us with this heavenly food, and prepare us to carry your love to a hungry world, in the name of Christ our light. Amen.

The Words of Institution

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.

The Meal & Hymn: "I am the Bread of Life" #485

Vs. 1: I am the bread of life, You who come to me shall not hunger, & who believe in me shall not thirst. No one can come to me unless the father beckons.

Refrain: And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up, and I will raise you up on the last day.

- Vs. 2: The bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world, and if you eat of this bread, you shall live forever, you shall live forever. [Refrain]
- Vs. 3: Unless you eat of the flesh of the Son of Man and drink of his blood, and drink of his blood, you shall not have life within you. [Refrain]
- Vs. 4: I am the resurrection, I am the life. If you believe in me, even though you die, you shall live forever. [Refrain]

Vs. 5: Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who have come into the world. [Refrain]

"Let Us Break Bread Together" #471

Vs 1: Let us break bread together on our knees; Let us break bread together on our knees.

Refrain: When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.

Vs 2: Let us drink wine together on our knees; Let us drink wine together on our knees. (Refrain)

Vs 3: Let us praise God together on our knees; Let us praise God together on our knees. (Refrain)

Communion Prayer: P: Let us pray together,

C: We give you thanks, gracious God, for we have feasted on the abundance of your house. Send us to bring good news and to proclaim your favor to all, strengthened with the richness of your grace in your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Blessing: (Please stand as you are able.)

God, who leads you in pathways of righteousness, who rejoices over you, and who calls you by name, bless your going out and your coming in, today and forever. **Amen.**

Sending: "This Little Light Of Mine" #677

This little light of mine I'm gonna let it shine, This little light of mine I'm gonna let it shine; This little light of mine I'm gonna let it shine, Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine. Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine, Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine; Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine, Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Jesus gave it to me, I'm gonna let it shine, Jesus gave it to me, I'm gonna let it shine; Jesus gave it to me, I'm gonna let it shine, Let it shine, let it shine.

Sending: P: Go with Christ into a weary world. Share the good news. C: Thanks be to God!

Thank you to the Ludwig family for ushering this evening.

Car Conversations: On the way home, consider asking each other, "What's one new thing I learned tonight?" "What's one thing I'd like to learn more about?"

Faith Five this week: Once this week consider doing this night-time devotion together. SHARE your highs and lows for the week. READ a piece of scripture together (you can re-read the scripture from our Wednesday night service). TALK about what you learned this week in Edu-Worship around that scripture. PRAY for each other incorporating your highs and lows. BLESS each other with the sign of the cross on your foreheads.

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