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# FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

## FEBRUARY 2-3, 2019

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### AS WE GATHER

“I knew you, I consecrated you, I appointed you,” the Lord said to Jeremiah. By His Word the Lord called young Jeremiah to be a prophet, even though Jeremiah did not think he was capable. The Lord provided what Jeremiah lacked, touching Jeremiah’s mouth and promising to be with him to deliver him. When we gather for worship, God’s Word comes to us. During this Epiphany season, coming as it does on the heels of Christmas, we are reminded that God’s Word ultimately comes to us in and through Jesus Christ. In the Gospel, Jesus speaks, and a demon is cast out; Peter’s mother-in-law is healed. Jesus, the Word made flesh, fulfills what God promised to Jeremiah. Jesus, the Word of God, invites us to speak of Him with our mouths and in lives that bring hope and healing to others. For by water and the Word in Baptism, God has said to us, “I know you, I consecrate you, I appoint you.”

### HYMN

*Son of God, Eternal Savior*

*LSB 842*

### Stand CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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

**C** Amen.

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

**C** **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

**P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us,**

**renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

- P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As an ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the  $\text{✠}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen.**

## SERVICE OF THE WORD

*Stand* **INTROIT**

*Ps. 10:16–18; antiphon: Ps. 10:12*

- P** Arise, O LORD; O God, lift up your hand; forget not the afflicted.
- C** **The LORD is king forever and ever; the nations perish from his land.**
- P** O LORD, you hear the desire of the afflicted; you will strengthen their heart;
- C** **you will incline your ear to do justice to the fatherless and the oppressed, so that man who is of the earth may strike terror no more.**
- C** **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**
- P** Arise, O LORD; O God, lift up your hand; forget not the afflicted.

**KYRIE** 

*LSB 152*

- P** *In peace let us pray to the Lord.*
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** *For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.*
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** *For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.*
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** *For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.*
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**C** Amen.

**HYMN OF PRAISE**

*Gloria in Excelsis* 🎵

LSB 154

**A** Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

**C** Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:

We worship You, we give You thanks,  
we praise You for Your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God:

You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
You are seated at the right hand of the Father;  
receive our prayer.

For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord,  
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

**SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**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.

*Sit* **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

Jeremiah 1:4-10

<sup>4</sup>Now the word of the LORD came to me, saying,

<sup>5</sup> “Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,  
and before you were born I consecrated you;  
I appointed you a prophet to the nations.”

<sup>6</sup>Then I said, “Ah, Lord GOD! Behold, I do not know how to speak,  
for I am only a youth.” <sup>7</sup>But the LORD said to me,

“Do not say, ‘I am only a youth’;  
for to all to whom I send you, you shall go,  
and whatever I command you, you shall speak.

8 Do not be afraid of them,  
for I am with you to deliver you,  
declares the LORD.”

<sup>9</sup>Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth. And  
the LORD said to me,

“Behold, I have put my words in your mouth.  
<sup>10</sup> See, I have set you this day over nations  
and over kingdoms,  
to pluck up and to break down,  
to destroy and to overthrow,  
to build and to plant.”

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

[Sunday] **ST. MARK’S SCHOOL 5-8 GRADES**

*The Coloring Song*

**EPISTLE**

*1 Corinthians 12:31b—13:13*

<sup>31b</sup> And I will show you a still more excellent way.

<sup>1</sup>If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. <sup>2</sup>And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. <sup>3</sup>If I give away all I have, and if I deliver up my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing.

<sup>4</sup>Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant <sup>5</sup>or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; <sup>6</sup>it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. <sup>7</sup>Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

<sup>8</sup>Love never ends. As for prophecies, they will pass away; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will pass away. <sup>9</sup>For we know in part and we prophesy in part, <sup>10</sup>but when the perfect comes, the partial will pass away. <sup>11</sup>When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I gave up childish ways. <sup>12</sup>For now we

see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I have been fully known.

<sup>13</sup>So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand ALLELUIA AND VERSE* 

*LSB 156*

**C** *Alleluia.*

*Lord, to whom shall we go?*

*You have the words of eternal life.*

*Alleluia, alleluia.*

**HOLY GOSPEL**

*Luke 4:31–44*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fourth chapter.

**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>31</sup>And he went down to Capernaum, a city of Galilee. And he was teaching them on the Sabbath, <sup>32</sup>and they were astonished at his teaching, for his word possessed authority. <sup>33</sup>And in the synagogue there was a man who had the spirit of an unclean demon, and he cried out with a loud voice, <sup>34</sup>“Ha! 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.” <sup>35</sup>But Jesus rebuked him, saying, “Be silent and come out of him!” And when the demon had thrown him down in their midst, he came out of him, having done him no harm. <sup>36</sup>And they were all amazed and said to one another, “What is this word? For with authority and power he commands the unclean spirits, and they come out!” <sup>37</sup>And reports about him went out into every place in the surrounding region.

<sup>38</sup>And he arose and left the synagogue and entered Simon’s house. Now Simon’s mother-in-law was ill with a high fever, and they appealed to him on her behalf. <sup>39</sup>And he stood over her and rebuked the fever, and it left her, and immediately she rose and began to serve them.

<sup>40</sup>Now when the sun was setting, all those who had any who were sick with various diseases brought them to him, and he laid his hands on every one of them and healed them. <sup>41</sup>And demons also came out of many, crying, “You are the Son of God!”

But he rebuked them and would not allow them to speak, because they knew that he was the Christ.

<sup>42</sup>And when it was day, he departed and went into a desolate place. And the people sought him and came to him, and would have kept him from leaving them, <sup>43</sup>but he said to them, "I must preach the good news of the kingdom of God to the other towns as well; for I was sent for this purpose." <sup>44</sup>And he was preaching in the synagogues of Judea.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

*Sit* **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**HYMN**

*What God Ordains Is Always Good*

*LSB 760*

**Sermon**

*"Reflections in a Mirror"* 1 Corinthians 13:12

*Stand* [Saturday] **APOSTLES' CREED**

**C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.

**And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence 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.**

[Sunday] NICENE CREED

**C** I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation  
came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried.  
And the third day He rose again according to the  
Scriptures and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge  
both the living and the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together  
is worshiped and glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.  
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P** Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.
- P** Eternal God, You are holy and mighty, and great is the majesty of Your glory. As once You cleansed the guilty lips of Isaiah and sent him forth to call Your people to repentance and to speak hope in Your name, cleanse us and send us forth with Your Word, that many may hear and believe. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Glorious Father, in Your great mercy You sent forth Your Son to atone for the sins of the whole world, and He established a Church by His blood. Renew Your Church and strengthen the resolve of Your people in difficult and dangerous times, that they may be faithful in every circumstance. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** O merciful Lord, You have called Your pastors and missionaries to become fishers for men by proclaiming the whole counsel of Your Word. Guard them in their task, and give them courage and zeal. Bless us through their faithful preaching of Your Law and Gospel, that we may be set free through forgiveness to serve You with our whole heart, mind, body and strength. Guide and direct Rev. Joe Hoem as he considers our Call to be Pastor. Lead him to a decision that is pleasing to You and furthers the mission of Your Church. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Almighty God, all things are Yours and all authority has its source in You. Bless us with good leaders in government and enable us to be good citizens, both working together for the common good of all people. Bring Your peace to bear where war, violence and terrorism threaten, and protect those who defend us. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Loving God, as Your Son bestowed the healing gifts of Your grace, so bestow upon the sick, the suffering, the wounded in spirit and the dying the fullness of Your grace. Especially do we pray on behalf of \_\_\_\_\_ and those named in our hearts. Give to the suffering relief and the sick healing, according to Your will, and give them patience under the burden of their afflictions until that

day when we shall no more be troubled by the weakness of flesh and shall see our bodies made new as Christ's own glorious flesh in the resurrection of the dead. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

**P** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** Amen.

### Sit OFFERING

*While we worship the Lord with our offerings, please write your names in the fellowship registers, indicating the date and time of the service you are attending. To help us serve you more effectively, please use the blanks provided to indicate a change in mailing address, phone numbers (home, work, cell, fax) or e-mail address(es). Please tear out the sheets with names on them and let them stick out of the top of the folder so that the ushers can collect them. Thank you!*

### Stand OFFERTORY

LSB 159

**C** What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?

*I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving  
and will call on the name of the Lord.*

*I will take the cup of salvation  
and will call on the name of the Lord.*

*I will pay my vows to the Lord  
now in the presence of all His people,  
in the courts of the Lord's house,  
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.*

*Saturday's service continues with the Lord's Prayer*

## SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

### PREFACE

LSB 160

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Lift up your hearts.

**C** We lift them to the Lord.

- P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**C** **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your glory. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

**SANCTUS** 

*LSB 161*

**C** *Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might:  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna. Hosanna.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.*

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

*LSB 161*

**P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

**LORD'S PRAYER**

*LSB 162*

**P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**C** **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.**

*Saturday's service continues with the Benediction*

**THE WORDS OF OUR LORD**

*LSB 162*

**PAX DOMINI**

*LSB 163*

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** Amen.

**AGNUS DEI** 

*LSB 163*

**C** *Lamb of God, You take away the  
sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, You take away the  
sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, You take away the  
sin of the world; grant us peace.*

*Sit* **DISTRIBUTION**

*I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table*

*LSB 618*

*Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray*

*LSB 623*

**C** *Lord, now You let Your servant go in peace;  
Your word has been fulfilled.  
My own eyes have seen the salvation which  
You have prepared in the sight of ev'ry people:  
A light to reveal You to the nations  
and the glory of Your people Israel.  
Glory be to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning, is now,  
and will be forever. Amen.*

**POST-COMMUNION COLLECT**

**A** Let us pray.

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

**BENEDICTION**

*LSB 166*

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

**C** **Amen.**

**HYMN**

*Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me*

*LSB 722*