

December 29, 2024

This is the day that the LORD has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Psalm 118:24

Prelude

Good Good Father

Welcome and Announcements

Introit

How Great Thou Art

***Call to Worship**

Phil. 2:5-11

Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

***Hymn of Praise** *Bless the Lord, My Soul!* No.104A (v. 1, 8, 9, 10, 11)

***Prayer of Invocation & Adoration**

Reading of the Law Matthew 5:43-48 (Pew pg. 811/LP pg. 1012)

Prayer of Confession

O Lord our God, we are reminded of the divine purpose for the incarnation of Christ: that his name was called Jesus because he would save his people from their sins. We are grieved that our condition was so sinful that it required nothing less than the death of the Son of God. We mourn over our fallen nature and our sins that proceed from it. We confess that in our flesh dwells no good thing. We have broken your commandments in thought, word, and deed. We have committed sins of omission and commission. We have been lazy over heaven's concerns and selfish over our own. Even in our best efforts we find pride and self. "Wretched man that I am, who will deliver me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord." O Father, we thank you for his birth, his life, his death, his resurrection, and his ascension for sinners like me. We plead your forgiveness and pardon in his redeeming name. Amen.

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

John 6:27

Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give to you. For on him God the Father has set his seal.”

***Hymn of Thanksgiving** *Children of the Heavenly Father* No. 257

Scripture Reading 1 Sam. 14:24-42 (Pew pg. 236/LP pg. 297)

Westminster Shorter Catechism pg. 969

Q. 22. How did Christ, being the Son of God, become man?

A. Christ, the Son of God, became man, by taking to himself a true body and a reasonable soul, being conceived by the power of the Holy Ghost in the womb of the virgin Mary, and born of her, yet without sin.

Prayer of Intercession

Offering *In Christ Alone*

***Doxology** No. 567

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heav’nly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Amen.

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***Prayer of Thanksgiving**

***Hymn of Preparation** *Speak, O Lord* No. 172

1. Divine Structure

2. Ministry of the Word

3. Ordained Servants

Questions:

1. Which is more damaging to the life of the church, external problems and pressures, or internal problems and pressures? Give examples of both kinds of problems and explain your answer.
2. Why is it essential to a church to have properly ordained leaders? What can happen if you do not? Explain.
3. What is the church's primary mission according to verse 4? What happens when this mission is replaced with other programs, visions, missions? Explain.
4. How did this dispute begin in the early church? What similarities do you see between this problem and problems in churches today? How can we prevent these problems from happening?

*Benediction

*Gloria Patri

No. 572

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

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Postlude

Praise the Lord, The Almighty

*** Congregation:** Please stand as able.

Musician

Emily Thevenin

Intercessory Prayer

Yon Lindborg

Weekly Calendar

SUN 12/29

10:30 AM

NO SUNDAY SCHOOL
Worship AM Service
NO EVENING WORSHIP

SUN 01/05

10:30 AM

NO SUNDAY SCHOOL
Worship AM Service
The Lord's Supper
NO EVENING WORSHIP

TUES 01/07

4:30 PM

Women's Evening Bible Study

WED 01/08

1 PM
6 PM

PM Group Family Night

THURS 01/09

9:30 AM
6:30 PM

Women's Morning Bible Study
Men's Bible Study

Serving the Lord

	12/29/2024	01/05/2025	01/12/2025
Nursery During Sunday School	N/A	N/A	Karen Carleton
Nursery During AM Service	Lilly Goodman & Grace Martin	Lorrie Martin & Robbin Kern	Andrea Tummond & Neliz Hill-Ortiz
Nursery During PM Service	N/A	N/A	N/A
Greeters	Martha Lietchy	Jane Erspamer	Lash Family
Treats/ Clean	N/A	N/A	N/A
Audio	Grayden Lash	Joel Tummond	Ban Armstrong
Elder	Yon Lindborg	Jim Martin	Andrew Gretzinger
Deacon	Ben Armstrong	Craig Curtis	Jason Lash
Communion Prep	N/A	Yon Lindborg	N/A
Officer on Duty	Yon Lindborg	Craig Curtis	Jim Martin

Announcements

- **NO SUNDAY SCHOOL 12/29 and 01/05**
NO EVENING WORSHIP 12/29
- **January Family Night:** Moved to 01/08. Please sign up at the Welcome Desk
- **Viking Luncheon:** The luncheon will not happen in December due to holidays. It will resume in January.