

Evangelical Lutheran Church of Durham

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February 9, 2020 - 10:30 AM

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany - ELW Service of the Word

Prelude and Welcome

* Confession and Forgiveness

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, the eternal voice from heaven, the anointed and beloved one, the Spirit moving over the waters

C: Amen.

L: As we approach the mystery of God, let us come in confession, trusting the love of Christ crucified and risen.

Silence is kept for reflection.

L: God who searches us and knows us,

C: you have shown us what is good, but we have looked to other lights to find our way. We have not been just in our dealings with others. We have chosen revenge over mercy. We have promoted ourselves instead of walking humbly with you. With what shall we come before you? Forgive us our sin, and show us your salvation in the face of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

L: Beloved of God, you have not received the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, poured out for you in the faithfulness of Jesus Christ. Receive the promise of baptism: You are God's child, ☩ your sins are forgiven. Rejoice and be glad, for yours is the reign of heaven.

C: Amen.

* Sharing of the Peace

* Gathering Song *"Gather Us In"* **ELW #532**

* Greeting ELW page 213

* Hymn of Praise *"Glory to God"* **ELW #164**

* Prayer of the Day (*Lay Worship Assistant*)

First Reading **Isaiah 58:1-9** NOT in TR

Psalms 112:1-10 (*read responsively*) TR

Second Reading **1 Corinthians 2:1-16** TR

* Gospel Acclamation (*sung*) ELW page 216

* Gospel **Matthew 5:13-20** TR

Children's Sermon

Sermon - *Rev. Donna T. Deal*

* Hymn of the Day *"Christ, Be Our Light"* **ELW #715**

* Apostles' Creed ELW page 217

* Prayers of Intercession - *Each prayer bid ends with:*

P: Hear us, O God, **C: your mercy is great.**

Offering

Choir Anthem *"Bring Forth the Kingdom"*

* Offertory Song *"We Are An Offering"* **ELW #692**

* Lord's Prayer ELW page 221

Mission Announcements

* Blessing ELW page 221

* Sending Song *"We Are Marching"* **ELW #866**

* Dismissal P: Go in peace. Let your light shine.

C: Thanks be to God.

The Asterisk () indicates to please stand if you are able; ELW is the red "Evangelical Lutheran Worship" in the pew rack.*

WELCOME TO ALL WHO WORSHIP WITH US TODAY.

If you would like more information about this community of faith, please speak to Pastor Deal.

Serving in our worship this morning:

Guest Preacher Rev. Donna T. Deal

Acolyte Matthew Mueller

Lay Worship Assistant Val McGinn

Greeters The Mueller Family

Head Ushers Miriam Anderson

Altar Guild Serena Ashmore, Mary Crouse

Counters Cathy Mueller, Serena Ashmore

Organist/Choir Director Carolyn Williams

Parish Secretary Ann Wong

Custodian Dianna Streletz

CALENDAR

This week - Care-A-Lot on Tuesday - Thursday, 9-Noon

TODAY Sunday, February 9, 2020 - Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

9:00 AM Christian Education

10:30 AM Worship: Service of the Word

NOTE: Pastor David Deal and our Confirmation Youth are attending the Annual Upper Bucks Conference Confirmation Retreat at Crossroads Camp in Port Murray, NJ. They will return this afternoon.

Monday, February 17 - 7:00 PM - Church Council

Wednesday, February 19 - 4-6:30 PM - Second Soup Supper of the Winter. Soups are Cream of Broccoli and Chicken Noodle. Eat in or Take Out. Volunteers are needed! Speak to Helen Dungan or Mark Harwick. All proceeds go to the hungry!

Sunday, February 23 - Annual Congregation Meeting - The meeting will immediately follow our 10:30 AM Worship. Snacks and finger foods will be provided by the Church Council. The meeting will include: Elections, Financial Reports, Update on Church Doors and other Property concerns, and Looking to the Future - Setting up Congregational Teams.

Lent Begins:

Wednesday, February 26 - Ash Wednesday Communion with Ashes at 1 PM and 7:30 PM



The monthly Outreach envelope in February is going towards the Super Bowl of Caring (local food banks). Thank you for giving!



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First Reading

Isaiah 58:1-9a [9b-12] [not printed]

Psalm

Psalm 112:1-9 [10]; tone 1



Hallelujah! Happy are they who ¹ fear
the LORD

and have great delight
in ¹ God's commandments!

²**Their descendants**
will be mighty ¹ in the land;
the generation of the upright
¹ will be blessed.

³Wealth and riches
will be ¹ in their house,
and their righteousness
will ¹ last forever.

⁴**Light shines in the darkness**
¹ for the upright;
the righteous are merciful
and full ¹ of compassion.

⁵It is good for them
to be gener- ¹ ous in lending
and to manage their af- ¹ fairs
with justice.

⁶**For they will nev- ¹ er be shaken;**
the righteous will be kept
in everlast- ¹ ing remembrance.

⁷They will not be afraid
of any ¹ evil rumors;
their heart is steadfast,
trusting ¹ in the LORD.

⁸**Their heart is established**
and ¹ will not shrink,
until they see their desire
up- ¹ on their enemies.

⁹They have given freely to the poor, and
their righteousness stands ¹ fast forever;
they will hold up their ¹ head with
honor.

[¹⁰**The wicked will see it and be angry;**
they will gnash their teeth
and ¹ pine away;
the desires of the wick- ¹ ed will
perish.]

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 2:1-12 [13-16]

When I came to you, brothers and sisters,
I did not come proclaiming the mystery
of God to you in lofty words or wisdom.

²For I decided to know nothing among
you except Jesus Christ, and him cruci-
fied. ³And I came to you in weakness
and in fear and in much trembling. ⁴My

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with plausible words of wisdom, but with
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age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. ⁷But we speak God's wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. ⁸None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. ⁹But, as it is written,

"What no eye has seen, nor ear heard,
nor the human heart conceived,
what God has prepared for those who
love him"—

¹⁰these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. ¹¹For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. ¹²Now we have received not the

spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God. [¹³And we speak of these things in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual things to those who are spiritual.

¹⁴Those who are unspiritual do not receive the gifts of God's Spirit, for they are foolishness to them, and they are unable to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. ¹⁵Those who are spiritual discern all things, and they are themselves subject to no one else's scrutiny.

¹⁶"For who has known the mind of the Lord
so as to instruct him?"
But we have the mind of Christ.]

Gospel

Matthew 5:13-20

[Jesus said:] "You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

¹⁴"You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. ¹⁵No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. ¹⁶In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

¹⁷"Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have

come not to abolish but to fulfill. ¹⁸For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter will pass from the law until all is accomplished. ¹⁹Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. ²⁰For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven."

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