

Sunday after Epiphany



Today, January 7th
SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

8:30 A.M.
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HOLY COMMUNION (BCP)
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“To know Christ and to make Him known”

LIFE BETWEEN SUNDAYS

Today	January 7	8:30 a.m.	Holy Communion (BCP)
		10.30 a.m.	Holy Communion (BCP), Sunday School and Coffee
Mon. to Fri.		9 a.m. – Noon	Mom and Infant Conversation Circle
Monday	January 8	7-9 p.m.	Bible Study: “Reframe: Connecting Faith and Life”
Tue to Thurs		9 a.m. – 1 p.m.	Parish Office Hours
Wednesday	January 10	2.00 pm	Parish Coffee Time
Thursday	January 11	7.00 a.m.	Men’s Bible Study: <i>Romans 12:1-16</i>
Sunday	January 14	8.30 a.m.	Holy Communion (BCP)
		10.30 a.m.	Morning Prayer; Sunday School and Coffee
			<i>Amos 3: John 6:22-40</i>

Fr. Norbert will be away from Jan 8 to Jan 12. Fr. Chris Dow (306 930-0748) will cover pastoral emergencies.

WEEKLY CYCLE OF PRAYER

Globally we give thanks for: Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Fred, our primate; Greg, our Metropolitan; and Mark, our National Indigenous Bishop; The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand & Polynesia and their Most Revd Winston Halapua, and their Most Revd Philip Richardson: the Lutheran Church of Saskatchewan and Sid, their Bishop. **We pray for** For Elizabeth, Queen of Canada; for Governor-General Julie Payette; for Justin Trudeau; the Prime Minister; for all Members of Parliament. For political leaders & elected officials, chiefs, councillors, mayors, civil servants; for those who suffer injustice, racism or discrimination.

Locally we give thanks for: Our brothers and sisters in the Roman Catholic Diocese of Prince Albert and Albert, their Bishop; Lake Park Baptist Church and their pastor Mark; Jubilation Residential Centres Inc and their pastor Hannelore; Students, teachers, support staff at our day care centres, schools, colleges and universities.

This week we give thanks for Michael and Adam, our Bishops; Norbert, our pastor; and, these parish members: Geoff and Valerie Payton; Kendra Payton; Matthew Payton; Ragan Pedersen and Taylei, Keeley, Tristan, her children **We pray for** Foster Children (Mabel, Christopher, Arinanye Faith and the Bishop McAllister Student)

We pray for those in special need: Ruby Horachek; Andree Martinson; Leah Paluck; Robert Stewart; and, Brent Tysdal.

We pray for those in particular need: Liam Bain; Mary Lou Bird; Charlotte Byers; Keaton and Kyler Constant; Grace Couldwell; Frieda Engel; Heather Gibson; Ralph Harris; Dale Pratt; Dorothy Revitt; Phil Sampson; and, Silas Tysdal

**The flowers in the sanctuary today are offered to the glory of God
by Shirley & Jean Arseneault in memory of their father Jim Thorpe**

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP GATHERING

Celebrant Glory to Christ who is preached
 among the nations, and believed on
 in the world. *1 Timothy 3.16*

Opening Hymn

Hymn 350 *God Rest You Merry Gentlemen*

1. God rest you merry, gentlemen,
let nothing you dismay!
for Jesus Christ our saviour
was born on Christmas Day,
to save us all from Satan's power
when we had gone astray:
O tidings of comfort and joy,
comfort and joy;
O tidings of comfort and joy!

2. At Bethlehem in Judah
the holy babe was born;
they laid him in a manger
on this most happy morn,
at which his mother Mary
did neither fear nor scorn;
O tidings of comfort and joy,
comfort and joy;
O tidings of comfort and joy!

3. From God our heavenly Father
a holy angel came;
the shepherds saw the glory
and heard the voice proclaim
that Christ was born in Bethlehem -
and Jesus is his name:
O tidings of comfort and joy,
comfort and joy;
O tidings of comfort and joy!

4. 'Fear not,' then said the angel,
'let nothing cause you fright;
to you is born a Saviour
in David's town tonight,

**to free all those who trust in him
from Satan's power and might:'
O tidings of comfort and joy,
comfort and joy;
O tidings of comfort and joy!**

5. The shepherds at these tidings
rejoiced in heart and mind,
and on the darkened hillside
they left their flocks behind,
and went to Bethlehem straightway
this holy child to find:
O tidings of comfort and joy,
comfort and joy;
O tidings of comfort and joy!

6. And when to Bethlehem they came
where Christ the infant lay;
they found him in a manger
where oxen fed on hay,
and there beside her newborn child
his mother knelt to pray:
O tidings of comfort and joy,
comfort and joy;
O tidings of comfort and joy!

7. Now to the Lord sing praises,
all people in this place!
with Christian love and fellowship
each other now embrace,
and let this Christmas festival
all bitterness displace:
O tidings of comfort and joy,
comfort and joy;
O tidings of comfort and joy!

Notices of Worship and Ministry Opportunities

Celebrant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
 and the love of God, and the

fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

All **And also with you.**

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant Our Lord Jesus Christ said: “The first commandment is:

Hear O Israel, the Lord our God is one. And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.

The second is this: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these.”

All **Lord, have mercy upon us, and write these laws in our hearts.**

The Collect for SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Merciful Lord, receive the prayers of your people who call upon you and grant that we may know those things we ought to do and also have the grace and power faithfully to perform them, through our Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The children gather for Sunday School.

First reading

A reading from the 12th chapter of the book of Ecclesiastes.

Remember your Creator
 in the days of your youth,
before the days of trouble come
 and the years approach when you will say,
 “I find no pleasure in them”—
before the sun and the light

and the moon and the stars grow dark,
and the clouds return after the rain;
when the keepers of the house tremble,
and the strong men stoop,
when the grinders cease because they are few,
and those looking through the windows
 grow dim;
when the doors to the street are closed
and the sound of grinding fades;
when people rise up at the sound of birds,
but all their songs grow faint;
when people are afraid of heights
and of dangers in the streets;
when the almond tree blossoms
and the grasshopper drags itself along
and desire no longer is stirred.
Then people go to their eternal home
and mourners go about the streets.

Remember him—before the silver cord is severed,
and the golden bowl is broken;
before the pitcher is shattered at the spring,
and the wheel broken at the well,
and the dust returns to the ground it came from,
and the spirit returns to God who gave it.

(NIV) Here ends the lesson.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 84

How dear to me is your dwelling, O Lord of hosts!
My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the Lord;
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

The sparrow has found her a house and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young; by the side of your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.

Happy are they who dwell in your house! they will always be praising you.

Happy are the people whose strength is in you!

whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.

Second Reading

A reading from the 12th chapter of the book of Romans.

Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.

For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the faith God has distributed to each of you. For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. (NIV) Here ends the lesson.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn

#42 How Sweet The Name Of Jesus Sounds

- 1. How sweet the name of Jesus sounds
in a believer's ear!
it soothes our sorrows,
 heals our wounds
and drives away our fear.**
- 2. It makes the wounded spirit whole,
and calms the troubled breast;
it satisfies the hungry soul,
and gives the weary rest.**
- 3. Dear name, the rock on which I build,
my shield and hiding-place;
my never-failing treasury, filled
with boundless stores of grace!**

**4. Jesus, my shepherd, brother, friend,
my prophet, priest and king;
my Lord, my life, my way, my end –
accept the praise I bring.**

**5. Weak is the effort of my heart,
and cold my warmest thought;
but when I see you as you are,
I'll praise you as I ought.**

**6. Till then I would love proclaim
with every fleeting breath;
and may the music of your name
refresh my soul in death.**

The Gospel

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
All **And also with you.**

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus
Christ according to Luke, Chapter 2,
verses from 41 to 52
All **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Every year Jesus' parents traveled to Jerusalem for the Feast of Passover. When he was twelve years old, they went up as they always did for the Feast. When it was over and they left for home, the child Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but his parents didn't know it. Thinking he was somewhere in the company of pilgrims, they journeyed for a whole day and then began looking for him among relatives and neighbors. When they didn't find him, they went back to Jerusalem looking for him. The next day they found him in the Temple seated among the teachers, listening to them and asking questions. The teachers were all quite taken with him, impressed with the sharpness of his answers. But his parents were not impressed; they were upset and hurt. His mother said, "Young man, why have you done this to us? Your father and I have been half out of our minds looking for you." He said, "Why

were you looking for me? Didn't you know that I had to be here, dealing with the things of my Father?" But they had no idea what he was talking about.

So he went back to Nazareth with them, and lived obediently with them. His mother held these things dearly, deep within herself. And Jesus matured, growing up in both body and spirit, blessed by both God and people. (ESV) The Gospel of Christ.

All Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Nicene Creed

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

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, begotten of the Father before all ages, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He shall come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.

Amen. (BAS)

Sermon by Michael Lyons

Offertory Salutation

Celebrant Not every one who says unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter the kingdom of heaven; but he that does the will of my Father which is in heaven.

Offertory Hymn

#24 All Hail The Power Of Jesus' Name

1. All the hail the power of Jesus' name
Let angels prostrate fall,
bring forth the royal diadem
and crown him Lord of all.
2. Crown him, you martyrs of our God,
who witnessed to his call;
exalt the One whose path you trod,
and crown him Lord of all.
3. Descendants of his chosen race,
you ransomed from the Fall,
hail him who saves you by his grace,
and crown him Lord of all.
4. Let every people, nation, tribe,
on his terrestrial ball,
to him all majesty ascribe
and crown him Lord of all.
5. O that in heaven with that great throng,
we at his feet may fall,
join in the everlasting song
and crown him Lord of all.

Celebrant Blessed be thou, Lord God of Israel,
for ever and ever.

All All that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine. All things come of thee, and of thine own have we given thee.

The Biddings

Leader Let us pray for Christ's holy Catholic Church, especially *Justin, Sid, Fred, Mark, Winston,*

Philip, Albert, Mark, Hannelore.

Let us pray for peace on earth and for the unity of all Christian people, remembering in our prayers this week to pray for *Elizabeth, Julie, Justin.*

Let us pray for our missionaries at home and abroad, giving thanks for Norbert, our Pastor, and; *Geoff, Valerie, Kendra, Matthew, Ragan, Taylei, Keeley, Tristan; the Men's Bible Study*

Let us remember before God those of our brethren who have departed this life and are at rest.

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church militant here in earth.

The Intercession

Celebrant Almighty and ever-living God, you who by your holy Apostle Paul have taught us by your holy Word to offer prayers and petitions, and to give thanks, for all people: We humbly ask you most mercifully to accept our gifts and to receive our prayers which we offer to your divine Majesty, asking you to inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity and harmony, and to grant that all who confess your holy Name may agree in the truth of your holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

We pray that you will lead the nations of the world into the ways of righteousness and peace, and guide their leaders in wisdom and justice to act for the good of all people. Grant to your servant Elizabeth our Queen, and all that are in authority under her that they may impartially administer justice, maintain true religion and uphold integrity and truth.

Give grace, heavenly Father, to all bishops, priest, and deacons, especially Michael and Adam, our Bishops, that, by their life and teaching, they may set forth your true, life-giving Word, and rightly and duly administer your holy Sacraments. And to all

your people, give your heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation, that they may receive your word with reverent and obedient hearts, and also serve you in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

And we ask you in your goodness, Lord, to comfort and sustain all who in this short life on earth are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, particularly; *Ruby, Andree, Leah, Robert, Brent, Liam, Mary Lou, Charlotte, Keaton, Kyler, Grace, Frieda, Heather, Ralph, Dale, Dorothy, Phil, Silas* and all others for whom our prayers are desired.

We remember before you, O Lord, all your servants departed this life in your faith and fear. We bless your holy name for all who in life and death have glorified you. Give us grace to follow their good examples, that with them we may be partakers of your heavenly kingdom. Grant all this, Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

General Confession

Celebrant All who truly and sincerely repent of their sins, are reconciled and at peace with their neighbours, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God and walking from this day forward in his holy ways; draw near with faith, take this holy Sacrament to strengthen and comfort you, and make your humble confession to Almighty God.

All Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all people, we acknowledge and confess our many sins, which we have committed from time to time by thought, word and deed against your divine Majesty.

We earnestly repent and are deeply sorry for all

our wrongdoings. The memory of them grieves us and the burden of them is too great for us to bear. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father.

For your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past and grant from this time forward we may serve and please you in newness of life, to the honour and glory of your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Declaration of God's Forgiveness

Priest Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hear the words of assurance addressed by our Lord Jesus Christ to those who truly turn to him:

Come to me, all who labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. (*Matt. 11:28*)

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. (*Jn. 3:16*)

Hear also what St. Paul said: This saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. (*1 Tim. 1:15*)

And hear what St. John said: If anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world. (*1 Jn 2:1*)

Thanksgiving and Consecration

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All And with your spirit.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; you have revealed your eternal plan salvation, and have shown your Son Jesus Christ to be the light of all peoples.

Therefore, with angels and archangels, we raise our voices in joyful praise to proclaim the glory of your name, and saying:

All Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Glory be to you, O Lord most high. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant Blessing and glory and thanksgiving be to you, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who, in your tender mercy, gave your only Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take to himself our human nature, and to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption: who made there (by his one oblation of himself once offered) a full satisfaction, perfect self-offering and sufficient sacrifice, for the sins of the whole world; and instituted, and in his holy gospel commanded us to continue, a perpetual memorial of his precious death until he comes again.

Hear us merciful Father, we humbly pray, and grant that we receiving these gifts of your creation, this bread and this wine, according to your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood: Who, in the same night that he was betrayed took bread; and when he had given you thanks, he broke it; and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat, this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me. In the same way after supper, he took the Cup; and when he had given thanks, he

gave it to them, saying: Drink this, all of you for this is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins: Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

And so, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, we your humble servants, with all your holy church, remembering the precious death of your beloved Son, his mighty resurrection, his glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again in glory, make before you, in this Sacrament of the holy Bread of eternal life and the Cup of everlasting salvation, the memorial which he has commanded; and we wholly desire your fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, as we humbly ask you, by the merits and death of your Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his Blood, to grant to us and all your church the remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And we pray that, by the presence and power of your Holy Spirit, all we who are partakers of this holy communion may be filled with your grace and heavenly benediction; through Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom, by whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be given to you, Father Almighty, forever and ever.

Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And with your spirit.

We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord, who always delights in showing mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus

Christ and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him and he in us. Amen.

**O Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**O Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**O Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
grant us your peace.**

Communion Hymns

#370 Like A Candle Flame

1. Like a candle flame
flickering small in our darkness;
uncreated light shines through infant eyes.

**MEN: God is with us, alleluia.
WOMEN: God is with us, alleluia.
MEN: Come to save us, alleluia.
WOMEN: Come to save us,
ALL: Alleluia!**

2. Stars and angels sing,
yet the earth sleeps in shadows;
can this tiny spark set a world on fire?

**MEN: God is with us, alleluia.
WOMEN: God is with us, alleluia.
MEN: Come to save us, alleluia.
WOMEN: Come to save us,
ALL: Alleluia!**

3. Yet his light shall shine
from our lives, Spirit blazing,
as we touch the flame of his holy fire.

**MEN: God is with us, alleluia.
WOMEN: God is with us, alleluia.
MEN: Come to save us, alleluia.**

WOMEN: Come to save us,
ALL: Alleluia!

#437 I Cannot Tell Why

1. I cannot tell why
he whom angles worship
should set his love
upon the sons of men,
or why as shepherd
he should seek the wanderers,
to bring them back,
they know not how nor when.
But this I know,
that he was born of Mary
when Bethlehem's manger
was his only home,
and that he lived at Nazareth
and laboured;
and so the saviour, saviour of the world,
has come.

2. I cannot tell why silently he suffered
as with his peace he graced
this place of tears,
now how his heart upon the cross
was broken,
the crown of pain to three
and thirty years.
But this I know,
he heals the broken-hearted
and stays our sin
and calms our lurking fear,
and lifts the burden from
the heavy-laden;
for still the saviour, saviour of the world,
is here.

3. I cannot tell how he will win the nations,
how he will claim his earthly heritage,
how satisfy the needs and aspirations
of east and west, of sinner and of sage.
But this I know,
all flesh shall see his glory,
and he shall reap the harvest
he has sown,
and some glad day

his sun will shine in splendour
when he the saviour, saviour of the
world, is known.

4. I cannot tell how all the lands
shall worship,
when at his bidding every storm
is stilled,
or who can say how great the jubilation
when all our hearts
with love for him are filled.
But this I know,
the skies will sound his praises,
ten thousand thousand human
voices sing,
and earth to heaven, and heaven to
earth, will answer,
'At last the saviour, saviour of the world,
is king!'

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant Let us pray.
**All 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 them that trespass against
us; And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil. For thine is
the kingdom, the power and the
glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

Celebrant Almighty and ever-living God, we
heartily thank you that you graciously feed us, who
have duly received these holy mysteries, with the
spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. We also
thank you that you have assured us in this
sacrament of your favour and goodness towards us,
and that we are true members of the mystical body
of your Son, the blessed company of all faithful
people, and are also heirs, through hope, of your

eternal kingdom.

All Here we offer and present to you, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice. Fill us all who share in this Holy Communion with your grace and heavenly benediction.

And although we are unworthy, through our many sins, to offer to you any sacrifice, yet we pray that you will accept this, the duty and service we owe.

Do not weigh our merits but pardon our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, Father Almighty, forever and ever. Amen.

The Gloria In Excelsis

Glory be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesu Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Blessing

Celebrant The peace of God which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and

remain with you always. Amen.

Closing Hymn #370 This Child

1. This child, secretly comes in the night,
O this child, hiding a heavenly light,
O this child, coming to us
like a stranger, this heavenly child.
This child, heaven come down
now to be with us here,
heavenly love and mercy appear,
softly in awe and wonder come near
to this heavenly child.
2. This child, rising on us like the sun,
O this child, given to light everyone,
O this child,
guiding our feet on the pathway
to peace on earth.
This child, heaven come down...
3. This child, raising the humble and poor,
O this child, making the proud ones to fall;
O this child, filling the hungry with good
things, this heavenly child.
This child, heaven come down...

Dismissal

Minister Almighty God, grant, we pray, that the words, which we have heard with our ears, may through your grace be so grafted inwardly in our hearts, that they may cause to grow within us the fruit of good works, to the honor and praise of your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Minister Let us go forth in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

BIBLE STUDY (Monday, Jan 8th, 7-9 pm)

Many Christians today experience a frustrating and confusing disconnect between the story of Scripture and the story of our lives.

ReFrame begins with the conviction that the story of Scripture is relevant to all of life: our jobs, our responsibilities, our relationships, and our world.

ReFrame equips Christians from all areas of life – scientists, artists, homemakers, politicians, janitors, engineers, farmers everyone – to make this connection. The goal of ReFrame is to help Christians see the gospel with fresh eyes and experience the renewing power of Jesus Christ in every aspect of their lives.

“I can only answer the question ‘What am I to do?’ if I can answer the prior question ‘Of what story or stories do I find myself a part?’” Alasdair MacIntyre

A MATTER OF STEWARDSHIP

Glory to Christ who is preached among the nations, and believed on in the world. *1 Timothy 3.16*

The flowers of the church are provided by Burkitt’s Flower and we want to thank Susan that gave us a poinsettia for free for our Christmas decorations.

BY THE NUMBERS

Attendance at Worship Gatherings Last Week	43
Weekly Budgeted Offering	\$2,894

Scripture Readings for January 7th – January 13th, 2017

	<i>Morning Prayer</i>		<i>Evening Prayer</i>	
<i>Sunday</i>	Isa. 42:1-12	Jn. 4:1-26(27-42)	Isa. 43:1-13	Jn. 12:20-36a
<i>Monday</i>	Micah 4:1-5:1	Mt. 9:1-17	Micah 5:2-15	Gal. 1
<i>Tuesday</i>	Micah 6	Mt. 9:18-34	Micah 7	Gal. 2
<i>Wednesday</i>	Hos. 1	Mt. 9:35-10:23	Hos. 2:1-13	Gal. 3
<i>Thursday</i>	Hos. 2:14-3:5	Mt. 10:24-42	Hos. 4:1-11	Gal. 4:1-5:1
<i>Friday</i>	Hos. 5:8-6:6	Mt. 11	Hos. 8	Gal. 5:2-26
<i>Saturday</i>	Hos. 9	Mt. 12:1-21	Hos. 10	Gal. 6