

Vasa Lutheran Church

We come to you for healing.....

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Organist-Austin Ferguson

Sunday, January 5, 2020

PRELUDE MUSIC

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Blessing of the Door 20 + C + M + B + 19

Leader: Peace be to this house and to all who enter here.

Let us pray: O God, **who by the guidance of a star did on this day manifest your Son to the Gentiles, mercifully grant that we who know you by faith may also attain the vision of your glorious majesty. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Matthew 2:11 On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

With colored chalk, place the marks on the door frame.

Proverbs 24:3-4 By wisdom a house is built, and by understanding it is established; ⁴ by knowledge the rooms are filled with all precious and pleasant riches.

Isaiah 32:16-18 Then justice will dwell in the wilderness, and righteousness abide in the fruitful field. ¹⁷ The effect of righteousness will be peace, and the result of righteousness, quietness and trust forever. ¹⁸ My people will abide in a peaceful habitation, in secure dwellings, and in quiet resting places.

Leader: may Christ (Christus) + Home (Mansionem) + Bless (Benedicat) + and remain with us throughout the new year. May the Lord watch over our going out and our coming in, from this time forth and forevermore.

C: Amen

GATHERING HYMN: GOD, WHOSE ALMIGHTY WORD ELW 673

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God sent from heaven above, be with you all. **And also with you.**

KYRIE: ELW 157

HYMN OF PRAISE NOW THE FEAST AND CELEBRATION ELW 167

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Healing Lord Jesus, you performed miracles that helped followers become aware of your presence and your magnificence. Surprise us today with miracles that we desperately seek, and make your presence known to all. Amen.

SCRIPTURE: Mark 1:21-45

At the conclusion of the reading, the reader will say: Word of God, word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN: WE COME TO YOU FOR HEALING, LORD ELW 617

SERMON

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN: JESUS, THE VERY THOUGHT OF YOU ELW 754

PROFESSION OF FAITH

**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, and 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,
and he will come to judge the living and 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,
and the life everlasting.**

PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION

Each petition will end with the words: Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you all.

C: And also with you.

P: Let's share God's peace with one another.

COLLECTION OF OUR GIFTS FOR GOD, including a GENEROSITY MOMENT

OFFERING PRAYER: Generous God, **you have given us life, this community, and these gifts of the earth that become the meal of your grace. Move in our hearts, that we might use your gifts to bring hope and blessing wherever we go, through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

HOLY COMMUNION

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Join our prayers with those of your servants
of every time and every place,
and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest
until he comes as victorious Lord of all.

Through him, with him, in him,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father,
now and forever.

Amen.

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.**

DISTRIBUTION *We will receive communion by kneeling at the railing. Gluten free wafers and grape juice are available for those who have dietary restrictions. Children will receive a blessing.*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION Emmanuel, **God with us, you grace us with life and breath and give us bread for the journey. Send us out in service to this world that you love, telling the amazing news of your coming to be Savior and Lord of all. Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

THY HOLY WINGS

ELW 613

BLESSING

Grace from God's own heart,
peace from the ✝ Child in the manger,
and strength from the Spirit of life
be blessings for you today and forever.

Amen.

DISMISSAL

Christ is born!
Go tell it on the mountain and everywhere.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE MUSIC



Prayer Concerns: David Broin, Scott and Kerry Sorenson (sons of Sharyn), Brenda Bradley and her family, Linda Thompson, Deb Ruby (Ed Gruber's daughter), Jim Josephson.

This Week at Vasa

(Church office hours: Tues, Wed, Thurs 9-1)

Sunday, January 5

- 9:00 am** Service of Holy Communion
9:00 am Sunday School
5:00 pm Young Adult Bible Study and Potluck (Childcare provided!)

Monday January 6

- 9:30 am** Property Team Meeting
6:30 pm Parish Life Team Meeting
6:30 pm Museum Board
7:30 pm Finance Team Meeting

Tuesday, January 7

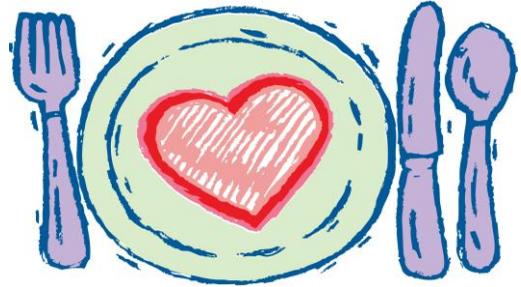
- 9:30 am** Tuesday AM Coffee

Wednesday, January 8

- 5:15 pm** Children's Faith Formation
5:30 pm Vasa Community Dinner

Sunday, January 12

- 9:00 am** Service of The Word
9:00 am Sunday School



COMMUNITY DINNER

January's Community Dinner at Vasa is just around the corner—on January 8! There are plenty of opportunities to help, including meal preparation, set up, clean up, delivering meals to the homebound, and/or donating food items. The donation list and work schedule are on the table at the back of church on Sundays, and at the Lutheran Center during the week.

If you're interested in helping, contact Sue Hedeem or Jeannette Anderson.



The Young Adult Bible Study meets tonight at the Lutheran Center at 5 PM. This is an opportunity to gather for fellowship, share a potluck meal and consider where and how God is working in our lives. Childcare is provided, so please join us!



Over the next few weeks, Emily will be updating the church website with current information and events. If you do not wish for your photo, or a photo of your child to be on the website, please email the office and let her know.