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The River

A Blended Worship Service



Lutheran Church of the Cross

February 13, 2022

“Making Jesus Known By Sharing Our Gifts”

LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE CROSS
“The River” Worship Service
Sixth Sunday after Epiphany
February 13, 2022

WE COME TOGETHER

You are invited to sing with the Worship Team as we gather for worship. All songs and worship liturgy will be projected on the screens for your use.

PRELUDE MUSIC Worship Team
“Blest Are They”, “Baptized and Set Free”, “Build Your Kingdom Here”

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREETINGS OF PEACE

PRAYER OF THE DAY

OUR CONFESSION, GOD’S FORGIVENESS

GATHERING SONG: “Glory and Praise to Our God”

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 17:5-10

RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 1

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 15:12-20

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION “Jesus, Name Above All Names” *Please Stand*

GOSPEL READING: Luke 6:17-26

SERMON Pastor Lisa Ahlness

Altar Focus for February: Jeans and Boxers drive for Closet 701

Closet 701, which is a ministry of Heaven’s Helpers Soup Café, is short of jeans. These do not have to be new, just clean and in good shape. Please bring jeans of all shapes and sizes: men’s, women’s, teens’, kids’. (What a great opportunity to clean out your closets and help someone else, too!) Men’s pants of all kinds are always in short supply, so black pants (often needed for work), khakis and other men’s trousers are welcome as well. In addition, we ask you to consider bringing **new** boxer shorts or boxer briefs for men. These are often requested and must be new in package. Thank you for your generosity!

We continue to collect warm things (put in the laundry basket in the narthex). Hats, gloves, scarves etc. will be given to those in need, distributed at the public library.

February 27th: Healing service/prayer service. Deacon Janie and Pastor Lisa will beholding a service of healing and prayer. The service will beginning at 6:30pm. After the service there will be fellowship and facilitated conversation around grief and loss during the pandemic.

 *Happy Valentines Day* 

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to Lutheran Church of the Cross, and to “The River” Blended Worship Service this morning! If you are visiting with us today, please take a moment to sign the guestbook in the narthex.

Heat the Church Thank you for continuing this tradition by way of taking care of LCC’s building.

Book Club picks: March 9th is “The Flatshare” by Beth O’Leary.
April 13th is “The Midnight Library” by Matt Haig
The Book Club meets the second Wednesday at 1:30 at LCC. If you enjoy reading, come and participate.

Direct Your Dollars is up to \$10,000! Thank you for continuing to bring in receipts. You may place them in the box in the narthex or in the plastic bin next to the secretary’s office.

There is a **laundry basket** located out in the annex for our members to donate winter gear for those that go without. Collecting used or new hats, mittens, gloves, & scarves. Thank you for your contribution to our community! The basket will remain in the annex until warm weather arrives again. Kathryn Spilman takes the donated items and distributes them.



SONG OF THE DAY: “Be Not Afraid”

APOSTLES’ CREED

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH “When We Gather”

OFFERING/OFFERTORY PRAYER *Please Stand*

WE SHARE THE MEAL

PREPARATION FOR THE MEAL

LORD’S PRAYER “Lord’s Prayer” by Joel Gilbertson

INVITATION TO OUR LORD’S SUPPER *All are welcome*

COMMUNION SONG: “Blessed Assurance”

COMMUNION BLESSING/POST COMMUNION PRAYER *Please Stand*

BENEDICTION “Benediction Song”

SENDING SONG: “Canticle of the Turning”

DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE SONG: “Build Your Kingdom Here”

All children are welcomed to come to the front and play instruments during the Worship Team’s postlude song.”

Reading Reflection

- Blessings and curses abound on the sixth Sunday after Epiphany. We would do well to listen closely to whom the “blessed ones” and the “woe to” are directed and to find our place in the crowd among those who desire to touch Jesus. The risen Christ stands among us in the mystery of the holy supper with an invitation to live in him, and offers power to heal us all.

“Making Jesus Known By Sharing Our Gifts”

"THE RIVER" WORSHIP MINISTERS

Pastor—Pastor Lisa Ahlness

Director of Discipleship—Deacon Janie Hague

Scripture Reader—Esther Anderson

Ushers— Steve & Cheryl Neu

Altar Guild—Jean Kraft, Patty Hanson, Dawn Slag

Faith & Care Coordinators—Heather & Brett Gurholt, Melissa & Jay Volk

River Worship Team—

Sound Board Technicians—Terry Grenz, Lavern Hanson

Projection Team— Jace Kunze, Mark Kunze, Jeff Thomas, Art Wheeler,

Streaming Team— Mike Collins, Tom Harris, Mark Kunze, Karen Will

River Singers— Deb Carpenter, Sally Grenz, Paul Gurholt, Kari Harris, Doug Johnson, Robin Johnson, Cherie Krueger, AJ Marx, John Sailer, Amanda Sagsveen, Tom Wade, Barb Wilson

Percussionist— Kari Harris

Accompanists—Eve Kath, Robin Johnson, Gerri Sarsten

Prayers, Births, Deaths, Concerns

Please contact Connie in the church office if you have a prayer request, or if you will be entering the hospital and would like a pastoral visit.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

(We encourage you to take this list home and pray for these people.)

For those struggling with health and other concerns:

Maxine Hill, Reece Fischer, Tracy Martinson, Ann Hillesland, Roger Bakke, Erwin and Linda Marson, Quinton and Arlene Wolff, Bonnie Spies, Lori Dvorak, JoRae Sarsten; Bernice Walton, Jean Schafer, Gary and LaVonne Hultin, John Behan, Bob Roesler, Cheryl Moore, Josey Hanson, Virginia Smith, LeRoy Tiffany, Cordella Thompson, Christie Zainhofsky, Diane Stotz, Earl Larson, Todd Wood, Lisa Robinson, Carolyn Wegerle, Nancy Dockter, Donna Belisle, Jim Mattheis, Barb Thomas, Shiela & Arvid Mugaas, Jean Kraft, Diane Klein, Toso family travels, Nicole Eckroth, Mary Schuler, Gladys Bain

For those dealing with the death of a loved one—the families and friends of:

Military Deployment: MN 851 VEC deployed to Kuwait, ND 957th Engineer Co. deployed to southern border.

WEEKLY CALENDAR of February 13

Today, February 13:

Church School 9:00am

The River 10:00am

Coffee Hour 11:00am

Living Water practice 5pm

Monday, February 14:

Needlework Group 9:30am

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY

Tuesday, February 15:

Staff Meeting 10:00 am

Wednesday, February 16:

Supper 5:15pm

Living Water Service 6:15pm

Church School/Confirmation 7pm

River Practice 7pm

Thursday, February 17:

Quilting 1pm

AA Meeting 7:30pm

Friday, February 18:

Wired Word 1:30pm

Saturday, February 19:

Sunday, February 20:

NO Church School 9:00am

The River 10:00am

Coffee 11:00

Living Water practice 5pm