



JANUARY 28, 2024

4th SUNDAY
OF EPIPHANY

PRELUDE	(8:30) “When Morning Gilds the Sky” (11:00) “Your Grace Is Enough”
CALL TO WORSHIP	(8:30) “Arise, Your Light is Come” ELW 314 (11:00) “For Everyone Born”
WELCOME	
SONG OF CELEBRATION	(8:30) “Praise The One Who Breaks the Darkness” ELW 843 (11:00) “This is Amazing Grace”
GREETING & PRAYER OF THE DAY	
THE READINGS	
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION	“Sing Loudly”
THE GOSPEL	
CHILDREN’S MESSAGE	
SERMON	
SONG OF THE DAY	(8:30) “The Word Who Sang the Light into Creation” (11:00) “Zacchaeus And Jesus”
PROFESSION OF FAITH	
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE	
SPECIAL MUSIC	(8:30) “Arise, Shine” (11:00) “The Light in Me”
OFFERING PRAYER	
COMMUNION	(8:30) “Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer” ELW 618 “As Earth Turns Toward Light” (11:00) “Breathe” “Come Thou Font”
ANNOUNCEMENTS	
BLESSING	
SENDING SONG	(8:30) “God Be With You” ELW 536 (11:00) “Mighty To Save”
MISSION AND PEACE	“Traveling Mercies”
POSTLUDE	(8:30) “Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing” (11:00) “This Little Light Of Mine”

PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of grace, shine your redeeming light into our lives, that we may be restored and made whole again in you. And shine that light through us for the sake of the world your Son comes to save. Amen.

EXODUS 27: 20-21

²⁰ You shall further command the Israelites to bring you pure oil of beaten olives for the light, so that a lamp may be set up to burn regularly. ²¹ In the tent of meeting, outside the curtain that is before the covenant, Aaron and his sons shall tend it from evening to morning before the Lord. It shall be a perpetual ordinance to be observed throughout their generations by the Israelites.

PSALM 27: 1-4, 11-13



¹ The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?
² When evildoers assail me to devour my flesh — my adversaries and foes — they shall stumble and fall.

Antiphon

³ Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; though war rise up against me, yet I will be confident.
⁴ One thing I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after: to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in his temple.

Antiphon

¹¹ Teach me your way, O Lord, and lead me on a level path because of my enemies.
¹² Do not give me up to the will of my adversaries, for false witnesses have risen against me, and they are breathing out violence.
¹³ I believe that I shall see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.
¹⁴ Wait for the Lord; be strong and let your heart take courage. Wait for the Lord!

Antiphon

REVELATION 22: 1-7

¹ Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb ² through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. ³ Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; ⁴ they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. ⁵ And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever. ⁶ And he said to me, "These words are trustworthy and true, for the Lord, the God of the spirits of the prophets, has sent his angel to show his servants what must soon take place." ⁷ "See, I am coming soon! Blessed is the one who keeps the words of the prophecy of this book."

LUKE 19: 1-10

¹ He entered Jericho and was passing through it. ² A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was rich. ³ He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. ⁴ So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way. ⁵ When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down; for I must stay at your house today." ⁶ So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. ⁷ All who saw it began to grumble and said, "He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner." ⁸ Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, "Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much." ⁹ Then Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he too is a son of Abraham. ¹⁰ For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost."

MUSIC FOR TODAY’S SERVICE
The Power of Light — January 28, 2024

- “When Morning Gilds the Sky” arr. Kenon D. Renfrow
- “Your Grace Is Enough”, Matt Maher © 2003
- “For Everyone Born”, Shirley Erena Murray & Brian Mann © 1998
- “This Is Amazing Grace”, Jeremy Riddle, Josh Farro, & Phil Wickham, © 2012
- "Come, God, Light of Our Hearts", Taizé Prayer, © 1998
- "Sing Loudly", arr. W.P. Sterneman III, © 2023
- “The Word Who Sang the Light Into Creation”, ACS 973
- “Zacchaeus and Jesus”, Tom Hokanson
- “Arise, Shine”, arr. Thomas Keesecker © 2016
- “The Light In Me”, Dan Muckala & Brandon Heath © 2010
- “Breathe”, Marie Barnett, © 1995
- “Mighty To Save”, Ben Fielding & Reuben Morgan, © 2006
- "Traveling Mercies", Billy Crockett, © 1999
- “Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing”, arr. Cindy Berry
- “This Little Light Of Mine”, arr. Harry Dixon Loes

WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS TO ABIDING LOVE!

It is one of our greatest joys to welcome new people into membership in our community. We are blessed to have guests and visitors growing closer in relationships and involvement in the life of the church. Membership in the congregation provides full participation in the leadership and missional direction of Abiding Love. If you would you like to become a member we would be happy to welcome you! We are currently inviting everyone interested in membership to contact Pr. Brad and to complete a Member Information form (ask an usher for a copy). A New Member gathering for interested people will follow.

If you have any questions, contact Pr. Brad:
bhighum@abidinglove.org or 512-892-4040

SEASON OF EPIPHANY

January 28: The Power of Light

8:30 am—Worship w/ Holy Communion
11:00 am—Worship w/ Holy Communion and Mixed Blessings

February 4: You Are The Light of the World!

8:30 & 11:00 am—Worship w/ Holy Communion

February 11: Transfiguration

8:30 am—Worship w/ Holy Communion
11:00 am—Worship w/ Holy Communion and Mixed Blessings

ABIDING LOVE CHILDREN’S CHOIR

We are starting a Children's Choir here at Abiding Love Lutheran Church! The choir will be for children in grades 2-6. Below, you will find a link to a Google Form so we can gather information about who is interested in participating. It's a very short form, and should only take a few brief moments to fill it out. If you have multiple children, please fill it out once for each child.
Do you have a middle/high schooler who’s interested in singing? They are invited to join the Sanctuary Choir or Cantata Choir.
Contact Dr. Gus at gsterneman@abidinglove.org for more information.

<https://bit.ly/allc-kids-choir>

WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT ABIDING LOVE!

May you know God’s love as you sing, pray, proclaim, and serve.

ALL ARE WELCOME TO COMMUNION AT ABIDING LOVE.

Hold out your hands to receive the bread. Gluten free wafers are available. Take a cup of wine (red) or grape juice (white) from the tray. Children and adults not communing may come forward and cross their arms over their chest to receive a blessing. Please follow the direction of the ushers.

ABIDING LOVE CALENDAR

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28

8:30 am Worship w/ Holy Communion
9:45 am Confirmation (HS)
9:45 am Faith Formation
11:00 am Worship w/ Holy Communion w/ Mixed Blessings
12:00 pm St. Catherine’s Food Drive (AC)
12:15 pm Souper Bowl of Caring part 1

MONDAY, JANUARY 29

11:00 am ALLC Food Pantry
3:30 pm CC After School (L)
5:00 pm Bread for All FP
7:00 pm AA (HS Room)
7:00 pm Troop 555 (AC)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 30

10:30 am Tuesday Bible Study (C)
3:30 pm CC After School (L)
7:00 pm Alanon (C)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31

10:00 am Staff Meeting (L)
3:30 pm CC After School (L)
6:00 pm Music Rehearsal
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1

10:00 am Chapel (S)
10:00 am Quilters (UC, MS)
3:30 pm CC After School (L)
6:00 pm Alanon (L)

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2

3:30 pm CC After School (L)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3

5:00 pm Food Pantry from St. Catherine’s (AC)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4

Food Pantry Sunday
8:30 am Worship w/ Holy Communion
9:45 am Confirmation (HS)
9:45 am Faith Formation
11:00 am Worship w/ Holy Communion
12:00 pm St. Catherine’s Food Drive (AC)
12:15 pm Worship & Arts All Team Mtg (S)
12:15 pm Souper Bowl of Caring part 2
5:30 pm HS Youth Activity (HS)

SERVING

JANUARY 28, 2024

Preaching and Presiding
Rev. Brad Highum

Acolyte
(8:30) Isaac Schroeder
(11:00) Molly Enno

Altar Guild
(8:30) Di Brophy & Tricia Slovacek
(11:00) Denise Alaimo

Assisting Minister
(8:30) Joyce Flachmeier
(11:00) Tyler Parks

Children’s Message
Tyler Parks

Communion Assistant
(8:30) Amelia Mettke
(11:00) Nan Hatcher

Lector
(8:30) Paul Mettke
(11:00) Audrey Lehman

Music
Gus Sterneman
Stephanie Morrison
Sanctuary Choir
Mixed Blessings

Ushers
(8:30) Kyle Wych & Wil Chang
(11:00) T.J. Shoaf & Kurt Armstrong

Tech
Zee Zepeda
George Glaser

ABIDING LOVE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Redeeming Power of Light!

Redemption is a church word, a Biblical word, a faith word. It’s also a cultural word, a moral word, and an economic word. We use it a lot, for a lot of things. But what does it mean? What does it mean to redeem, and be redeemed, as the word is used in The Word, in Scripture and in the epiphany of God that comes into the world in Christ? We discover, in fact, that redemption is a central role and function of the light of Epiphany. We are invited to embrace this gift of grace, to dwell in it, to live in this light of redemption, and be made whole once more.

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