

**HOLY COMMUNION**  
WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD’S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today 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.**

SONGS DURING COMMUNION:

“Holy, Holy, Holy” ELW, #473  
“Breathe”  
“Change My Heart, O God” ELW, #801  
“We Fall Down”

POST COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG: “Shine, Jesus, Shine” ELW, #671

CORPORATE PRAYER:

“Into Your hands we commit our lives. Into Your hands we commit Your church.”

GO IN PEACE

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**Worship Team for today:**

**Presider:** Pastor Barb Lemke

**Pianist:** Cindy Josephson **Hymnists:** Ron & Doris Freund

**Reader:** Heidi Davison **Greeter:**

**Usher:** Marv & Ev Kelley **Communion Asst.:** Heidi Davison &

**Screen/Sound:** Travis Kleven **Video FaceBook & YouTube:** Jamie Villante

# Sunday Worship Service

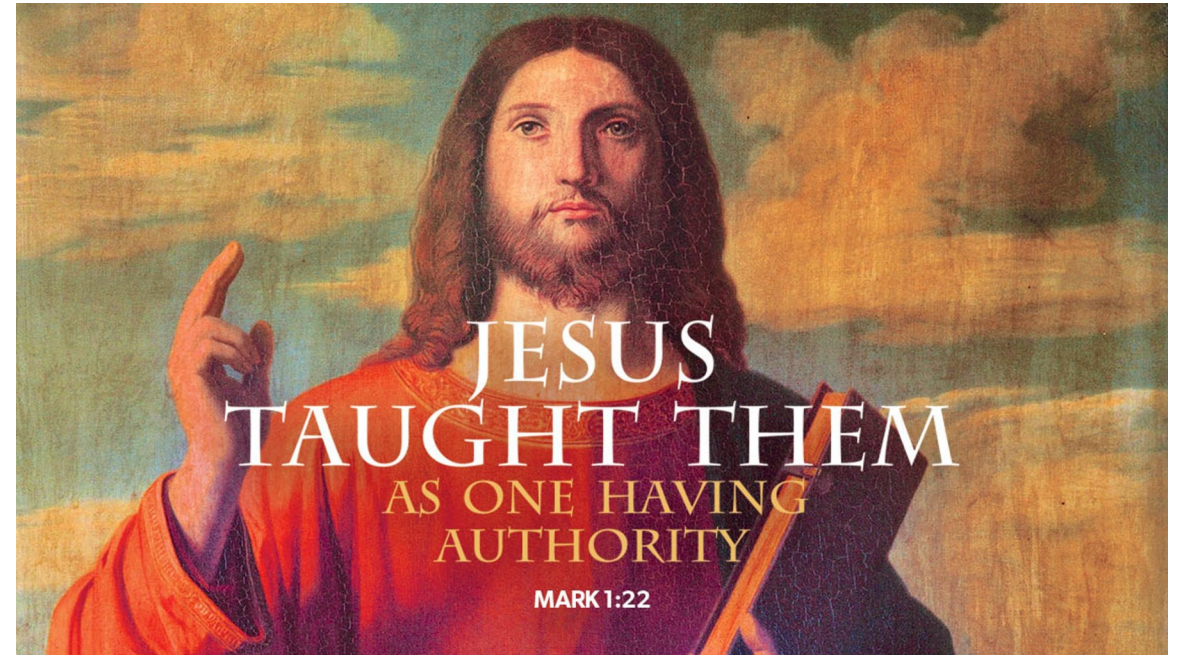


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## ***Fourth Sunday After Epiphany***

**January 28, 2024**

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**SUNDAY WORSHIP**  
**January 28, 2024**  
**9:30 A.M.**

PRELUDE:		Cindy Josephson
GATHERING:	“Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil” “Beautiful Savior” (vs. 1 & 4)	ELW, #512 ELW, #838
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS		
CORPORATE PRAYER:	“Into Your hands we commit our lives. Into Your hands we commit Your church.”	
CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS		ELW, pp. 94–96
OPENING HYMN:	“Gather Us In” (vs. 1 & 4)	ELW, #532
GREETING		
KYRIE	“Have Mercy on Me” (v. 3 & refrain)	
SPECIAL MUSIC	“Come Share the Lord”	Choir
PRAYER OF THE DAY		
1 <sup>ST</sup> READING:	Deuteronomy 18:15–20	
PSALM:	Psalm 111	
2 <sup>ND</sup> READING:	1 Corinthians 8:1–13	
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:		ELW, p. 188
GOSPEL:	Mark 1:21–28	
CHILDREN’S SERMON		Kathy Harrison
HYMN:	“There Is a Balm in Gilead” (vs. 1 & 3)	ELW, #614
SERMON	“True Authority ”	Pastor Barb Lemke

APOSTLES’ CREED  
**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 into hell.\***  
**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. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH  
Ukraine and Israel, our prayers are with you  
John & Casey Howshar  
Delores Rasmussen & Dan Rasmussen  
Eyes: Marvin Bohrer & Bonnie Frank  
Pat Oakes – Robert McBride – Patti Schoenfeld – Mike Lemke – Linda Faciane (Joy’s aunt)  
– Susan Riley (Lorraine Chambers’ friend) – Ashlyn (daughter of friend Wade and Lynn Hampton) – Katherine (friend of Ron and Doris Freund) – Alicia Jerrup (friend of Mary Katherine Smith) – Cammy (Debbie Diedrich’s aunt) – Leisa Mortenson and Bryce Dunn – Bianca (cousin of Lorraine, Heidi, and Mary Sellinger) – Gary (Andrea Newport’s brother-in-law)  
Ray & Cathy Maver-Johnson  
Danny Cowan  
Armonni Gonzalez (friend of Patty Garcia’s daughter)  
Bob Zenn  
Carol Kirkegaard  
Al Ryberg, Sylvia Cowan’s brother  
Linda Washington  
Dan Dunn (health issues) (friend of Hamptons)  
Kaylee (Ashlyn’s sister) (health issues) (friend of Hamptons)  
Joanne, Carol Smith’s daughter (tumor above ear)  
Pat French – diagnosis on source of pain  
The family of Lee Tapey (Deloris Delapp’s sister-on law)

**Homebound members:** Pat French – Wil Wertz – Jim Craig – Josh Carter

**Thanksgiving for Families:**  
James Craig  
Patrick & Belinda Carver, Liam  
Nate & Karen Elliott, Braden, Zaya, and Haisley

OFFERING

OFFERTORY: “We Are an Offering” ELW, #692

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The greatness of mercy and love  
At the feet of Jesus.  
And we cry, “Holy, holy, holy,”  
And we cry, “Holy, holy, holy,”  
And we cry, “Holy, holy, holy is the Lamb.”

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January 28–February 4, 2024

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	11:00 a.m.	Congregational Meeting
	3:00 p.m.	Tongans
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	6:30 p.m.	Bible Study (Zoom)
Tue	6:30 p.m.	Bible Study (Zoom)
Wed	6:00 p.m.	AA
Thu	11:00 a.m.	Prayer Team
	1:00 p.m.	Bible Study (in-person)
	7:00 p.m.	1 <sup>st</sup> /2 <sup>nd</sup> Year Confirmation
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Your Holy presence living in me.  
This is my daily bread,  
this is my daily bread,  
Your very Word spoken to me.  
And I, I’m desperate for you.  
And I, I’m lost without you.

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