

EPIPHANY-2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY

01/20/20196

10:00 am

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A special word of welcome to those visiting our church today. We are happy you joined us in worship. If you do not have a church home, we invite you to worship with us each Sunday and to participate in other activities and services here.

Please stand for acts of worship designated with an asterisk (\*). Any who prefer may “rise up” in spirit only, if physically standing presents difficulties.

GATHERING  
CHIMES CALLING US TO PREPARE FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE “Prelude in G Minor” Nancy Cook, Organist

Welcome and Announcements Pastor and Congregation  
(The prayer station in the back of the sanctuary is available for lighting a candle or leaving a prayer note any time before, during, or after worship.)

\*Note: Please be informed that our worship service is being recorded and carried live on face book and our website

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE  
(Thank you for completing the yellow half sheet in the bulletin and dropping it in the offering plate. We greet those around us with words of welcome and peace.)

\*Call to Worship: A Divine Appeal... - Leader and People  
L: I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, to present your selves now as living a sacrifice;  
C: We offer ourselves as one body onto the Lord, our God!  
L: Though we have many members;  
C: We are one Body in Christ Jesus, each of us joined to the others.  
L: God has made the body that the greatest honor is given to the weakest part;  
C: Desiring that we take care of one another!  
L: If one part either rejoices or suffers;  
TOGETHER: For if one part of us is praised, we rejoice together; and if one part of the body suffers, we all suffer! As we come together, may all we are, all we do, and all we say be for the strengthening of our one body to the glory of God. Amen!  
(1Corinthians 12: 1-11-paraphrased)

OPENING HYMN # 469 Jesus Is All the World to Me

OPENING PRAYER: Unison  
Giver of all gifts and graces, we are here assembled to hear anew your instructions for your gift of life and how to live it daily. Merciful God, enrich us with all speech, wisdom and knowledge. May you teach us beyond words and ideas. Help us understand that we may speak in the tongues of angels, and have the ability to understand all mysteries, but if we have no love of you and of our neighbors, we are noisy gongs and nothing. Called to be your disciples and witnesses in this corner of your global village, never let us walk alone or leave you out of any part of our lives, be it private or ministry. May we always live with the consciousness that you are the Vine and we are only branches! The braches cannot do anything fruitful without the Vine. Strengthen our faith and unite our spiritual gifts now as we await your word with all who call upon your name. This is our prayer in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Teacher. Amen!

CHILDREN’S TIME PASTOR

PRAISE TEAM  
GOD’S WORD IN SCRIPTURES  
Old Testament: Nehemiah 4:6-15  
Reader: This is the Word of God for the people of God  
Cong: Thanks be to God

CHOIR ANTHEM “Hear Me Now, O Lord” Nancy Cook, Director  
Gospel: John 1: 1-11  
Reader: This is the word of God for the people of God,  
Cong: Thanks be to God

WITNESSING TO THE WORD  
Theme: THE WEDDING PARTY- Is Christ invited?

RESPONDING TO THE WORD  
MORNING PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER Pastor  
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. Amen.

**OFFERING and OFFERTORY**

**Words of Invitation & Giving of Tithes and Offerings**

**Offertory**                      “My Jesus, I Love Thee”                      **Nancy Cook, Organist**

**\* The Doxology # 95**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.**

**Praise Him all creatures here below.**

**Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts.**

**Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**\*Prayer of Dedication:**

**Giver of all good and perfect gifts, we thankfully present you ourselves along with our tithes and offerings. Gracious God, may you accept, bless and use our gifts and us to touch and transform lives in our community and the world in name of Jesus Christ, your greatest Gift to us and the world. Amen!**

**\*UMH/FWS # 2166**

*Christ Beside Me*

**\*SENDING FORTH IN GOD’S LOVE AND CARE/ CHRSTIMAS BENEDICTION:**

**\*POSTLUDE**

**Thank you for being a part of today’s worship experience.**

**Rest assured God loves you, and so do we!**

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**Pastor: Rev. Jakes Voker**

**Administrative Assistant: Liza Michna**

**Nancy Cook: Organist**

**Jeff Fernholz: Treasurer**

**Sue Mills: Parish Visitor**

**Connie Boehm: Liturgist**

**Jeanne Whiteside: Media Coordinator**

**Dennis Clay: Pianist**

**Joy McClelland: Custodian**

**Nancy Cook: Choir Director**

## **HELP NEEDED**

Please be informed that some of our homebound members would love to get to church on Sunday. Unfortunately they don't have transportation. We are appealing to anyone who would be able and willing to help in this area of service, please contact the church office at (262) 633-7632.

The current need is: Jane Crawford, 3648 Green Street, her phone number is 639-6989

Thank you in advance for your help!!

## **JOYS AND CONCERNS OF OUR PARISH AND THE WORLD**

*Prayers for Jane Bragg. Prayers of healing, she's dealing with some serious health concerns.*

*Prayers for health and family issues for Laurie Lewis.*

*Prayers for Loretta and her family.*

Prayers for the Lewis family as they grieve the loss of their mother.

Prayers for Blessing and physical healing for Howaida.

Prayers for Cindy Hellesen for a break thru with an emotional situation and a sound mind.

Prayers for Heather Schattner for favor with reuniting with her children.

Prayers for favor and Blessing for Anthone Cate in finding a job.

Joe Sens has begun chemo for Non-Hodgins lymphoma. Prayers appreciated.

Rose Pettus is now at Ridgewood Care Center.

Former member Randy Brandt is having serious health issues – prayers for him and Bonnie are needed.

Thoughts and Prayers for Sandi McQuade.

Prayers are needed for Randy Hempel, son-in-law of Peggy & Paul Nejedly dealing with serious health issues.

Thoughts and prayers for health and healing for Nancy Drott who has been diagnosed with breast cancer.

Prayers for Favor and Blessing with Financial Resources for Jonathan and Retha Blocher.

Thoughts and prayers for Laurie Lewis and family.

Prayers are with Rose Pettus who is having some health problems.

Prayers for Tammy Madden and her family.

Prayers for healing and good health for Pat Held's daughter.

## **OUR RECORD LAST WEEK**

Worship Attendance	10:00 am – 45
Plate/Pledges	\$988.00
Missions	\$2.40
Christmas	\$75.00

## **COMING THIS WEEK**

### **Today, Sunday, January 20**

9:00 am – Faith To Life Bible Study

10:00 am – Morning Worship

5:00 pm – Casa de Dios Worship Service

### **Monday, January 21**

6:30 pm – Casa de Dios Bible Study

### **Wednesday, January 23**

6:00 pm – Choir Rehearsal

### **Saturday, January**

Noon – Sack Lunch Program, Lutheran Chapel of the Cross, hosts

## **Announcements**



***Flowers today are dedicated to August Grulich  
for his Birthday January 25th***

**OFFERING ENVELOPES FOR 2019** may be found on the sanctuary table. If you do not find a box with your name on it, select one of the extra boxes and record your name and box number on the sheet provided.

**THE ALTAR FLOWER CALENDAR FOR 2019** has been posted in the north foyer. Simply write your name on the date you wish to provide altar flowers and you will be contacted by the church office for details. You can celebrate anniversaries, birthdays and more.. The estimated cost is around \$40.00.

### **HOT MEAL PROGRAM**

First Church is responsible for the Hot Meal at St. Luke's Episcopal Church on Monday, January 21. If you can provide a casserole, please sign on the sheets located on the sanctuary tables. Please deliver your casserole to St. Luke's by 4:30 pm on January 21<sup>st</sup> and thank you for your help with this important outreach ministry.

*Happy Sunday  
to you all!*



Below you will find the SPRC trainings scheduled for **January 2019** for the South East District.

**All pastors, SPRC chairs and SPRC committee members are encouraged to attend!**

**SPRC Training #1 - Monday, February 4, 2019 @ 7:00 PM**  
**Brown Deer UMC**  
5736 W Brown Deer Rd.  
Brown Deer, WI 53223

**SPRC Training #2 - Thursday, February 7, 2019 @ 6:30PM**  
**Racine: Faithbridge UMC - Franksville Campus**  
10402 Northwestern Ave.  
Franksville, WI 53126

**SPRC Training #3 - Saturday, February 9, 2019 @ 9:00 AM**  
**West Allis: First UMC**  
7520 W Lapham St.  
West Allis, WI 53214

**SPRC Training #4 - Monday, February 11, 2019 @ 6:30 PM**  
**Whitewater: First UMC**  
145 S Prairie St.  
Whitewater WI 53190

Please register on the link below:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090444aaa822abf94-20191>

Thank you,  
Heidi