First Sunday after Christmas

Sunday, December, 29 2024 (9:00am)

Organist: Helen Kirschstein

Usher: Michael Ude

Opening Hymn 367: Angels from the Realms of Glory



Your decrees are very trustworthy; holiness befits your house, O Lord, forevermore. Your throne is established from of old; you are from everlasting. The Lord reigns; he is robed in majesty; the Lord is robed; he has put on strength as his belt. Yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved. The floods have lifted up, O Lord, the floods have lifted up their voice; the floods lift up their roaring. Mightier than the thunders of many waters, mightier than the waves of the sea, the Lord on high is mighty! C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Your decrees are very trustworthy; holiness befits your house, O Lord, forevermore. Your throne is established from of old; you are from everlasting.

Kyrie p 186 Gloria in Excelsis

Salutation and Collect of the Day p 189

O God, our Maker and Redeemer, You wonderfully created us and in the incarnation of Your Son yet more wondrously restored our human nature. Grant that we may ever be alive in Him who made Himself to be like us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 11:1-5

11 There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit. 2 And the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear



of the Lord. 3 And his delight shall be in the fear of the Lord. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide disputes by what his ears hear, 4 but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; and he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. 5 Righteousness shall be the belt of his waist, and faithfulness the belt of his loins.

Gradual

You are the most handsome of the sons of men; grace is poured upon your lips. I address my verses to the king; my tongue is like the pen of a ready scribe.

Epistle Lesson: Galatians 4:1-7

4 I mean that the heir, as long as he is a child, is no different from a slave, though he is the owner of everything, 2 but he is under guardians and managers until the date set by his father. 3 In the same way we also, when we were children, were enslaved to the elementary principles of the world. 4 But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, 5 to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. 6 And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" 7 So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

Alleluia and Verse p 190

Alleluia. The LORD reigns; he is robed in majesty; the LORD is robed; he has put on strength as his belt. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel: Luke 2:22-40

22 And when the time came for their purification according to the Law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord 23 (as it is written in the Law of the Lord, "Every male who first opens the womb shall be called holy to the Lord") 24 and to offer a sacrifice according to what is said in the Law of the Lord, "a pair of turtledoves, or two young pigeons." 25 Now there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon, and this man was

righteous and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. 26 And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Christ. 27 And he came in the Spirit into the temple, and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him according to the custom of the Law, 28 he took him up in his arms and blessed God and said, 29 "Lord, now you are letting your servant depart in peace, according to your word; 30 for my eyes have seen your salvation 31 that you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, 32 a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to your people Israel." 33 And his father and his mother marveled at what was said about him. 34 And Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, "Behold, this child is appointed for the fall and rising of many in Israel, and for a sign that is opposed 35 (and a sword will pierce through your own soul also), so that thoughts from many hearts may be revealed." 36 And there was a prophetess, Anna, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was advanced in years, having lived with her husband seven years from when she was a virgin, 37 and then as a widow until she was eighty-four. She did not depart from the temple, worshiping with fasting and prayer night and day. 38 And coming up at that very hour she began to give thanks to God and to speak of him to all who were waiting for the redemption of Jerusalem. 39 And when they had performed everything according to the Law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. 40 And the child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom. And the favor of God was upon him.

Apostles Creed p 192

Hymn 519: In His Temple Now Behold Him

"My eyes have seen your salvation."1.) Simeon sees.2.) Mary & Joseph see.

3.) Anna sees. 4.) We see.

Hymn 938: In Peace and Joy I Now Depart

Offertory p 192 **Prayer of the Church**

The Lord's Prayer p 196 Salutation p 201 The Benediction p 202

The Closing Hymn 937: Lord, Bid Your Servant Go in Peace

Silent Prayer and Announcements

WELCOME to all our worshippers!

CLC CALL NEWS Pastor Del Maas of Gift of God, Mapleton, ND and St. Paul's, Ponsford, MN received the call to St. Stephen, Mountain View, CA. Pastor George Dummann of Salem, Eagle Lake, MN received the call to Faith, Manchester, MO.

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