



First English Lutheran Church
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January 26, 2025

Third Sunday After Epiphany
ELW SETTING TWO

9:00 am

PREPARATION

Prelude

Bells

Welcome & KDIO Announcement

GATHERING

Baptismal Song 'Baptized and Set Free' verses 1 & 2 #453

HOLY BAPTISM OF IVER EVAN BOERGER

pg. 227

P: In baptism our gracious heavenly Father.....People of God, do you promise to support Iver and pray for him in his new life in Christ?

C: We do.

P: Do you believe in God the Father?

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

P: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

C: 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 to the dead. 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.

P: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

C: 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.

P: Oh Lord... Pour out your Holy Spirit...Let us pray.

Laying Hands

P: Oh Lord, sustain Iver with...both now and forever. **C: Amen**

P: Iver Evan Boerger, child of God....both now and forever. **C: Amen.**

Anointing

P: Iver Evan Boerger, child of God...cross of Christ forever. **C: Amen.**

Baptismal Candle

P: Iver, Let your light so...Let us welcome our new brother in Christ.

C: We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.

Baptismal Song (Cont.) 'Baptized and Set Free' vs. 4

ELW 453

Confession and Forgiveness *All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, our creator, our protector, our wellspring of life. **C: Amen.**

P: Merciful God, **C: you speak blessing and compassion into the world. Forgive us for the ways we act with judgment, cruelty, or indifference. We ignore the needs of our neighbors; we resist your call to oppose injustice; we give in to scarcity and fear; we assume the worst about one another. Cleanse us from our faults and release us from their grasp. Show us your lovingkindness. Restore our hearts and repair your world, that we may live in Christ's ways. Amen.**

P: God proclaims these words of assurance:...beloved children of God. **C: Amen.**

Gathering Hymn 'Oh, For a Thousand Tongues to Sing' vs. 1, 2 & 6 #886

1. Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise, the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace!

2. My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim, to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of your name.

6. To God all glory, praise, and love be now and ever giv'n by saints below and saints above, the church in earth and heav'n.

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, alt. Music: Carl G. Gläser, 1784-1829; arr. Lowell Mason, 1792-1872.

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P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C: And also with you.**

Hymn of Praise 'Glory to God in the Highest' pg. 121

Prayer of the Day

P: Blessed Lord God, **C: you have caused the holy scriptures to be written for the nourishment of your people. Grant that we may hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that, comforted by your promises, we may embrace and forever hold fast to the hope of eternal life, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

WORD

First Lesson: Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

OT pg. 340

L: ¹ The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky proclaims its maker's handiwork.

C: ² One day tells its tale to another, and one night imparts knowledge to another.

L: ³ Although they have no words or language, and their voices are not heard,

C: ⁴ their sound has gone out into all lands, and their message to the ends of the world, where God has pitched a tent for the sun.

L: ⁵ It comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber; it rejoices like a champion to run its course.

C: ⁶ It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of it again; nothing is hidden from its burning heat.

L: ⁷ The teaching of the LORD is perfect and revives the soul; the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to the simple.

C: ⁸ The statutes of the LORD are just and rejoice the heart; the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light to the eyes.

L: ⁹ The fear of the LORD is clean and endures forever; the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.

C: ¹⁰ More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.

L: ¹¹ By them also is your servant enlightened, and in keeping them there is great reward.

C: ¹² Who can detect one's own offenses? Cleanse me from my secret faults.

L: ¹³ Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.

C: ¹⁴ Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.

Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

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Children's Message

Pastor Cheryl Rondeau-Bassett

Noisy Offering

Gospel Acclamation

'Alleluia'

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Holy Gospel: Luke 4:14-21

NT pg. 47

P: The Holy Gospel according to... **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

P: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Pastor Cheryl Rondeau-Bassett

Special Music

'Praise Psalm'

Senior Choir

MEAL

Offering Collection and Presentation

Offertory Hymn 'We Are Marching in the Light' vs 1, 3, & 4 #866

Offertory Prayer **C: Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

P: God of grace, **C: hear our prayer.**

Lord's Prayer

pg. 134

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 and ever. Amen.

SENDING

Blessing

P: The Spirit of the triune God ✠ bless you with joy, anoint you with compassion, and send you in love. **C: Amen.**

Peace

P: And now before we leave... May the peace of Christ go with you always. **C: And also with you.**

Announcements

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Live in hope.

C: We will! Thanks be to God.

Closing Hymn 'Hark the Glad Sound' vs. 1, 3, & 4 #239

- 1. Hark, the glad sound! The Savior comes, the Savior promised long;
let ev'ry heart prepare a throne and ev'ry voice a song.**
- 2. He comes the pris'ners to release, in Satan's bondage held. The
gates of brass before him burst, the iron fetters yield.**
- 3. He comes the broken heart to bind, the bleeding soul to cure, and
with the treasures of his grace to enrich the humble poor.**
- 4. Our glad hosannas, Prince of peace, your welcome shall proclaim,
and heav'n's eternal arches ring with your beloved name.**

Text: Philip Doddridge, 1702-1751. Music: Thomas Haweis, 1734-1820.

Bells

Postlude


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1 Corinthians 13:13 (MSG) But for right now, until that completeness, we have three things to do to lead us toward that consummation: Trust steadily in God, hope unswervingly, love extravagantly. And the best of the three is love.

Pastor Cheryl's Hours: Mondays (FELC Pastor Office 10 am to 4 pm), Tuesdays (Zion Lutheran 10 am to 4 pm), Wednesdays (FELC Pastor Office 10 am to 3:30 (and then teaching confirmation classes), & Thursdays (FELC Pastor Office 10 am – 4 pm (unless up at FWV/or visiting members) or by appointment. Contact her anytime via text (605-237-1501) or email at CMQRondeau@outlook.com.

Welcome to all visitors and guests! May the joy of Christ fill you as we worship today. Friendship Pads are at the ends of each pew (by middle aisle). Fill them out, pass them on to your neighbor(s), and send them back to the middle aisle.

KDIO Radio Broadcast is sponsored by Pastor Cheryl in memory of her daughter Sally Rondeau who's 2nd heavenly birthday will be February 2nd. [2025 Radio broadcast cards are available in the narthex; cost is \$100/week].

OFFERING UPDATE: Here are the expenses for December:  \$19,120.33. Here is what we received: \$28,721.16. You're also encouraged to visit our webpage for Online Giving at www.firstenglish.net or scan the QR Code from the offering cards or bulletins.



January's pink envelope emphasis is for our Technology Fund. You can find special pink envelopes for designated giving in a basket in the Narthex.

Birthday Wishes go out to Barb Nornes whose birthday is tomorrow on Monday and Clara Zeek whose birthday is this Saturday, February 1st.

Congratulations and God's blessings to Lauren Swanson & Dominique Boerger on the baptism of their son, Iver Evan Boerger, today! His sponsors are Tyler Krause, Taylor Boerger, and Serena Boerger.

Super Bowl Subs are on sale by the Youth Group. If you or someone you know would like to order subs for pickup on February 9th, you can pick up a form, fill it out, and return it by February 3rd with your payment to someone in the office. Forms can be found at the sanctuary entrances and on our Facebook page.

We are always looking for people to help with our Sunday School teaching in ANY capacity (twice a month, only a certain age groups, etc.) so PLEASE consider and let Sara Wollschlager know if you are interested. (Materials & lessons are prepped and supplied for you weekly.)

PRAYERS FOR HEALING and COMFORT Larry Dahle, Jane Debner, Ruth Hansen, JoAnn Hasslen, Arlen LaCombe, Gail Olson, Harris Selvig, Beth Swanson, Brandi Tweeter; Monty Athey, Paul Erdman, Rosie Frank, Larry Helgeson, Natalie Henneberg, McCoy Jipson, Janice Redfield, David Scholberg, and Jerry Stotesbery. AT FAIRWAY VIEW NEIGHBORHOODS: Ricky Anderson, Arvilla Bergseth, Adeline Burgess, Jim Hipple, Vivian Janssen, Roger Nornes; and Mary Lou Olson in Madison. ALL OUR MILITARY who are deployed to areas of conflict. If you would like a name added/removed, please contact the church office.



REMINDER: Calendar and other important information is on our website, www.firstenglish.net & our bulletin boards. The church office number is (320) 839-2527.

This Week's Ministry Assistants—Jan. 26th

Organist: Kathy Haukos **Coffee Servers:** Harley & Ellie Helgeson
Tech Desk: Marge Dragseth & Marina Thomson **Lector:** Chris Petersen
Greeters: Sara Mattison & Liam **Acolytes:** Martino & Nash
Ushers: Dean Longnecker, Dick Strei, Josh Wollschlager, & Rodney Torgerson

Next Week's Ministry Assistants—Feb. 2nd

Organist: Carol Ydstie **Coffee Servers:** Paula Reisdorph & Lila Salls
Tech Desk: Liz Ketz & Marina Thomson **Lector:** Brent Zahrbock
Greeters: Eldon Knutson & Dawson **Acolytes:** Hannah & Brooke
Lay Assistants: Lori Larson & Jim Schmeichel
Ushers: Gale May, Dean Strand, Vern Nickolauson

Weekly Calendar

Sun – 1/26 9:00 am Worship – Baptism of Iver Boerger – Noisy Offering
– Broadcast on KDIO & FB Live



10:00 am Coffee Fellowship & Sunday School

10:15 am WAM Meeting

Mon – 1/27 11:00 am Staff Meeting

Tues – 1/28 8:30 am Day of Love

4-5:00 pm Bible Study at Donnie's Diner (Fairway View)

Wed – 1/29 9:30 am Channel 3 Broadcast

3:30 pm Confirmation (7-8th graders)

4:30 pm Confirmation (9th graders)

5:30 pm Youth Group (7-12th graders) & Channel 3 Broadcast

7:00 pm Senior Choir

Fri – 1/31 9:00 am Bulletins Printed

Sun – 2/2 9:00 am Worship – Communion

– Broadcast on KDIO & FB Live

10:00 am Coffee Fellowship & Sunday School

10:30 am Fairway View Worship (Pre-recorded)

