

* THE DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

THE SCRIPTURE READING

James 1:19-27

19. My dear brothers and sisters, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry,
20. because human anger does not produce the righteousness that God desires.
21. Therefore, get rid of all moral filth and the evil that is so prevalent and humbly accept the word planted in you, which can save you.
22. Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says.
23. Anyone who listens to the word but does not do what it says is like someone who looks at his face in a mirror
24. and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like.
25. But whoever looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom, and continues in it—not for getting what they have heard, but doing it—they will be blessed in what they do.
26. Those who consider themselves religious and yet do not keep a tight rein on their tongues deceive themselves, and their religion is worthless.
27. Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

SERVING THE LORD

Organist: Lois McJames
Music Director: Pam Brink
Treasurer: Ronda Bowen
Nursery: Meredith Abbe
Liturgist: Carol Hale
KIDSCHURCH: Sherry Numbers
Ushers: Jim & Sally Brozzo, Mike & Judy Gorthy
Greeters: Becky Bastuck & Ruth Decker
Counters: Sharon Arvidson, Verna Gould, Ruth Ann
Mar. Trustee: Rick Goodwin (Becky Bastuk)
Communion Stewards: Dorothy Francis, Sandy Houtman
Coffee Hour Mar. 3: **Volunteer Needed**
Snow Removal Mar 4-10: **Volunteer Needed**



Altar flowers are given by
Sandy Houtman in
Honor of her Family

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Mar. 7 Dale & Roberta Samson 26 years
Mar. 4 Roger Sharpe
Mar. 8 Mike Numbers



February 24, 2013 Facts and Figures

Worship Attendance: 51
Offering: \$845.00
Building Fund YTD \$1,350.00 (Balance:\$18,889.59)

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*The Order Of
Divine Worship*

March 3, 2013

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10:30 A.M.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

* THE HYMN "Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart" No. 160
(stanzas 1,2,3)

* THE ACT OF PRAISE

Blessed are those whose way is blameless,
who walk in the law of the Lord!

**Blessed are those who keep God's testimonies,
who seek God with their whole heart,
who also do no wrong, but walk in God's ways!
You have commanded your precepts
to be kept diligently.**

O that my ways may be steadfast in keeping your
statutes!

**Then I shall not be put to shame,
having my eyes fixed on all your commandments.**

I will praise you with an upright heart,
when I learn your righteous ordinances.

**I will observe your statutes;
O forsake me not utterly!**

* THE HYMN "Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart" No. 160
(stanzas 4,5)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

**Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart. Here is the
citadel of all my desiring, where my hopes are born
and all the deep resolutions of my spirit take wings.
In this center, my fears are nourished, and all my
hates are nurtured. Here my loves are cherished, and
all the deep hungers of my spirit are honored without
quivering and without shock. In my heart, above all
else, let love and integrity envelop me until my love is
perfected and the last vestige of my desiring is no
longer in conflict with thy Spirit. Lord, I want to be
more holy in my heart. Amen.**

THE SCRIPTURE READING James 1:19-27

SPECIAL MUSIC Kay Crawford, Barb Young

KIDSCHURCH

(Children from K-4th grades gather for *KIDSCHURCH*)

GREETING

(Please place your prayer cards in the baskets at this time)

THE MESSAGE

The Rev. Anthony N. Cutting
"True Religion"

THE HYMN "Take Time to Be Holy" No. 395

A SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him,
who earnestly repent of their sins and seek to live in
peace with one another.

Therefore let us confess our faith as contained in the
scriptures of the Old and New Testaments.

**I Believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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,
Is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and will come again 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**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

....And so, with your people on earth and all the
company of heaven we praise your name and join
their unending hymn;

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and
might. (Repeat)**

Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. (Repeat)

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the
Lord.**

Hosanna in the highest. (Repeat)

....And so in remembrance of these your mighty acts
in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and
thanksgiving, as a holy and living sacrifice, in
union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim
the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will
come again.**

....All honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now
and for ever.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Uplifting the bread and cup

The body of Christ, given for you. **Amen.**

The blood of Christ, given for you. **Amen.**

GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

(Communion Hymns Nos. 397, 640, 299)

* GIVING OUR GIFTS TO GOD No. 94

* THE CLOSING HYMN No. 438
"Forth in Thy Name, O Lord"