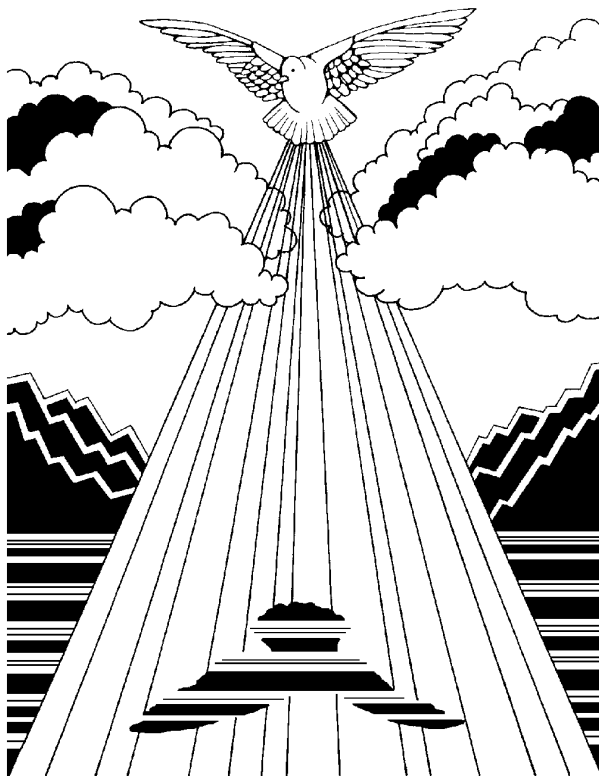


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... and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form,
as a dove, and a voice came from heaven,
“Thou art my beloved Son; with thee I am well pleased.”

Luke 3:22

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Worship: 9:30 a.m.

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PRAYER: Heavenly Father, in your grace and love for a fallen mankind You have caused the light of the glory of God to be revealed in the face of Jesus Christ. We pray that You would send your Holy Spirit into our midst, that as we hear Your holy Word we may comprehend the glory of Jesus so that the light of the gospel might shine in our hearts, dispelling the darkness of sin and death and granting us the hope of everlasting life, through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

THE ORDER OF SERVICE: p.5 (244:1-3)

HYMNS: 363; 343:1-4 391; 343:7

THE RESPONSIVE INTROIT: (Is. 42:1a; Ps. 2:7-11.12c NKJV)

^{Is 42:1} "Behold! My Servant whom I uphold,

My Elect One in whom My soul delights!

⁷ "I will declare the decree: The Lord has said to Me,

'You are My Son, Today I have begotten You.

⁸ Ask of Me, and I will give *You* The nations *for* Your inheritance,

And the ends of the earth for Your possession.

⁹ You shall break them with a rod of iron;

You shall dash them to pieces like a potter's vessel.' "

¹⁰ Now therefore, be wise, O kings;

Be instructed, you judges of the earth.

¹¹ Serve the LORD with fear, And rejoice with trembling.

^{12c} **Blessed are all those who put their trust in Him.**

Glory be to the Father...

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Isaiah 42:1-7

The Lord directs the world's attention to His chosen Servant who would bring justice not only to the Jews, but also to the Gentiles. The Lord declares of the coming Savior, "I will give You as a covenant to the people, as a light to the Gentiles, to open blind eyes, to bring out prisoners from the prison," that is the eternal prison house of sin and death.

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

At Jesus' baptism God the Father and Holy Spirit made it clear for all people that Jesus is the chosen and anointed Christ, the

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Savior of the world. Jesus was baptized even though He had no sin to wash away, that He might fulfill all righteousness. As the Christ He was anointed with the Holy Spirit and with power that we might be assured that Jesus is our Savior.

THE SERMON: Titus 3:4-7

Theme: The Compounding of Grace Revealed in Christ's Appearance

- I. The Kindness and Love of God Appeared
- II. He Saved Us
- III. The Washing of Regeneration

CALENDAR

TODAY: Sunday school and Church council meeting follow the service. No adult Bible class today.

WEDNESDAY: Catechism at 4:15 p.m.

NEXT SUNDAY: Worship at 9:30. Sunday school and Bible class follow after the service. Sermon text: John 2-11

FUTURE DATES TO REMEMBER

January 27: **ANNUAL MEETING** Installation of officers in service. Voters' meeting begins at 12:30 following **Bible class** and a **pot luck lunch**.

SERVING TODAY

Organist: Denise Barthels

Ushers: Randy Berg Luke Berg; Melvin Eichstadt; Leon Hellickson

Cleaning: Hellickson

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: January 6 - 17; Sunday school - 1 Bible class - 11

Weekly Offerings Needed	\$ 1,221.00	Memorials:
Offerings Received	\$825.00	Lincoln Cole
Needed for Year:	\$1221.00	Prop. Imprv. Fund
Received for Year:	\$825.00	\$50.00

CLC NEWS: Pastor Kevin McKenny, of Faith Lutheran Church, Cambridge, WI, was called to his eternal rest on Monday, January 7at the age of 55. Pastor McKenny was diagnosed with MS 16 years ago, and has been delivered from his suffering in

this present world to be with his Savior in glory. Our prayers are needed for his wife Kim, and their children. The victory service for Kevin McKenney will be Friday, Jan. 18, at 4 p.m. at Messiah, Hales Corners, WI. Memorials may be directed to the Public Ministry Preparation Endowment (PMPE).

CLC Financial Report - December

CLC Financial Report Operating Funds	Balance 7/1/2018	YTD Revenue	YTD Disbursed	Budget 6 Months	Balance 12/31/2018
General Fund	0	437,956	504,429	\$489,600	- 66,473
ILC Operations	0	756,928	637,497	\$274,800	119,431
Total	\$0	\$1,194,884	\$1,141,926	\$764,400	\$52,958
Auxiliary Funds					
ILC Improvement Fund (IIF)	108,123	84,282	65,244		127,161
ILC Building Projects (AC/Dorm)	15,500	153,417	133,253		35,664
Mission Development Fund (MDF)	55,340	71,827	78,941		48,226
Kinship	36,637	37,277	61,331		12,583
Church Extension Fund (CEF)	1,356,241	290,544	161,615		1,485,170
Student Aid Fund (SAF)	77,286	61,271	85,089		53,468
Reserve Fund	298,855	0	0		298,855
Total	\$1,947,982	\$698,618	\$585,473		\$2,061,127

ILC Building Projects (Academic Center Balance & North Hall)	
Beginning Balance November 1, 2017	\$1,460,931
Current Balance December 31, 2018	\$1,247,865
Principal paid to date	\$213,066

General Fund - December offerings totaled \$95,038 vs disbursements of \$70,382. The GF \$25,000 positive cash flow for the month reduced the negative balance to - \$66,473, helped by a \$4,000 CEF note donated to the fund. General fund receipts for the fiscal year have struggled to erase the deficit since July, but made significant progress in December. Hopefully, the deficit will be eliminated soon. The General Fund is the

major subsidy of the budgets of our Boards of Trustees, Regents, Missions, and Ed & Publications. It is supported by monthly congregation offerings & special offerings to the General Fund, also known as the CLC Cooperative Budget Plan (CBP).

ILC Operations—December ILC revenue (incl subsidy) was \$137,956 vs disbursements of \$111,291.

ILC Building Projects – December revenues of \$35,080 include congregation offerings of \$3,973, plus special gifts of \$20,000, \$10,100, & \$1,025 vs disbursements of \$8,000 for the monthly loan repayment on the Academic Center/North Hall loan.

CEF – December revenue was \$31,105 from CEF loan repayments vs disbursements of \$3,382.

MDF – December offerings totaled \$16,021 vs disbursements of \$2,903. (Note: most of the MDF disbursements are on a bi-monthly basis, beginning with January)

SAF – December revenue of \$8,990 included congregation offerings (\$2,534) and student loan re-payments (\$6,456) vs disbursements of \$23,751, mostly for Student Grants, Loans, & Scholarships.

Kinship – December congregation & sponsor offerings were \$8,259 vs disbursements of \$1,340, mostly for foreign pastor medical aid (\$1200). Like the MDF, foreign subsidy is on a bi-monthly plan.

James E. Sandeen, CLC Treasurer

Thomas J. Lentz, Chairman, CLC Board of Trustees