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Seventh Sunday after Epiphany — January 19, 2017

LBW—Lutheran Book of Worship WOV—With One Voice

* Please stand as you are able

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ringing of the Bell

PRELUDE *Love the Lord Your God* -Living Spirit

(10:30) *Shine, Jesus, Shine* -Bell Choir

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS *(you may remain seated)*

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who stretches out the heavens, who sends light to the nations, who gives breath to us all.

C Amen.

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Loving God,

C we confess that we have turned from your way to follow our own ways. Forgive us for the times we have spoken or acted too quickly; we have not spoken or acted at all; we have hurt those closest to us; we have hurt those we have yet to know; we have thought more about ourselves than others; we have thought less of ourselves than we ought. Turn us around, and give us a fresh start, so that we can live again as your children. Amen.

P Even when we have done wrong, God makes us right. Even when we have messed up, God puts us together. God's love never runs out. God never tires of calling us beloved children. Hear God say to you now: Your sins are forgiven, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.

C Amen

HYMN WOV # 790 *Praise to You, O God of Mercy*

GREETING

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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Holy God of compassion, you invite us into your way of forgiveness and peace. Lead us to love our enemies, and transform our words and deeds to be like his through whom we pray, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

(10:30) **Special Music:** *My Lighthouse* -Living Spirit

FIRST LESSON: Leviticus 19:1-2, 9-18

¹The LORD spoke to Moses, saying:

²Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them: You shall be holy, for I the LORD your God am holy. ⁹When you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not reap to the very edges of your field, or gather the gleanings of your harvest. ¹⁰You shall not strip your vineyard bare, or gather the fallen grapes of your vineyard; you shall leave them for the poor and the alien: I am the LORD your God. ¹¹You shall not steal; you shall not deal falsely; and you shall not lie to one another. ¹²And you shall not swear falsely by my name, profaning the name of your God: I am the LORD. ¹³You shall not defraud your neighbor; you shall not steal; and you shall not keep for yourself the wages of a laborer until morning. ¹⁴You

shall not revile the deaf or put a stumbling block before the blind; you shall fear your God: I am the LORD. ¹⁵You shall not render an unjust judgment; you shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great: with justice you shall judge your neighbor. ¹⁶You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not profit by the blood of your neighbor: I am the LORD. ¹⁷You shall not hate in your heart anyone of your kin; you shall reprove your neighbor, or you will incur guilt yourself. ¹⁸You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against any of your people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the LORD.

A The Word of the Lord

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 119 -sung by Living Spirit

SECOND LESSON: 1 Corinthians 3:10-11, 16-23

¹⁰According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and someone else is building on it. Each builder must choose with care how to build on it. ¹¹For no one can lay any foundation other than the one that has been laid; that foundation is Jesus Christ.

¹⁶Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you?

¹⁷If anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy that person. For God's temple is holy, and you are that temple. ¹⁸Do not deceive yourselves. If you think that you are wise in this age, you should become

fools so that you may become wise. ¹⁹For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God. For it is written, "He catches the wise in their craftiness," ²⁰and again, "The Lord knows the thoughts of the wise, that they are futile." ²¹So let no one boast about human leaders. For all things are yours, ²²whether Paul or Apollos or Cephas or the world or life or death or the present or the future—all belong to you, ²³and you belong to Christ, and Christ belongs to God.

A The Word of the Lord

C **Thanks be to God.**

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*** GOSPEL: Matthew 5:38-48** *(please stand as you are able)*

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ³⁸"You have heard that it was said, 'An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.' ³⁹But I say to you, Do not resist an evildoer. But if anyone strikes you on the right cheek, turn the other also; ⁴⁰and if anyone wants to sue you and take your coat, give your cloak as well; ⁴¹and if anyone forces you to go one mile, go also the second mile. ⁴²Give to everyone who begs from you, and do not refuse anyone who wants to borrow from you. ⁴³You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' ⁴⁴But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute

you, ⁴⁵so that you may be children of your Father in heaven; for he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the righteous and on the unrighteous.

⁴⁶For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? ⁴⁷And if you greet only your brothers and sisters, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? ⁴⁸Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect."

P The Gospel of our Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

(10:30) Baptism Service - please turn to page 8

HYMN *Give Us Your Peace* (verses -Living Spirit, refrain -congregation)

SERMON

HYMN WOV # 780 *What a Fellowship* (you may remain seated)

(8:00 only) * **APOSTLES' CREED** (please stand as you are able)

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He 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

TITHES AND OFFERINGS (8:00) *My Lighthouse* -Living Spirit
(10:30) *10,000 Reasons* -Bell Choir (words printed below)

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning
It's time to sing your song again.
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me,
Let me be singing when the evening comes.

Refrain: Bless the Lord, oh my soul, oh my soul.
Worship his holy name.
Sing like never before, oh my soul
I'll worship your holy name.

You're rich in love and you're slow to anger.
Your name is great and your heart is kind.
For all your goodness I will keep on singing,
10,000 reasons for my heart to find. *Refrain*

And on that day when my strength is failing,
The end draws near and my time has come.
Still my soul will sing your praise unending,
10,000 years and then forever more. *Refrain*

OFFERTORY (you may remain seated.)

THE PRAYERS (you may remain seated)

A Called to be a light to the nations, let us pray for God's justice, peace, and healing.

A brief silence.

A Make the church in every land holy as you are holy, O God. Join the voices of rich and poor, young and old, friends and enemies, in praise of you. Orchestrate harmony among us. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A We pray for clean air, clean water, and clean soil. Renew the sky, land, and waterways. Teach us how to care for the earth as you desire. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A We pray for an end to war and for peace throughout the world. Prosper the work of peacemakers, erase hatred, and stop violence. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A We pray for all who are discerning a call to ministry and those who accompany them. Empower them with your grace and wisdom to continue building on the foundation of faith we have in Jesus Christ. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A We give thanks for the faithful departed and we pray for those who will die today. Hold them in your loving embrace. Breathe your Spirit of peace into them. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

P We pray for all who live with cognitive disorders or eating disorders. Provide them with supportive communities. Restore the forgotten; comfort the mourning; heal the hurting (*especially*). Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Receive these prayers in the name of Christ, the light of the world, who is one with you and the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C Amen

* LORD'S PRAYER

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

C 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.

* BENEDICTION

* HYMN WOV # 754 *Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ*

POSTLUDE *Blessed Be Your Name*

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(10:30 baptism service)

Special Music: *Song of Dedication* -Karri Ashbaugh

BAPTISM of Ford Ronson Diem

PRESENTATION

P In Holy Baptism our gracious heavenly Father liberates us from sin and death by joining us to the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. We are born children of a fallen humanity; in the waters of Baptism we are reborn children of God and inheritors of eternal life. By water and the Holy Spirit we are made members of the Church which is the body of Christ. As we live with him and with his people, we grow in faith, love, and obedience to the will of God.

Parents and Sponsors: I present **Ford Ronson Diem** to receive the Sacrament of Holy Baptism.

P In Christian love you have presented this child for Holy Baptism. You should, therefore, faithfully bring him to the services of God's house, and teach him the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments. As he grows in years, you should place in his hands the Holy Scriptures and provide for his instruction in the Christian faith, that, living in the covenant of his Baptism and in communion with the Church, he may lead a godly life until the day of Jesus Christ. Do you promise to fulfill these obligations?

Parents and Sponsors: I do.

THANKSGIVING

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: We give you thanks, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and you created heaven and earth.

By the gift of water you nourish and sustain us and all living things. By the waters of the flood you condemned the wicked and saved those whom you had chosen, Noah and his family. You led Israel by the pillar of cloud and fire through the sea, out of slavery into the freedom of the promised land. In the waters of the Jordan your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Spirit. By the baptism of his own death and resurrection your beloved Son has set us free from the bondage to sin and death, and has opened the way to the joy and freedom of everlasting life. He made water a sign of the kingdom and of cleansing and rebirth. In obedience to his command, we make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, so that he who is here baptized may be given new life. Wash away the sin of him who is cleansed by this water and bring him forth as an inheritor of your glorious kingdom.

To you be given praise and honor and worship through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C Amen

RENUNCIATION AND PROFESSION

P I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the Church, the faith in which we baptize.

P Do you renounce all the forces of evil, the devil, and all his empty promises?
Parents and Sponsors: I 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, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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. Amen**

BAPTISM

P **Ford Ronson Diem**, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

LAYING ON OF HANDS

P God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we give you thanks for freeing your sons and daughters from the power of sin and for raising them up to a new life through this holy sacrament. Pour your Holy Spirit upon [name]: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence.

C Amen

SIGNING WITH THE CROSS

P **Ford**, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever. Amen

GIVING OF THE LIGHT

A Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

PRAYER FOR PARENTS

P O God, the giver of all life, look with kindness upon **Matt** and **Katie**. Let them ever rejoice in the gift you have given them. Make them teachers and examples of righteousness for their children. Strengthen them in their own Baptism so they may share eternally with their children the salvation you have given them, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

WELCOME

A Through Baptism God has made this new brother a member of the priesthood we all share in Christ Jesus, that we may proclaim the praise of God and bear his creative and redeeming Word to all the world.

C **We welcome you into the Lord's family. We receive you as a fellow member of the body of Christ, child of the same heavenly Father, and worker with us in the kingdom of God.**

(Please return to the service with the hymn on page 4)

Altar flowers

Flowers are given to the glory of God by Carey and Brenda Plummer.

Baptism

God's blessings today at the baptism of Ford Ronson, son of Matt & Katie (Borstelman) Diem, born on November 23. Ford's sponsors are Brett O'Connor and Marcen Diem.

"Old nativity"

If you are interested in the old plastic nativity that sat outside, please contact Jeff Mires or Marv Mt.Castle.

Caring Corner

The collection for February is boxed cereal. Cereal is on ongoing need for food pantries and a simple way we can share our "Bread of Life."

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

Mark your calendars now for the annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper on Tuesday, February 28. Flippers and servers, dishwashers and clean-up help is needed; we gather at 4:30 to start serving 5 to 6:30 p.m. See Carol Castello to lend your hands!

Lutheran Camps

Check out the bulletin board as you enter from the back parking lot. The Board of Education is promoting LOMO (Lutheran Outdoor Ministries in Ohio). There are camp handouts in the front and back of the church. Please see Julie Mt.Castle for camp brochures and applications for camp scholarships. You can also apply for camp and access coupons to defray costs online. Completed scholarship forms are due March 1.

Serving Today

Pastor James L. Castello

Worship & Music Coordinator & Organist - Angela Tonjes

Bell Choir Director - Bill Panning

Lay Assistant - 8:00 Alexandria Reynolds 10:30 Jeff Mires

Sound Board - 8:00 Ryan Hoffman 10:30 Joe Dilbone

Acolytes - 8:00 Nate Brubaker & Jayce Brubaker

10:30 Elijah Wolf & Preston Speaks

Altar Guild - Wendy Schroeder & Elaine Borstelman

Ushers - 8:00 Leonard Sonnenberg, Steve Kloos, Ruth Hershberger, Terry Hershberger

10:30 Alan Storch, Bill Panning, Kurt Rohrs, Ken Lange

Prayer Chain Co-ordinator - Carol Castello (419-592-0847) or cjcast@yahoo.com

We need Volunteers!!

There are sign up sheets on the bulletin board in the narthex for readers and sound board operators for March/April/May. Let's see if we can "fill in all the blanks" by the end of this month! Thank you so much for being willing to help!!!!

Barbecue

Together We Can Make A Difference Initiatives is holding a chicken and rib barbecue tomorrow from 12 noon to 6 p.m. in our parking lot (please use the Scott Street entrance). For \$7 you may have either Chicken or Ribs with a bag of chips, applesauce, and a dinner roll. Drive-thrus are welcome. Chicken and Ribs prepared by Port-A-Pit BBQ from Edgerton, Ohio.

Catechism Bake Sale

Catechism students are holding a bake sale next Sunday after services in the "overflow" area. Proceeds will be used for their upcoming retreat.

Newsletter

The deadline for the March newsletter is noon tomorrow!

This Week

Monday	12-6 p.m.	Chicken & Rib BBQ
	noon	Newsletter deadline
	7:00 p.m.	Church Council
Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	Dartball at Deshler
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Sewing
	3:15 p.m.	After School Club
	3:30 p.m.	6 th grade
	5:00 p.m.	Soul Food
	5:30 p.m.	Emanubells
	6:30 p.m.	7 th grade
	6:30 p.m.	Choir
	7:30 p.m.	Living Spirit
	7:30 p.m.	7 th /8 th grade bells
	8:00 p.m.	8 th grade
Thursday	9:00 a.m.	Bible Study
Sunday	9:15 a.m.	Confirmation Planning Meeting
		Catechism Bake Sale