The Fifth Sunday of the Epiphany Season February 4, 2024



Master of all things, and Commander of spirits, He rules all, and saves.

South Big Horn Lutheran Parish

Grace Lutheran Church Greybull

For by grace you have been saved, through faith, and this is not of yourselves, it is the gift of God.

Ephesians 2:8-9

Zion Lutheran Church Emblem

Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.

Isaiah 12:6

Notes for the Season

The post-Christmas season - called *Epiphany* (Greek: Revelation) - is a season of afterthought. During this season we meditate upon the implications of what we have celebrated: the Son of God becoming Man. The theme of the season is how our Lord Jesus reveals who He is and what He has come to do. For this is the point of His miraculous works; to demonstrate His power as the power of deliverance and salvation. The colour of the season is **green**, signifying **growth and ripening**.

Today:

Special Order of Worship

Hymns: 412 - 333 - 781:1-2 - 359 - 389:7

Pastor Tinglund is away today on holiday. We thank the men of our congregations who serve us with the Word of God and lead us in our worship this morning for their service and their willingness to serve.

Just so we do not forget:

Hallowed be Thy name. What does this mean?

God's name is certainly holy in itself, but we pray in this petition that it may be kept holy among us also.

How is God's name kept holy?

God's name is kept holy when the Word of God is taught in its truth and purity, and we, as the children of God, also lead holy lives according to it. Help us to do this, dear Father in Heaven! But anyone who teaches or lives contrary to God's Word profanes the name of God among us. Protect us from this, heavenly Father! Of the Small Catechism

This we believe - from the Confessions of our Church

For what God commands must be much and far nobler than everything that we may devise ourselves; and since there is no higher or better teacher to be found than God, there can be no better doctrine, indeed, than He gives forth. Now, He teaches fully what we should do if we wish to perform truly good works; and by commanding them, He shows that they please Him. If, then, it is God who commands this, and who knows not how to appoint anything better, I will never improve upon it. Of the Large Catechism

Pastor Tinglund is away on holiday and shall be through Wednesday. Messages can be left at cell phone 605-228-9216, which will be checked regularly. Should a need for immediate Pastoral assistance arise, feel free to call Pastor Korb of Worland at 307-388-4044.

Pastor Tinglund shall be gone for continuing education (call it *remedial*, if you so desire) Friday and Saturday. Messages can be left at cell phone 605-228-9216, which will be checked regularly.

Lenten Dinners at Grace at 6 pm., prior to Lenten Worship on Wednesdays, February 14, 21, and 28, and March 6, 13, and 20.

<u>February 14:</u> Tacos <u>February 21:</u> Carry-in

February 28: Spaghetti w/meat sauce

March 6: Carry-in

March 13: Baked potato dinner

March 20: Carry-in

Free will offerings will be taken for our Youth Account.

Lenten Worship at Grace at 7 pm. on Wednesdays, February 14, 21, and 28, and March 6, 13, and 20.. Our theme this year shall be *His Mercy and His Means*. We shall meditate upon some of the ways in how our Lord Jesus actually gives His salvation to us, in light of the account of Holy Scripture of how He has suffered to win salvation for us to begin with.

A Stewardship Thought for the Sunday: Part of our readings today is 1 Corinthians 9:25 - "Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable." Self-control is a fruit of the Spirit, for the desires of the flesh are at war with the desires of the Spirit. Having received new life in Christ by His grace, He now calls us to follow Him deliberately, with self-control and intention.

From the LCMS Stewardship Ministry

A Life Thought from Lutherans for Life: Our Almighty Maker has blessed us with bodies for enjoyment. He has entrusted them to our control (1 Corinthians 9:26-27), but this means more than the mere "my body, my choice" indulgence of appetites. The greater gratification comes from receiving and serving even the least neighbor (1 Corinthians 9:22). Who are we to lie silent about the sanctity of life and thereby withhold the divine invitation to such a delightful discipline?

Bring your receipts from Lynn's to Church. For every bundle of receipts for \$ 10,000 we collect, Lynn's will give us a cheque for \$ 100 for the LMWL at Grace. Last year we raised \$ 800 by collecting receipts. This is an easy way to provide money for missions, without too much of a sacrifice for anyone - other than Mrs. T, who has to put up with her husband having developed yet another obsession.

This Week:

Today: 8 am. Worship at Grace

10:30 am. Worship at Zion

Tuesday: Pastor Tinglund gone Wednesday: Pastor Tinglund gone

Thursday: Pastor's office hours at Grace

Friday: Pastor Tinglund gone

No Penitence and Prayer worship

Saturday: Pastor Tinglund mostly gone

Sunday: 8 am. Communion Worship at Grace

9:15 am. Bible Study at Grace

10:30 am. Communion Worship at Zion

11:45 am. Bible Study at Zion