

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

11:00 am

February 9, 2020



You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Matthew 5:13–14

Being Kind to One Another!

AS WE GATHER

We consider today Jesus' words "You are the light of the world." Jesus tells His followers that their light should not be hidden, but rather it should help others to see. As we go about our daily lives, by God's grace we walk in the light of Jesus. Warmed by His light, we share that light He has given us with others in how we act, in what we say, and especially in spreading the good news about Jesus' forgiveness.

Letting our light **shine with kindness** is evidence of the fruit of the Spirit growing in, through, and among us.

Prelude I Stand Amazed (Praise band)

WELCOME — Pastor

RINGING OF THE BELL

Open The Eyes of My Heart Lord

Verse

Open the eyes of my heart Lord
 Open the eyes of my heart
 I want to see You
 I want to see You

Open the eyes of my heart Lord
 Open the eyes of my heart
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 I want to see You

Chorus

To see You high and lifted up
 Shining in the light of Your glory
 Pour out Your power and love
 As we sing holy holy holy

Verse

Open the eyes of my heart Lord
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Chorus

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Bridge

Holy holy holy
 Holy holy holy
 Holy holy holy
 I want to see You

Chorus

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of
Isla Jade Deneau

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

THE APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Confession and Absolution

Stand

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

People: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Kneel/Stand

Pastor: Let us now confess our sins to God our Father.

People: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Prayer of the Day

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray. Father in heaven, in Your grace and mercy, You have revealed Your plan of salvation for all people through the cross of Christ alone.

People: Strengthen our faith so that we do not rely on our reason, our own efforts, or anything else except the cross of Christ, the only source of forgiveness, life, and salvation;

Pastor: through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

Sit

Old Testament Isaiah 58:3–9a

(True and false fasting. The "fast" God wants is that we care for others)

Reader: ³ 'We have fasted before you!' they say.

'Why aren't you impressed?

We have been very hard on ourselves,
and you don't even notice it!

People: "I will tell you why!" I respond.

"It's because you are fasting to please yourselves.

**Even while you fast,
you keep oppressing your workers.**

Reader: ⁴ What good is fasting
when you keep on fighting and quarreling?
This kind of fasting
will never get you anywhere with me.

⁵ You humble yourselves
 by going through the motions of penance,
 bowing your heads
 like reeds bending in the wind.
 You dress in burlap
 and cover yourselves with ashes.
 Is this what you call fasting?
 Do you really think this will please the LORD?
⁶ "No, this is the kind of fasting I want:

**People: Free those who are wrongly imprisoned;
 lighten the burden of those who work for you.**

Reader: Let the oppressed go free,
 and remove the chains that bind people.

**People: ⁷ Share your food with the hungry,
 and give shelter to the homeless.**

Reader: Give clothes to those who need them,
 and do not hide from relatives who need your help.

**People: ⁸ "Then your salvation will come like the dawn,
 and your wounds will quickly heal.
 Your godliness will lead you forward,
 and the glory of the LORD will protect you from behind.**

Reader: ⁹ Then when you call, the LORD will answer.
 'Yes, I am here,' he will quickly reply.
 "Remove the heavy yoke of oppression.
 Stop pointing your finger and spreading vicious rumors!

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Epistle *1 Corinthians 2:1–12*

(We proclaim Christ crucified,
as the Spirit has revealed Him.)

When I first came to you, dear brothers and sisters, I didn't use lofty words and impressive wisdom to tell you God's secret plan. ² For I decided that while I was with you I would forget everything except Jesus Christ, the one who was crucified. ³ I came to you in weakness—timid and trembling. ⁴ And my message and my preaching were very plain. Rather than using clever and persuasive speeches, I relied only on the power of the Holy Spirit. ⁵ I did this so you would trust not in human wisdom but in the power of God.

⁶ Yet when I am among mature believers, I do speak with words of wisdom, but not the kind of wisdom that belongs to this world or to the rulers of this world, who are soon forgotten. ⁷ No, the wisdom we speak of is the mystery of God—his plan that was previously hidden, even though he made it for our ultimate glory before the world began. ⁸ But the rulers of this world have not understood it; if they had, they would not have crucified our glorious Lord. ⁹ That is what the Scriptures mean when they say, "No eye has seen, no ear has heard, and no mind has imagined what God has prepared for those who love him."

¹⁰ But it was to us that God revealed these things by his Spirit. For his Spirit searches out everything and shows us God's deep secrets. ¹¹ No one can know a person's thoughts except that person's own spirit, and no one can know God's thoughts except God's own Spirit. ¹² And we have received God's Spirit (not the world's spirit), so we can know the wonderful things God has freely given us.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sunday School Choir / Children's Message

Holy Gospel *Matthew 5:13–20* (You are salt and light in the world.)

¹³ "You are the **salt of the earth**. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot.

¹⁴ "You are the **light of the world**. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden.

¹⁵ Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. ¹⁶ In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

¹⁷ "Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. ¹⁸ For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth disappear, not the smallest letter, not the least stroke of a pen, will by any means disappear from the Law until everything is accomplished. ¹⁹ Therefore anyone who sets aside one of the least of these commands and teaches others accordingly will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever practices and teaches these commands will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. ²⁰ For I tell you that unless your righteousness surpasses that of the Pharisees and the teachers of the law, you will certainly not enter the kingdom of heaven.

Reader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.



Shine, Jesus, Shine

Lord the light of Your love is shining
In the midst of the darkness shining;
Jesus, light of the world, shine upon us
Set us free by the truth You now bring
us.

Shine on me, shine on me.

Chorus:

Shine, Jesus, Shine
Fill this land with the father's glory
Blaze, Spirit, Blaze
Set our hearts on fire
Flow, river, flow
Flood the nations with grace and mercy.
Send forth Your word
Lord and let there be light

Lord, I come to Your awesome presence
From the shadows into Your radiance
Be the blood I may enter Your brightness
Search me, try me, consume all my
darkness
Shine one me, shine on me.

Sermon – Pastor Christopher Fairbairn

*In what ways is the Light of Christ active in your life?
Are you still **salty and bright**?*

Chorus:

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Send forth Your word
Lord and let there be light

As we gaze on Your kingly brightness
So our faces display Your likeness
Ever changing from glory to glory.
Mirrored here, may our lives tell Your
story.
Shine on me, shine on me.

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Be these.
Matthew 5:13-16

*Stand***Prayer of the Church**

Pastor: Let us pray for God's people around the world and all who call out to Him in their various needs.

Sovereign God, when people anywhere are in conflict, are driven by hate, or are living in countries with cruel taskmasters or brutal regimes, surround them with Your love. Use us to bring word of Your compassionate embrace so that they may endure until relief is realized. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Lord Jesus, we pray for all who face this day in sadness or grief, are facing sudden crisis or long-term ill, or are mourning the loss of a loved one. Restore joy to them through those who care about them—professionals, family, and friends—all who know the joy of Your gracious presence. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Gracious Lord, whose kindness knows no end, bring to repentance all who have turned from Your way. Use people of faith to bring Your Word to them that they may hear anew the precious Gospel of Your Son. Grant to us the wisdom to know when to speak and what to say. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Loving Lord, help us to act in gentleness toward the forgotten in society, the invisible poor, the forgotten in prison, those about to be born, and those nearing their end of days. Open our eyes to opportunities to serve their needs in Your name. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Triune God, guide the leaders of the Church around the world so that they may exercise self-control over their momentary emotions and personal desires, keeping their eyes always fixed on You, the source of life and health and peace, and keeping their ears attentive to Your gracious Word. Lord in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: These and any other things You would have us ask of You, heavenly Father, grant to us for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

Sit

Offering

We invite you to fill out our Friendship Card during the offering which is found near the center aisle at the end of the pew. Ushers will collect them.

At the Offering: Same Power (Paul Ventimiglia – solo)

Stand



Benediction

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you
and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

People: Amen.

I Stand Amazed (How Marvelous)**Verse 1**

I stand amazed in the presence
 Of Jesus the Nazarene
 And wonder how He could love me
 A sinner condemned unclean

Chorus

How marvelous how wonderful
 And my song shall ever be
 How marvelous how wonderful
 Is my Savior's love for me

Verse 2

He took my sins and my sorrows
 He made them His very own
 (And) He bore the burden to Calvary
 And suffered and died alone

Chorus

How marvelous how wonderful

And my song shall ever be
 How marvelous how wonderful
 Is my Savior's love for me

Verse 3

And with the ransomed in glory
 His face I at last shall see
 It will be my joy through the ages
 To sing of His love for me

Chorus

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THE INVITATIONS

Blessings of Abraham.

I am the Lord who health thee.
 Oh that you only trust in Me
 You are the seed my faith receive
 The blessings of Abraham
 The blessings of Abraham

Whatever you are / Wherever you go,
 Whatever you touch anointed to grow
 You are the seed by faith receive
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Postlude

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BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS DUE TUESDAY NOON *Audio*
recording of the sermons and bulletins (church and school calendars) are now
posted online every week @stpaulnorthville.org

9	FEB, SUN	● 8:30am – 12:30pm	NO RENTALS ON CAMPUS
		● 8:30 – 9:30am	Worship w/Communion
		● 9:45 – 10:45am	Bible study Parish Hall
		● 10 – 11am	Mission Trip Meeting room #3 school
		● 11am – 12pm	Worship
		● 6 – 8pm	Sunday Night AA Big Book
10	FEB, MON	● 3:30 – 6pm	School Faculty Meeting Church office
		● 4 – 6pm	Bible Quizzing parish hall
		● 5 – 8pm	OLV Gym Rental gym
		● 5 – 7pm	Driver Education room #3
		● 5:30 – 7pm	Board of Evangelism Room #4 School
		● 7 – 9pm	Drivers Ed Seg. 2 room #3
11	FEB, TUE	● 1 – 2pm	Staff Meeting School Office
		● 5 – 8pm	OLV Gym Rental gym
		● 5 – 7pm	Driver Education room #3
		● 7 – 9pm	Drivers Ed Seg. 2 room #3
12	FEB, WED	● 9:30 – 11am	Women's Bible Study church parish hall
		● 5 – 8pm	OLV Gym Rental gym
		● 5 – 7pm	Driver Education room #3
		● 7 – 9pm	Northville Swim Club Board Meeting Business Office room #4

13	FEB, THU	● All day	Winterim gym
		● 4 – 6pm	Bible Quizzing parish hall
		● 5 – 7pm	Driver Education room #3
		● 5:30 – 6:30pm	Hanbells church hallway
		● 6:30 – 7:30pm	Choir church parish hall
		● 7:30 – 8:30pm	Praise Team Practice church
14	FEB, FRI	● All day	Winterim gym
		● 7:30 – 9pm	AA MTG Church Parish Hall
15	FEB, SAT	● 10am – 12pm	Motor City Model Club Room #3
		● 12 – 5pm	Adult Motor City Model Club room #3
		● 5 – 8pm	Youth Game Night Church Parish Hall

Attendance Last week :

Sunday 2.2.20 - 8:30am - 102

11:00am - 66 = 168

Communion - 131

Sunday Bible Study - 29

Bible Study and Small Group Opportunities –

SUNDAYS: Join us for bible study and fellowship @ 9:45am in the church Parish Hall.

WEDNESDAY'S: Women's Bible Study 9:30 - 11:00 Church Parish Hall

SATURDAYS: Men's Bible Study – Every second and fourth Saturday @ 9:30am – Parish Hall.

Today's flowers are:

In memory of her husband John from Ruth Natiw.

One extra bouquet in memory of my husband Harry from Marilyn Campbell.

Please arrange to pick up your flowers after the 11am Sunday Service.

Puerto Rico MISSION TRIP: April 4th to 11th: Bible Studies and Team Meetings have begun on Sunday's, 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. in Room 3 of St Paul School. We have ten people "going" on the trip but everyone is invited to attend these informational meetings. Thank you to those who are "sending" the team with your prayers and financial support. You can write a check to St Paul Lutheran Church and on the Memo Line put "2020 Mission Trip." We hope to still raise half of the expenses through our fundraising efforts with the Chili-Cook-off and BINGO coming up next Saturday. We hope to see you there!

For the month of February, Women in Christ would like to highlight LWML Grant 3, Food for the Food and Clothing Cooperative of Concordia Theological Seminary, Ft. Wayne, IN. Our future pastors and church leaders are the key to the future of the church. The cost of an education for an individual attending one of our theological seminaries can range from \$50,000 to \$60,000 per year. The Food and Clothing Cooperative provides critical support for these future leaders and their families as they prepare to serve God.

Prayer: Dear Lord, please bless our future church leaders and bless our mite offerings that they may provide the support that enables them to serve. In Jesus' name, Amen.

MI District Gatherings for All Ages

SAVE THE DATE

JR Youth - June 5 – June 7 Frankenmuth "20/20 Vision"

SR Youth - June 28 - July 1 Mackinac Island "Anchored in Hope"

Adult – October 9 – October 11 Mackinac Island

Next year is filled with a lot of fun. For everyone. If you are interested in participating, please let me know. More info to follow.

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Last weeks lesson was about the angel appearing to Joseph to let him know that everything was going to be alright with Mary, even though he felt like everything was falling apart. The angel reminded him that this was all planned out by God and all would be good. They learned that even with all the superheroes we read about the one TRUE SUPERHERO is Jesus and He came and conquered death for all of us.

This week is our winter party!!!crafts, games, and a lot of fun...

Sunday School will sing @ 11 am on Feb 9th

The Council of Lutheran Women (CLW) will hold their 56th annual luncheon on March 17, 2020 at Burton Manor in Livonia, beginning promptly at 11:15 am.. Tickets are \$29.00 and reservations must be made in advance, men and women attend this luncheon, all are welcome.. I will be happy to coordinate purchasing the tickets for those that would like to pre-pay. Reservations can be made after January 17th. The speaker is Dr. Paul Maier, Professor, Historian, author, and past Vice President of the LCMS. Please let me know if you are interested in attending, Sue Poole 248.904.9080 or smvpoole@comcast.net.

For the month of January, Women in Christ would like to highlight LWML Grant 7, Restoring Hope for Detroit Children and Families—Camp Restore Detroit. Working with Mt. Cavalry Lutheran Church, Camp Restore provides housing and meals for visiting volunteer mission teams. These teams serve throughout the community by cleaning properties, boarding up vacant houses, and providing caring support to those who live there. Mt. Cavalry has also established outreach services to neighborhood children, including the development of two adjacent lots into a playground and a bike path. Detroit's Green Light program helps to keep the property secure with cameras mounted around the facility. The security system also shows the neighborhood that the church is a safe place of refuge. Recently a young boy who had been stabbed by a family member came to the church for help, and a young woman who was caught in a lifestyle of prostitution sought the friendship of a visiting mission team. God's mercy and grace will continue to be shared as you give to support this 2019-2021 LWML Grant. January is one of four months in which MITE boxes are collected. Please place your filled MITE box in the large MITE box in the narthex. Thank you for your generous support in the past.

Lent Dinners will be here before you know it! Have your group or Board sign up to host a dinner before 7pm Worship! We have two slots open- call the church office if you would like to take it! 248-349-3140.

2/26/2020 - (Ash Wednesday) VBS

3/4/2020 - Board of Evangelism

3/11/ 2020 - OPEN

3/18/2020 - Board of Social Ministry

3/25-2020 - Board of Elders

4/1/2020 - OPEN



Bring a friend and have some fun!!!



Bring your favorite board game!!

When: Saturday Feb 15 @ 5 PM to 8pm

Who: 6th grade to 12th grader

Where: Parish Hall

Cost: FREE FREE FREE

Pizza, Popcorn and drinks provided



We all experience challenges in life—times when we could benefit from the support of a caring Christian friend. Pastors will always be on the front lines of care, especially during times of crisis. But there are always many more needs for ongoing, one-to-one care than

pastors can effectively meet by themselves. Stephen Ministry provides a biblical solution—equipping God’s people for ministry. Gifted lay people are trained to support and extend the care

that pastors continue to provide. Stephen Ministers reach out with God's love to people who are hurting—both congregation members and nonmembers alike. A **Stephen Ministry program** provides the emotional and spiritual care we need when faced with a crisis or difficulty. The Board of Elders would like to bring such a program to St. Paul. We are looking for a few people to attend a half-day introductory workshop which allows the attendees to experience a sample of Stephen Minister training and learn how our church can begin a Stephen Ministry. The Introductory Workshop features three sessions: Ministering to Those Experiencing Grief, an Introduction to Stephen Ministry, and How to Care in a Distinctively Christian Way. The workshop meets **March 14, 2020, in Toledo, Ohio**. If you are at all interested, why not take time to attend the workshop!! Please let Linda Johnson or one of the Pastors know if you are interested.

Lent / Holy Week Schedule 2020

2/26/2020 – Lent Dinner 5:30pm –

2/26/2020 - Lent Worship – 7pm – Ash Wednesday

3/4/2020 – Lent 12 noon service (lunch following)

3/4/2020 – Lent Dinner 5:30pm – Lent Worship – 7pm

3/11/2020 – Lent 12 noon service (lunch following)

3/11/2020 – Lent Dinner 5:30pm – Lent Worship – 7pm

3/18/2020 – Lent 12 noon service (lunch following)

3/18/2020 – Lent Dinner 5:30pm – Lent Worship – 7pm

3/25/2020 – Lent 12 noon service (lunch following)

3/25/2020 – Lent Dinner 5:30pm – Lent Worship – 7pm

4/1/2020 – Lent 12 noon service (lunch following)

4/1/2020 – Lent Dinner 5:30pm – Lent Worship – 7pm

4/5/2020 – Palm Sunday Worship – 10am

4/9/2020 – Maundy Thursday Worship – 7pm

4/10/2020 – Good Friday Worship – 1pm with Holy Communion and 7pm

4/12/2020 – Easter Sunday Worship – 8:30am and 11am

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