

Tuesday Tidings of Grace



This Tuesday is January 30, 2024

This past Sunday was:

4th Sunday after the Epiphany

[Sunday Worship on YouTube](#)

[Sunday Sermon on Website](#)

This past Sunday we heard more about the topic of Christian freedom. In 1st Corinthians 8 Paul talks about how “love builds up.” That while we have much freedom as Christians because we have been set free in Christ, our best expression of that freedom comes when we love our neighbor and put the needs of our neighbor ahead of our own ... as Jesus did.

Next Sunday, February 4 is:

5th Sunday after the Epiphany

Jesus’ ministry continues with Him hard at work doing precisely what the Father sent Him to do. He continues to heal the sick and to preach the good news to the poor (sinners). He is bringing precisely what all the world needs.

The readings are:

[Isaiah 40:21-31](#)

[1 Corinthians 9:16-27](#)

[Mark 1:29-39](#)

The Hymn of the Day is:

“Hail to the Lord’s Anointed” (LSB #398)

Grace Events This Week

Join us in a prayer for peace in all forms for all people. Whether it is worldly unrest or just illness in the home, we need peace.

Thu 1/25 - (9:30am) Lutheranism 101 Study

Thu 2/1 - (12:30pm) Ladies Society

Fri 2/2 - (6:00pm) Bunco Night

Sun 2/4 - (9:15am) Every One His Witness Bible Study

Daily Bible Readings

<https://bit.ly/gracedailybible>

5th Sunday after the Epiphany

February 4, 2024

Psalm: Psalm 147:1-11

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 40:21-31

Consider Isaiah 40:28, “Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable.” God is the God of all, whether they acknowledge it or not. This means that what we believe from the Word of God is truth and is truth for all mankind. It means there really is salvation in Christ alone and what God says of repentance and faith is real and important. It also means His promises to never leave us nor forsake are real and wonderful. He gives us strength and He renews us that we shall “mount up with wings like eagles, we shall run and not be weary. (Is. 40:31)”

Epistle Reading: 1 Corinthians 9:16-27

Paul continues to explain Christian freedom. His words in verse 19 are worth a deeper look: “For though I am free of all, I have made myself a servant to all, that I might win more of them.” Paul endeavored to become “all things to all people (9:22b)” and what an effort that must be. We likewise must prayerfully take this calling to heart. Not that it will save us for Jesus has already done that work. But it might help save others by leading them to Christ. I can express my freedom in Christ by being all that I need to be for the sake of my neighbor. I will sacrifice what I must to build up my neighbor in love. We do this all for the “sake of the gospel (9:23a)”

Gospel Reading: Mark 1:29-39

Jesus desire to continue on His ministry from town to town is remarkable. He knew that the message and love He was present to give is precisely what every soul in every town needed and so He continues on. We would be right to say Paul got his inspiration to be “all things for all people” from Jesus Himself. The core purpose in all that Jesus did was that people might be saved. Paul tried to mimic and follow that same purpose. What about us? Can we say every aspect of our lives works together to support this goal, that all know Christ?