

Tuesday Tidings of Grace



This Tuesday is **January 21, 2025**

This past Sunday was:

Sanctity of Human Life Sunday

[Sunday Worship on YouTube](#)

[Sunday Sermon on Website](#)

Our God is a God of life and as He reveals Himself to us in His Word He shows us that we are to be a people of life. We are fearfully and wonderfully made. We are His workmanship. We are created to do good works, to love one another, and to love God. This gift is precious and one to be cherished in all of us.

Next Sunday, January 26 is:

Epiphany 3

We hear this week Jesus reading from the Old Testament scroll of Isaiah and sharing with the people that those words of prophecy are fulfilled in Him. The good news has been preached to the poor! This includes us!

The readings are:

[Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10](#)

[1 Corinthians 12:12-31a](#)

[Luke 4:16-30](#)

The Hymn of the Day is:

“O Christ, Our True and Only Light”
(LSB #839)

Grace Events This Week

Tue 1/21 (7p) - Church Council

Wed 1/22 (7p) - Weekday School

Thu 1/23 (9:30a) - Thursday Morning Bible Study

Sun 1/26 (12p) - Voters Meeting

Formula of Concord Readings For the Week of Jan. 26

Ep I, 11-25 (p. 475-477)

3rd Sunday after the Epiphany

January 26, 2025

Psalm: Psalm 19:7-14

Old Testament Reading: Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

We hear in Nehemiah 8 of a moment involving God's people gathering to hear the Word of the Lord read to them. It is a moment we can relate to 2500 years later. Ezra the priests reads God's Word to God's people that they might hear of the mighty deeds of their Lord God and so believe. We still do the same to this day bearing in mind now the promise St. Paul gives in Romans 10 "faith comes through hearing and hearing through the word of Christ."

Epistle Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

St. Paul writes to us all of our place in the body of Christ. Though God has gifted us each individually God also has called us to operate as one as members of His one body. In these we are inseparably connected. This especially affects our lives when we consider verse 26 "If one member suffers, all suffer together; if one member is honored, all rejoice together." We cannot but help to love one another and care for one another as our Lord has done for us.

Gospel Reading: Luke 4:16-30

Jesus returns to the town in which He was raised: Nazareth. There He did what "was his custom", he went to the house of worship on the day of worship to do what the Father had sent Him to do. He reads prophecy from Isaiah and then notes this prophecy is fulfilled in Him. We are meant in this to see Jesus' true identity as Messiah and Lord. The Old Testament does point forward to Him in every way. This "good news to the poor" including all of us sinners, even the Gentiles, even the outsiders, even those on the fringe of our societies. Jesus has come for those who need Him the most.