

## Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

### January 30, 2022

#### AS WE GATHER

At the beginning of the Church Year, many sang the hymn "Love Came Down at Christmas." Indeed, the Bible says, "God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son" (John 3:16). It is only on Good Friday, however, that we discover the depth and power of God's love in the cross of the Lord's death. And so it was that ever since the beginning of His earthly ministry, after His Baptism, we are given clear hints about the true nature of God's love. Initially people marveled at Jesus' preaching and miraculous healings. Yet not only did the crowds quickly reject our Lord, but Satan also was actively opposing Him from the beginning. The love of God is the power of God to defeat Satan and free the world from the grip of sin and death. The standard of love is the cross of Christ. In today's Epistle, Paul describes love in and through Christ. Substitute "Christ" for "love" and you get, "Christ is patient and kind; Christ does not envy or boast; . . . Christ rejoices with the truth." This love of Christ is given to us and through us. "Faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these" is the cross of Christ!

#### ORDER OF SERVICE- Divine Service Setting One, Page 151

Opening Hymn: LSB #538 "Praise Be to Christ"

#### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

#### SERVICE OF THE WORD

Introit of the Day *Psalm 10:16-18 antiphon: Psalm 10:12 (spoken responsively)*

Kyrie – Page 152

**Hymn of Praise "Glory to God in the Highest" - Page 154**

Salutation and Collect of the Day

The Old Testament Reading – Jeremiah 1:4-10 (17-19)

Epistle Reading – 1 Corinthians 12:31b-13:13

Alleluia and Verse

Holy Gospel – Luke 4:31-44

**Hymn of the Day: LSB 842 "Son of God, Eternal Savior"**

Sermon

Nicene Creed – page 158

Prayer of the Church

Offertory – page 159 "What Shall I Render to the Lord" (*Sung as offerings are brought forward*)

#### SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

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Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Words of Our Lord – Page 162

Proclamation of Christ

Lord's Prayer

Pax Domini – "The Peace of the Lord"

Agnus Dei – "Lamb of God"

Distribution

**Hymns during Distribution: LSB #'s 570, 629**

Post-Communion Canticle - "Thank the Lord" - Page 165

Post-Communion Collect - Page 166

Benediction

**Closing Hymn: LSB #922 "Go, My Children with My Blessing"**

