

BURR OAK – HESPER LUTHERAN PARISH

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Second Sunday after Epiphany
January 19, 2025
8:30am Hesper / 10am Burr Oak

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GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the Holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C: Amen.

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and of one another.

(Silence is kept for reflection)

P: Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C: Amen.

OPENING HYMN

"Now the Silence"

ELW 460

GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

KYRIE

ELW 147

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: Amen.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

“Glory to God”

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P: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God’s people on earth.

C: Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only son of the Father. Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Lord God, source of every blessing, you showed forth your glory and led many to faith by the works of your Son, who brought gladness and salvation to his people. Transform us by the Spirit of his love, that we may find our life together in him, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

LISTEN

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 62:1-5

For Zion’s sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem’s sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the Lord delights in you, and your land shall be married. For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

R: This is the word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 36:5-10

5 Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens,
and your faithfulness to the clouds.

6 Your righteousness is like the strong mountains, your justice like the great deep;
you save humankind and animals, O Lord.

7 How priceless is your love, O God!
All people take refuge under the shadow of your wings.

8 They feast upon the abundance of your house;
you give them drink from the river of your delights.

9 For with you is the well of life,
and in your light we see light.

10 Continue your lovingkindness to those who know you,
and your favor to those who are true of heart.

SECOND LESSON

1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

R: This is the Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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"Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?" You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 2:1-11

L: The holy gospel according to **John**, the 2nd chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

P: The Gospel of the Lord

C: Praise to you, O Christ

SERMON

RESPOND

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Will You Come and Follow Me”

ELW 798

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

With the Spirit of Christ shining upon us, let us boldly pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

Giver of gifts, you form each member of the church to serve. Inspire us to boldly use gifts of welcome and healing, service and teaching, leading and preaching, for the sake of your work in the world. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Refuge of creatures, you place all the living under the shadow of your wings. Lead us in ways that tend to the needs of wild and domestic animals, all creatures, and the environment we share. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Voice of the oppressed, you call prophets throughout time. We remember the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., a voice for racial and economic justice and for peace. Guide our nation in continuing to heed your prophetic call. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

God of steadfast love, as Jesus celebrated at Cana, nurture marriages and relationships in mutual care; in times of separation or divorce hold tenderly broken hearts and broken dreams. Be present to all who are sick, grieving or in any need of mind body or spirit. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Spirit of peace, celebrating this Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, we pray for neighboring congregations and ministry sites. Nurture our shared commitment to embody Jesus' love, justice, and healing. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Wellspring of life, in living and dying we trust in you. We give thanks for the saints. Guide us in our living until, at last, we rest in you. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

We entrust our prayers to you, O God, in the sure and certain hope that your promise is revealed among the people.

Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

“Create in Me a Clean Heart”

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Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from your presence and take not your Holy Spirit from me.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation and uphold me with your free Spirit.

OFFERING PRAYER

P: Risen One, you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine.

C: Amen.

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.

SENDING

BLESSING

P: May the God of all creation, in whose image we are made, who claims us and calls us beloved, who strengthens us for service, give you reason to rejoice and be glad! The blessing of God, Sovereign, † Savior, and Spirit, be with you today and always.

C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN

“Sent Forth by God's Blessing”

ELW 547

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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Prayer Concerns

Jonathan Allen, Ron Lippe, Stacy Nelson, Diane & Jason Daft, Gary Stortz, Joyce Kallevang, Trisha Ryan, Gwen Allen, Anthony McCabe, Kory Courtney, Allen & Esther Werges, Lorraine Peterson, Kirsten Dejarlais Snell, Diane Eiken, Roxanne Schnitzler, James Keck, Sue (Hovey) Caputo, Virgil Losen.

Praying for our members in Care Facilities

Pat Perkins, Pam Hansen, Dean Rasmussen, Dorothy Anderson, Ron Knutson,
Lester Korsness, Marilyn Helland, Vi Hoffland.

Please pray for military personnel currently deployed and those below serving stateside, elsewhere or in the reserves:

Mason Falck, Cameron Korsness, Jordan Grecko, Parker Whalen, Dylan Foltz, Wesley Smith & Braden Peterson.

Please also pray for all other soldiers, sailors, airmen, coasties and marines who work to defend us.

Pr. Dave is available to bring communion, visit and offer spiritual care to those in need. Please contact Pr. Dave at 641-220-0205 or call the Parish Office at 563-735-5925 or email info@bohmlutheran.org if you or someone you know would like a visit. Please call the Parish office if there is someone you would like included in Prayers or to update their status to help us maintain an accurate Prayer Concerns list.

Burr Oak's annual meeting following
10am Church service will be held TODAY.

Hesper's annual meeting following
10am Church service will be held January 26th.

TAKE HOME VERSE

Your righteousness is like the strong mountains, your justice like the great deep; you save humankind and animals, O Lord.

(Psalm 36:6)



Bring your loose coins to worship next Sunday, January 26th for the “Noisy Offering” collection for Kid’s Lunch Club! Kid’s Lunch Club provides free lunches to youth through age 18 during the summer months. Your donations make it possible for kids to have nutritious meals when they are home from school during summer vacation. Noisy Offering collected December 2024 to June 2025 will go toward Summer 2025 meals.

Hesper Lutheran Ladies are starting to quilt again for the winter months on Wednesday mornings at 9am-12pm in the sewing room. **EVERYONE IS WELCOME**, more hands make light work. If you can tie knots they would love to see you on Wednesdays.

“BE JESUSY” GRATITUDE PRACTICE FOR JANUARY

Include our parish in your prayers. Give thanks to God for our Pastor, Deacon, Parish Secretary, youth, Church leaders and committees, and all members as we work together to fulfill our mission to nurture faith and “proclaim the love of Christ through Word and Sacrament.” (Excerpt from Parish Mission Statement) If you would like to express appreciation to someone for their work at church (can be more than one!), you are invited to pick up a thank you card/s in the Narthex.

THE BEAUTIFUL ALTAR CLOTH ON OUR ALTAR IN BURR OAK IS GIVEN TO US IN MEMORY OF HARLAN & NORMA HOVEY BY THEIR FAMILY.

Burr Oak WELCA Ladies we are having a Church Kitchen Cleaning Day on Saturday, February 1, from 9-12. Snow date February 8. You are welcome to bring your own cleaning supplies, or some will be furnished. Many hands make light work.

Laura Ingalls Wilder Museum is hosting their annual Spaghetti Supper on Saturday, February 8th at Burr Oak Lutheran from 4:30-7pm, cost is \$15 per meal. There is also a live auction with goods from local businesses and Pies. Carry outs are available if you do not wish to dine in.

BURR OAK and HESPER MEMBERS: The joint councils have been discussing shared financial cost sharing between our two churches for the 2025 budgets. Please be advised the joint councils are recommending a change in percentages. Details and discussion will be presented at Burr Oak’s annual meeting TODAY & Hesper’s annual meeting on Sunday, January 26, 2025

EWALU Registration February 28th is the first deadline for Early Bird Registration. Register by the end of February to get \$40 OFF all full-week overnight youth programs for grades 1-12 with our Early Discount! (Mini-Camp and Farm Mini-Camp have a \$20 discount; Day Camp, Family Camp and Grandparent Camp have a \$10 discount.) The link below will show you all 18 youth programs, check out the 8-week summer schedule grid, and then register! **Register NOW to get EWALU’s best discount** [➡ www.ewalu.org/registration](http://www.ewalu.org/registration)

Burr Oak Lutheran Church

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS - January 19, 2025

Organist: Kathy Tollefsrud **Greeter(s):** Jason & Annette Bjork Family
Reader: Clara Ann Lovstuen **Acolyte:** Bailey Baker
Ushers: Tom & Leslie Cook, Randy McIntosh

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

TODAY: Burr Oak's Annual Meeting following worship

WED, Jan 23rd: Meal for ALL: 6-6:30 Confirmation class: 6:30-7:30, Wednesday School: 6:30-7:30 All @ Hesper
SUN, Jan 26th: 8:30am worship, Noisy Offering Collection. fellowship to follow
Hesper's Annual Meeting

WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT

Needed to Meet Budget: \$1,630.00 Offering January 12th: \$1,069.00

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS January 26, 2025

Organist: Rose Breitsprecher **Greeter(s):** Adam & Tonya Tollefsrud Family
Reader: Tonya Tollefsrud **Acolyte:** Lindsey Williams
Ushers: Marlene McCabe, Randy & Marie Tweten, Gary Zidlicky

Hesper Lutheran Church

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS TODAY - January 19, 2025

Organist: Kathy Tollefsrud **Greeter(s):** Janelle Halverson
Reader: Janelle Halverson **Acolyte:** **Ushers:** Phil & Joyce Richert

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

TODAY: Coffee & fellowship following worship

WED, Jan 23rd: Meal for ALL: 6-6:30 Confirmation class: 6:30-7:30, Wednesday School: 6:30-7:30 All @ Hesper
SUN, Jan 26th: 9:00 am - WELCA planning meeting for Spring Brunch in the Dining Room
10am worship, Noisy Offering Collection, **Hesper's Annual Meeting following worship**

WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT

Needed to Meet Budget: \$1,384.00 Offering January 12th: \$1,070.00

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS - January 26, 2025

Organist: Rose Breitsprecher **Greeter(s):** Rhonda Hovden
Reader: Rhonda Hovden **Acolyte:**
Ushers: Josh Simiele, Mike & Lori Paulson, Todd Wyatt