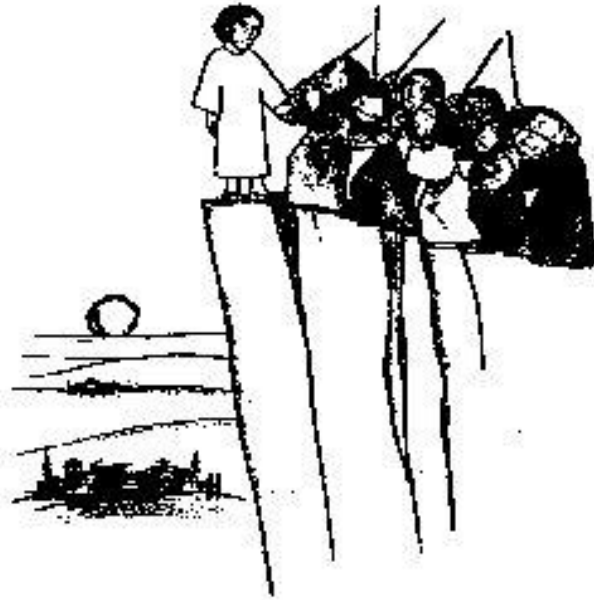


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February 2, 2025

Good Hope Lutheran Church

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

February 2, 2025

10:30 a.m.

The Prelude & Meditation

The Ringing of the Bell

The Welcome & Announcements

The Special Music

-Spark Choir

*The Hymn *"We Are Marching in the Light of God"* WOV #650

*The Greeting & Kyrie

*The Hymn of Praise

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*The Prayer of the Day (unison)

Almighty and ever-living God, **your only-begotten Son was presented this day in the temple. May we be presented to you with clean and pure hearts by the same Jesus Christ, our great high priest, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

The Installation of Officers (back of bulletin)

The First Reading

-Jeremiah 1:4-10

⁴Now the word of the LORD came to me saying, ⁵"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations." ⁶Then I said, "Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy." ⁷But the LORD said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a boy'; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you. ⁸Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the LORD."⁹ Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me, "Now I have put my words in your mouth. ¹⁰See, today I appoint you over nations and over

kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant.”

L: The word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm

-Psalm 71:1-6

¹ In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame.

² **In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free; incline your ear to me and save me.**

³ Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe; you are my crag and my stronghold.

⁴ **Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor.**

⁵ For you are my hope, O Lord GOD, my confidence since I was young.

⁶ **I have been sustained by you ever since I was born; from my mother’s womb you have been my strength; my praise shall be always of you.**

The Hymn

“Of the Father’s Love Begotten”

LBW #42

The Second Reading

-1 Corinthians 13:1-13

¹ If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. ² And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. ³ If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing. ⁴ Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant ⁵ or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; ⁶ it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. ⁷ It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. ⁸ Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. ⁹ For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; ¹⁰ but when the

complete comes, the partial will come to an end. ¹¹ When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. ¹² For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. ¹³ And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

L: The word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

*The Verse & Responses

“Alleluia...”

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*The Holy Gospel

A reading from the Gospel of Luke (4:21-30)

C: Glory to you O Lord.

²¹ Then Jesus began to say to all in the synagogue in Nazareth, “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.” ²² All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, “Is not this Joseph’s son?” ²³ He said to them, “Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, ‘Doctor, cure yourself!’ And you will say, ‘Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.’” ²⁴ And he said, “Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet’s hometown. ²⁵ But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; ²⁶ yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. ²⁷ There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian.” ²⁸ When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. ²⁹ They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. ³⁰ But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

P: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you O Christ.**

The Sermon

“Unwelcomed Prophet”

The Hymn

“Take My Life, that I May Be”

LBW #406

*Apostles' Creed

*The Prayers

*The Confession & Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, our creator, our protector,
our wellspring of life. **Amen.**

Trusting that God receives our words and the meditations of our hearts, let
us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God,

**you speak blessing and compassion into the world. Forgive us for the
ways we act with judgment, cruelty, or indifference. We ignore the
needs of our neighbors; we resist your call to oppose injustice; we give
in to scarcity and fear; we assume the worst about one another. Cleanse
us from our faults and release us from their grasp. Show us your
lovingkindness. Restore our hearts and repair your world, that we may
live in Christ's ways. Amen.**

God proclaims these words of assurance: "Do not fear, for I have redeemed
you. I have called you by name. You are mine." In Christ, you are forgiven.
In the Spirit, you are made free. Refreshed by the waters of mercy, live anew
as beloved children of God. **Amen.**

*The Exchange of Peace

The Offering

*The Offertory

"Create in me..."

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*The Prayers

*The Lord's Prayer

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*The Blessing

The Spirit of the triune God bless you with joy, anoint you with compassion,
and send you in love. **Amen.**

*The Closing

Go in peace. Live in hope. **Thanks be to God.**

- *The Hymn *“I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light”* WOVS #649
 Go in Peace to Serve the Lord – **Thanks be to God!**
- *The Silent Prayer
- *The Postlude

*Congregation stand if you are able

WELCOME to all who have joined us for worship this morning. If you are a visitor, please sign the guest registry and do come visit us again. May the Lord bless each of us.

THE OFFERING TODAY and next Sunday is for current expenses.

THIS WEEK AT GOOD HOPE

Mon., Feb. 3	6:30 p.m.	Bible Study @ Good Hope
Tues., Feb. 4	9:00 a.m.	Quilting
Wed., Feb. 5	3:00 p.m.	Care Center Worship
	6:30 p.m.	Confirmation
Sun., Feb. 9	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
	9:30 a.m.	Senior Choir Practice
	10:30 a.m.	Worship/Communion

WE WELCOME MEN & WOMEN who are willing to come and help tie and put together quilts for our Lutheran World Relief Project every Tuesday during February and March. Contributions of material are needed to make quilt tops; blankets, old sheets, and used drapes are needed for liners and backs. Monetary donations are also accepted. Please put these items in the Stewardship Room in the lower Sunday school hallway. Join us for coffee at 9:00 a.m., a sack lunch at noon, and spend the day with us in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you!!



THANK YOU TO everyone to stayed last Sunday after our worship service for the Annual Meeting! It is an important meeting and your input and time are greatly appreciated!

thank you!



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LOS ANGELES WILDFIRES LUTHERAN DISASTER RESPONSE LOS ANGELES WILDFIRES

In early January, multiple wildfires broke out across Los Angeles County in California, with over 100,000 people under evacuation orders. Sparked by dry conditions, strong winds and a limited water supply, these fires have destroyed homes and businesses and have led to injuries and loss of life. This disaster is just one of many — including hurricanes, war and famine — to which Lutheran Disaster Response is still responding. Your gifts to Lutheran Disaster Response equip us to respond quickly and generously, whenever and wherever disaster may strike. Though we don't yet know the full impact of the fires, Lutheran Disaster Response is here to support the families and communities that will be rebuilding their lives. Lutheran Disaster Response is coordinating with the Southwest California Synod and Pacifica Synod to assess the needs of people impacted by the wildfires. We

will work with them to provide for immediate needs amid the destruction as well as to assist with recovery efforts for months and years to come. Gifts to Lutheran Disaster Response equip us to respond to those affected by wildfires and other disasters. By giving to Lutheran Disaster Response, you give the gift of relief today and resilience tomorrow. **If you would like to make a donation, please make your check out to Good Hope and write “US WILDFIRES” in the memo line. Thank you!**