

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

Sunday, February 4, 2024, 10:45am



As We Gather – “A Simple Discipleship Rhythm for Families”

This is the fourth weekend of our sermon series, *“Joining Jesus as a family.”* Last week, we looked at how we can use God’s love to grow in our ability to help others by practicing five mission skills. They are: 1) Seeking the Kingdom, 2) Hearing from Jesus in the Gospels, 3) Talking with People, 4) Doing Good, and 5) Ministering through Prayer. Today, we will see how we can weave Jesus’ discipleship rhythm into the daily life of our family by: teaching them, showing them, sending them, and then, circling up and sharing the stories of what everyone learned as they joined Jesus.

PRESERVICE SONG, "Lifesong"

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND SHARING OF THE PEACE

GATHERING HYMN, "Build Your Kingdom Here"

INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition.

Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

P Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE, "Reckless Love"

SALUTATION and PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray. Lord God, heavenly Father, Your Son gathered the little children to Himself that He might bless them. Strengthen the parents of our congregation that they may faithfully bring up their children in the nurture and instruction of the Lord by a life of prayer and devotion to You and Your Word. Bless the work of our Sunday School teachers and all who assist our parents in teaching the faith to children, that all might be led into the Savior's loving arms and grow to lead godly lives to the praise and honor of Christ's holy name; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

EPISTLE READING, Romans 10:14-17

¹⁴But how are they to call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching?
¹⁵And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!” ¹⁶But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, “Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?” ¹⁷So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL, Mark 1:14–20; 3:13–15; 6:30–32

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

¹⁴Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, ¹⁵and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel.”¹⁶Passing alongside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and Andrew the brother of Simon casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. ¹⁷And Jesus said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you become fishers of men.” ¹⁸And immediately they left their nets and followed him. ¹⁹And going on a little farther, he saw James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, who were in their boat mending the nets. ²⁰And immediately he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired servants and followed him ... ¹³And he went up on the mountain and called to him those whom he desired, and they came to him. ¹⁴And he appointed twelve (whom he also named apostles) so that they might be with him and he might send them out to preach ¹⁵and have authority to cast out demons ... ³⁰The apostles returned to Jesus and told him all that they had done and taught. ³¹And he said to them, “Come away by yourselves to a desolate place and rest a while.” For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. ³²And they went away in the boat to a desolate place by themselves.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

CHILDREN’S MYSTERY BOX MESSAGE

Pastor Bob Gehrke

SERMON HYMN, “I Love to Tell the Story”

SERMON “A Simple Discipleship Rhythm for Families”

Pastor Bob Gehrke

NICENE CREED *(See the screen or the inside back cover of the hymnal)*

GATHERING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

This is a time that we, as a church family return a portion of the financial blessings God has given us. If you are our guests today, please do not feel obligated to participate. We have many ways to give your tithe or offering. You may place your offering in the plate when it is passed, mail it to the church, text to give by texting 84321 with any dollar amount (be sure to select "South Shore"), give online at sstwbl.org/give, or use the Church Center App from your smartphone (available for both Android and iOS). Disciples of Jesus at SST, please fill out an ivory SST Registration card and place in the offering plate.

Guests: If you would like more information regarding South Shore Trinity, please fill out a blue Guest Registration card before and place it in the offering plate or hand to an usher before leaving.

OFFERING SONG, "More Like Jesus"

THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P Let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

LORD'S PRAYER *(See the screen or the inside back cover of the hymnal)*

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

DISTRIBUTION SONG, "Love Changes Everything"

GROWING IN THE WORD

C "A disciple is not above his teacher, but everyone when he is fully trained will be like his teacher." Luke 6:40

BENEDICTION

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

C Amen.

SENDING SONG, "The Blessing"

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TIDINGS

February 4, 2024

The Flowers at the Altar today sponsored by Trinity Guild in celebration of our 78th anniversary and in thankfulness to God for all the blessings we have received and the continued support of SST members

Our annual **Soup & Chili Cookoff** (with Desserts) will be after the late service this weekend from Noon to 1:30 in the Fellowship Hall.

Sermon Series: "Joining Jesus as a Family." Next weekend is the last of the series -- "It Takes a Village to Raise Children to be Jesus-Followers"

Super Bowl Sub: Order your subs for the Super Bowl next Sunday. See the youth at the table in the commons. You can pick up your after the late service next Sunday.

The 2024 Flower Chart is posted on the bulletin board in the commons (across from confirmation pictures) – reserve your Sunday today!

A **special offering** for Vance and Robin England to REPLACE items that were destroyed by a fire on June 25th, 2022. You may write a check or give cash to SST by enclosing it in your "Special Offering" envelope in your box of envelopes (or the green envelopes available in the pew or from the ushers) and write "Crisis Offering" on the front of the envelope and/or on the memo of your check. This offering will be received through February.

Board of Outreach will be hosting **Midwinter Movie and Family Fun Night** on Friday, February 16th from 6pm to 8pm. Save the date and join us for "Paw Patrol, The Mighty Movie", doors open at 6:00pm, show time at 6:30 in the fellowship hall. Enjoy popcorn, treats and fun prizes. We look forward to seeing everyone there.

Medical Supply Ministry -- Just a reminder about the SST Medical Supply Ministry. Please share with family and friends that we have medical equipment available for use. We have an ample supply of adult incontinence products too. We'd like to invite anyone who is in need of these supplies to check in at the church office for assistance with locating items. For more information on medical equipment and supplies available, please contact Kathy Meyer at 651-269-1955.

Community Outreach To those who are New to the Area



Help spread the Good News about our church, preschool and community

- One weekend a month SST delivers to 40-60 "new to WBL" households
- One person delivers to 4-10 homes depending on grouping of house sales

Can you be that one person, One weekend a Month??

*Growing as Stewards through
Faith, Love, and Hope!*

Contact George @ 651.464.1022

SERVING THIS WEEK

Senior Pastor, Rev. Dr. Bob Gehrke

Associate Pastor, Rev. Dan Bodin

Acolytes: 8:00 Isaac Halbe | 10:45 Open

Anna Altar: Muriel Janneke and Ann Janneke

Coffee: Gary and Reenie Blanchard

Counters: Marilyn Erickson and Corrine Erickson

Greeters: Board of Youth

Readers: 8:00 Darrell Hardy | 10:45 Don Benson

Organist/Pianist: 5:30 & 8:00 Dr. Jeff Burkart

Live Stream Tech: 8:00 and 10:45 Chris Hesselbach

AV Tech: 5:30 Ron Wenzel | 8:00 Dorit Hafner | 10:45 Kevin Froelich

Ushers: 5:30 Bob Dybdal | 8:00 George Gifford & Nate Groeneberg

10:45 Cory Pederson

CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK

(Please include the follow people in your prayers)

Those celebrating a birthday: 2/5 – Rich Moskop, Harlan Arndt, 2/6 – Autumn Whitehurst, 2/7 – Lenny Deeg, Bonnie Haas, 2/10 – Carol Drieling

Those celebrating their baptismal anniversaries: 2/5 – Liz Boleen, 2/6 – Murie Janneke, 2/7 – Pamela Franzmeier, Raya Lehn, 2/8 – Andy Svoboda, 2/9 – Tyler Pangerl

Those celebrating a wedding anniversary: 2/8 – Vance and Robin England, 2/9 – Jeff and Abbie Gipple, 2/10 – Roy and Virginia Vinkemeier

THIS WEEK^{3rd} GLANCE



Sunday, February 4

12-1:30pm Soup & Chili Cookoff with Desserts

Monday, February 5

8:00-12pm AARP Senior Tax Aid (2nd floor)

11:00-1:30pm Lively Ladies [F8]

6:30-8:00pm Scouts

Tuesday, February 6

8:00-12pm AARP Senior Tax Aid (2nd floor)

9:30am Book Nook Circle [F8 & Library]

1:15pm Staff Meeting [F8]

6:30pm Board of Fellowship [Zoom]

6:30-8:30pm Women's AA (upstairs)

Wednesday, February 7

9:30am Young-at-Heart Bible Study [F8]

9:30am Women's Bible Study [B9A]

11:30am Ladies Card Game [F8]

5:45pm Fellowship Meal [B2]

6:30-7:00pm Foundry (K-5th)

6:30-8:00pm Forge (6-12th) Confirmation

7:00pm Chancel Choir Practice [S]

Thursday, February 8

8:00-12pm AARP Senior Tax Aid (2nd floor)

9:30-11:30am Women's Bible Study [F8]

9:30-11:30am [B9A] In Use

6:00pm Vesper Bells [S]

7:00pm Adult Bible Study [F8]

Friday, February 9

10:00pm Visitation for Tom Meredith

11:00am Memorial Service for Tom Meredith

6:00-7:00pm Al-Anon [2-5]

6:00pm Forge Youth Lock-In

Saturday, February 10

10:00-Noon MOPs/MomsNEXT [F8]

11:00-Noon Al-Anon [2-5]

5:30pm Worship with Communion



- Yellow "Prayer Request" cards are available in the pew rack. Hand to an usher who will pass it to the pastor for inclusion in today's congregational prayers.
- Please use this Prayer Guide in the coming week to pray for the following people and situations. Those who are listed in italics are not disciples at SST.

For those recovering from surgery: Jennifer Jewell, Tim Lundgren, Merlin Holman, *April* (Margaret Fett's daughter), *Jo Biebighauser*

For the family and friends of JoAnne Ross (Donny Ross' mother) who passed away on January 30.

For the family and friends of Tom Meredith who passed away. The funeral will be at SST on February 9 at 11am with visitation one hour beforehand.

Prayer of Thanksgiving for Ruby Moskop who is home and did not need surgery.

For those in Hospice: *Wayne Leverkusen*

God's healing: Debbie Dahl, Eileen Spreeman, Danna Anderson, Herb Frederick, Margaret Ribble, Elizabeth Iverson, Marian Meier, Tim Lundgren, Lin Carlson, Elaine Frahm, Betty Frohrib, *Noah Boleen*, Celeste Gifford, Jolene Patricelli, *Connie Barbeau*, Mary Torno

Those with on-going health issues: *Verna Benson*, Mary Kuruvilla, Jim and Meredith Reinholdt, the children of Rick and Lin Carlson

God's comfort, peace and healing for those with cancer:

Jack Frahm, Jill Larson, Patti Molkenbur, Bill Niebergall, Pastor Norb Streufert, Rick and Lin Carlson, *SST's Letter Carrier, Bruce Semling*

Protection of our Armed Forces and their families:

Peter Gifford, Megan Lisowy, Aaron Meissen, Brodey Perron, Scott Polack, Andrew Reed, Jim Schumann, Dalton Wenzel, Dylan Wenzel, Brandon Boleen, Teddy Boleen, Wyatt Kassa

For SST Missions and missionaries: *Rev. Dr. Fung and Kalia* missionary family to SE Asia in Thailand | *Pastor Stephen Heimer and Vicar Alex Escarciga* at *Ysleta Lutheran Mission in El Paso, Texas* | SST Preschool, reaching our community | MOPS (Mothers of Pre-Schoolers)

Federal, State and local government and all those in positions of authority