

First Sunday after Christmas

December 30, 2018

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TITLE:

The Great Waterfall of God's Grace

TEXT: Luke 2:22-40; Colossians 3:12-17

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Holy Communion

We believe that worthy participation in Holy Communion requires repentance, faith in Jesus Christ as one's Saviour, and an earnest desire to amend one's sinful life, as well as accepting the Scriptural teaching regarding the real presence of Christ with His body and blood in the Sacrament. "This do in remembrance of me" (Luke 22:19).

❖ **Visitors:** Please fill out a visitor's card. Those desiring to commune with us for the first time, please speak to Pastor Rod before the service. Visitors who do not share the Lutheran Confession are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing

❖ **Members:** Please fill out a communion registration card (find them in the holder on the back of the pew in front of you) and place completed cards in the offering plate. These registrations help us follow the worship life of our church family.

❖ For those who **cannot** have alcohol, grape juice is available in the center ring of the communion trays

Offering cards for those using FaithLife Preauthorized Payment Program are available in the lower righthand mail slot. Pick one up before service and place it in the offering plate. The card will be returned to the mail slot after offering is counted.



News & Notes

Thanks to Rob Tomiyama for leading us in worship today!

Pastor Rod is away from December 28th–January 2nd. If you need pastoral care during that time please contact Pastor Randy Heide at (306)717-9173.

Pastor Rod & Tammy would like to **thank you** all for the Christmas gifts and cards. It warms our hearts to be with you all, and we wish you and yours a most Blessed Christmas season!

Sunday Morning Bible Study will resume January 13th, 2019. Let Pastor Rod know which mid-week study you would be interested in attending. See the insert for suggested studies

Please prayerfully consider bring non-perishable food items for the **Food Bank** as a way of caring for those whom Christ has placed in our midst.

The 2018 LCC Central District Convention Proceedings are now complete and have been distributed to all the Delegates who represented their parishes. The "Proceedings" include the minutes of the Convention, election results and the resolutions considered. We have also included information provided by Rev. Dr. Norman Threinen related to his presentations and the daily newsletters. A PDF copy may be sent to you via email or an electronic copy of the Proceedings can be found here...

[2018 LCC Central District Convention Proceedings](#)

Is there anyone who would be interested in creating **new banners** for our sanctuary? If you are please contact Pastor Rod.

There will be a Special **Voters' Meeting** January 27th, 2019 following worship.

description of what life is and why it is worth living. And it's worth repeating. Again.

Bible Study Possibilities for After Easter and Next Autumn

Afraid: Demon Possession and Spiritual Warfare in America by Robert H. Bennett

A fascinating and unnerving book, *Afraid* is a must-read that equips Christians to recognize the devil's influence in our society.

Robert Bennett describes real events and actual confessions people have shared with him of demonic encounters—in America, in our modern age. Summoning demons, interacting with “ghosts,” and holding séances led to what many may call horrifying hallucinations and even schizophrenia. But for many Americans, these things are their spirituality.

How can we break free from the despair and crushing fear that such encounters can bring? How do we come to the aid of our neighbors who are lost in Satan's deceptions? Bennett points us to the only way out: God's grace and the medicines He gives to His people.

Mission at Nuremberg : An American Army Chaplain and the Trial of the Nazis

Detailed, harrowing, and emotionally charged, MISSION AT NUREMBERG is the story of Lutheran minister Henry Gerecke, a farm kid from Missouri who at age 50 volunteered to be a World War II chaplain. His most challenging assignment came after the war ended. Sent to Nuremberg, Gerecke was asked to minister to the twenty-one imprisoned Nazi leaders awaiting trial for crimes against humanity. MISSION AT NUREMBERG is an incisive new history of the Nuremberg trials as well as a nuanced reflection on the nature of morality and sin, the price of empathy, and the limits of forgiveness.

Echo: Unbroken Truth Worth Repeating, Again by Jonathan Fisk

Christianity is not the ability to memorize or recite from books of Scripture or doctrine. It is not magic. It is not social club, counseling group, or self-help support group. It does not promise that you will be healthy, wealthy, wise, or even happy.

Christianity is a truth—a truth first heard at the beginning of time that has echoed to this present age. A truth so profound that no man can master it, yet even a child can learn it. Jonathan Fisk introduces his readers to that truth. He lays it out as simply as a child counts to ten on his fingers. Yet, training to hear the Echo, the reader will come to understand the wisdom that Fisk imparts is bottomless.

Fisk teaches nothing less than the distilled, unbreakable Christian Echo, the very thing which has radically changed humanity in every nation and tongue that it has ever been repeated. It the most astoundingly complete

January 6th, 2019

“The Word Turned Toward”

People use their words to build bonds of trust with people they love. In Jesus, God does the same – He turns His Word towards us.

(John 1:1-18)

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Listen at 7 a.m. on CJWW 600 AM. 7:30 a.m. on CKRM 620 AM; 9 a.m. on CJGX 940 AM. 1 p.m. on CKSW 570 AM.



Sunday, December 30th, 2018

Bible Study resumes in the new year
10:30 a.m. First Sunday of Christmas
2:30 p.m. New Covenant Church

Tuesday, January 1st, 2019

New Year's Day

7:30 p.m. New Covenant Church
rental

Thursday, January 3rd, 2019

4:00 p.m. Weight Watchers

Saturday, January 5th, 2018

10:00 a.m. N.A. Meeting

Sunday, January 6, 2019

Bible Study January 13th
10:30 a.m. Feast of the Epiphany
2:30 p.m. New Covenant Church
rental

Reminder that news and announcements must be in by Wednesday at 11:00 a.m. to be in the following Sunday's Bulletin. News and announcements for the Website, must also be by this time. *If you have news you would like posted in the bulletin, please contact Donna Clarke during her office hours (Tues.-Thurs. 9:30 -12:30) or to email her at gracelutheranchurch@shaw.ca*