



GOD Speaks Hard Words ^{to} Hear

Luke 4: 21-30

*We invite, encourage, educate and empower
all people to follow God and serve others.*

4th Sunday after Epiphany

January 30, 2022

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

RINGING OF THE BELL

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who creates us,
redeems us, and calls us by name. Amen.*

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned against you and your beloved children. We have turned our faces away from your glory when it did not appear as we expected. We have rejected your word when it made us confront ourselves. We have failed to show hospitality to those you called us to welcome. Accept our repentance for the things we have done and the things we have left undone. For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us and lead us, that we may bathe in the glory of your Son born among us, and reflect your love for all creation. Amen.

*Rejoice in this good news: In Christ Jesus, your sins are forgiven.
You are descendants of the Most High, adopted into the household of
Christ, and inheritors of eternal life.
Live as freed and forgiven children of God. Amen.*

HYMN

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

#836

**Joyful, joyful we adore thee,
God of glory, Lord of love!
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before thee,
praising thee, their sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,
drive the gloom of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness,
fill us with the light of day.**

**All thy works with joy surround thee,
earth and heav'n reflect thy rays,
stars and angels sing around thee,
center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
flow'ry meadow, flashing sea,
chanting bird, and flowing fountain
call us to rejoice in thee.**

**Thou art giving and forgiving,
ever blessing, ever blest,
wellspring of the joy of living,
ocean-depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our brother,
all who live in love are thine;
teach us how to love each other,
lift us to the joy divine!**

GREETING

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and love; and that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Jeremiah 1:4-10

Now the word of the LORD came to me saying, “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.” Then I said, “Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy.” But 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. Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the LORD.” 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. See, 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.”

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSIVE READING

Psalms 71:1-6

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

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

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

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

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

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.

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Corinthians 13:1-13

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. 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. 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. Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. 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. For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. 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. 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. And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 4:21-30

Then [Jesus] began to say to [all in the synagogue in Nazareth,] “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.” 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?” 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.’” And he said, “Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet’s hometown. 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; yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian.” When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. 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. But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way. *The word of the Lord.* **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

HYMN *Lord, Speak to Us, That We May Speak* #676

**Lord, speak to us, that we may speak
in living echoes of your tone;
as you have sought, so let us seek
your straying children, lost and lone.**

**Oh, lead us, Lord, that we may lead
the wand'ring and the wav'ring feet;
oh, feed us, Lord, that we may feed
your hung'ring ones with manna sweet.**

**Oh, teach us, Lord, that we may teach
the precious truths which you impart;
and wing our words, that they may reach
the hidden depths of many a heart.**

**Oh, fill us with your fullness, Lord,
until our very hearts o'erflow
in kindling thought and glowing word,
your love to tell, your praise to show.**

APOSTLES CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit,
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again;

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father,

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.
Amen

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

God of grace, hear our prayer.

THE 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.

OFFERING

*Reminder that the offering plate and the Globe offering can be found on
the table at the back of the sanctuary. Thank you for contributing
financially to the mission and ministry of Our Savior's Lutheran
Church.*

BENEDICTION

SENDING HYMN

Go My Children

#543

“Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone.
Waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own.
In my love's baptismal river
I have made you mine forever.
Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own.”

“Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
Here you heard my dear Son's story,
here you touched him, saw his glory.
Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.”

**“Go, my children, fed and nourished, closer to me.
Grow in love and love by serving, joyful and free.
Here my Spirit’s power filled you,
here my tender comfort stilled you.
Go, my children, fed and nourished, joyful and free.”**

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the Good News.

Okay, we will. Thanks be to God!

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- **Those who are grieving losses of any sort, especially the friends and family of Jackson Heidelberger (Nephew of Suzan)
- **Those recovering from COVID-19, surgeries, and those who are ill or hospitalized, including Reece Ullerich (Friend of Linda Boll); Roger Downen; Asher (Family friend of Linda Morrison); Sara (Cousin of Toni Ramsey); Matt (Cousin of Jake Borden); Gary McKean (Nephew of Lane Pine); Ryan (Nephew of Shelley Martin)
- **Those with on-going concerns, including Lynzee Makowski (Niece of Rebecca Kaiser); Clay Walberg; Esther Downen; Terry Richie Sr (Brother in law of Russ and Cathy Dahl); Jason Boll (Son of Linda Boll); BJ McGuire (Friend of Carmen Lakner); Rod Dikoff (Cousin of Roger); Marquita Prince (Friend of Linda Morrison); Bob and Peg Tesch; Rhonda (Cousin of Suzan Heidelberger); Shelly (Friend of Carla Oerter); Suzan Heidelberger; Chelle Schefcik; Michael and Jeffrey (Cousins of Donna Zuerlein)
- **For our military members and their families
- **For those who are homeless and those whose homes do not provide warmth and safety
- **For our leaders at every level
- **For our siblings in Christ, our friends and enemies, both near and far

Jan-03 to Jan-06

Monday	Meatloaf
Tuesday	Beef Stroganoff Casserole
Wednesday	BLT & Mac-Cheese
Thursday	Cranberry Chicken
Friday	Closed

Jan-10 to Jan-13

Monday	Beef Tips
Tuesday	Turkey Ala King
Wednesday	Hot Beef Sandwich
Thursday	Cook's Choice or Creation
Friday	Closed

Jan-17 to Jan-20

Monday	Beef Enchiladas
Tuesday	Hearty Soup & Sandwich
Wednesday	Baked Chicken & Rice
Thursday	Spaghetti
Friday	Closed

Jan-24 to Jan-27

Monday	Burger Potato Casserole
Tuesday	Pork Roast & Dressing
Wednesday	Mixed-Grill Fajitas
Thursday	Cook's Choice or Creation
Friday	Closed

Jan-31 to Feb-03

Monday	Soup & Chili with Sliders
Tuesday	Beef Short Ribs
Wednesday	Goulash
Thursday	Hot Turkey Sandwich
Friday	Closed

Feb-07 to Feb-10

Monday	Lasagna
Tuesday	Beef Pot Roast
Wednesday	BBQ Chicken
Thursday	Cook's Choice or Creation
Friday	Closed

American Legion
Post 303 Building
East End of Hermosa on
HWY 40

**ALL AGES ARE
WELCOME**

Home-cooked, buffet-
style meals
Main dish, sides, salads,
fruit, dessert, drink
12:00 Noon Sharp
Mon-Thur
Adults \$8 Kids \$5

ALL AGES and VISITORS are welcome. Home-cooked buffet-style meals Monday - Thursday.
\$8 for adults and age-adjusted price for kids. Please note we are closed on Fridays and holidays
Menu subject to change; but usually includes listed main dish, sides, salads, fruit, drinks, and de
Join us on Facebook at @hermosaseniortizens for daily menu updates.



Mission of the Month

*The Family
of Jack Peterson*

Jack Peterson, son of Ivy and Eric Peterson and grandson of Collette Carlson, bravely fought brain cancer for several months before dying in his parents arms on December 5, 2021. He was a full of life 2-year-old whose huge smile brightened up any room. He loved to eat, color, play outside and watch sports with his dad. His battle against the cancer included chemotherapy and multiple procedures and surgeries at hospitals in North Dakota and at Mayo in Rochester. Money donated to this mission of the month will be given to Jack's parents to help with outstanding medical debt. Please keep continue to keep Jack's family, including his soon to be arriving sibling, in your prayers.

Financial donations can be mailed or dropped off at the church, placed in the Glove Offering during worship or given electronically. There is a Mission of the Month option in the dropdown section on Tith-ly.