

Hymn 296 - *Speak, O Lord, Thy Servant Heareth*

The Offering

Prayer + The Lord's Prayer + The Benediction

All: Amen, amen, amen!

Hymn 284 - *Father of Mercies, in Thy Word*

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Announcements

- **Next Sunday** — Grace-Sleepy Eye worship services begin at 9 a.m. Worship here at Faith begins at 10:45 a.m.
- **Russ Coleman with the Lord:** This past Friday, Russ Coleman was called from this life to be with the Lord in Heaven. A funeral service for Russ will be held this Tuesday at 11 a.m. at the Woodland Hills Cemetery chapel in Mankato. While we rejoice for Russ's eternal gain, please also remember Russ's family and loved ones in your prayers during their time of earthly loss.
- **Cakes for the Russ Coleman Service:** Following the Russ Coleman funeral in Mankato this Tuesday, the family is planning a cake and coffee gathering, also there at the funeral home facility. Cakes from the congregation have been requested by Russ's family for this gathering. The family is planning to serve up to 50 guests.
- **Eunice Vorwerk at Sleepy Eye Care Center:** Eunice Vorwerk has moved to the Sleepy Eye Care Center after recently sustaining a fall at her apartment here in New Ulm. Please remember Eunice in your thoughts and prayers.
- **CLC News:** The 27th annual Grade School Basketball Tournament for CLC Youth will be held at Immanuel Lutheran College, Friday through Sunday, March 9-11, 2012. Full guidelines are available on <http://www.clclutheran.net/tourney>.

Our Response of Faith — January 8, 2012

Attendance: 19

Envelope Offerings	\$385.00
Total.....	\$385.00

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"I was glad when they said to me, 'Let us go into the house of the LORD.'"
- Psalm 122:1

JANUARY 15, 2011 – 2ND SUNDAY IN EPIPHANY

Pre-service Meditation: Ps. 67, pg. 137
Organist: Bonnie Cornish

Pastor: Opening Prayer

Hymn 126 - *Arise and Shine in Splendor*

Pastor: The Invocation
People: Amen.

Pastor: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart, and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the Lord!

People: *Who made heaven and earth.*

Pastor: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.
People: *And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.*

Pastor: Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto Thee that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against Thee by thought, word, and deed. Therefore we flee for refuge to Thine infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Thy grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

All: O most merciful God, who hast given Thine only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Thy Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of Thee and of Thy will, and true obedience to Thy Word, to the end that, by Thy grace, we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.

Pastor: The Absolution
People: *Amen.*

Pastor: The Lord be with you.
People: *And with thy spirit.*

Pastor: Prayer for the Day
People: *Amen.*

1st Scripture Reading – Romans 1:16-22

For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek. 17 For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith; as it is written, "The just shall live by faith." 18 For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who suppress the truth in unrighteousness, 19 because what may be known of God is manifest in them, for God has shown it to them. 20 For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead, so that they are without excuse, 21 because, although they knew God, they did not glorify Him as God, nor were thankful, but became futile in their thoughts, and their foolish hearts were darkened. 22 Professing to be wise, they became fools,

Pastor: Alleluia, alleluia! ... *blessed are those who hear the word of God and keep it! (Luke 11:28)* Alleluia!

People: *Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

2nd Scripture Reading – John 1:43-51

People: *Glory be to Thee, O Lord!*

The following day Jesus wanted to go to Galilee, and He found Philip and said to him, "Follow Me." 44 Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. 45 Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found Him of whom Moses in the law, and also the prophets, wrote -- Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." 46 And Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." 47 Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward Him, and said of him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom is

no deceit!" 48 Nathanael said to Him, "How do You know me?" Jesus answered and said to him, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you." 49 Nathanael answered and said to Him, "Rabbi, You are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" 50 Jesus answered and said to him, "Because I said to you, 'I saw you under the fig tree,' do you believe? You will see greater things than these." 51 And He said to him, "Most assuredly, I say to you, hereafter you shall see heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

Pastor: Here ends our 2nd Scripture reading.
People: *Praise be to Thee, O Christ!*

The Apostles' Creed -- Hymnal, pg. 12

Hymn 356 - Jesus, Savior, Come to Me

The Sermon – 1 Samuel 3:1-10

Then the boy Samuel ministered to the LORD before Eli. And the word of the LORD was rare in those days; there was no widespread revelation. 2 And it came to pass at that time, while Eli was lying down in his place, and when his eyes had begun to grow so dim that he could not see, 3 and before the lamp of God went out in the tabernacle of the LORD where the ark of God was, and while Samuel was lying down, 4 that the LORD called Samuel. And he answered, "Here I am!" 5 So he ran to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." And he said, "I did not call; lie down again." And he went and lay down. 6 Then the LORD called yet again, "Samuel!" So Samuel arose and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." He answered, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." 7 (Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, nor was the word of the LORD yet revealed to him.) 8 And the LORD called Samuel again the third time. Then he arose and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you did call me." Then Eli perceived that the LORD had called the boy. 9 Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and it shall be, if He calls you, that you must say, 'Speak, LORD, for Your servant hears.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place. 10 Now the LORD came and stood and called as at other times, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel answered, "Speak, for Your servant hears."

“Hearing the Precious Words of the Lord”

The Offertory

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