

Hymn 400 — *Take My Life and Let It Be*

The Offering

Prayer + The Lord's Prayer + Benediction

All: Amen, amen, amen!

Hymn 270 — *Jesus Calls Us; o'er the Tumult*

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Announcements

- **Thursday** — The Women of Faith are scheduled to meet this Thursday at 2:15 p.m. at the home of Rose Iverson (714 11th Street S.)
- **Next Sunday** — Grace-Sleepy Eye worship services begin at 9 a.m. Worship here at Faith begins at 10:45 a.m.
- **Thank You:** Thank you to all those who helped out with cakes for this past Tuesday's funeral service for Russ Coleman. Russ's family and loved ones were truly appreciative of these items.
- **Immanuel-Mankato Youth Group Winter Camp:** The Immanuel-Mankato youth group (high school age and above) has since 1999 hosted a weekend winter camp at Whitewater State Park near St. Charles, MN. This year's camp is scheduled for Friday, January 27 – Sunday, January 29. Those high school age and above from surrounding CLC congregations are invited to join them. Please let Pastor Libby know if you'd like more information about this camp.
- **January CLC Missions Newsletter:** A new January newsletter from the CLC Board of Missions is available on the table at the back of the church sanctuary.
- **CLC News:** The Rev. Michael Gurath has returned the call to serve as a foreign missionary to India and East Africa.

Our Response of Faith — January 15, 2012

Attendance: 19

Unified Budget.....	\$480.25
Total.....	\$480.25

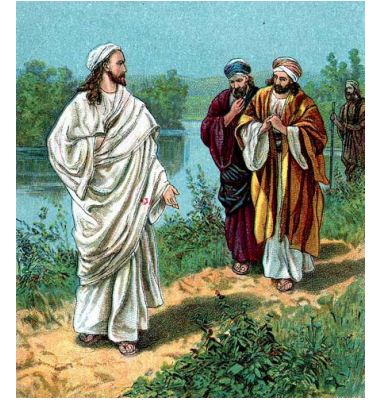
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Jesus' Disciples Follow Him

JANUARY 22, 2012 – 3RD SUNDAY IN EPIPHANY

Pre-service Meditation: Ps. 62, pg. 136

Organist: Kym Stelter

Pastor: Opening Prayer

Hymn 130 — *O Jesus, King of Glory*

Pastor: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Ghost.

People: *Amen.*

Pastor: O Lord, open Thou my lips.

People: *And my mouth shall show forth Thy praise.*

Pastor: Make haste, O God, to deliver me.

People: *Make haste to help me, O Lord. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, And to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, Is now, and ever shall be, world without end, Amen. Hallelujah!*

Confession and Forgiveness

Pastor: God is light, and in Him is no darkness at all.

People: If we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

People: If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Pastor: Let us pray together:

People: Almighty God, merciful Father, I am sinful by nature, and have sinned against You in my thoughts, words, and actions. But I am sorry for my transgressions and pray You, of Your bountiful mercy, to be gracious and merciful unto me. Forgive me for Jesus' sake, renew me by Your Spirit, and lead me in the way everlasting. Amen.

Pastor: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven you all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, He has removed your guilt forever. You are His own dear child. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in you, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

*[All Sing]: God, we praise You! God, we bless You!
God, we name You sovereign Lord!
Mighty King whom angels worship,
Father by Your Church adored: All creation shows Your glory; Heav'n
and earth draw near Your throne
Singing "Holy, holy, holy, Lord of hosts and God alone!"*

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: *And with thy spirit.*

Pastor: Prayer for the Day

People: *Amen.*

1st Scripture Reading – Jonah 3:1-5, 10

Now the word of the LORD came to Jonah the second time, saying, 2 "Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and preach to it the message that I tell you." 3 So Jonah arose and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly great city, a three-day journey in extent. 4 And Jonah began to enter the city on the first day's walk. Then he cried out and said, "Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" 5 So the people of Nineveh believed God, proclaimed a fast, and put on sackcloth, from the greatest to the least of them. ... 10 Then God saw their works, that they turned from their evil way; and God relented from the disaster that He had said He would

bring upon them, and He did not do it.

Pastor: Alleluia, Alleluia. *The LORD is merciful and gracious, Slow to anger, and abounding in mercy. (Psalm 103:8)* Alleluia!

Congregation: *Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

2nd Scripture Reading – 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

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

But this I say, brethren, the time is short, so that from now on even those who have wives should be as though they had none, 30 those who weep as though they did not weep, those who rejoice as though they did not rejoice, those who buy as though they did not possess, 31 and those who use this world as not misusing it. For the form of this world is passing away.

Pastor: Here ends the New Testament reading.

People: *Praise be to Thee, O Christ!*

The Apostles' Creed -- Hymnal, pg. 12

Hymn 348 — *Jesus, Jesus, Only Jesus*

The Sermon – Mark 1:14-20

Now after John was put in prison, Jesus came to Galilee, preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God, 15 and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel." 16 And as He walked by the Sea of Galilee, He saw Simon and Andrew his brother casting a net into the sea; for they were fishermen. 17 Then Jesus said to them, "Follow Me, and I will make you become fishers of men." 18 They immediately left their nets and followed Him. 19 When He had gone a little farther from there, He saw James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother, who also were in the boat mending their nets. 20 And immediately He called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired servants, and went after Him.

“Jesus Gives Us Our Highest Callings”

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.*