20 Therefore "If your enemy is hungry, feed him; If he is thirsty, give him a drink; For in so doing you will heap coals of fire on his head." 21 Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

#### "Evil Overcome with Good"

### 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.

Hymn 439 — O God of Mercy, God of Might

## The Offering

Prayer + The Lord's Prayer + Benediction

All: Amen, amen, amen!

**Hymn 358** — Lamb of God, We Fall Before Thee

#### **Announcements**

- **Today** A Bible Class presentation is scheduled to follow this morning's worship service.
- Next Sunday Grace-Sleepy Eye worship services (Communion) begin at 9 a.m. Worship (Communion) here at Faith begins at 10:45 a.m. Sunday School is scheduled to preceded next Sunday's worship service; Confirmation Class is scheduled to follow next Sunday's worship service.

# Our Response of Faith — January 19, 2014

Attendance: 13

Unified Budget	\$160.00
Total	\$160.00

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And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, just as God in Christ forgave you. — Ephesians 4:32

#### JANUARY 26, 2014 – 3RD SUNDAY IN EPIPHANY

Pre-service Meditation: Ps. 27, pg. 129

Organist: Laura Heinze

**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 – Genesis 50:15-21

When Joseph's brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, "Perhaps Joseph will hate us, and may actually repay us for all the evil which we did to him." 16 So they sent messengers to Joseph, saying, "Before your father died he commanded, saying, 17 'Thus you shall say to Joseph: "I beg you, please forgive the trespass of your brothers and their sin; for they did evil to you." 'Now, please, forgive the trespass of the servants of the God of your father." And Joseph wept when they spoke to him. 18 Then his brothers also went and fell down before his face, and they said, "Behold, we are

your servants." 19 Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid, for am I in the place of God? 20 "But as for you, you meant evil against me; but God meant it for good, in order to bring it about as it is this day, to save many people alive. 21 "Now therefore, do not be afraid; I will provide for you and your little ones." And he comforted them and spoke kindly to them.

Pastor: Alleluia, Alleluia. And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose. (Romans 8:28) Alleluia!

Congregation: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

## 2nd Scripture Reading – Matthew 26:47-54

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

And while He was still speaking, behold, Judas, one of the twelve, with a great multitude with swords and clubs, came from the chief priests and elders of the people. 48 Now His betrayer had given them a sign, saying, "Whomever I kiss, He is the One; seize Him." 49 Immediately he went up to Jesus and said, "Greetings, Rabbi!" and kissed Him. 50 But Jesus said to him, "Friend, why have you come?" Then they came and laid hands on Jesus and took Him. 51 And suddenly, one of those who were with Jesus stretched out his hand and drew his sword, struck the servant of the high priest, and cut off his ear. 52 But Jesus said to him, "Put your sword in its place, for all who take the sword will perish by the sword. 53 "Or do you think that I cannot now pray to My Father, and He will provide Me with more than twelve legions of angels? 54 "How then could the Scriptures be fulfilled, that it must happen thus?"

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

The Apostles' Creed -- Hymnal, pg. 12

Hymn 351 — Love Divine, All Love Excelling

#### The Sermon – Romans 12:17-21

Repay no one evil for evil. Have regard for good things in the sight of all men. 18 If it is possible, as much as depends on you, live peaceably with all men. 19 Beloved, do not avenge yourselves, but rather give place to wrath; for it is written, "Vengeance is Mine, I will repay," says the Lord.