

# St. Matthew's Ev. Lutheran Church

1615 N. Wauwatosa Ave.

Wauwatosa, WI 53213

**February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

*Seventh Sunday after Epiphany*

**8:30 a.m. Service**

Prelude

Welcome to Worship

## Gathering

*(Please stand as you are able)*

Order for Confession and Forgiveness and Thanksgiving for Baptism

**P** In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

**P** Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness.

**C** **Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism and forgiveness.**

**P** "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you," Jesus said. Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and one another.

*(Silence for reflection and self-examination)*

**P** Gracious God,

**C** **Have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

**P** We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.

**C** **Those who trust in the Lord are blessed, like trees planted by water. Amen.**

Gathering Song

**#835 All Creatures, Worship God Most High!**

(Note – Stanza 5 will be "sung" by the organ only)

Apostolic Greeting

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Opening Litany for the Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany

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- C** **Help us to overflow with love in our lives, by following your example.**

Prayer of the Day

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*(Please be seated)*

Anthem

*This Little Light of Mine* arr. by John Paradowski  
Praise Kids!

## Word

First Reading

Genesis 45:3-11, 15

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Second Reading

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## Gospel Acclamation

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Lord, to whom then shall we go? You have words of life, we know.  
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## Gospel

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**P** The holy gospel according to Luke, the 6<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**C** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Jesus continues to address a crowd of his disciples. He invites his followers to shower radical love, blessing, forgiveness, generosity, and trust even to enemies and outsiders. Living in harmony with God's intent brings the reward of overflowing blessing.*

## Gospel Response

**P** The Gospel of the Lord for you this day.

**C** **Praise to you, O Christ.**

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Sermon

Pastor Christopher Manke

*(Please stand as you are able)*

Hymn of the Day

#716 Lord of All Nations, Grant Me Grace

*(Prayer cards will be collected during the Hymn)*

The Apostles' Creed

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Prayers of Intercession

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Sharing the Peace of Christ

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***Meal****(Please be seated)*

Musical Offering

*(Please stand as you are able)*

Canticle of Thanksgiving

#181 Let the Vineyards be Fruitful

## Offertory Prayer

- A** Let us pray. O God, your love is evident in everything you do in your gracious providence, in your merciful salvation, in your steadfast presence. We offer up to you these gifts, kindly gathered, and lovingly offered. Use them throughout this congregation, throughout this community, throughout the world spreading your wondrous love. Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

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Sanctus

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Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

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Invitation to Communion

*(Please be seated)*

Lamb of God

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Communion Hymn

**#470 Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether**

*(Please stand as you are able)*

Post-Communion Response

- P** May the body of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and keep you in God's light and grace.

**C Amen.**

Prayer after Communion

- A** Let us pray. Lord Jesus Christ, you urge those who follow you to do unto others, and then you do everything for us. Inspire us by your generosity, evident at this table, to follow your example. Inspire us, Lord, to love as much. You are the Lord forevermore. **C Amen.**

## Sending

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Today's Highlights

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Benediction for the Epiphany Season

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Thanksgiving for Baptism (*adapted from Evangelical Lutheran Worship*)

**P** Blessed be the Holy Trinity, one God, the fountain of living water, who gave us birth, our light, and our salvation.

**C** **Amen.**

**P** Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness.

**C** **Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.**

**P** We give you thanks, O God,

**C** **for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight.**

**P** Pour out upon us and on your whole church the gift of your Holy Spirit, so that all who have passed through the waters of Baptism might be dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

**C** **To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen!**

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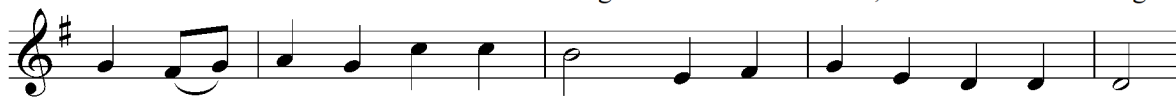
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Baptisms

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**Maverick David Frantz****Ruby Aster Steinberg**

*(Please stand as you are able)*

The Apostles' Creed

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*(Please be seated)*

Congregation's Welcome to the Baptized

☑ **Maverick and Ruby, we receive you as our own, and as God's own children.**

**We promise to pray for you, care for you and speak God's Word to you.**

**We promise to support your parents as they set about the holy task of raising you up in Christ. Welcome to God's Family!**

*(Please stand as you are able)*

Prayers of Intercession

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Sharing the Peace of Christ

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## Thanksgiving

*(Please be seated)*

Musical Offering

*Forgive Our Sins As We Forgive* by Robert Hobby  
Senior Choir

*(Please stand as you are able)*  
Canticle of Thanksgiving

**#884 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow**

Thanksgiving for the Word

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Lord's Prayer

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**Our Father in heaven,**

**hallowed be your name, your kingdom come,  
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.**

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Sending Song

**#717 Let Justice Flow like Streams**

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