

“Be merciful,
even as your Father
is also merciful.”

Don't judge,
and you won't be judged.”

Luke 6:36-37

Sunday, February 20, 2022
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WORSHIP PLAN LBW SETTING TWO

LBW (*Green*) Lutheran Book of Worship

WOV (*Blue*) With One Voice

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS LBW p. 77

P In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen

P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P *Most Merciful God,*

C we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for his sake God forgives you all your sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ he gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit.

C Amen

OPENING HYMN *“Shout To The Lord”* Bulletin pg. 8

GREETING LBW p. 78

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

C And also with you.

KYRIE LBW p. 78

HYMN OF PRAISE *“Glory To God”* LBW p. 79

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

C God of compassion, keep before us the love you have revealed in your Son, who prayed even for his enemies; in our words and deeds help us to be like him through whom we pray, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

FIRST LESSON: Genesis 45:3-11, 15

³Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence.

⁴Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. ⁵And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. ⁶For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. ⁷God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. ⁸So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. ⁹Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. ¹⁰You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. ¹¹I will provide for you there—since there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.' " ¹⁵And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 37:1-12, 41-42

¹Do not fret yourself because of evildoers;
do not be jealous of those who do wrong.

²**For they shall soon wither like the grass,
and like the green grass fade away.**

³Put your trust in the LORD and do good;
dwell in the land and feed on its riches.

⁴**Take delight in the LORD,
and he shall give you your heart's desire.**

⁵Commit your way to the LORD and put your trust in him,
and he will bring it to pass.

⁶**He will make your righteousness as clear as the light
and your just dealing as the noonday.**

⁷Be still before the LORD
and wait patiently for him.

⁸**Do not fret yourself over the one who prospers,
the one who succeeds in evil schemes.**

⁹Refrain from anger, leave rage alone;
do not fret yourself; it leads only to evil.

¹⁰**For evildoers shall be cut off,
but those who wait upon the LORD shall possess the land.**

¹¹In a little while the wicked shall be no more;
you shall search out their place, but they will not be there.

¹²**But the lowly shall possess the land;
they will delight in abundance of peace.**

⁴¹But the deliverance of the righteous comes from the LORD;
he is their stronghold in time of trouble.

⁴²**The LORD will help them and rescue them;
he will rescue them from the wicked and deliver them, because they
seek refuge in him.**

SECOND LESSON: 1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50

³⁵But someone will ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?" ³⁶Fool! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. ³⁷And as for what you sow, you do not sow the body that is to be, but a bare seed, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. ³⁸But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body.

⁴²So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. ⁴³It is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. ⁴⁴It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body. ⁴⁵Thus it is written, "The first man, Adam, became a living being"; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. ⁴⁶But it is not the spiritual that is first, but the physical, and then the spiritual. ⁴⁷The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. ⁴⁸As was the man of dust, so are those who are of the dust; and as is the man of heaven, so are

those who are of heaven. ⁴⁹Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we will also bear the image of the man of heaven.

⁵⁰What I am saying, brothers and sisters, is this: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE *"Jesus Loves Me" (1st verse only)*

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: *"Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil" WOV# 713*

GOSPEL: Luke 6:27-38

P *The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 6th chapter.*

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

[Jesus said:] ²⁷"But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, ²⁸bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. ²⁹If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. ³⁰Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. ³¹Do to others as you would have them do to you.

³²"If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. ³³If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. ³⁴If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. ³⁵But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. ³⁶Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

³⁷"Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; ³⁸give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back."

P *The Gospel of the Lord.*

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

SERMON: "Back to the 'Basics'"

HYMN OF THE DAY: "Day By Day" WOV# 746

APOSTLES' CREED LBW p. 85

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P*Lord in your mercy,*

C **Hear our prayer.**

LORD'S PRAYER LBW p. 91

SHARING OF GOD'S PEACE

P *The peace of the Lord be with you always.*

C **And also with you.**

OFFERING

OFFERING HYMN "We Are An Offering"

C **We Lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering. Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our lives, they are yours: we are an offering. All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you.**

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering, we are an offering.

OFFERTORY PRAYER LBW p. 87

P *Let us pray. Merciful Father,*

C **we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

BLESSING

P *The Lord bless you and keep you.*

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C *(Sung)* **Three Fold Amen**

SENDING HYMN "You Love Me Anyway" By Sidewalk Prophets
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DISMISSAL

P *Go in peace. Serve your neighbor.*

C **Yes we will. Thanks be to God.**

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FEBRUARY NOISY CAN

Baltic: Vacation Bible School

East: Adam Thompson Foundation



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FRIENDS & FAMILY OF OUR MEMBERS

Family of Steve Vermillion
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Julie DiPiazza—Sister of Gary Gregg
Gordon Dierkson—Father of Gary Dierkson

Our Response to God's Love

Baltic:

Feb 13th: Attendance: 72
General Fund: \$2045.00 Noisy Can: \$143.17
Building Fund: \$110.00

East Nidaros

Feb 13th: Attendance: 57
General Fund: \$1541.00 Noisy Can: \$20.93

Shout to the Lord



My Je - sus, my Sav - ior, Lord, there is none like you.



All of my days I want to praise the won-ders of your might-y love.



My com - fort, my shel - ter, tow - er of ref - uge and strength;



let ev-'ry breath, all that I am nev - er cease to wor - ship you.



Shout to the Lord, all the earth; let us sing pow - er and maj - es - ty, praise



to the King. Moun - tains bow down and the seas will roar at the



sound of your name. I sing for joy at the work of your hands;



for - ev - er I'll love you, for - ev - er I'll stand.



Noth - ing com - pares to the prom - ise I have in you.

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Please join Elmer and Janet Hegge
 in celebrating their *90th* Birthdays
 Sunday, March 6, 2022.
 Open house at East Nidaros from 1:30-3:00.



East is looking for volunteers to help with livestreaming during worship. Please call the church office if you are interested. They are also in need of a Sunday School coordinator and people to serve on the Education board. Please Contact Jenni Hartman if you are interested.

Seeking singers: The Baltic Community Talent Show is set for March 11! Please consider joining a community choir to sing a song to close the show. Kim Questad will direct.
 Please call or text Connie at 605-929-8227 if you are interested.

Fellowship Coffee and Treats

<p><u>Feb 20 & 27</u> <u>Baltic</u> Pat Brende 428-4577 Dale Erickson 553-4921</p>	<p><u>Feb 20</u> <u>East Nidaros</u> Louie & Karen Doom 261-8403 Lori Kappler 321-2018</p>
<p><u>Mar 6 & 13</u> <u>Baltic</u> Terry & Kaye Snow 366-3957 Garry & Karen Voelker 553-2369</p>	<p><u>Feb 27 & Mar 6</u> <u>East</u> Dan & Patty Frantz 359-0881 Keith & Paula Harvey 360-4418</p>
<p><u>Mar 20 & 27</u> <u>Baltic</u> Dale & Pam Nesheim 321-9600 Nikki Oien 529-5650</p>	<p><u>Mar 13 & Mar 20</u> <u>East</u> Deb Larson 315-7958 Dave & Connie Karl 608-386-8139</p>

“You Love Me Anyway” by Sidewalk Prophets

The question was raised
As my conscience fell
A silly little lie

It didn't mean much
But it lingers still
In the corners of my mind

Still you call me to walk
On the edge of this world
To spread my dreams and fly

But the future's so far
My heart is so frail
I think I'd rather stay inside

But You love me anyway
It's like nothing in life
That I've ever known
Yes You love me anyway
Oh Lord, how You love me
How you love me

It took more than my strength
To simply be still
To seek but never find

The reasons we change
The reasons I doubt
And Why do loved ones have to die?

But You love me anyway
It's like nothing in life
That I've ever known
Yes You love me anyway
Oh Lord, how You love me

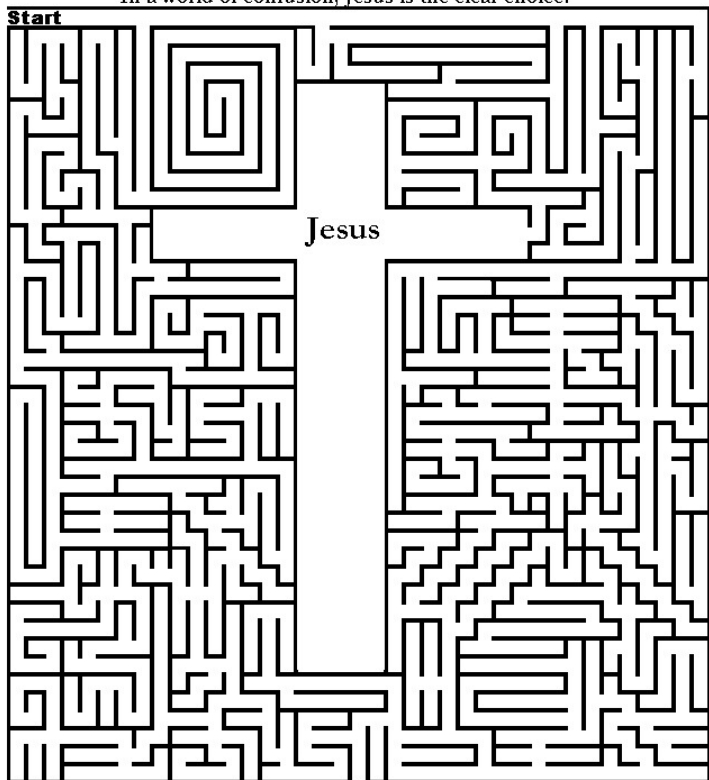
I am the thorn in your crown
But You love me anyway
I am the sweat from Your brow
But You love me anyway

I am the nail in Your wrist
But You love me anyway
I am Judas' kiss
But You love me anyway
See now I am the man who yelled out from the crowd
For Your blood to be spilled on this earth shaking ground
Yes then I turned away with a smile on my face
With this sin in my heart, tried to bury Your grace
And then alone in the night I still call out for You
So ashamed of my life, my life, my life

But You love me anyway
Oh God, how You love me
Yes You love me anyway
It's like nothing in life
That I've ever known
Yes You love me anyway
Oh Lord, how You love me

You love me
You love me
You love me
You love me
How You love me
How You love me
How You love me

In a world of confusion, Jesus is the clear choice.



Sunday, February 20th

Baltic	9:00 am in person and Live Streamed on Facebook @ BalticLutheranChurch
East Nidaros	10:30 am Worship

Things Happening Week of February 20th

Sat Feb 19– Fri Feb 25	Pastor Randall and Kim on vacation
Sun Feb 20	Sunday School kids singing at East during worship
Mon Feb 21	NO Community Bible Study
Tue Feb 22	NO Bible Study @ East
Wed Feb 23	6:30-7:30 7th and 8th grade Confirmation @ Baltic
Thu Feb 24	Newsletter & Bulletin Assembly

Sunday, February 27th

Baltic	9:00 am Worship 10:30 am in person and Live Streamed on Facebook @EastNidrosLutheranChurch
East Nidaros	

Things Happening Week of February 27th

Sun Feb 27	Holy Communion 5:00 Youth Group @ Willow Creek
Mon Feb 28	6:30 Community Bible Study @ Baltic
Tue Mar 1	2:00 Bible Study @ East
Wed Mar 2	8:30-12:00 East Nidaros Quilting Ash Wednesday/No Confirmation 5:30 pm Service @ East 7:00 pm Service @ Baltic
Thu Mar 3	8:30-12:00 East Nidaros Quilting 9:15 PQ Communion @ DNRC & Orchard Hills