I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended to heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Pastoral Prayer

Prayer will include the following response based on Psalm 145:18
Leader: You, Lord, are near to all who call on you,
People: to all who call on you in truth.

The Scripture: Matthew 4:1-11 (p. 1503)
The Sermon: “INTO THE WILDERNESS”
The Prayer for a Blessing on the Word

*The Hymn of Response: Lift Up Your Hearts 776
“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

*The Benediction
*The Organ Amen
*The Silent Prayer and Carillon Bells
*The Postlude: “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

Offering plates are located at the Sanctuary exits. Thank you for your continued support of our ministries.

Chad Boorsma – seminarian
Norma de Waal Malefyt – organist

Epiphany: The Season from Christmas to Lent

The liturgical season after Christmastide to Lent is called Epiphany. During this time, we celebrate Jesus Christ, the Savior, who is the manifestation of God’s light in our dark and sin-filled world. As we grow in our knowledge of Jesus, we are called to reflect his light in our lives in our neighborhoods and the world.

The flowers in the sanctuary today have been given in loving memory of Marvin DeWinter, by his family. “Even so, it is well with my soul.”

The January special offering is for Inner City Christian Federation (ICCF) which provides housing opportunities, home ownership counseling, home repairs and maintenance for families who otherwise cannot afford a home.

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