



# Kure Memorial Lutheran Church

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## *Statement of Welcome*

Accepting those whom Christ has already accepted, Kure Memorial Lutheran Church affirms that all people, regardless of race, national origin, sexual orientation, or economic status, are unconditionally welcome to our community of faith and are invited to join us in worship, fellowship, and ministry.

## **Our Mission Statement**

As joyful followers of Jesus Christ, we welcome and care for all people. We boldly proclaim the Good News, share our faith, and love God by serving others.

## **KMLC Core Values**

- ✠ *Communion Centered Worship*
- ✠ *Caring*
- ✠ *Service to Others*

Pastor Dan Keck

Worship 10:00

KMLC Office Hours:  
Varies due to COVID-19.

# Third Sunday of Epiphany

10AM ✠ January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021



**Welcome to Worship! We are glad to be worshipping with you today.**

**May you sense the Spirit's presence here!**

If you live in the area and don't have a church home, we invite you to consider becoming part of our community of faith! The Sacrament of Holy Communion is offered for all who believe Jesus suffered and died, that we might be forgiven, strengthened in spirit and have everlasting life. We celebrate and receive the meal at an Open Table. Children are welcome to receive at the discretion of their parents. Those who do not receive are invited to come to the altar for a blessing.

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## **Prelude**

## **Welcome and Announcements**

P. This is the day that the Lord has made! Let us rejoice and be glad in it! Alleluia!

### **Opening prayer:**

A: Almighty God, by your grace, you accept us as yours and call us into your mission in the world. Strengthen us by your Spirit, and make us worthy of your call, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

### **Hymn of Praise:**

*You Are Holy*

Red Book 525

You are holy, you are whole. You are always ever more  
Than we ever understand. You are always at hand.  
Blessed are you coming near. Blessed are you coming here  
To your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.  
You are holy, you are wholeness,  
You are present. Let the cosmos praise you, Lord!  
Sing hosanna in the highest! Sing hosanna! Sing hosanna to our God!

### **Thanking God for the Gift of Baptism!**

P: As we reflect on the joys of life, the blessings we share, the struggles we experience, the sins we need to confess and the presence of God in our lives, we remember and thank God for the gift of baptism that cleanses us and makes us whole!

A: Loving God, we give you thanks for the gift of baptism. That refreshing and cleansing water that sustains our lives and washes away our sin. We give you thanks for the gift of your Holy Spirit that gives us life and the strength to love and serve one another. Through the gift of your Spirit you renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace and love. **Amen.**

### **Gathering Song:**

*Heaven Is Singing for Joy*

Red Book 664

1 Heaven is singing for joy, alleluia, for in your life and mine is shining the glory of God.

#### *Refrain*

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!

3 Heaven is singing for joy, alleluia, for your life and mine will always bear witness to God. *Refrain*

**Greeting:**

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

**WORD****Jonah 3:1-5; 10**

*The book of Jonah is a comedy starring a reluctant prophet who is given a one-sentence message: Nineveh will be destroyed in forty days. Much to Jonah's dismay, the people of Nineveh repent. The point of the story is to get the reader to wrestle with the question "On whom should God have mercy?"*

<sup>1</sup>The word of the LORD came to Jonah a second time, saying, <sup>2</sup>"Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you." <sup>3</sup>So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days' walk across. <sup>4</sup>Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And he cried out, "Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" <sup>5</sup>And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth.

<sup>10</sup>When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

R: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalms 62:5-12**

*God alone is my rock and my salvation. (Ps. 62:6)*

<sup>5</sup>For God alone I wait in silence; truly, my hope is in God.

<sup>6</sup>God alone is my rock and my salvation, my stronghold, so that I shall never be shaken.

<sup>7</sup>In God is my deliverance and my honor; God is my strong rock and my refuge.

<sup>8</sup>Put your trust in God always, O people, pour out your hearts before the one who is our refuge.

<sup>9</sup>Those of high degree are but a fleeting breath; those of low estate cannot be trusted. Placed on the scales together they weigh even less than a breath.

<sup>10</sup>Put no trust in extortion; in robbery take no empty pride; though wealth increase, set not your heart upon it.

<sup>11</sup>God has spoken once, twice have I heard it, that power belongs to God.

<sup>12</sup>Steadfast love belongs to you, O Lord, for you repay all according to their deeds.

**The Holy Gospel:****Mark 1:14-20****C: Glory to You, O Lord.**

*Before Jesus calls his first disciples, he proclaims a message that becomes known as "the gospel" or good news from God. God is ready to rule our lives. Those who realize this will respond with repentance and faith.*

<sup>14</sup>Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, <sup>15</sup>and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news." <sup>16</sup>As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. <sup>17</sup>And Jesus said to them, "Follow me and I will make you fish for people." <sup>18</sup>And immediately they left their nets and followed him. <sup>19</sup>As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. <sup>20</sup>Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to You, O Christ**

**Children's Time:** *For the health and safety of all at this time, the children are asked to stay with their families during the children's time...which is harder than you can imagine for Pastor Dan!*

**Message:**

**Song of Praise:**

*Rejoice in the Mission*

Purple Book 120

1 Oh, the Lord came down from heav'n, tiny baby, great physician,  
gave his body and his blood to live out a holy mission.  
His disciples, they went out to fulfill the great commission;  
with a seed of faith so small, learned a diff'rent kind of fishin'.  
Will we go?

*Refrain*

And we'll all share the vision, who in Christ we all shall be.  
Come, rejoice in the mission of a new community.  
In this place where we gather, Jesus, still our restless souls;  
to your Spirit we will listen. We will go.

2 As we ponder and we plan in this age of great transition,  
we will keep the word of God at the heart of each decision.  
Praise the Father, Lord of love; praise the Christ, in glory risen;  
praise the Spirit, by whose pow'r we will share the gifts we're given--  
as we go. *Refrain*

**Statement of faith**   Apostle's Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell.**

**On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and 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.**

**Prayers:**

**Sharing the Peace of the Lord...***without physically sharing the peace!*

P: The peace of the Lord be with you all.

**Prayer:**

A: Let us pray. Gracious God, we give you thanks for the offerings given this morning, as a sign of your gracious love for us. Use these gifts and the abilities you give us to make a difference in the world around us. This we pray through Jesus our Lord. Amen.

**Lord's Supper:**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

In the night he was betrayed...Our Lord Jesus took bread, gave thanks; broke it and gave it to his disciples saying, "Take and eat it, this is my body given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks and gave it for all to drink saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this in remembrance of me."

The Lord's Prayer:

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

**Guidance for Communion Distribution:** *You are asked to come forward, one family unit at a time to the distribution table where the communion elements are located. Take a cup with a piece of bread and receive a blessing. You may then receive a cup of wine white grape juice and receive a blessing. Gluten free wafers are available for those with that preference. Once you receive communion, step away from the table, pull down your mask, consume the bread and wine/grape juice and put the cup in recycle container that is provided. Thank you!*

**Communion songs:**

*All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly*

Red Book 461

- 1 All who hunger gather gladly; holy manna is our bread.  
Come from wilderness and wand'ring. Here in truth we will be fed.  
You that yearn for days of fullness, all around us is our food.  
Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.
- 2 All who hunger, never strangers; seeker, be a welcome guest.  
Come from restlessness and roaming. Here in joy we keep the feast.  
We that once were lost and scattered in communion's love have stood.  
Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.
- 3 All who hunger, sing together, Jesus Christ is living bread.  
Come from loneliness and longing. Here in peace we have been fed.  
Blest are those who from this table live their days in gratitude.  
Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.

- 1 You have come down to the lakeshore seeking neither the wise nor the wealthy,  
but only asking for me to follow.

*Refrain*

Sweet Lord, you have looked into my eyes; kindly smiling, you've called out my name.  
On the sand I have abandoned my small boat; now with you, I will seek other seas.

- 2 You know full well what I have, Lord: neither treasure nor weapons for conquest,  
just these my fish nets and will for working. *Refrain*

- 3 You need my hands, my exhaustion, working love for the rest of the weary--  
a love that's willing to go on loving. *Refrain*

- 4 You who have fished other waters; you, the longing of souls that are yearning:  
O loving Friend, you have come to call me. *Refrain*

*Will You Come and Follow Me*

- 1 "Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?  
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?  
Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known,  
will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?"

- 2 "Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?  
Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?  
Will you risk the hostile stare, should your life attract or scare?  
Will you let me answer pray'r in you and you in me?"

- 3 "Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name?  
Will you set the pris'ners free and never be the same?  
Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen,  
and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?"

- 4 "Will you love the you you hide if I but call your name?  
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?  
Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around,  
through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?"

- 5 Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.  
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.  
In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show.  
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

**Blessing/Prayer**

**Benediction**

**Sending Song:** *Go, make disciples*

Purple Book 47

"Go, make disciples, baptizing them, teaching them.

Go, make disciples, for I am with you till the end of time.

Go, be the salt of the earth. Go, be the light for the world.

Go, be a city on a hill, so all can see that you're serving me. *(Repeat)*

Go, make disciples."

**Sending:**

A: Go in peace. Serve the Lord. And have fun doing it!

C: **Thanks be to God!**

**Schedule for Sunday:**

‡ **Word & Sacrament Worship 10AM** ‡

**Serving Today**

**Assisting Minister**

*Cory Petermann*

**Reader**

*Kristin Woodie*

**Ushers**

*Peter Yandow, Gary Bianchi & Marion Wyman*

**Sign Language Interpreter**

*Jen Carter*

**Offerings:** *Thank you for empowering us to live out our mission! KMLC's general offerings for last week were \$3,273.00. (Our Mission Plan this year is relying on weekly offerings of \$4,315.00.) Let us continue to grow in responding to God's amazing grace!*

*Attendance Last Week: Approximately 89! Through Zoom, Facebook Live, worship leaders and a few in person!*

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## ‡ REMEMBER IN PRAYER ‡

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### HOMEBOUND, HOSPITALIZED, SPECIAL CONCERNS

**Teri Massey, Chris, Clara, and Allie Burkauskas, Ellen Prevatte, Ted Prevatte, Maxine Jordan, Lisa Lee, Barry Nelder, Emily Barber, Irene Girvan, Bob Stuart, Barb Stuart, Mina Piedmont, Joanne Adams, Marge Lucido, Cathleen Applegate, Hannah Dumbrowski, Victoria Sanchez, Aris Mora, Morgan Smith, Billy Ward, John Walker, Pam Solstad, Morgan Davison, Kaitlin Sprague, Gene Snuggs, Lisa, Frank Dyson, Beth Loony, Belle Hunt, Megan Peoplis, Vaughn & Cathy Schweitzer, Andra Ciparis, Clifford Johnson, Beth Deaton, Jennifer Von Cannon, Don Bowman, John Vrba, Karen Matthews, Marge McClosky, Richard Laudati, Joe Wright, Ruth Ann Getsinger, Steve Jones, Herb Flamer, Raymond & Dottie Holden, Lynne Denne, Lizzy Akins, Aida, Nicole and Sianny Marin, Raven Van Dyck, Gail Jones.**

### FRIENDS & FAMILY

**Sandy Hunt and Ginny Blauboer (Buckley), Tracy McKay, Tom Grady, Pat Hankin (Hambel), Paul Piedmont (Piedmont), Kristi Johnson, Cyndie Heath, Jami Harris, Jac Schlagle, Lexi Westfall (Hitchcock), Senka Gambino, Jean Behanna, Rick & Sharon Ellis (Lundy), Terry Ford & Carl Ford (Rehder), Arlo Bond (Jordan), Joey (Palamara), Pat Addington (Hearne), Julian, Jason & baby Jackson (Full), Mary Adobato (Vecchio), Megan Manley (Cox), Richard White (Prevatte), Arden Buckley & Erin O'Brien (Buckley), Brad Cook (Shearin), Kari Craig, (Palamara), Bridges family (Lundy), Larry Gilbert (Wrenn), Anne C., Claire Houston, Tammy V., Dave Stultz, Matt Stultz, Pastor Tom Schutt, Belle Hunt, Steve Siferd, Janet Kassor, (Keck), Barbara Gavigan (Gavigan), Robin Stoehr (Gourville) Meghan O'Brien (Campbell), Kent Parker (Shearin) Barbara Murtha (Hambel/Lundy), Martin Jackson (Jones), Larry Roger (Shearin), Laura & John McMahon (Lundy).**

*Please pray for the caregivers as they care for those who are ill.*

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE MISSIONS OF OUR CHURCH

Federal Point Help Center / Coupons to Service men's families / KMLC Preschool / Girl Scout Troops #867, #901 and #155 / Good Shepherd (food & supplies) / Trinity Grove / KMLC Youth Group / Katie B Hines Senior Center lunch program / The Lutheran Church of Costa Rica/ Casa Abierta-La Carpio / Seamen's Center

### STUDENTS ATTENDING COLLEGE / SEMINARY

Emily Graff-Luther Seminary / Tommy Ullring-Cape Fear Community College / Katelyn Copenhaver-Santa Fe College / Jordan Pivik- East Carolina University / Rachel Pivik-ECU / Katie Elkin-Duke Divinity School / Andro Keck- University of South Carolina / Vegas Vecchio- University of Washington, Seattle / Heather Keck- Medical University of South Carolina / Mackenzie Clark-Hood College, Maryland / Matthew Shuttleworth-Cape Fear Community College / Mia Shoffner-East Carolina University / Sydney Maguire-College of Charleston / Preston Gourville-Vanderbilt / Kelsey Bloch-Wake Tech / Kari Bloch-Wake Tech.

### MILITARY PERSONNEL SERVING

Col Wayne Lett in Frankfort, Germany; John Brandon in Wayton, Utah; Steven Blum at Fort Bragg; Christopher Bennett in San Diego, CA; Marley Von Cannon at a Naval Base in Walton County Florida; Brandon Muehl at Fort Bragg, NC; Jacob Clinton at Fort Geiger, NC; Thomas Stafford at Ft. Bragg, NC, Nick Schwenker-Fort Benning, GA.

### COSTA RICA MICRO LOAN RECIPIENTS

Rosa Marin, Aida Marin, Raquel Marin: Village of Guatuso / Zoraida Hernandez, Raul Perez: Village of Quitirrisi / Ana Yensi Rivera: La Carpi / Alexa Araya: San Jose / Marta Dodero.