Peace Ev. Lutheran Church

Central Avenue at 171st Place
Oak Forest, Illinois 60452
Rev. David T. Mensing, Pastor

Third Sunday after Epiphany

January 26, 2025

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Hymn 348: "Jesus, Jesus, Only Jesus"

Opening Liturgy – Order of Service, Hymnal, p. 5ff.

The Epistle Lesson: Romans 12:17-21

The Gospel Lesson: Matthew 8:1-13

The Apostles' Creed (Hymnal, p. 12)

Hymn 396: "Oh, for a Faith that Will Not Shrink!"

The Sermon – Standard Gospel Text: Matthew 8:5-13

Theme: A Striking Example of True Christian Faith in Jesus

I. … in its deep humbleness before the Lord;
II. …in its great confidence in His Word and promise;
III. …in its extreme rarity even among professing Christians.

The Offering… "to probe the sincerity of your love." *(II Corinthians 8:8)*

The General Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Hymn 428: "I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus"

Collect for the Word *Congregation: "Amen."*

The Benediction of the Lord *Congregation: "Amen, Amen, Amen!"*

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Announcements for the Week

*For spiritual care during the week, particularly in case of serious illness or emergency, please call Pastor Mensing on his **cell phone**, **(708) 601-3943**, to reach him in his office at the church or at home in the parsonage.*

***VISITORS** are always welcome to attend our services. Please register in our Guest Book, and leave also your address and telephone number if you would like our Pastor to contact you further. And please come again!*

TODAY, January 26th —Immediately following the service, **ANNOUNCEMENT for COMMUNION** by our "remote" members.

—2:30 p.m.,**SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS' MEETING**

Our Pastor's Schedule this week:

10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. are the Pastor's general **"Office Hours."** Unless he is running an errand, attending a meeting elsewhere, making a pastoral call, or is out to lunch, he will normally be "on site" in his office at the church or at home in the parsonage. However, if you need to see him in person, also for **private communion announcement**, it always pays to call first. His **cell** is always on.

In addition:

Tuesday, January 28th 4:00 p.m., **Confirmation Class** (Haven and Lydia)

Friday, January 31st 4:00 p.m., **Confirmation Class** (Haven and Lydia)

7:00 - 9:00 p.m., **COMMUNION ANNOUNCEMENT**

Saturday, February 1st **Pastor's Preparation Time for Sunday**

Next Sunday, February 2nd **Fourth Sunday after Epiphany**

— 9:30 a.m., **Sunday School** & **Adult Bible Class** for **ALL**.

—11:00 a.m., **The Divine Worship Service** also for all, including ***HOLY COMMUNION*** for our members and brethren who announced and examined themselves.

A blessed week ahead to all of you!