

Lutheran Church of the Holy Comforter

P.O. Box 666 • 216 N. Main Street • Belmont, NC 28012 • Sunday, February 9, 2014

The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany



John Propst
Interim Pastor

Greg Cline
Organist/Choirmaster

WELCOME/GATHERING

PRELUDE: *O Morning Star* Handbell Choir

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism,
as the presiding minister begins.*

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C Amen.

P Let us come into the light of Christ, confessing our need for God's mercy.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Holy and faithful God,,

C we so often choose our own way instead of yours. We think we can evade your commandments. We have spoken in ways that kill, strayed with our hearts, betrayed friends, and hated enemies. We have broken our promises. Search us deeply and create us anew. Lift the heavy burden of our sin and free us to follow your way of life. **Amen.**

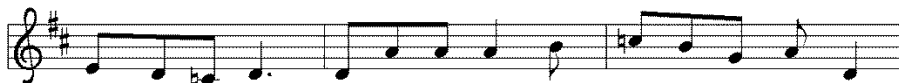
P "Call upon me," says the Lord, "and I will answer." Our God has come among us to loose every bond and set us free from all that weighs us down. Receive the forgiveness of all your sins in the name of + Jesus Christ, our crucified and risen Savior.

C Amen.

GATHERING SONG: *Gather Us In* All Stand & Sing



1 Here in this place the new light is stream-ing, now is the dark - ness
 2 We are the young, our lives are a mys - t'ry, we are the old who
 3 Here we will take the wine and the wa - ter, here we will take the
 4 Not in the dark of build-ings con - fin - ing, not in some heav - en,



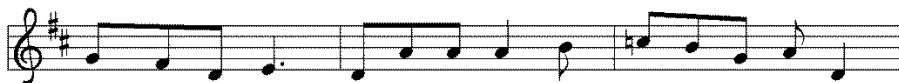
van - ished a - way; see in this space our fears and our dream-ings
 yearn for your face; we have been sung through - out all of his - t'ry,
 bread of new birth, here you shall call your sons and your daugh-ers,
 light years a - way— here in this place the new light is shin - ing,



brought here to you in the light of this day.
 called to be light to the whole hu - man race.
 call us a - new to be salt for the earth.
 now is the king - dom, and now is the day.



Gath-er us in, the lost and for - sak - en, gath-er us in, the
 Gath-er us in, the rich and the haugh-ty, gath-er us in, the
 Give us to drink the wine of com-pas - sion, give us to eat the
 Gath-er us in and hold us for - ev - er, gath-er us in and



blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall a - wak - en,
 proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so low - ly,
 bread that is you; nour-ish us well, and teach us to fash - ion
 make us your own; gath-er us in, all peo - ples to - geth - er,



we shall a - rise at the sound of our name.
 give us the cour - age to en - ter the song.
 lives that are ho - ly and hearts that are true.
 fire . . . of love in our flesh and our bone.

Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950

Music: GATHER US IN, Marty Haugen

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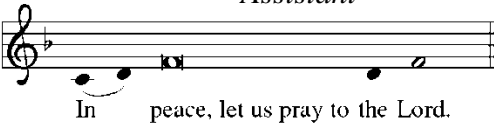
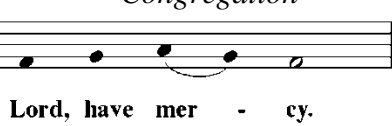
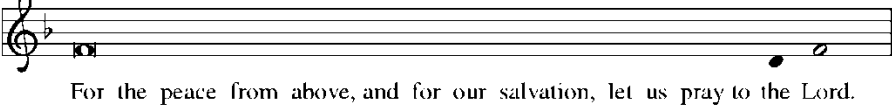
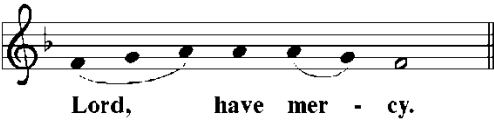
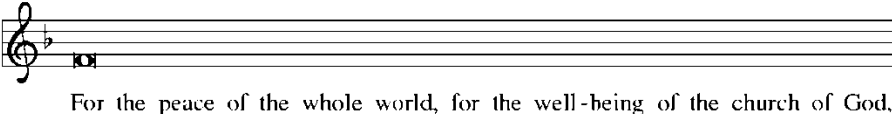
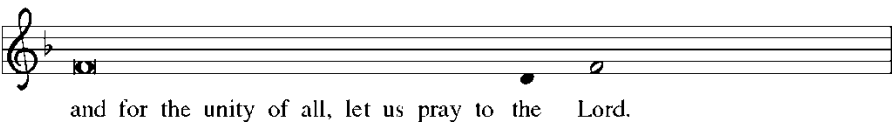

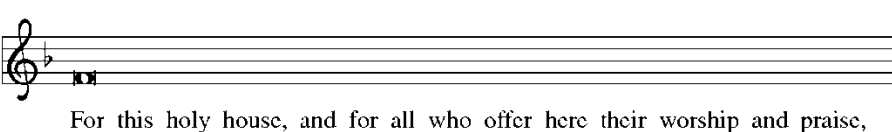
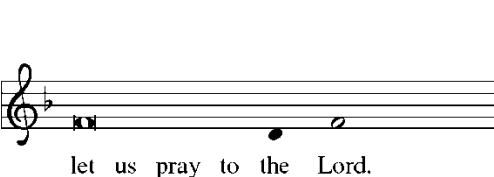
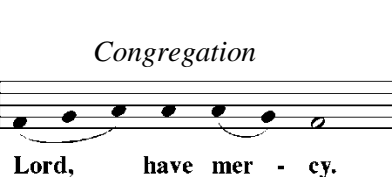
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GREETING

P Sisters and brothers in Christ, beloved children of God: grace, mercy, and peace be with you all.

C And also with you.

KYRIE

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Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. A - men.	

GLORY TO GOD

Assisting minister



Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

All



Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,



we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



you are scat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

Lord God, with endless mercy you receive the prayers of all who call upon you.

By your Spirit show us the things we ought to do, and give us the grace and power to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

Congregation is Seated

CHILDREN'S TIME

Children ages 4 to 8 years-old are invited to go to the Education building for a 20-minute (or so) time together **immediately after the Children's sermon**. *Children will return to their parents during the hymn of the day.* Children **birth through 3 years-old** are invited to join others their age **in the nursery**.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 58:1–9a

A reading from the fifty-eighth chapter of Isaiah.

Shortly after the return of Israel from exile in Babylon, the people were troubled by the ineffectiveness of their fasts. God reminds them that outward observance is no substitute for genuine fasting that results in acts of justice, such as feeding the hungry, sheltering the homeless, and clothing the naked.

Shout out, do not hold back!

Lift up your voice like a trumpet!

Announce to my people their rebellion,
to the house of Jacob their sins.

²Yet day after day they seek me
and delight to know my ways,
as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness
and did not forsake the ordinance of their God;
they ask of me righteous judgments,

they delight to draw near to God.

³"Why do we fast, but you do not see?

Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?"

Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day,

and oppress all your workers.

⁴Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight

and to strike with a wicked fist.

Such fasting as you do today

will not make your voice heard on high.

⁵Is such the fast that I choose,

a day to humble oneself?

Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush,

and to lie in sackcloth and ashes?

Will you call this a fast,

a day acceptable to the LORD?

⁶Is not this the fast that I choose:

to loose the bonds of injustice,

to undo the thongs of the yoke,

to let the oppressed go free,

and to break every yoke?

⁷Is it not to share your bread with the hungry,

and bring the homeless poor into your house;

when you see the naked, to cover them,

and not to hide yourself from your own kin?

⁸Then your light shall break forth like the dawn,

and your healing shall spring up quickly;

your vindicator shall go before you,

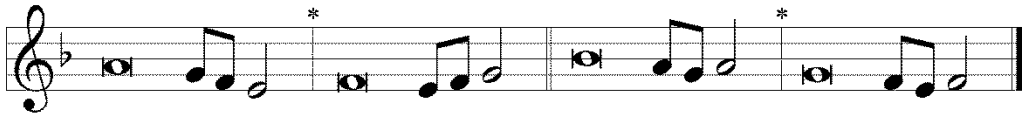
the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard.

⁹Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer;

you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.

A The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**



PSALM: 112:1–10 All Sing

- ¹Hallelujah! Happy are they who ¹fear the LORD
and have great delight in ¹God's commandments!
- ²**Their descendants will be mighty ¹in the land;
the generation of the upright ¹will be blessed.**
- ³Wealth and riches will be ¹in their house,
and their righteousness will ¹last forever.
- ⁴**Light shines in the darkness ¹for the upright;
the righteous are merciful and full ¹of compassion.**
- ⁵It is good for them to be gener- ¹ous in lending
and to manage their af- ¹fairs with justice.
- ⁶**For they will nev- ¹er be shaken;
the righteous will be kept in everlast- ¹ing remembrance.**
- ⁷They will not be afraid of any ¹evil rumors;
their heart is steadfast, trusting ¹in the LORD.
- ⁸**Their heart is established and ¹will not shrink,
until they see their desire up- ¹on their enemies.**
- ⁹They have given freely to the poor,
and their righteousness stands ¹fast forever;
they will hold up their ¹head with honor.
- ¹⁰**The wicked will see it and be angry;
they will gnash their teeth and ¹pine away;
the desires of the wick- ¹ed will perish.**

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 2:1–12

A reading from the second chapter of 1 Corinthians.

Though people such as the Corinthians are enamored with human philosophy and wisdom, Paul continuously presents God's hidden wisdom which is Jesus Christ crucified. True spiritual maturity involves judging ourselves and others in light of God's revelation in the cross.

When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. ²For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus

Christ, and him crucified. ³And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. ⁴My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, ⁵so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God.

⁶Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. ⁷But we speak God's wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. ⁸None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. ⁹But, as it is written,

"What no eye has seen, nor ear heard,
nor the human heart conceived,
what God has prepared for those who love him" —

¹⁰these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. ¹¹For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. ¹²Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God.

A The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL

Matthew 5:13–20

The holy gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus encourages his followers to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world, doing good works and keeping God's commandments.

¹³"You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

¹⁴"You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. ¹⁵No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. ¹⁶In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

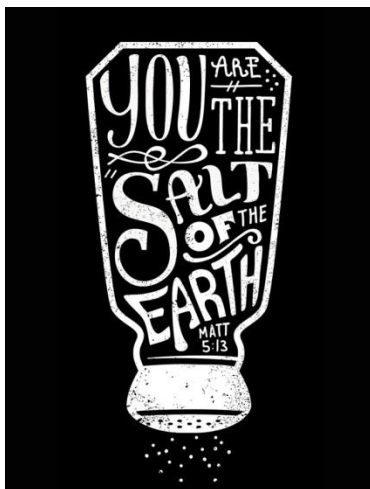
¹⁷"Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. ¹⁸For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter will pass from the law until all is accomplished.

¹⁹Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. ²⁰For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

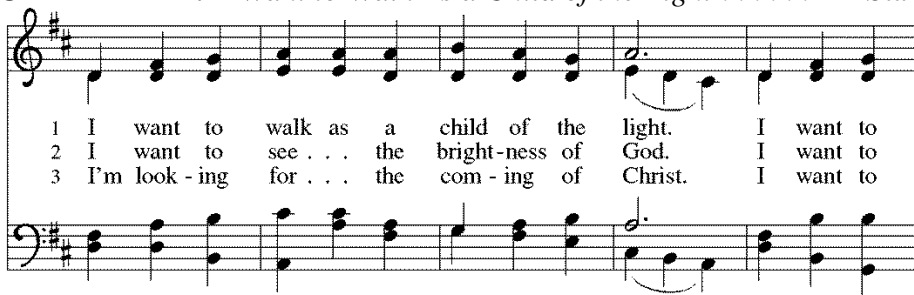
P The gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON: *Salt Life* (Notes page 18) Pastor John



HYMN OF THE DAY: *I Want to Walk As a Child of the Light All Stand & Sing*



1 I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to
 2 I want to see . . . the bright-ness of God. I want to
 3 I'm look - ing for . . . the com - ing of Christ. I want to



fol - low Je - sus. God set the stars to give
 look at Je - sus. Clear Sun of righ - teous - ness,
 be with Je - sus. When we have run . . . with



light to the world. The star of my life is Je - sus.
 shine on my path, and show me the way to the Fa - ther.
 pa - tience the race, we shall know the joy of Je - sus.

Refrain



In him there is no dark-ness at all. The night and the

day are both a - like. The Lamb is the light of the

cit - y of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

Text: Kathleen Thomerson, b. 1934
 Music: HOUSTON, Kathleen Thomerson
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APOSTLES 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 to the dead.**

**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.**

* catholic with a small "c" refers to the whole Christian church throughout the world.

PEACE

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

C And also with you.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: *In The Garden* Duet

OFFERTORY RESPONSE: *Create In Me* All Stand & Sing

The image shows a musical score for a four-part setting of the Offertory Response 'Create In Me'. It consists of four staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are written below the notes. The music is a simple, hymn-like melody. The lyrics are: 'Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.'

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your pres - ence, and take
not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of
your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

Music: Richard W. Hillert, b. 1923
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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Guided by the light of Christ, who has been made known to the nations, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all people in need.

A brief silence.

Your light springs forth like the dawn. Call your church to share the mystery of your grace with a broken and searching world. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Increase our care for the earth and all its creatures. Help us reflect your light in our use of these good gifts. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

You care for the weak and the strong, O God. Raise up leaders who will free the oppressed in all places. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Quickly send your healing for all in pain. Feed the hungry and shelter the homeless. Lord,
in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Give light and life to this gathering of faith, that we may delight to know your ways and
share them with a world longing to know you. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Satisfy our needs until we gather with all your saints from every time and place in your
glorious light. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Radiant God, hear the prayers of your people, spoken or silent, for the sake of the one
who has made his dwelling among us, your Son, Jesus Christ our Savior.
Amen.

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.**

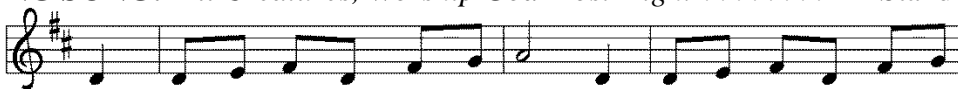
**For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

BLESSING

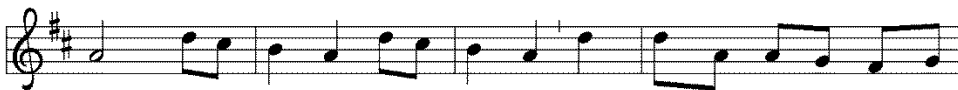
P May the God of glory dwell in you richly, name you beloved, and shine brightly on
your path; and the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be upon you and remain with you always.

C **Amen.**

SENDING SONG: *All Creatures, Worship God Most High! All Stand & Sing*



1 All crea-tures, wor-ship God most high! Sound ev - 'ry voice in earth and
2 Sing, broth - er wind; with clouds and rain you grow the gifts of fruit and
3 Sing, broth - er fire, so mirth-ful, strong; drive far the shad-ows, join the
4 All who for love of God for - give, all who in pain or sor - row



sky: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Sing, broth - er sun, in splen-dor
grain: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Dear sis - ter wa - ter, use - ful,
throng: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Dear moth - er earth, so rich in
grieve: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Christ bears your bur-dens and your



bright; sing, sis - ter moon and stars of night:
clear, make mu - sic for your Lord to hear: Al-le - lu - ia, al-le -
care, praise God in col - ors bright and rare:
fears; still make your song a - mid the tears:



lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia!

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Music: LASST UNS ERFREUEN, *Geistliche Kirchengesänge*, Köln, 1623
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DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Christ is your light.

C Thanks be to God.

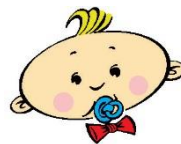
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A CORDIAL WELCOME is extended to all of our visitors on this **Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany**. We pray that you will find a warm fellowship while you are among us and that you will return home with a renewed sense of dedication to Jesus Christ. Please sign our guest register or a visitor's card so that we can become acquainted with you. If you

are without a church home, we invite you to investigate membership in this family of God.

CHILDREN are welcome in worship. Jesus said, "let the children come to me!" Parents are encouraged to utilize the Kids Worship Kits found in the narthex for older toddlers through early elementary age. A nursery for children (**infants through 3 years old**) is located in the Education building. Let an usher know if you need assistance finding it.



KIDS' WORSHIP CENTER: Pick up kits as you enter for worship! **Please return the tote bag** with the plastic bag of crayons, scratch pads, and pencils to the stand in the narthex. The children may take any papers home with them.

PRAYER REQUESTS: A notebook has been placed in the narthex for your prayer requests during the week. **If you wish a name to be added to our prayer list, please fill out a form from the prayer book or fill in the form found at www.holyc.org.**

THE FLOWERS ON OUR ALTAR TODAY are given to the glory of God by Tim & Debbie Baker in honor of Church Council members for their love, dedication & service to Holy Comforter; and by Dennis & Deva Tucker in celebration of their 39th wedding anniversary.

Those who have placed flowers on the altar may use containers to take them home, but please return the containers to the church. ***Greg Byrum, Worship & Music***

Attendance & Budget Report for Sunday, February 2, 2014:

Attendance: 127

Budget Report

February 2

Current Offering Received 2/2/14

\$ 6,668.00

Budget Expenses, Month-To-Date

\$ 1,283.50

Offering, Month-To-Date

\$ 6,668.00

The Current Offering Received for the year through February 2, 2014 is \$4,703.86 more than Holy Comforter's expenses through that date.

ASSISTING MINISTERS:

LECTOR: Billy Joye, Jo Singleton

CANTOR: Gayla Foscue

ALTAR GUILD: (Team 2)

DUET: Gayla Foscue &

Louise Day, Co-Captain

Elizabeth Bruchon

Brenda Daly, Co-Captain

Nancy Powell Becky Richards

GREETERS: Jo Singleton & Ginger MacDonald

TELLERS: Lynn Martin, Sherry Perry

USHERS: Need Volunteers

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS: (9:30-11:45 am)

Today, Feb. 9: Maria Carr & Madison Carr

Feb. 16: Need Volunteers

Feb. 23: Melissa Bocchino & Ashley Ange

March 2: Ginger & Chuck MacDonald

BIRTHDAYS FOR THE WEEK: February 9-15

Today, February 9 Shelia Kelly
Karen Rogers

February 10 Jennipher Martin

February 14 Will Howard



February 15 Leslie Crist
Sam Thompson
Reesa Wilson

THIS WEEK'S MEETINGS:

Today, Sunday, February 9

9:30 am Sunday School

10:10 am Church Choir

10:30 am The Service

Church Council meets after

4:00 pm Adult Handbell Choir

5:00 pm Church Choir **Dinner**

6:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

HCY

8:00 pm Nar-Anon

Tuesday, February 11

7:00 pm Chamber Choir

Nar-Anon

Friday, February 14

Happy Valentine's Day!



Sunday, February 16

Fellowship & Volunteer Lunch
after the service.



Share Your Love! Bring a covered dish and a cheerful heart to learn how you can enhance the church in response to God's word and gifts given to you. Any age, any or no experience...your church needs you!

We will gather **Sunday, February 16**, immediately after the worship service for a ***Fellowship & Volunteer Luncheon***. The church will provide fried & rotisserie chicken.



Accept this invitation for you to join an ***Inquiring Heart*** Class on Sundays mornings at **9:30 am on February 9, 16, 23 & March 2**. These classes, led by Pastor John, will be conversational & enjoyable. The classes are good for anyone...those new to Holy Comforter or those who would like a "refresher" on our beliefs. Email Pastor John at JohnCPropst@gmail.com. Class meets in the church parlor in the education building.

Do you know what your spiritual gifts are?
Do you need help figuring out where your place is in serving your Church and community?

If these questions intrigue you, or if you just want to explore the topic of spiritual gifts, you are invited to join an exciting **new class** being offered at Holy Comforter. An **8-week series called "Discovering God's Vision For Your Life" continues during the Sunday School hour in the Seekers classroom.** All materials will be provided to help you learn about your unique set of spiritual gifts and why they are so important.



Camp Agape

Rising 1st Graders — Rising 8th Graders!

It is hard to believe, but it is time to start planning for summer camp again. Holy Comforter is hosting **Camp Agape July 14-18.** Agape is a day camp for rising 1st to rising 8th graders sponsored by Kure Beach Ministries.

This year we are expanding the day camp to include 6th-8th graders. The kids in this age group will participate in service projects throughout the week at Holy Comforter as well as off site. **We must have a minimum of 6 middle school aged kids in order to offer this expanded camp.**

Registration forms are available at the back of the church or from Misty Koehler. The cost is \$125 per camper and is due at the time of registration. There is only room for 20 campers, so register soon. **The spaces will be filled on a first come, first served basis.**

Please contact Misty if you have any questions about camp.

Misty Koehler, Holy Comforter Camp Coordinator

MENTOR A Child

Sarah Little is a counselor at Belmont Middle School and she is a member of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Mt. Holly. **Belmont Middle needs mentors!** Mentoring is such a rewarding experience. Their mentors typically meet with students for one hour, once a week during school hours. They do fun activities, talk, play games (even on iPads), or work on school work. One of her mentors does woodcraft and Legos with the three boys he mentors. PLEASE pray about this potentially life-changing experience/ministry.

PLEASE contact Sarah today! Her school phone number is 704-825-9610, extension 244. Her email: sblittle@gaston.k12.nc.us. Contact Pastor John if you'd like more information.

Eligible members for **2013 Thrivent Choice Dollars** reminded to have your designations in by March 31, 2014. **Questions?** Call Myra Hollar 704-825-5885.

Sermon Notes + “Salt Life”

“Let me tell you why you are here. You’re here to be salt-seasoning that brings out the God-flavors of this earth. If you lose your saltiness, how will people taste godliness? You’ve lost your usefulness and will end up in the garbage.”

(Matthew 5:13 from *The Message*)

Jesus expects something extraordinary from us for the sake of God!

A believer’s faith can provide Spiritual seasoning that ...

1. ... **gives life joy and meaning** (John 15:11)
2. ... **is pure and has a high standard in speech, thought, and behavior**
(Philippians 4:8; Matthew 5:7-9)
3. ... **can serve as a basic “nutrient” for others** (John 21:15-17)
4. ... **can promote healing** (Matthew 25:37-40)
5. ... **can melt even the most difficult “ice on the roads”** (Matthew 22:37-40)
6. ... **becomes a preservative of God’s goodness** (Galatians 5:22-23)

Application ... why not Spiritually ponder these scripture references this week ... maybe one a day! I’ll bet your “taste buds” will perk up!

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Aren’t you glad Jesus didn’t call us to be “pepper of the earth!”

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“At some point in my life, I decided, rightly or wrongly so, that there are many situations I can’t do much about like acts of terrorism, feelings of nationalistic prejudice, the Cold War, etc. What I try to do is concentrate on the situations that my energies can affect.”

– **Jim Henson**, creator of the *Muppets* (*Sesame Street*)

***As a believer, what situations in your environment
will you affect (salt) this week?***

Be the “salt shaker disciple” God’s Spirit calls you to be!

Just Salt Life!



PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF HOLY COMFORTER

Louise Austin
Deborah Bingham
Virginia Crump

Daniel Dowd
Ferrie Hedrick
Richard Holden

Zac Hullander
Chase Lineberger
Liz Propst

GREATER FAMILY OF GOD

Kathy Beam
Danny Bess Family
Dale Burris
Ronnie Hagy
Brian Hedrick
Kathy Helton
Betty Fox
Claudia Frazier
Ronnie Hersey
Dennis Jordan
Betty Kannapel

Laura Lanuto & Family
Jeff Lail
Ruth Lail
Dan Martin
Grady Nichols
Sandra Nix
Dutch Passailaigue
Jean Peters
Taylor Propst & Family
Mara Rappleyea
Joel Rivera (NY)

Steve Sanford
Kelly Shoe
Shore Family
Megan Sigler
Ramona J. Sinclair
Jimmy Surratt
Charmaine Townsend
Buck Weatherford
Beverly F. Wall
Gloria Ward



OUR SERVICEMEN

Jason Gardner

Dillon Kasmer

Jeremy Shaver

OUR MISSIONARIES

Austin & Tanya Propst (Young Adults in Global Mission)

Please remember these people in your prayers.

If anyone has a person who needs to be added or removed from this list, please let Trudy Whitener know or tell Dianne in the church office.

The sign-up prayer forms are located in the narthex and online at www.holyc.org.



The Dallas/High Shoals Christian Social Ministry 22nd Annual Chicken 'N Dumplin' FEAST!



Saturday, **February 22**, 2014 from **11:00 am until 7:00 pm**

Holy Communion Lutheran Church - corner of S. Gaston & Church Streets Dallas, NC

\$8.00 Adults (All you can eat!) \$5.00 Children 12 and under

(Adult tickets available by calling 704-922-5375 or 704-922-8257.

Children's tickets sold at the door only)

Sponsored by The Men's Groups from the Dallas Area Churches.

(Over \$178,854 has been raised in support of the Dallas/High Shoals Christian Social Ministry.)

Holy Communion will be offered immediately following today's service.

Please gather at the front of the sanctuary.
Pastor John will join you at the altar after he greets folks.



Prayers of Sympathy & Hope
are offered to
Becke Featherstone & Sue Lahr
on the death of their brother
Danny Bess



WHAT'S THE WEATHER?

If you are concerned, due to inclement weather, as to whether we will have church services or planned activities, please check the following for information:

- ◆ Call the church office at 704-825-2483 and listen to recorded message
 - ◆ Check the church website at www.holyc.org
 - ◆ Watch WSOC-TV for their list of closings and/or delays
- ◆ Check your email. Please give us your email address if we do not have it.

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(Lunch break taken sometime between Noon – 1:00pm, it varies)