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Fulfilling

Life

Service of Word and Prayer for Lent 2021

Plattville Lutheran Church
A Fulfilling Life: A Fulfilling Infancy

L: 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.

L: The word is near you,

C: on your lips and in your heart.

L: If you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord,

C: and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

L: Faith comes from what is heard,

C: and what is heard comes through the word of Christ.

The Prayer of the Day:

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

L: Let us pray:

Almighty God, you gave us your only Son to take on our human nature and to illumine the world with your light. By your grace adopt us as your children and enlighten us with your Spirit, through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

The Lessons Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23

The Sermon

L: In Christ you have heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation.

C: We believe in him and are marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit.

L: Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit,
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He 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,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

He will come again 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.**

L: Build yourselves up on your most holy faith;

C: pray in the Holy Spirit.

L: Keep yourselves in the love of God;

C: look forward to the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ.

L: If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation:

C: Everything old has passed away; behold, everything has become new!

L: God has given us the ministry of reconciliation. Therefore, let us be reconciled to God and to one another. Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

L: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

C: Amen

L: Sisters and brothers, rejoice. Mend your ways, encourage one another, agree with one another, live in peace.

L: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

The Lord's Prayer

L: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

**C: 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.**

The Benediction

L: May the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ fill you with every spiritual blessing.

C: Amen.

L: May the God of faithfulness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Jesus Christ.

C: Amen.

L: May the God of hope fill you with all joy in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.