

**BULLETIN FOR TRINITY MARBURG, ST JOHN'S MINDEN,
OUR SAVIOUR LOWOOD.**

Christmas Day 25th December 2017.

Closed Communion

The A.E.L.C upholds the historical, biblical and Lutheran practice of closed communion. Therefore we ask that only A.E.L.C members come forward for communion.

John 1:1-18.

Hymns: 387, 302, 380, 630, 634, 367.

Introit: Psalm 2.

P Why have the nations been restless,
C **and why do the peoples plot for no purpose?**
P The kings of the earth take their stand, and the rulers conspire together,
C **against the LORD and against His Anointed One, saying:**
P “Let us tear up their chains
C **and throw their ropes away from us!”**
P The One enthroned in heaven laughs.
C **The LORD ridicules them.**
P Then He speaks to them in His anger,
C **and terrifies them in His glowing anger, saying:**
P “Nevertheless, I Myself have consecrated
C **My King on Zion, My holy mountain.”**
P I shall proclaim the decree of the LORD: He has said to Me:
C **“You are My Son. Today I have begotten You.**
P Ask Me, that I may make the nations
C **Your inheritance and the ends of the earth Your property.**
P You will break them with an iron rod.
C **You will smash them to pieces like a vessel of pottery.”**
P Now therefore, you kings, act with insight!
C **Take advice, you judges of the earth!**
P Serve the LORD with fear,
C **and rejoice with trembling!**
P Fervently kiss the Son, that He may not become angry, and that you may not
perish in your way!
All: **For His anger may blaze up in a short time. Blessed are all who take
refuge in Him!**

Collect: Almighty God, grant that the birth of Your only-begotten Son in the flesh may set us free from the bondage of sin; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Old Testament: Isaiah 52:7-10.

Epistle: Hebrews 1:1-12.

Gospel: John 1:1-18.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all. Amen.

The text for the sermon is the Gospel heard before, John 1:1-18.

1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. **2** He was in the beginning with God. **3** Everything was made through Him, and not one thing that was made was made without Him. **4** In Him was life, and the Life was the Light of mankind. **5** The Light is shining in the dark, and the darkness has not understood it. **6** A man came, whom God sent, and whose name was John. **7** He came to testify, that is, to testify about the Light so that through Him everyone might believe. **8** He was not the Light but came to witness about the Light. **9** The genuine Light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world. **10** He was in the world, and He made the world, and the world did not know Him. **11** He came to His own, and His own people did not receive Him. **12** However, to all who received Him, who believe in His name, He gave the right to become the children of God. **13** They have been born not of blood, or of an urge of the flesh, or of a husband's desire, but of God. **14** The Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen His glory, the glory of the Father's only Son – He is full of grace and truth.

15 John testified about Him when he cried out: "This was the One about whom I said, 'He who is coming after me has been before me, because He has been before me.' **16** For from His fullness we have all received, and grace upon grace. **17** For the Law was given through Moses, but grace and truth have come through Jesus Christ. **18** No one has ever seen God. The only Son, who is God, who is in the lap of the Father, has made Him known."

Lord God, heavenly Father, sanctify us in your truth. Your Word is truth. **Amen.**

>Divine Service 31st December [White.]

Psalm 111

Old Testament: Isaiah 61:10 - 62:3

Epistle: Galatians 4:4-7

Gospel: Luke 2:22-40.

9am Our Saviour Lowood

Preaching Service.

1st Sunday after Christmas.

NO BIBLE STUDY

Hymns: 327, 26, 4, 508.

>Divine Service 7 January [White.]

Readings : Psalm: 29

Old Testament: Genesis 1:1-5

Epistle: Romans 6:1-11

Gospel: Mark 1:4-11.

9am Trinity Marburg HC

2nd Sunday After Christmas

Hymns: 357, 272, 147, 21, 283, 20.

>Divine Service 14th January [Green]

Psalm 139:1-10

Old Testament: 1 Samuel 3:1-20

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 6:12-20

Gospel: John 1:43-51.

9am St John's Minden HC

2nd Sunday after the Epiphany.

LSB Hymns: 507, 402, 682, 830, 618, 394.

> Just a reminder to those who have copies of the LSB hymnal to bring them to a

>Bible studies will commence in February.

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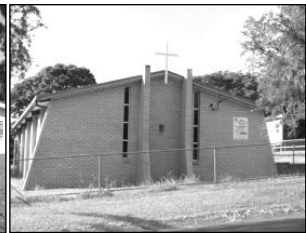
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