

Welcome to Christus Victor Lutheran Church

Sunday, February 5th, 2012

We are a friendly, Christian community. Our purpose is to celebrate God's love and help people to know Jesus through worship, fellowship, discipleship, ministry and evangelism.

Upcoming Events

Monday, February 6th—Council Meeting—7:00 pm

Wednesday—Feb 8th— Bowling—7:00 pm

Wednesday Feb 22nd—Ash Wednesday Svc—7:00 pm

Sunday—March 11th—Welcome Our New Pastor



Join us at the Lord's Table....

If you believe in Jesus Christ and are baptized, you are invited to join us at the Lord's Table. When invited forward by the ushers, proceed up the center aisle and form a short line in front of the first pew beginning from the far left (if you are seated on the left side) or far right (if you are seated on the right side) and ending at the middle aisle.

To include both of the elements of bread and wine, we practice intinction, which is the dipping of the wafer into the cup of wine. Pastor will give you the wafer. The Lay Communion Assistant will then offer you the cup. Dip the wafer into the cup and then consume the wafer.

When all present at the same table have communed, the pastor will say a brief dismissal. After dismissal, exit to nearest side aisle back to your seat. Adults who do not feel ready to commune and children who are not yet baptized or who have not yet received instruction in communion are invited to come forward to receive a blessing from the Pastor. Gluten free wafers are available upon request. ■



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Church”**

**We will be publishing inspiration-
al and thought-provoking items,
quotes and observations that will
challenge you while on your indi-
vidual Faith Journeys!**



Pastoral Care

**During the transition between
pastors, those in need of care
should phone St. Matthews
Lutheran Church**

**703-494-3090 (office)
703-232-0659 (Pastor Bohannon)**

Average Attendance	
Through 1/16/11	41.7
Through 1/22/12	40.8

Finances	
Bank Bal. 1/2012	\$ 4,731.83
Total Income 2011	9,407.00
Total Exp. 2011	8,135.16
Total in Operating	\$ 6,003.67

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

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Sharing the Work

In Galilee, Jesus begins his ministry, proclaiming the good news of God and healing the sick. His listeners are astounded by his power and by the authority with which he teaches, cures, and casts out demons. Word spreads, and soon his disciples tell him excitedly, "Everyone is searching for you." Everyone wants to be convinced of the coming kingdom of God and to be relieved of suffering.

Yet, interestingly, Jesus doesn't stay put until all these Galileans can witness his presence directly. He tells Simon, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." Jesus doesn't belong to one place or to one people only. Nor does he finish all that needs doing in any one community. Instead, he equips his followers to carry on his ministry and to complete what has been left undone. They are to be his extra hands, extra mouths, and additional compassionate hearts. He restores people to physical and mental health so they can again be productive. When Simon's mother-in-law rises from her sickbed, she doesn't get to luxuriate in her newly-regained health. She stands up and uses her skills to serve the disciples.

Similarly, while the people in Capernaum bring to him "all who were sick or possessed with demons," we are told that Jesus only cures "many," and casts out "many demons." Why not all? He intends for his disciples to work by his side. He wants them to get their hands dirty, to heal where they can and to comfort where they cannot. Jesus never intends to be just a spectacle. He offers his miracles as an invitation, revealing his power to empower us. We must be healers and teachers too. We also must seek out what needs fixing in our communities and put our hands to it.

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Join us in
Welcoming
Bishop Graham as
he leads our service
today!

Thank-You to those serving today!

Worship Leaders	Mary Kieser & Wayne Ralston
Acolyte	Volunteer
Altar Guild	Kerrie Schneider
Coffee Pot	Volunteer
Communion Assistant	Wayne Ralston
Greeter	Coralee Tervo
Nursery	Cady O'Mahony
Projectionist	Donna O'Mahony
Reader	Bobbie Anderson
Ushers	Dutch Schneider & Mike Tervo
Welcome	Mary Ellen Garduno