



The Messenger

International Lutheran Church

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A Note From the Pastor:

Behold My Servant!

The prophet Isaiah begins his first Servant Song with these words... "Behold my servant!" (Isaiah 42:1) What this Mighty Seer saw was precisely what God, the creator of the heavens and the earth wants us to see – His Servant, the One in whom He delights. Just as John the Baptist came to point to Jesus as the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world, so Isaiah was sent 700 years before John to point to our Savior Jesus. Not only does Isaiah point to who this Servant is but also how He will act and what He will accomplish. Like a gentle shepherd He will lead us to know the Father and send us the Spirit. Jesus would not crush the tender and broken, nor would He extinguish the faint or weak. Instead He would bring forth justice and make God's righteousness known to the ends of the earth, the islands and the coastlands far off. The ministry of Isaiah and John the Baptist are remarkably linked in showing us the reality now present in Jesus' descent into the river Jordan. He would go down that God would raise Him up, not for His sake but

Sunday schedule

9:00 a.m. Sunday School and Education Hour

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

7:30 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) & AI Anon

Upcoming events

Wednesday, 7 p.m. Wednesday Bible Study

Friday, 10 a.m. Women's Bible study

Sunday, January 19th, Fellowship luncheon

for yours and mine. He came to fulfill all righteousness. He came to pour His righteousness fully into you and me as He humbled Himself to the point of death on a cross.

You and I are also now blessed to hear these words as Baptized members of His Body, the church.

"Behold my servant!" We are the delight of the LORD, His chosen ones! Made righteous by His act of redemption on the cross and empty tomb, we are now called to a higher purpose, a life not lived for self but for others. Just as we were buried with Christ through Baptism, so also are we raised to newness of life in Him. We have the Spirit promised without measure, and freely given to us that we might make Him, the Servant of the LORD, our Savior Jesus known to the world right around us.

God grant you His Spirit as you point others to the Servant of the Lord in this Epiphany season!

Pastor Carl

Announcements



Altar Flowers

Reminder that the Flower Chart is posted by the front door. Please sign up and include 35,000 KRW in an offering envelope earmarked for the Flower Fund. Flowers will be on the altar the next week, or whatever week you indicate on the calendar. Thank you!

Share the Word!

As you meet people who are new to the Seoul community, please invite them to join you for worship at ILC, introduce them to others while they are here, and provide them any additional information they would like.

2019 Contributions

ILC issues contribution receipts for members on an annual basis. If you need your 2019 offering receipts for Korea's Tax Office, please email the office at: Seoulilc.office@gmail.com. Make sure to include your legal name, address, cell phone number and resident registration number or alien registration card number. This information is required by the Korean government. Receipts will be issued via email starting on January 14.



Worship Assistants

A sign-up sheet is available by the bulletin board to offer you the chance to volunteer to be a worship assistant at 10 AM worship service. In the areas of greeting/ushering; acolyte; reading the lessons; communion assistants; offering counting; remotely controlling powerpoint slides..etc

Jan. 12	
Worship Assistants	10:00 AM
Reader	Melissa Hill
Acolyte	Meredith Walker
Greeter / Usher	Chuck Krugler and Anna Jo
Kitchen Helper	Dee Dee Wasmund and Olivia Wasmund
Communion Assistant	Johun Park and Craig Davis
PowerPoint	Richard Sherrer
Offering Counters	Richard Sherrer and Joo Hun Park
Flowers	Chang Hee Kim in memory of sister

Jan. 19	
Worship Assistants	10:00 AM
Reader	SJ Moon
Acolyte	Peter Knapp
Greeter / Usher	Barbara Bai and Wain Choi
Kitchen Helper	Linnea Noll and Karina Noll
Communion Assistant	Doug Lopez and Chuck Krugler
PowerPoint	Richard Sherrer
Offering Counters	Richard Sherrer and Joo Hun Park
Flowers	

ILC Worship Attendance

Jan. 5 10:00 76

Jan. 12 First S. a. the Epiphany
OT - Is. 42:1-9
NT - Rom. 6:1-11
Gospel - Matt. 3:13-17

Jan. 19 Second S. a. the Epiphany
OT - Is. 49:1-7
NT - 1 Cor. 1:1-9
Gospel - John 1:29-42a