



# Gerasene Demoniac

*Sunday, January 26, 2020*

*9:00 a.m.*

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## ~Welcome Visitors!~

*Visitors, welcome! We are glad to share Christian worship and fellowship with you. Please ask our ushers for a packet of info about East Koshkonong. To participate in worship, please follow the order of worship in the bulletin. Page numbers are in the front of the ELW cranberry hymnal, and hymn numbers are in the back of the hymnal. You are always welcome at the table of Holy Communion where Christ is our host, inviting all of us to "come and eat." Please fill out a communion card, and hand it to an usher as you come forward for communion. Prayer requests, comments, or questions may be written on the back of the communion card. We hope to see you again soon at EKLC.*

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### \*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,  
the eternal voice from heaven,  
the anointed and beloved one,  
the Spirit moving over the waters.

**C: Amen.**

**P:** As we approach the mystery of God, let us come in confession,  
trusting the love of Christ crucified and risen.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

**P:** God who searches us and knows us,

**C: you have shown us what is good,  
but we have looked to other lights to find our way.  
We have not been just in our dealings with others.  
We have chosen revenge over mercy.**

**We have promoted ourselves  
instead of walking humbly with you.**

**With what shall we come before you?**

**Forgive us our sin,  
and show us your salvation  
in the face of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

**P:** Beloved of God,  
you have not received the spirit of the world,  
but the Spirit that is from God,  
poured out for you in the faithfulness of Jesus Christ.  
Receive the promise of baptism:

You are God's child; your sins are forgiven.  
Rejoice and be glad, for yours is the reign of heaven.

**C: Amen.**

\*GATHERING SONG *Listen, God Is Calling*

ELW 513

## \*GREETING

**P:** 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.**

## \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

**A:** Let us pray. Jesus healer of mind and body, we sometimes suffer at the hands of physical, mental, and spiritual ailments. Quiet our minds, still our hearts, and empower our bodies so that we may be whole and healed.

Amen

## CHOIR *Great God, Jehovah*

### PSALM: Psalm 89:1-4

**A:** <sup>1</sup>Your love, O LORD, forever | will I sing;

from age to age my mouth will pro- | claim your faithfulness.

**C:** <sup>2</sup>**For I am persuaded that your steadfast love is estab- | lished forever; you have set your faithfulness firmly | in the heavens.**

**A:** <sup>3</sup>"I have made a covenant with my | chosen one;

I have sworn an oath to Da- | vid my servant:

**C:** <sup>4</sup>**"I will establish your | line forever, and preserve your throne for all | generations."**

## BRIDGING GOD'S STORY

### GOSPEL: Mark 5:1-20

**L:** A reading from Mark.

<sup>1</sup>They came to the other side of the sea, to the country of the Gerasenes. <sup>2</sup>And when he had stepped out of the boat, immediately a man out of the tombs with an unclean spirit met him. <sup>3</sup>He lived among the tombs; and no one could restrain him any more, even with a chain; <sup>4</sup>for he had often been restrained with shackles and chains, but the chains he wrenched apart, and the shackles he broke in pieces; and no one had the strength to subdue him. <sup>5</sup>Night and day among the tombs and on the mountains he was always howling and bruising himself with stones. <sup>6</sup>When he saw Jesus from a distance, he ran and bowed down before him; <sup>7</sup>and he shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I adjure you by God, do not torment me." <sup>8</sup>For he had said to him, "Come out of the man, you unclean spirit!" <sup>9</sup>Then Jesus asked him, "What is your name?" He replied, "My name is Legion; for we are many." <sup>10</sup>He begged him earnestly not to send them out of the country. <sup>11</sup>Now there on the hillside a great herd of swine was feeding; <sup>12</sup>and the unclean spirits begged him, "Send us into the swine; let us enter them." <sup>13</sup>So he gave them permission. And the unclean spirits came out and entered the swine; and the herd, numbering about two thousand, rushed down the steep bank into the sea, and were drowned in the sea.

<sup>14</sup>The swineherds ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came to see what it was that had happened. <sup>15</sup>They came to Jesus and saw the demoniac sitting there, clothed and in his right mind, the very man who had had the legion; and they were afraid. <sup>16</sup>Those who had seen what had happened to the demoniac and to the swine reported it. <sup>17</sup>Then they began to beg Jesus to leave their neighborhood. <sup>18</sup>As he was getting into the boat, the man who had been possessed by demons begged him that he might be with him. <sup>19</sup>But Jesus

refused, and said to him, "Go home to your friends, and tell them how much the Lord has done for you, and what mercy he has shown you." <sup>20</sup>And he went away and began to proclaim in the Decapolis how much Jesus had done for him; and everyone was amazed.

**L:** Word of God, word of life.

**C:** Thanks be to God.

## TIME FOR CHILDREN

### SERMON

**\*HYMN OF THE DAY** *Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness* ELW 843

### \*CREED

**A:** With the whole church let us confess our faith.

**C:** 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.

### \*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

**A:** Called together through water and the Word, we boldly pray for the church, the world, and all who long to hear God's voice.

*A brief silence.*

**A:** Holy One, your voice calls us to follow. Thank you for raising up missionaries in every generation (*especially Timothy, Titus, and Silas*) and for all who create communities of grace today. Open our hearts to serve you near and far...

**A:** Lord, in your mercy,

**C:** hear our prayer.

**A:** ...We place our prayers before you, God, united in your Spirit; through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C:** Amen.

**\*PEACE**

**P:** The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C:** And also with you.

**MISSION MINUTE WITH OFFERING**

**\*OFFERING *This Little Light of Mine***

**ELW 677**

**\*OFFERING PRAYER**

**A:** Let us pray. God of wonder,  
you formed us in our mother's womb,  
and from mother earth you bring forth this bread and wine.

We place them on your table,  
together with our lives and all that you have made.  
Open the heavens to us and pour out your Spirit.

We wait for your mercy;  
we long for your peace;  
we hunger and thirst for Jesus Christ,  
our banquet of life.

**C: Amen.**

**HOLY COMMUNION AROUND THE ALTAR**

*Welcome to the Lord's Table! All are welcome to participating this gift of life. Are you wondering what to expect?*

- *To read about what Lutherans believe about communion, please read "The Sacrament of the Altar" from the Small Catechism, which you will find in the back of the hymnal Evangelical Lutheran Worship on p. 1166.*
- *When you are ushered forward, please kneel or stand at the railing. When you are given bread, you may eat it. Wine and grape juice are served in trays with cups. Wine is purple; grape juice is yellow. Take a small cup and drink.*
- *Please let the server know if you need a gluten free option.*
- *You may receive a blessing without communion; please come forward with your arms crossed over your chest.*
- *If you are unable to come forward and would like to receive communion, please let the ushers know. We will come to you. When children are finished with communion, or blessing, they leave to Sunday School Music Room.*

**\*DIALOGUE**

**P:** The Lord be with you.

**C:** And also with you.

**P:** Lift up your hearts.

**C:** We lift them to the Lord.

**P:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C:** It is right to give our thanks and praise.

**\*PREFACE**

**\*HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**

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**\*THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

**\*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.**

**\*INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!  
Come to the table of mercy and joy.

**COMMUNION SONG** *How Great Is Your Love*

by Mercy Me

**COMMUNION HYMN** *We Come to the Hungry Feast*

ELW 479

**COMMUNION BLESSING**

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**A:** Let us pray. Faithful God, you have kept your promise to us in this meal, nourishing us with the gift of salvation. Now send your servants forth in peace, that we may testify to your goodness and share the hope that is ours in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen.**

**BLESSING**

**P:** May Christ, the wisdom and power of God, and the source of our life together, keep you united in mind and purpose. And the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you always.

**C: Amen.**

**\*SENDING SONG** *Go, My Children, with My Blessing*

ELW 543

**\*DISMISSAL**

**A:** Go in peace. Let your light shine.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

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## ~*Worship Leaders*~

**Presider** ~ Rev. Pastor Brenda Lovick

**Assisting Minister** ~ Holly Loomis **Lector** ~ Vicki Schuh

**Musician** ~ Judy Rusch **Choir Director** ~ Vicki Schuh

**Acolytes** ~ Tiffany Stach & Kellan Jacobson **Greeter** ~ Lindsay Baker

**Ushers** ~ Ruth Bovre, Wilma Furseth, Lori & Paul Olson

**Communion Set-up/Take-down** ~ Marge Stach & Marilyn Gunderson

**Communion Assistants** ~ Arvid & Linda Mathison

**Nursery** ~ Emma Nottestad **Audio Ministry** ~ Bonnie Ehrke

**Church Lock up** ~ Judy Rusch

**Offering Counters** ~ Arvid Mathison & Jean Carlson

**Altar Flowers** ~ In honor of Beverly Lien's Birthday

**Coffee Fellowship Hour** ~ Beverly Lien's family in honor of  
her 80th birthday!

God Bless you Beverly!

## ~*Sunday Attendance Report*~

	<b>Worship</b>	<b>Sunday School PreK-8th grade</b>
Jan. 19, 2020:	65	23
Jan. 12, 2020:	64	21
Jan. 5, 2020:	118	30
Dec. 29, 2019:	43	No Sunday School Class

## ~*Prayers*~

To make a prayer requests: Please write on communion card or call church office before noon Wednesday. Requests will remain on this list for 3 weeks unless otherwise noted.

-Thanks for **New Guinea missionaries John and Amy Lindstrom, and Lutheran Disaster Response.**

-Healing and comfort to **Lowell Severson, Terecia Gehring, Ron Nottestad, Warren Kapsner, Kora Nelson, Belva Anderson, Vickie Hoehn, Andrea Calcagno, Walter Furseth, Jeff Walheim, Sara Depies & Kevin Porter.**

- The grieving families of Alice Lintvedt\* and Christy Anderson.

-For veterans and those deployed, especially **Brandon Stach & Axel Gaarder.**

## ~Calendar~

### Sunday, January 26 2020

8:00am Choir Practice  
9:00am Worship  
10:15am Fellowship Coffee Hour in honor of Beverly Lien's  
80th birthday  
10:15am Annual Report Q & A  
10:15am Sunday School/Confirmation  
10:30am Stewardship Meeting

### Tuesday, January 28, 2020

8:30am Staff Meeting  
9:30am Prayers For Our People  
10am-1pm Pastor's Office Hours

### Wednesday, January 29, 2020

6:00pm Confirmation

### Thursday, January 30, 2020

1:00pm Bishop Election Task Force

### Friday, January 31, 2020

OFFICE CLOSED  
Pastor's Day Off

### Sunday, February 2, 2020

9:00am Worship  
10:15am Annual Meeting  
11:00am Fellowship, Souper Bowl of Caring - Chili Dump

### New Member Meeting Feb. 9

Please join Pastor Brenda for a conversation about membership and answer any questions you may have about East Koshkonnong. We will meet in the council room after worship, around 10:30.

## ~Announcements~

**Annual Meeting of the Congregation is Sunday, Feb. 2, 2020 immediately following worship.** There will be a movie for the kids to watch for parents to attend meeting.

**Souper Bowl of Caring** February 2 is our annual meeting, which is immediately after worship. After the annual meeting, we are hosting a chili dump for you to stay and have a meal before going about your day. At the chili dump, we will take both nonperishable food donations and monetary donations to donate to our local food pantries.

**Save the date!** Fireside Christian Concert is **Tuesday, July 28, 2020 at 10:30 am.** Performing are the Kingsmen Quartet!

**Multi-generational Mission Trip** We are going to Denver, CO! The dates have been selected. We will be departing on the morning of Monday, June 22, 2020 and returning on the evening of Monday, June 29, 2020. Please get in touch with Debbie if you are interested in serving! **This is an multi-generational trip, all ages 12+ are welcome!**

**EKLC now has online giving!** You may make a secure offering/donation to EKLC by following the directions on the GIVE PLUS card in the Church pews. On the back of this card are directions. All donations are secured through Vanco. If you'd like to place something in the offering after making an online donation, you may put the reusable GIFT PLUS card in the plate. Thank you for your generous offering in this way!

**Valentines Brunch on Sunday, 2/16/2020** during coffee hour, hosted by EKL Youth Group & Denver Mission Trip attendees. Please consider a donation with the free will offering. Proceeds will go to the Denver mission trip.