

SERMON NOTES . . .

“Be An Andrew” John 1:29-42a

1. _____ was the first disciple chosen by Jesus.
2. Andrew’s name in Greek literally means “_____.”
From everything we know of him he was a man’s man, a fisherman.
3. What is Andrew most famous for? His _____.
4. Andrew first responded to John the Baptist. He repented. He was moldable. His heart was responsive. When Andrew encounters _____, he leaves everything to follow Him.
5. The times that Andrew is mentioned in the gospels he is usually doing something very important. He’s bringing _____ to Jesus.
6. In the survey done by Lilly Endowment that involved interviews with 300,000 worshippers, they found that _____ of churchgoers reported they came to church the first time because someone invited them.
7. The very _____ thing Andrew did after meeting with Jesus was to go and bring his brother Peter.
8. The problem, the reason why many church goers do not invite others is because they see church as a _____ exercise.
9. Andrew felt an _____ to share Jesus with his brother Peter. Andrew believed that Jesus was worth knowing.
10. Andrew didn’t care about whether he knew all the theological jargon or if he has been trained in _____. He simply shared.
11. Andrew lived his life bringing people to Jesus and telling people about Jesus who brings life. And _____ can have the same influence on others as Andrew did.
12. An ordinary man, a farmer named Albert McMakin simply invited another man to come and hear about Jesus. That young man came and was saved by Jesus. Since then he has told millions about Jesus. That man’s name is _____.



West Prairie Lutheran Church, LCMC

Pastor Steve Bang

Welcome to West Prairie Lutheran Church!

Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ (LCMC)

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Please sign the attendance sheet provided in each pew. If you are a visitor, please include your mailing address, and we invite you to join us again.

8:30 a.m.—January 15, 2017

Worship Service for Second Sunday after the Epiphany

Prelude

Pastoral Greeting

Please stand if you are able.

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Opening Hymn, Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing ..LBW # 559

Kyrie page 78

Hymn of Praise Glory to God page 79

Prayer of the Day

(All) Lord God, You showed Your glory and led many to faith by the works of Your Son. As He brought gladness and healing to His people, grant us these same gifts and lead us also to perfect faith in Him, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

You may be seated.

First Lesson: Isaiah 49:1-7

The Servant of the LORD

Listen to me, you islands; hear this, you distant nations: Before I was born the LORD called Me; from My mother's womb He has spoken My name. He made My mouth like a sharpened sword, in the shadow of His hand He hid Me; He made Me into a polished arrow and concealed Me in His quiver.

He said to Me, "You are My servant, Israel, in Whom I will display My splendor." But I said, "I have labored in vain; I have spent My strength for nothing at all. Yet what is due Me is in the LORD's hand, and My reward is with My God."

And now the LORD says—He who formed Me in the womb to be His servant to bring Jacob back to Him and gather Israel to Himself, for I am honored in the eyes of the LORD and My God has been My strength—He says: "It is too small a thing for

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today...

9:30 a.m. Brunch

10:00 a.m. Annual Meeting

7 p.m. Youth Group

Wednesday, Jan. 18th...

3 p.m. Confirmation Class

7 p.m. Adult Bible Study

Next Sunday, Jan. 22nd...

8:30 a.m. Worship Service

9:30 a.m. Fellowship

9:45 a.m. Sunday School for all ages

7 p.m. Youth Group

Service time change...

Worship service on January 29 will be held at 11 a.m. Sunday School will be at 9:30 a.m. and Fellowship will be from 10:15—10:45 a.m. Change is to allow Sion to conduct their annual meeting.

Prayer List...

Jonie Bang, Marilyn Holland, Denise Holst, Irene Eide, Marlys Haugen, Blanche Durby, Ben Charlson, Dale Zingg, Angela Haugen, Dorothy Kall, Elaine Ritz, Eldora Reil, Monte Branstad, Mike Haack. All prayer requests can be submitted to: www.westprairiechurch.com/prayer; or leave a message on the church answering system @ 641-567-3733; or call Pastor Steve @ 641-590-7894.

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The Lord's Prayer page 97
Benediction..... page 95
Pastor: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
Cong.: Thanks be to God.
Closing Hymn, *O Zion, Haste*.....LWB #397
Postlude

Pastor: Steve Bang
Organist/Pianist: Melissa Phillips
Usher: Jeff Holland
Lectionary: Janet Haugen
Acolyte: Faith Finer

You to be My servant to restore the tribes of Jacob and bring back those of Israel I have kept. I will also make You a light for the Gentiles, that My salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.”

This is what the LORD says—the Redeemer and Holy One of Israel—to Him who was despised and abhorred by the nation, to the servant of rulers: “Kings will see You and stand up, princes will see and bow down, because of the Lord, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen You.”

Here ends the reading.

Psalm 40:1-11 (responsively)

L: I waited patiently for the LORD;

C: He turned to me and heard my cry.

L: He lifted me out of the slimy pit, out of the mud and mire;

C: He set my feet on a rock and gave me a firm place to stand.

L: He put a new song in my mouth, a hymn of praise to our God.

C: Many will see and fear the LORD and put their trust in Him.

L: Blessed is the one who trusts in the LORD,

C: who does not look to the proud, to those who turn aside to false gods.

L: Many, LORD my God, are the wonders You have done, the things You planned for us.

C: None can compare with You; were I to speak and tell of Your deeds, they would be too many to declare.

L: Sacrifice and offering You did not desire—but my ears You have opened—

C: burnt offerings and sin offerings You did not require.

L: Then I said, “Here I am, I have come—

C: it is written about me in the scroll.

L: I desire to do Your will, my God;

C: Your law is within my heart.”

L: I proclaim Your saving acts in the great assembly;

C: I do not seal my lips, LORD, as You know.

L: I do not hide Your righteousness in my heart; I speak of

Your faithfulness and Your saving help.

C: I do not conceal Your love and Your faithfulness from the great assembly.

L: Do not withhold Your mercy from me, LORD;

C: may Your love and faithfulness always protect me.

Second Lesson: I Corinthians 1:1-9

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes,

To the church of God in Corinth, to those sanctified in Christ Jesus and called to be His holy people, together with all those everywhere who call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ—their Lord and ours:

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I always thank my God for you because of His grace given you in Christ Jesus. For in Him you have been enriched in every way—with all kinds of speech and with all knowledge—God thus confirming our testimony about Christ among you. Therefore you do not lack any spiritual gift as you eagerly wait for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed. He will also keep you firm to the end, so that you will be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful, who has called you into fellowship with his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord

Here ends the reading

Please stand.

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The Holy Gospel according to: John 1:29-42a

Cong.: *Glory to You, O Lord*..... page 83

The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, “Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! This is the One I meant when I said, ‘A man who comes after me has surpassed me because He was before me.’ I myself did not know Him, but the reason I came baptizing with water was that He might be revealed to Israel.”

Then John gave this testimony: “I saw the Spirit come down from heaven as a dove and remain on him. And I myself did not know Him, but the O who sent me to baptize with water

told me, ‘The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and remain is the One who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.’ I have seen and I testify that this is God’s Chosen One.”

The next day John was there again with two of his disciples. When he saw Jesus passing by, he said, “Look, the Lamb of God!” When the two disciples heard him say this, they followed Jesus. Turning around, Jesus saw them following and asked, “What do you want?” They said, “Rabbi” (which means “Teacher”), “where are you staying?” “Come,” He replied, “and you will see.”

So they went and saw where He was staying, and they spent that day with Him. It was about four in the afternoon. Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, was one of the two who heard what John had said and who had followed Jesus. The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon and tell him, “We have found the Messiah” (that is, the Christ). And he brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You will be called Cephas” (which, when translated, is Peter).

The Gospel of the Lord.

Cong.: *Praise to You, O Christ* page 83

Hymn: *I Love to Tell the Story*..... LBW # 390
You may be seated.

The Sermon: Pastor Bang

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Hymn: *Lord, Speak to Us, that We May Speak* LBW #403
Please stand.

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Prayer

Sharing of the Peace.

You may be seated.

Offering

Please stand

Offertory: *Create In Me* page 96