

THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

January 19, 2025



Pre-service Music Welcome and Announcements

Confession and Absolution

Invocation

- In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Confession and Absolution

- Praise the Lord, all nations! Extol him, all peoples! For great is His steadfast love toward us, and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever. Therefore, let us go to our God and confess our sins knowing that,
- **O** our God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- Gracious and merciful God, we confess that while we have been made new creations through the waters of our baptism, we still live ensnared by sin, and are unable to free ourselves. We have not always lived our lives in accordance with the identity that you have given us in Jesus. We have not always done the things that you have called us to do. We have not always loved you above all else and with all our hearts, souls, minds, and strength. We have not always loved our neighbors as ourselves. Forgive us all our sins. Renew our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit so that our lives would show the identity you have given us in baptism, and the new creations that you have made us to be. Amen.
- Behold, Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. In mercy, Almighty God has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I, therefore, forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit
- C Amen.

Peace of the Lord

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **C** And also with you.

Service of the Word

Gathering Hymn: LSB 686 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing 1 Come, Thou Fount of ev - 'ry Tune my bless - ing, heart to 2 Here Ι raise my Eb - en - e - zer, Hith - er by Thy 3 Oh, grace how debt - or Dai - ly I'm con to great а 4 Oh. that day when freed from sin - ning, Ι shall see Thy Thy grace; sing Streams of mer - cy, nev er ceas - ing, I by help I've come; And hope, Thy good plea - sure, like strained to be; Let that grace now fet - ter а love ly face; Clothed then in the blood - washed lin - en, praise. While the Call for songs of loud - est hope of end-less Safe - ly to ar - rive at home. Je sus sought me when a wan-d'ring heart Bind my to Thee: Prone to wan - der, Lord, I How I'll sing Thy won-drous grace! Come, my Lord, no long - er Fills with glo my heart joy and love, Teach me ry strang -Wan - d'ring from the fold God; er, of He, to feel it; Prone to leave the God Ι love. Here's my Take ran - som'd soul a - way; Send Thine tar ry; my a - dore Thee; May I still Thy good-ness prove. ev - er to me from dan - ger, res - cue In - ter-posed His pre - cious blood. Seal it heart, O take and seal it, for Thy courts a - bove. an - gels soon to Me to realms of end - less day. car - ry Text: Robert Robinson, 1735-90, alt. Tune: Repository of Sacred Music, Part Second, 1813, Harrisburg Text and tune: Public domain

Kyrie

- L In peace let us pray to the Lord.
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- L For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- **I** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- L For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- L Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- C Amen.

Gloria in Excelsis

- A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.
- Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father: We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God: You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer. For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

- **L** The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.
- Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who governs all things in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the prayers of Your people and grant us Your peace through all our days; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Children's Message

Old Testament Reading

A The Old Testament reading is from the sixty-second chapter of the book of Isaiah.

lsaiah 62:1–5

¹For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not be quiet, until her righteousness goes forth as brightness, and her salvation as a burning torch. ²The nations shall see your righteousness, and all the kings your glory, and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give. ³You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. ⁴You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate, but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the LORD delights in you, and your land shall be married. ⁵For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your sons marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

The Psalm

- L Blessèd is everyone who fears the Lord, who walks in his ways!
- You shall eat the fruit of the labor of your hands; you shall be blessed, and it shall be well with you.
- L Your wife will be like a fruitful vine within your house; your children will be like olive shoots around your table.
- **G** Behold, thus shall the man be blessed who fears the Lord.
- L The Lord bless you from Zion! May you see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days of your life!
- **C** May you see your children's children! Peace be upon Israel!
- L Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
- **C** as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Epistle

1 Corinthians 12:1–11

A The Epistle reading is from the twelfth chapter of the book of 1 Corinthians.

¹Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers, I do not want you to be uninformed. ²You know that when you were pagans you were led astray to mute idols, however you were led. ³Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking in the Spirit of God ever says "Jesus is accursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except in the Holy Spirit.

⁴Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; ⁶and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone. ⁷To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the ability to distinguish between spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹All these are empowered by one and the same Spirit, who apportions to each one individually as he wills.

A This is the Word of the Lord

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

- L Praise the LORD, all nations!
- **G** Extol him, all peoples!
- **L** For great is his steadfast love toward us,
- **C** and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever.
- L Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;
- **C** bring an offering, and come into his courts!

Solo: Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life

text: George Herbert tune: Ralph Vaughan Williams

Gospel Acclamation

C Halle, halle, halle_lujah! Halle, halle, halle_lujah! Halle, halle, halle_lujah! Hallelujah! Halle_lujah!

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Verse

- P Alleluia. This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory.
- **C** And his disciples believed in him. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel

P

Glory to You, O Lord.

¹On the third day there was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ²Jesus also was invited to the wedding with his disciples. ³When the wine ran out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." ⁴And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what does this have to do with me? My hour has not yet come." ⁵His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you."

⁶Now there were six stone water jars there for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷Jesus said to the servants, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸And he said to them, "Now draw some out and take it to the master of the feast." So they took it. ⁹When the master of the feast tasted the water now become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the master of the feast called the bridegroom ¹⁰and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and when people have drunk freely, then the poor wine. But you have kept the good wine until now." ¹¹This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory. And his disciples believed in him.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: LSB 394 Songs of Thankfulness and Praise



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The Apostles' Creed

- L We make confession of our faith together in the words of the creed.
- **I** believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life + everlasting. Amen.

Blessing the Mite Offering

- C Gracious God, our Heavenly Father, we thank You for the recent collection of Mite Box Offerings and for the opportunity to participate in and support this ministry. Bless each person who has participated in this. Guide and direct all whom You have called to serve in Your mission fields and by Your grace, increase their hope, faith, and trust in You. Send your Holy Spirit to go before them and prepare the hearts of the many people who will be touched by these Mites and Grants so that all will see the glory of Your love and the hope in Your Son, Jesus Christ.
- Gracious Father and Provider, You have blessed us with your love, grace, and daily bread. In gratitude, we offer these Mites to be used in your Mission for your Church through the Mission Grants that they will fund. We pray that through the work of these Grants, you will enable those in need to be blessed by your love, and to receive the Gospel Message. And in these gifts, O God, be glorified. In Jesus' Name we pray. Amen.

LWML Pledge

- **I** Together we join with the LWML in answering Jesus' invitation to join Him in the work that He is doing in this place and all around our world:
- In fervent gratitude for the Savior's dying love and His blood-bought gift of redemption we dedicate ourselves to Him with all that we are and have; and in obedience to His call for workers in the harvest fields, we pledge Him our willing service wherever and whenever He has need of us. We consecrate to our Savior our hands to work for Him, our feet to go on His errands, our voice to sing His praises, our lips to proclaim His redeeming love, our silver and our gold to extend His Kingdom, our will to do His will, and every power of our life to the great task of bringing the lost and the erring into eternal fellowship with Him. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

(Each petition ends with the words, "Lord, in Your Mercy." The congregation responds with the words, "**Hear our prayer.**")

L All these things and everything else for which we should ask, we pray through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Offering

Offer, offer, offering, we give our gifts to say,
 "Thank you Lord for loving us and blessing us each day."
 Time to share our gifts and say,
 "Thank you Lord for each new day."

Offertory Prayer

- Generous God, the light of Your love and grace shines brilliantly into our lives. You send us out so that Your light would shine through us into the lives of the people around us. Grant that we would faithfully and joyfully use what You have entrusted to us to join You in this work that You are doing in this place. Accept the offerings that we give in the various ways that we give them throughout the week, as part of our work of joining You in Your work. Increase and grow our trust in You through the giving of our offerings. Be glorified in the giving of them as we give them in thanksgiving and with gratitude for all Your blessings and gifts to us. Use them to further the work that You are doing in this place and all around our world. In Jesus' name we pray,
- C Amen.

Offertory

What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me? I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people, in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

- **G** We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- **C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Proper Preface

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your glory. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

 Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might: Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Proclamation of Christ

- P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- G Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

The Lord's Prayer

- **L** God, remember us in your love and teach us to pray:
- 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.

Pax Domini

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.

Agnus Dei

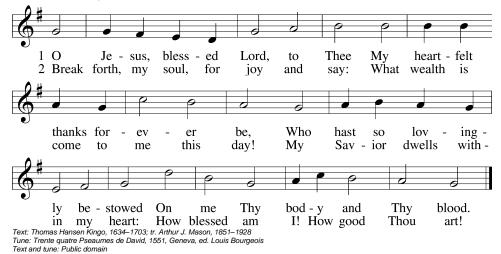
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

Distribution Hymn: LSB 641 You Satisfy the Hungry Heart



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The Dismissal

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart + in peace.
- C Amen.

Nunc Dimittis

 Lord, now You let Your servant go in peace; Your word has been fulfilled.
 My own eyes have seen the salvation which You have prepared in the sight of every people: A light to reveal You to the nations and the glory of Your people Israel. Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Post-Communion Collect

P Let us pray.

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your onlybegotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benedicamus

- **L** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- L Bless we the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.
- As we depart from this place, we celebrate the ways God has blessed us in this service.
 We have received forgiveness of all our sins and remembered the identity given to us in our baptism.
- **G** Our God has equipped us for life lived in His kingdom.
- L We have heard the good news of the gospel and the word of God read and proclaimed.
- Our God has encouraged us in discipleship and following Jesus.

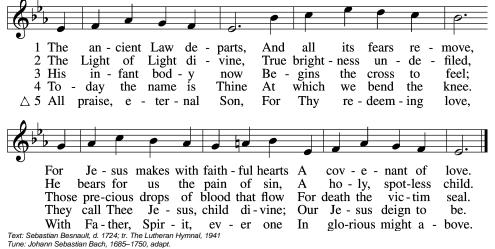
- U We have received the gifts of God given in Holy Communion.
- As our God has served us, so we go from this place to be engaged in service to God, to one another and to our neighbors.
- L As we depart from this place, we go as people who have been equipped for life, encouraged in discipleship, and engage in service.
- We go as people who have been invited by God to join God in the work that He is doing in this С place.
- As you go, receive the blessing of our God: P

Benediction

The Lord bless you and keep you. P The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C Amen.

Sending Hymn: LSB 898 The Ancient Law Departs



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