Sunday, January 19, 2025 Second Sunday after Epiphany Holy Communion

* stand +kneel

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as people of God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE A Song Of Hope Michael Ryan

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P- Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, our creator, our protector, our wellspring of life.

C- Amen.

P- Trusting that God receives our words and the meditations of our hearts, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P- Merciful God,

C- you speak blessing and compassion into the world. Forgive us for the ways we act with judgment, cruelty, or indifference. We ignore the needs of our neighbors; we resist your call to oppose injustice; we give in to scarcity and fear; we assume the worst about one another. Cleanse us from our faults and release us from their grasp. Show us your lovingkindness. Restore our hearts and repair your world, that we may live in Christ's ways. Amen.

P- God proclaims these words of assurance: "Do not fear, for I have redeemed you.

I have called you by name. You are mine."

In + Christ, you are forgiven.
In the Spirit, you are made free.
Refreshed by the waters of mercy,
live anew as beloved children of God.
C- Amen.

GATHERING SONG All Are Welcome (ELW 641)

All Are Welcome



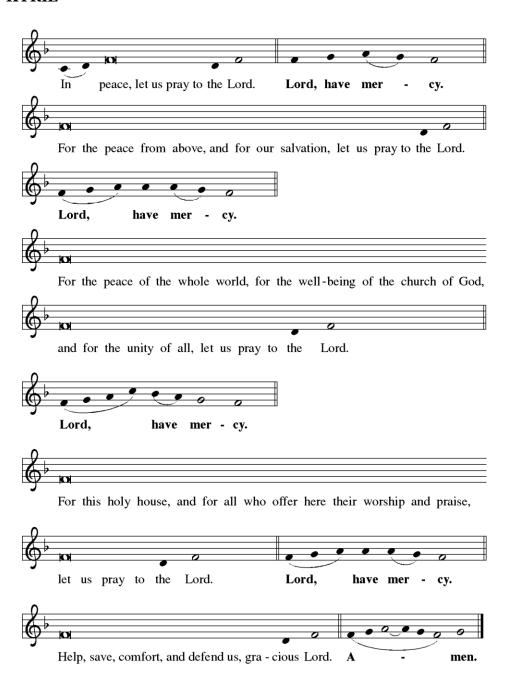
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GREETING (ELW p. 138)

During this time, the presiding minister and the assembly greet each other.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

*KYRIE



CANTICLE OF PRAISE



PRAYER OF THE DAY

The presiding minister leads the prayer of the day.

Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

P- Lord God, source of every blessing, you showed forth your glory and led many to faith by the works of your Son, who brought gladness and salvation to his people. Transform us by the Spirit of his love, that we may find our life together in him, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C- Amen.

The assembly is seated.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture, reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 62:1-5

The people's return to Judah after the exile was marred by economic and political troubles. Nevertheless, the prophet declares, Jerusalem and Judah will be restored. God will rejoice over Jerusalem as a bridegroom rejoices over the bride, and the people are called to the celebration.

¹ For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. ² The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give. ³ You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. ⁴ You 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. ⁵ For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride,

The reading may be concluded:

so shall your God rejoice over you.

Word of God, word of life. *The assembly responds:*

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 36:5-10

- ⁵ Your love, O LORD, reaches to the heavens, and your faithfulness 1 to the clouds.
- ⁶ Your righteousness is like the strong mountains, your justice like the great deep;

you save humankind and animals, O LORD.

- ⁷ How priceless is your love, O God! All people take refuge under the shadow of your wings.
- 8 They feast upon the abundance of your house; you give them drink from the river of your delights.
- ⁹ For with you is the well of life, and in your light we see light.
- ¹⁰ Continue your lovingkindness to those who know you, and your favor to those who are true of heart.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

The congregation at Corinth experienced division as people were comparing their spiritual gifts, thinking some to be superior to others. Paul invites this fractured community to trust that God's Holy Spirit has gifted them all perfectly for their mission together.

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

⁴ Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵ and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶ and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷ To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸ To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹ to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰ to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹ All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

The reading may be concluded: Word of God, word of life. The assembly responds:

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: John 2:1-11

Turning water to wine at the wedding at Cana is described as the first of Jesus' signs. Through many such epiphanies, Jesus reveals that he bears God's creative power and joyful presence into the world.

The gospel is announced.

P- The holy gospel according to John, the 2nd chapter.

C- Glory to you, O Lord.

P- ¹ On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ² Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³ When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." ⁴ And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." ⁵ His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." ⁶ Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷ Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸ He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. ⁹ When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom ¹⁰ and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now."

¹¹ Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

The gospel concludes:

The gospel of the Lord.

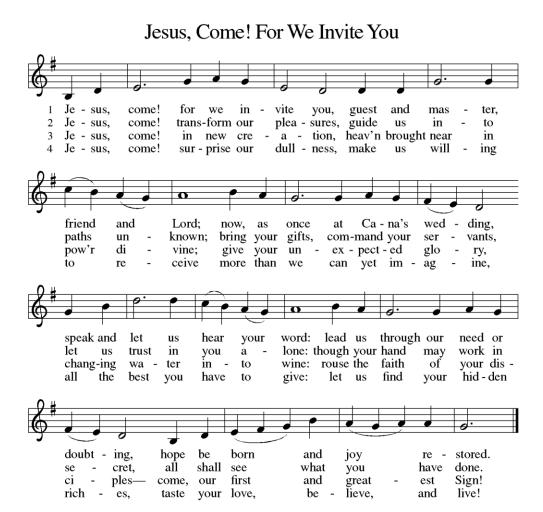
Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

The assembly is seated.

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

HYMN OF THE DAY Jesus, Come! For We Invite You (ELW 312)



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ALL-*APOSTLE'S CREED

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

The prayers are prepared locally for each occasion. The following examples may be adapted or used as appropriate.

P- With the Spirit of Christ shining upon us, let us boldly pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

P- Giver of gifts, you form each member of the church to serve. Inspire us to boldly use gifts of welcome and healing, service and teaching, leading and preaching, for the sake of your work in the world. God of grace,

C- hear our prayer.

P- Refuge of creatures, you place all the living under the shadow of your wings. Lead us in ways that tend to the needs of wild and domestic animals, creatures threatened by extinction, and the environment we share. God of grace,

C- hear our prayer.

P- Voice of the oppressed, you call prophets throughout time. We remember the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., a voice for racial and economic justice and for peace. Guide our nation in continuing to heed your prophetic call. God of grace,

C- hear our prayer.

P- God of steadfast love, as Jesus celebrated at Cana, nurture marriages and relationships in mutual care; in times of separation or divorce hold tenderly broken hearts and broken dreams. Be present to all who are sick, grieving or in any need (*especially*). God of grace,

C- hear our prayer.

P- Spirit of peace, celebrating this Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, we pray for neighboring congregations and ministry sites (*especially*). Nurture our shared commitment to embody Jesus' love, justice, and healing. God of grace,

C- hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

P- Wellspring of life, in living and dying we trust in you. We give thanks for the saints (*especially Henry*, *Bishop of Uppsala*). Guide us in our living until, at last, we rest in you. God of grace,

C- hear our prayer.

P- We entrust our prayers to you, O God, in the sure and certain hope that your promise is revealed among the people.

C- Amen.

PEACE

The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ.

P- The peace of Christ be with you always.

C- And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.

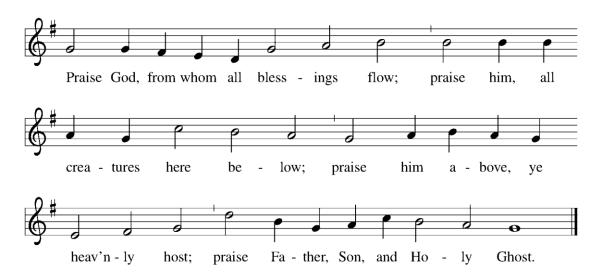
The assembly is seated.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow (ELW 884)

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow



Text: Thomas Ken, 1637-1711

Music: OLD HUNDREDTH, Louis Bourgeois, 1510-1561

OFFERING PRAYER

After the table is set, the assisting minister may lead one of the following or a similar prayer. Let us pray.

P- God of grace, your love reaches to the heavens, and your abundance to the depths of the seas.

Bless what we offer to your service:

our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts.

Let us overflow with gratitude and generosity, now and always.

C- Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

DIALOGUE Spoken

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

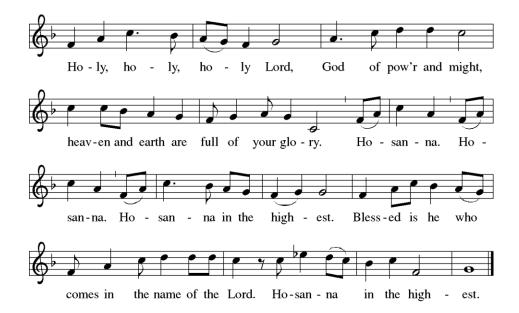
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ.

By the leading of a star he was shown forth to all nations; in the waters of the Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son; and in the miracle of water turned to wine he revealed your glory. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P- Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life: Blessed are you for the birth of creation.
Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light.
Blessed are you for your promise to your people.
Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams.

Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will. Blessed are you for your Son Jesus, the Word made flesh.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

P- Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

C- Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P- With this bread and cup
we remember your Word dwelling among us,
full of grace and truth.
We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection.
We look with hope for his coming.
C- Come, Lord Jesus.

P- Holy God, we long for your Spirit.
Come among us.
Bless this meal.
May your Word take flesh in us.
Awaken your people.
Fill us with your light.
Bring the gift of peace on earth.
C- Come, Holy Spirit.

P- All praise and glory are yours, Holy One of Israel, Word of God incarnate, Power of the Most High, one God, now and forever. **C- Amen.**

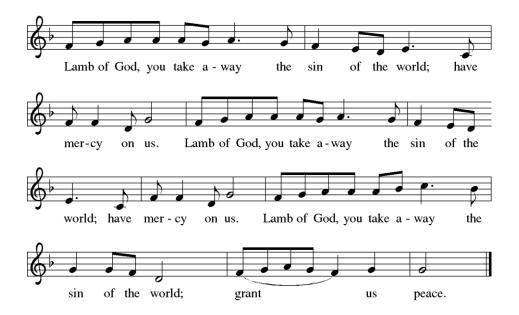
ALL_LORD'S PRAYER

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

P- The joy of the Lord is our strength. Come, eat this meal of gladness.

*COMMUNION SONG



COMMUNION

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say

P- The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

and each person may respond

Amen.

The ministers commune either after or before others commune.

*TABLE BLESSING

The presiding minister says a table blessing, and the assembly responds P- The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you

and keep you in his grace.

C- Amen.

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

The assisting minister leads one of the following or a similar prayer after communion.

Let us pray.

P- Nourishing God,

at this table you have refreshed us

with holy gifts of food and drink.

Strengthen us for service,

and send us out to embody your good news

of liberation and healing for the sake of the world.

In the name of Christ we pray,

Amen.

C- Amen.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

BLESSING

P- The Spirit of the triune God

H bless you with joy, anoint you with compassion, and send you in love.

C- Amen.

SENDING SONG We All Are One in Mission (ELW 576)

We All Are One in Mission



Text: Rusty Edwards, b. 1955

Music: KUORTANE, Finnish folk tune

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DISMISSAL

P- Go in peace. Live in hope.

C- Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE- Tis So Sweet To Trust In Jesus arr. Lloyd Larson

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Important Please sign the Friendship Register in your pew. Members with a change of address or visitors should complete the address section and telephone number. Visitors should also include the name and address of their home church so your home church can be notified that you received communion.

Prayer Requests – Please email or call the church office with your prayer requests. First names only will be used in our worship service that is livestreamed. You may give names to the person leading service prior to start of service.

Pastoral Coverage –Please call Linda in the Church Office with your request. If you and/or a family member are ill at home and not able to attend church, please contact the church office so that Pastor Marie can bring communion to your home.

Reminder: Hospital visits -The church is NOT informed when someone is in the hospital by the hospital. The person hospitalized or a family member must call the church to let us know they want a pastoral visit. If leaving a message on the answering machine, please remember to leave the hospital name and the room number. Some hospitals will not give the room number to a visitor, expecting you to know that.

Attendance for Jan 12, 2025 36 in person, 285 views and 2 shares as of Jan 14, 2025.

On the first weekend of every month there will be a donation collected for Helping Harvest. This organization has put food trucks in areas to help the needy in place of the Pottsville Soup Kitchen after they closed.

Annual report articles were due in the office no later than January 15. Thank you, Linda

On Sunday, February 9th, Social Ministry will sponsor our annual "Souper Bowl Sunday." Donations of non-perishable food items and monetary donations would be appreciated. The food items will be given to the Sch. Haven Food Pantry, and the monetary donations will be given to Helping Harvest. Thank you for your generosity.

Please use only envelopes marked 2025 for your offerings. If you have not received envelopes for 2025, please contact the office so the number can be recorded to your name.

IMPORTANT DATES

Feb 1-5 pm Spoken service

Feb 2- Helping Harvest donations received

Feb 2-8 am and 10:30 am

Feb 9- Souper Bowl Sunday

STATISTICAL SUMMARY FROM JAN. 5^{TH} :

Synod/ELCA Benevolence	\$80.44
Local Benevolence	\$243.20
Current	\$1572.64
Initial	\$63.00
Plate Offering	\$52.00
Special	\$30.00
Total Received	<u>\$2041.28</u>

2024 weekly envelope and plate budget: \$3,281.21

STATISTICAL SUMMARY FROM LAST WEEK:

Total Received	<u>\$1474.96</u>
Building Fund	\$5.00
Initial	\$30.00
Plate Offering	\$52.00
Christmas	\$6.00
Current	\$1187.65
Local Benevolence	\$156.00
Synod/ELCA Benevolence	\$68.28

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"THE WEEK AT A GLANCE"

Today: 10:30 am Worship Service no communion

Monday: Federal Holiday- Office Closed

Thursday: 6 pm Bell rehearsal

Next Sunday: 10:30 am Worship Service

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Mon: Psalm 145; Isaiah 54:1-8; Romans 12:9-21

Tues: Psalm 145; Song of Solomon 4:1-8; 1 Corinthians 1:3-17

Wed: Psalm 145; Song of Solomon 4:9—5:1; Luke 5:33-39

Thu: Psalm 19; Isaiah 61:1-7; Romans 7:1-6

Fri: Psalm 19; Nehemiah 2:1-10; Romans 12:1-8

Sat: Psalm 19; Nehemiah 5:1-13; uke 2:39-52

ASSISTING AT WORSHIP

Greeter: 10:30 am Kolton Platt Acolyte: 10:30 am Emma Fessler Lector: 10:30 am Harry Schwenk Ushers: 10:30 am Becky Mairose

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Communion Assistants: 10:30 am Becky Mairose

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