

HOLY COMMUNION
Third Sunday after Epiphany

January 22, 2017

8:00 am

INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

Jesus begins his public ministry by calling fishers to leave their nets and follow him. In Jesus the kingdom of God has come near. We who have walked in darkness have seen a great light. We see this light most profoundly in the cross—as God suffers with us and all who are oppressed by sickness, sin, or evil. Light dawns for us as we gather around the word, the font, and the holy table. We are then sent to share the good news that others may be “caught” in the net of God’s grace and mercy.

SILENT PRAYER

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING (ENTRANCE RITE)

Stand

HYMN: *I Love to Tell the Story*

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CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (ABSOLUTION)

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism.

P In the name of the Father, and of the ✙ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hid:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you
and worthily magnify your holy name,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Kneel/Stand

P Most merciful God,

C we confess that we are captive to sin
and cannot free ourselves.

**We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done
and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

**For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us.**

**Forgive us, renew us, and lead us,
so that we may delight in your will
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name.**

Amen.

P In the mercy of almighty God,
Jesus Christ was given to die for us,
and for his sake God forgives us all our sins.
As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ,
and by his authority,
I therefore declare to you
the entire forgiveness of all your sins,
in the name of the Father,
and of the ✝ Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Stand

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.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE (GLORIA IN EXCELSIS)

A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

G 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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, you sent your Son to proclaim your kingdom and to teach with authority. Anoint us with the power of your Spirit, that we, too, may bring good news to the afflicted, bind up the brokenhearted, and proclaim liberty to the captive; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

G Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Sit

FIRST READING

Isaiah 9:1-4

The northern tribes of Zebulun and Naphtali experienced defeat, but they are assured that their condition will be reversed when God makes a light-filled appearance. The joy they will experience will resemble celebrations of great harvests, because God will deliver them from everything that diminishes or oppresses them. The people in the northern parts of Israel have experienced “gloom” and “darkness” because of the destruction wrought by Assyrian military forces. To these people, the prophet announces the shining of a great light of salvation.

A A reading from Isaiah.

¹There will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time [the LORD] brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

²The people who walked in darkness
have seen a great light;
those who lived in a land of deep darkness—
on them light has shined.

³You have multiplied the nation,
you have increased its joy;
they rejoice before you
as with joy at the harvest,
as people exult when dividing plunder.

⁴For the yoke of their burden,
and the bar across their shoulders,
the rod of their oppressor,
you have broken as on the day of Midian.

A The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 1:10-18

Paul calls on the Corinthians to end their dissensions and share the unified outlook of the gospel. Discord arises when we forget that we belong not to human leaders or institutions but to Christ who was crucified for us. Indeed, the unifying word of the cross of Christ is the center of the gospel and the power of God's salvation.

A A reading from First Corinthians.

¹⁰Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. ¹¹For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. ¹²What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." ¹³Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? ¹⁴I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, ¹⁵so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. ¹⁶(I did baptize

also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) ¹⁷For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.

¹⁸For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

A The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

C Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

GOSPEL

Matthew 4:12-23

Jesus begins his public ministry shortly after John the Baptist is imprisoned by Herod. He proclaims the nearness of God's reign and calls four fishermen to be his first disciples.

P The holy gospel according to Matthew.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

¹²Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. ¹³He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, ¹⁴so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

¹⁵“Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali,
on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—
¹⁶the people who sat in darkness
have seen a great light,
and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death
light has dawned.”

¹⁷From that time Jesus began to proclaim, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”

¹⁸As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. ¹⁹And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.” ²⁰Immediately they left their nets and followed him. ²¹As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James

son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. ²²Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

²³Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

P The gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Sit

SERMON

Pastor Weleck

Stand

The Nicene Creed or the Apostles' Creed may be spoken. The Nicene Creed is appropriate during Advent, Christmas, Easter, and on festival days; the Apostles' Creed during Lent and at other times.

APOSTLES' CREED

P 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 into hell.
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** With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus,
let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.
- A** Lord Jesus Christ, you are the light for all who sit in darkness in the shadow of death. We pray that by your epiphany, you will repent our hearts from darkness to the light, to follow you, and to labor in your Kingdom, bearing the light to others. Lord, in your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- A** We pray for the church, for its pastors and bishops, for the newly baptized, for all the faithful, for this congregation here gathered, and for our growth in grace. Lord, in your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- A** We pray for all nations, for all rulers, legislators, and judges, for an increase of justice in our lands, and for all who work for peace among nations and among peoples. Lord, in your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- A** We pray for all in any need, for the hungry and the homeless, for victims of war and injustice, for prisoners, for all who suffer in mind, body, or spirit, for the sick and infirm, for all with incurable illness, and for all who this day will die. We pray especially for those we name in the silence of our hearts... Lord, in your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- A** We pray for the members of our armed forces wherever they serve, and especially when they serve in harm's way, that they might speedily complete their mission and be safely reunited with their loved ones. Lord, in your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C Amen.

PEACE

P The peace of the Lord 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.

LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR

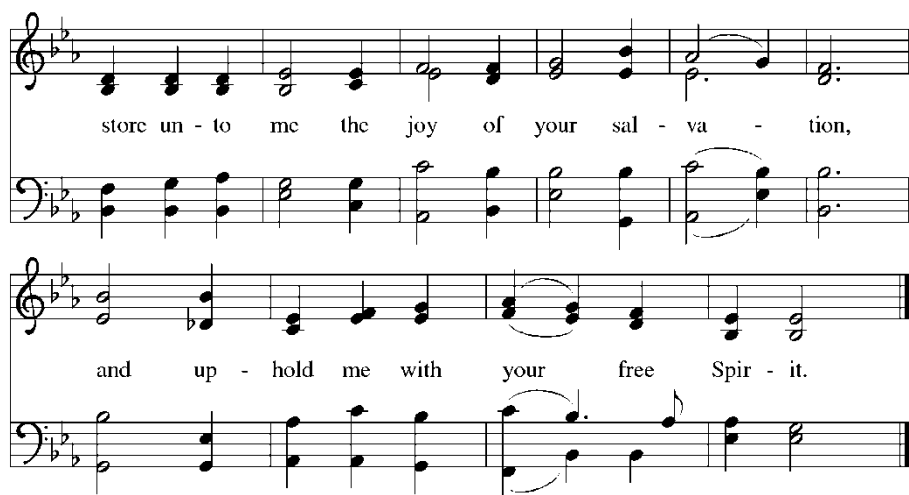
Sit

OFFERING

Stand

OFFERTORY

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your
pres-ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re -



OFFERING PRAYER

- A** Let us pray...Merciful Father,
C we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The presiding minister greets the assembly and invites all present to give thanks:

- 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.

The minister continues with the PROPER PREFACE:

- P** It is indeed right, our duty and our joy... *Here the minister continues with the preface for the day, concluding:* ...we praise your name and join

their unending hymn:

The assembly continues with the SANCTUS:

**☒ Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might:
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The minister continues with the WORDS OF INSTITUTION, usually included in a Eucharistic Prayer.

☐ You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God.
You are most holy,
and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so loved the world that you gave your only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him may not perish
but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world
to fulfill for us your holy will
and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

☒ Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P Remembering, therefore, his salutary command,
his life-giving passion and death,
his glorious resurrection and ascension,
and the promise of his coming again,
we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty,
not as we ought but as we are able;
we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving
and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants,
and these your own gifts of bread and wine,
so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ
may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace,
and, receiving the forgiveness of sin,
may be formed to live as your holy people
and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.

C Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray.

**C 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 Behold the Lamb of God,

behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

C Lord, I am not worthy
that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word
and my soul shall be healed.

LAMB OF GOD (AGNUS DEI)

C 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.

Sit

COMMUNION

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

and each person may respond

R Amen.

We Lutherans believe that the Body and Blood of Christ are present “in, with, and under” the forms of bread and wine. We invite to the communion all who are baptized and communing in this or another Christian denomination. We welcome children and others who are not communing to come forward for a blessing.

Stand

SONG AFTER COMMUNION (NUNC DIMITTIS)

Now, Lord, you let your ser - vant go in peace: your word has
been ful - filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion

which you have pre-pared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple:
a light to re - veal you to the na - tions and the glo - ry of your
peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry to the Fa - ther, and to the Son,
and to the Ho - ly Spir - it, as it was in the be - gin - ning,
is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.

BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

P The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ
strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A Let us pray.

We give you thanks, almighty God,
that you have refreshed us
through the healing power of this gift of life.
In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift,
in faith toward you
and in fervent love toward one another;
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING (BENEDICTION)

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✝ give you peace.

☛ **Amen.**

DISMISSAL

☛ Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☛ **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE



We welcome Dr. Robert Horton as our guest organist today.

*Dr. Horton is the organist at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Lancaster,
where Laurie Mueller is playing a recital this afternoon.*

She would love to see you there (31 S. Duke Street) at 4:00 pm today!

The Christmas Cycle celebrates the events surrounding Christ's coming — the prophecies, his birth, his manifestation (epiphany) to the Gentiles, and his baptism — through the Advent season, the Christmas season, and the Epiphany season.

On Sundays for which the color is green, it is appropriate to omit either the Kyrie or the Hymn of Praise, reserving both together for festival seasons.

The liturgical color green, symbolic of growth, is used for the season after Epiphany and after Pentecost.

Assisting in the Service

Altar Servers: Riley Smith and Shayna King

Ushers: 8:00 am: Members of the 8:00 am Usher Team

10:30 am: John Moorehead, Jack Schatz, Ron Oelschlager, and
Richard Allebach

Greeters: Dorothy Moorehead and Anita Halteman

Lectors: 8:00 am: Mildred Stuffle

10:30 am: James Lorah and Donna Beishl

Communion Assistants: 8:00 am: Debra Augustine

10:30 am: John Kochel and David Schweitzer

Offering Tabulation: John Kochel, Brian O'Hara, and Janice Reiff

Altar Guild: 8:00 am Sally Sweeney
 10:30 am: Mike Van Blaricum and Donna Beishl

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The Sanctuary Candle is given to the glory of God by Shirley Latshaw in loving memory of sister, Patricia Wilson, and brother, Howard Ziegler.

The Worship Bulletins are given to the glory of God by Gary and Tracey Wessner in memory of grandmother, Ann Askin.

The Altar Flowers in the Upper Nave are given to the glory of God by LaVonne Johnson in loving memory of husband, Dennis Johnson.

Altar Guild Needs Your Assistance!! No experience necessary. We fill the candles with oil, the pitchers with wine, and put flowers in the vases. We work in partners and serve two or three times in a year. Please call Donna Beishl at 610-350-0238 to have any questions about this function answered.

Flower Donor Needed: A sponsor is needed for the Altar Flowers on March 5th. Please contact Sally Lorah at lorasal@aol.com if you would like to sponsor flowers in March, or at any time.

Bulletin Sponsors Sought: Donors are needed to sponsor our weekly bulletins. This is a great way to remember or honor someone special or to commemorate a life milestone! Contact Dot Opperman for more information at oppvette@aol.com.

Parents of children aged three through sixth grade: Please feel free to relax in the Fellowship Hall with coffee and other parents while your children are in Sunday school. Or, join the adult Bible study class that

meets during the Sunday school hour. Take-home activity pages are available at the registration desk so that you can reinforce the story with your children at home, and the Spark Bible, with all our Sunday school stories, is available for purchase at <https://www.augsburgfortress.org/store/product/8122/Spark-Story-Bible-Sunday-School-Edition>.

Can the Senior Youth Group help you? The Senior group goes on a Mission trip every year during the summer. During these trips we do service projects for families in need. We realize that we don't have to travel in order to help those in need. If you have a service project that our youth could assist in, please let us know. Please send your request to youth@augustustrappe.org. We are looking to do 3-5 projects throughout the year. Any materials needed would have to be purchased by those for whom we are doing the work. The labor and supervision will be provided by the youth group. Once requests are made, we will determine which projects we are able to do.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY: 2017 marks the 500th anniversary of the beginning of the Reformation. **You are invited to join us as we begin a new Bible study on Martin Luther “A Man Named Martin: Part 1: The Man” on Sunday, January 29, 9:15AM in the library.** Each session has a video and discussion guide. All are welcome to join us. *Nearly 500 years ago, an unknown monk from a backwater town in Germany, set in motion a movement that would literally transform Western civilization.* The impact Martin Luther had on the growth and development of Christianity is enormous. But *how* did this unknown miner's son change the world? From his humble beginnings in Germany to his indefatigable work to understand Scripture and share the truths of the Bible, Martin Luther inspired a Reformation that reverberates throughout Christendom to this day.

St. John's Lutheran Church, 355 St. Jon's Circle, Phoenixville, presents “Music of Joy and Hope” for Organ and Trumpet, 4:00 PM, Sunday, January 22. Trumpeter, Kenneth Laudermilch and organist, Margaret Marsch, perform a one-hour concert of special arrangements reflecting the exuberance of hymns and concert works through the centuries.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS			
Sunday	1/22	8:00 am	Holy Communion in the Chapel
		9:00 am	Sunday School – Baby Shower for Jesus
		9:00 am	Sunday School Parent Fellowship
		10:30 am	Holy Communion in the Upper Nave
Monday	1/23	7:00 pm	Cub Scouts

Tuesday	1/24	9:00 am	MOPS Steering Committee
		7:00 pm	Committee Night
		7:00 pm	Boy Scouts
Wednesday	1/25	6:00 pm	3-in-1 Confirmation Classes
		6:30 pm	Pinewood Derby Weigh Ins
Thursday	1/26	6:00 pm	Bell Choir
		6:30 pm	Pinewood Derby Weigh In
		7:00 pm	Adult Choir
Friday	1/27	7:00 pm	Pack Meeting
Saturday	1/28	10:00 am	Cubs Pinewood Derby
Sunday	1/29	8:00 am	Holy Communion in the Chapel
		9:00 am	Sunday School
		9:00 am	Sunday School Parent Fellowship
		10:30 am	Holy Communion in the Upper Nave

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Concert Series



31 S. Duke Street, Lancaster, PA

January 22, 2017 4 PM Jon Riss and Laurie Mueller *Two Organists...and a Trumpet!*

Laurie Mueller, Director of Music at the historic Augustus Lutheran Church in Trappe, PA teams up with award-winning conductor and organist Jon Riss to present a program of organ solos, organ duets, and organ plus trumpet!



PASTA BUFFET DINNER AT AUGUSTUS

You, your family and friends are invited to a delicious meal of Penne Pasta with Meat Sauce, Spaghetti, a variety of Soups, Salad, Fruit and home-made desserts in Fellowship Hall on Saturday, February 4, 2017. Dinner will be served between 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. Reservations are not necessary and you may arrive at your convenience. There is no cost for the meal; however, you may make a donation towards the Augustus Lutheran Soup Kitchen Outreach.

There will also be information for anyone who wants to learn more about volunteering for the Soup Kitchen. Volunteers are needed to serve the meal in Norristown, and there is also a need for additional volunteers to cook an entrée

or desserts at home. We welcome anyone who can help once per year, twice per year or more often.

Please plan now to drop-in for dinner at Augustus on February 4th and support this important outreach.

“For I was hungry, and you gave me something to eat; I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink; I was a stranger, and you invited me in.”
(Matthew 25:35)

