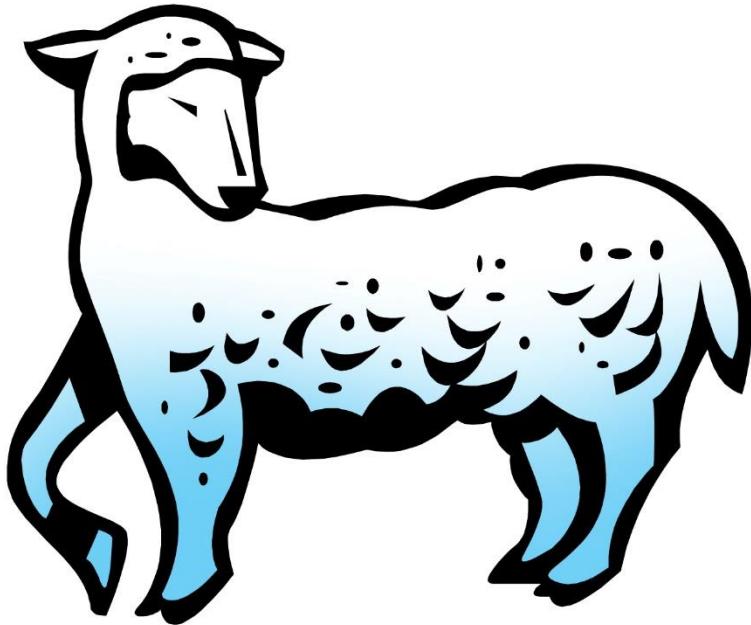


2 Epiphany



“Look, here
is the Lamb
of God!”

John 1:36, NRSV

January 15, 2023

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Welcome & Announcements

Gathering Hymn

"Christ Be Our Light"

ELW #715 vs 1,2&5

- 1 Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people,
light for the world to see.

Refrain

Christ, be our light!
Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in your church gathered today.

- 2 Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has pow'r to save us.
Make us your living voice. *Refrain*
- 5 Many the gifts, many the people,
many the hearts that yearn to belong.
Let us be servants to one another,
signs of your kingdom come. *Refrain*

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Call to Confession

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, [☩] one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **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.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Prayer of Confession

P: Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Forgiveness

P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of \ddagger Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **C: Amen.**

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.**

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

Kyrie

The musical notation consists of two staves of music in common time (indicated by '4'). The key signature is A major (two sharps). The first staff begins with a treble clef, and the second staff begins with a bass clef. The lyrics are as follows:

For our Sal - va tion. Lord, have mer - cy. Peace for the whole world.
Lord, have mer - cy. Help and de - fend us. Lord, have mer - cy.

Hymn of Praise**"Songs of Thankfulness and Praise"**

ELW #310 vs 4

4 Grant us grace to see thee, Lord, pres - ent in thy ho - ly word;
grace to im - i - tate thee now and be pure, as pure art thou;
that we might be - come like thee at thy great e - piph - a - ny,
and may praise thee, ev - er blest, God in flesh made man - i - fest.

Text: Christopher Wordsworth, 1807–1885, alt.

Music: SALZBURG, Jakob Hintze, 1622–1702

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray,

C: Holy God, our strength and our redeemer, by your Spirit hold us forever, that through your grace we may worship you and faithfully serve you, follow you and joyfully find you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**Anthem****"I Won't Let Go" – Sellers & Robson****Dennis Ellingson****Word***God Speaks to Us in Scripture Reading, Preaching, and Song.***Reading: Psalm 40:1-11**¹I waited patiently upon the LORD,

who stooped to me and heard my cry.

²The LORD lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the miry clay,

and set my feet upon a high cliff, making my footing sure.

³The LORD put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God;

many shall see, and stand in awe, and put their trust in the LORD.

⁴Happy are they who trust in the LORD!

They do not turn to enemies or to those who follow lies.

⁵Great are the wonders you have done, O LORD my God! In your plans for us, none can be compared with you! Oh, that I could make them known and tell them! But they are more than I can count.

⁶Sacrifice and offering you do not desire; you have opened my ears: burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required.

⁷And so I said, “Here I am; I come.

In the scroll of the book it is written of me:

**⁸I love to do your will, O my God;
your law is deep within me.”**

**⁹I proclaimed righteousness in the great assembly;
I have not restrained my lips, O LORD, you know.**

¹⁰I have not hidden your righteousness in my heart; I have spoken of your faithfulness and your deliverance; I have not concealed your steadfast love and truth from the great assembly.

**¹¹You are the LORD; do not withhold your compassion from me;
may your steadfast love and your truth continually keep me safe.**

Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:1-9

¹Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes,

²To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours:

³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, ⁵for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind—⁶just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you—⁷so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁸He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Gospel Acclamation



The musical notation consists of two staves in G major, common time. The first staff contains the lyrics "Al - le - lu - ia." with corresponding musical notes. The second staff continues with "Lord, to whom shall we go?" followed by "You have the words of e - ter - nal life." and concludes with "Al - le - lu - ia."

P: The Holy Gospel according to John, chapter one.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: John 1:29-42

²⁹[John the Baptist] saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! ³⁰This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’ ³¹I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.”

³²And John testified, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. ³³I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ ³⁴And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.”

³⁵The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, ³⁶and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, “Look, here is the Lamb of God!” ³⁷The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. ³⁸When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, “What are you looking for?” They said to him, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?” ³⁹He said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon. ⁴⁰One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. ⁴¹He first found his brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated Anointed). ⁴²He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas” (which is translated Peter).

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Message

Sermon

"Come and See"

Pastor Kathy

Hymn of the Day

"Baptized and Set Free"

ELW #453

- 1 We are people created,
chosen by God.
Then we're washed, ever gently,
in mercy and love.
Sin has power no more.
Jesus opened the door
to a fountain bringing healing,
and wholeness and more.
- 2 We are fed and we're nourished,
filled and refreshed.
Then our hunger returns and
again we are blessed.
For whatever the need,
God is greater indeed:
endless ocean, always deeper
than all of our need.
- 3 We are nourished by water,
all living things,
and by life that the Spirit
abundantly brings.
As we journey toward home,
may your presence be known:
precious river, ever-flowing,
now carry us home.
- 4 Now with praise and thanksgiving,
we join the song.
All are welcome! We gather
to sing loud and strong.
Not enslaved, but set free!
From now on, all will be
one in Jesus, one in water,
baptized and set free!

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Apostles' Creed (8:30)

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.**

Baptism of Owen Arnold Mertz (10:30)

Owen is the son of Brady Mertz and Dorothy Oeltjenbruns. His baptismal sponsor is Jacob Oeltjenbruns. May God's blessing be upon this child.

People of God, do you promise to support *Owen* and pray for *him* in *him* new life in Christ? **C: We do.**

† † †

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

C: I renounce them.

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

C: I renounce them.

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

C: I renounce them.

Do you believe in God the Father?

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

C: 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.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

C: 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.

The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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



Let us welcome the newly baptized.

C: We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world. Amen.

Hymn (10:30)

"Jesus Loves Me!"

ELW #595

1 Jesus loves me! this I know,
for the Bible tells me so;
little ones to him belong,
they are weak, but he is strong.

Refrain Yes, Jesus loves me,
yes, Jesus loves me,
yes, Jesus loves me,
the Bible tells me so.

Text: Anna B. Warner, 1820-1915, alt

Prayers of the People

P: Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

Sharing God's Peace

Offertory

Offertory Song

"Let the Vineyards be Fruitful"

ELW #182

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord,
and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.
Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown,
that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gather the hopes and the dreams of all;
unite them with the prayers we offer now.
Grace our table with your presence,
and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

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Offertory Prayer

P: Merciful Father,

C: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us – our selves, 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.

Holy Communion

Today we celebrate Holy Communion: If you are a guest, please know you are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Jesus said that the body and blood are given “for you and for all people.” For gluten-free wafers, ask the pastors. If you desire to commune while seated, please sit near an aisle and let an usher know. We will bring communion to you. Children not yet communing are invited forward to receive a blessing. If you would like to have grape juice instead of wine, please hold up your index finger when you reach a communion server.

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.

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer (*traditional*)

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.

Lamb of God



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have

mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
 sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Communion Hymns

ELW #483, #336

Communion Blessing and Prayer

Benediction

Sending Hymn "Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters" ELW #445 vs 1&3

Verse 1

Wash O God our sons and daughters
 Where Your cleansing waters flow
 Number them among Your people
 Bless as Christ blessed long ago
 Weave them garments bright and sparkling
 Compass them with love and light
 Fill anoint them send Your Spirit
 Holy dove and heart's delight

Verse 3

O how deep Your holy wisdom
 Unimagined all Your ways
 To Your name be glory honor
 With our lives we worship praise
 We Your people stand before You
 Water washed and Spirit-born
 By Your grace our lives we offer
 Recreate us God transform

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Dismissal

P: Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**



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(10:30) Makayla Borchert, Jesalyn Skoglund

Communion Server: (8:30) Deh Kaehler (10:30)

Lector: (8:30) Bert Martha (10:30) Kitty Bader

Ishers: (8:30) Jennifer Hauth (10:30)

R/R: (8:30) (10:30)

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1/8 General Offering	\$ 9,736.25	\$ 20,823.25	\$ 20,320.12
1/8 Building Fund	\$ 5,137.50	\$ 5,217.50	\$ 2,115.38
TOTAL:	\$ 14,873.75	\$ 26,040.75	\$ 22,435.50
1/8 World Hunger	\$ 224.00	\$ 224.00	

ATTENDANCE	8:30AM Sun.	10:30AM Sun.	7:30PM Wed.
1/8/23	108	58	54

In Our Prayers This Week:

Peter Bastian, Rich Baumann, Bob Beussman, Audrey Broste, Russ Brown, Dixie Flitter, Brad Haynes, Cindy Hillesheim, Sharon Hulke, Mike Hylen, Joyce Jobe, Ken Johnson, Ann Julien, Dave Marsh, Dyan Miller, George Putnam, Karyl Putnam, Pam Riebe, Sharon Riser, Marion Roloff, JoAnn Saffert