



## **The Second Sunday After Epiphany**

**January 14, 2024**

**Divine Setting 2**

## WELCOME TO FAITH

**We are celebrating the Lord's Supper.** The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence, that as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust in His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink of our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked first to speak with a Pastor. For further study, see Matt. 5:23ff; 10:32ff; 18:15-35; 26:26-29; 1 Cor. 11:17-34. [Also, page 329 in the hymnal can be helpful](#) (click to view on-line).

If you have a physical condition that would prohibit you from taking wine in the Lord's Supper, please note that a few individual cups of white grape juice, instead of wine, are placed there in the center of each tray for you.

### Our Mission

Our mission is to proclaim the Gospel to all people so they may know and trust in Jesus as their savior for eternal life, grow in knowledge and faith, and show this faith in their daily lives.

*Upon entering the sanctuary, please use this time to prepare for worship; suggested prayers can be found in the front page of Lutheran Service Book and on page 308 of the LSB. ("Be still and know that I am God." – Psalm 46:10a)*

*Relax! God put the wiggle in children; don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house. All are welcome!*

**+ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +**

*HYMN OF INVOCATION*

**God Himself Is Present** (1 Samuel)

LSB 907

- 1 God Himself is present:  
Let us now adore Him  
And with awe appear before Him.  
God is in His temple;  
All within keep silence;  
Humbly kneel in deepest rev'ence.  
He alone  
On His throne  
Is our God and Savior;  
Praise His name forever!
  
- 2 God Himself is present:  
Hear the harps resounding;  
See the hosts the throne surrounding.  
"Holy, holy, holy!"  
Hear the hymn ascending,  
Songs of saints and angels blending.  
Bow Your ear  
To us here:  
Hear, O Christ, the praises  
That Your Church now raises.
  
- 3 Fount of ev'ry blessing,  
Purify my spirit,  
Trusting only in Your merit.  
Like the holy angels,  
Worshiping before You,

May I ceaselessly adore You.  
Let Your will  
Ever still  
Rule Your Church terrestrial  
As the hosts celestial.

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***(The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.)***

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✝ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C** **But if we confess our sins, 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.)***

**P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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** Almighty God in His mercy 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.

### **+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +**

*INTROIT*

Psalm 40:1–5; antiphon: vv. 10a, b

I have not hidden your deliverance with- | in my heart;\*

I have spoken of your faithfulness and your sal- | vation;

I waited patiently | for the LORD;\*

he inclined to me and | heard my cry.

He drew me up from the pit of destruction, out of the | miry bog,\*  
and set my feet upon a rock, making my | steps secure.

He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise | to our God.\*

Many will see and fear, and put their trust | in the LORD.

Blessèd is the man who makes the | LORD his trust,\*

who does not turn to the proud, to those who go astray af- | ter  
a lie!

You have multiplied, O LORD my God, your wondrous deeds and  
your thoughts toward us; none can com- | pare with you!\*

I will proclaim and tell of them, yet they are more than | can be  
told.

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\***

**and to the Holy | Spirit;**

**as it was in the be- | ginning,\***

**is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

I have not hidden your deliverance with- | in my heart; \*  
I have spoken of your faithfulness and your sal- | vation.

*KYRIE*

LSB 168

**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**A** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**A** 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.**

**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**C** **Amen.**

*THIS IS THE FEAST*

LSB 171

**A** This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

**C** **Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.**

**Power and riches and wisdom and strength and honor and blessing and glory are His.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.**

**Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:**

**Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign.**

**Alleluia, alleluia.**

## *SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY*

**A** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**A** Let us pray.

**C** **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. Amen.**

## *OLD TESTAMENT READING*

1 Samuel 3:1–20

<sup>1</sup>The young man Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. And the word of the LORD was rare in those days; there was no frequent vision.

<sup>2</sup>At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his own place. <sup>3</sup>The lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was.

<sup>4</sup>Then the LORD called Samuel, and he said, “Here I am!” <sup>5</sup>and ran to Eli and said, “Here I am, for you called me.” But he said, “I did not call; lie down again.” So he went and lay down.

<sup>6</sup>And the LORD called again, “Samuel!” and Samuel arose and went to Eli and said, “Here I am, for you called me.” But he said, “I did not call, my son; lie down again.” <sup>7</sup>Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him.

<sup>8</sup>And the LORD called Samuel again the third time. And he arose and went to Eli and said, “Here I am, for you called me.” Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the young man.

<sup>9</sup>Therefore Eli said to Samuel, “Go, lie down, and if he calls you,

you shall say, ‘Speak, LORD, for your servant hears.’” So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

<sup>10</sup>And the LORD came and stood, calling as at other times, “Samuel! Samuel!” And Samuel said, “Speak, for your servant hears.” <sup>11</sup>Then the LORD said to Samuel, “Behold, I am about to do a thing in Israel at which the two ears of everyone who hears it will tingle. <sup>12</sup>On that day I will fulfill against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end. <sup>13</sup>And I declare to him that I am about to punish his house forever, for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were blaspheming God, and he did not restrain them. <sup>14</sup>Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli’s house shall not be atoned for by sacrifice or offering forever.”

<sup>15</sup>Samuel lay until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the LORD. And Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. <sup>16</sup>But Eli called Samuel and said, “Samuel, my son.” And he said, “Here I am.” <sup>17</sup>And Eli said, “What was it that he told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also if you hide anything from me of all that he told you.” <sup>18</sup>So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. And he said, “It is the LORD. Let him do what seems good to him.”

<sup>19</sup>And Samuel grew, and the LORD was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. <sup>20</sup>And all Israel from Dan to Beersheba knew that Samuel was established as a prophet of the LORD.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

*GRADUAL*

Psalm 117:1–2a; 96:8

Praise the LORD, all | nations!\*

Extol him, all | peoples!



For great is his steadfast | love toward us,\*  
and the faithfulness of the LORD endures for- | ever.  
Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due his name;\*  
bring an offering, and come in- | to his courts!

## *EPISTLE*

1 Corinthians 6:12–20

<sup>12</sup>“All things are lawful for me,” but not all things are helpful. “All things are lawful for me,” but I will not be enslaved by anything.  
<sup>13</sup>“Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food”—and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is not meant for sexual immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body.  
<sup>14</sup>And God raised the Lord and will also raise us up by his power.  
<sup>15</sup>Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I then take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! <sup>16</sup>Or do you not know that he who is joined to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For, as it is written, “The two will become one flesh.” <sup>17</sup>But he who is joined to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. <sup>18</sup>Flee from sexual immorality. Every other sin a person commits is outside the body, but the sexually immoral person sins against his own body. <sup>19</sup>Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, <sup>20</sup>for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## *COMMON ALLELUIA AND VERSE*

LSB 173

**C** **Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?**  
**You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.**

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the first chapter.

**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>43</sup>The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, “Follow me.” <sup>44</sup>Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. <sup>45</sup>Philip found Nathanael and said to him, “We have found him of whom Moses in the Law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.”

<sup>46</sup>Nathanael said to him, “Can anything good come out of Nazareth?” Philip said to him, “Come and see.” <sup>47</sup>Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him and said of him, “Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom there is no deceit!”

<sup>48</sup>Nathanael said to him, “How do you know me?” Jesus answered him, “Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you.”

<sup>49</sup>Nathanael answered him, “Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!” <sup>50</sup>Jesus answered him, “Because I said to you, ‘I saw you under the fig tree,’ do you believe? You will see greater things than these.” <sup>51</sup>And he said to him, “Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

*APOSTLES' CREED*

**C** **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.**

*CHILDREN'S SERMON*

*Michael Yurk, D.C.E.*

*HYMN OF THE DAY (John)*

*LSB 682*

**God of the Prophets, Bless the Prophets' Sons**

- 1 God of the prophets, bless the prophets' sons;  
Elijah's mantle o'er Elisha cast.  
Each age its solemn task may claim but once;  
Make each one nobler, stronger than the last.
- 2 Anoint them prophets, men who are intent  
To be Your witnesses in word and deed,  
Their hearts aflame, their lips made eloquent,  
Their eyes awake to ev'ry human need.
- 3 Anoint them priests, strong intercessors they,  
For pardon and for love and hope and peace,  
That, through their pleading, guilty sinners may  
Find Jesus' mercy and from sin release.

- 4 Anoint them kings, yes, kingly kings, O Lord.  
 Anoint them with the Spirit of Your Son.  
 Theirs not a jeweled crown, a bloodstained sword;  
 Theirs, by sweet love, for Christ a kingdom won.
- 5 Make them apostles, heralds of Your cross;  
 Forth let them go to tell the world of grace.  
 Inspired by You, may they count all but loss  
 And stand at last with joy before Your face.

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*SERMON "Open for Eternity"*

*OFFERING "In the Bleak Midwinter"*  
*Instrumental Ensemble*

*Wilds*

*OFFERTORY*

LSB 176

**☐ 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.**

*PRAYER OF THE CHURCH*

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

O Lord, put a new song in our mouths. Lead us out of all

deceit and into the confidence of Your truth. Let us proclaim Your wondrous deeds of faithfulness and salvation in Christ without fear or hesitancy. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**A** King of Israel, as You once called Samuel, Philip and Nathanael into Your service, be pleased now to call men into Your holy ministry. Give them a delight in Your Holy Scriptures, that their witness would lead many to follow Jesus, the Son of God. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**A** O Lord, You call fathers, mothers and children to serve in their households. Let them serve eagerly, each according to their station, trusting that such love honors You. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**A** Almighty God, let all the nations and peoples of the earth ascribe to You the glory due Your name. Hear our prayers for all rulers and leaders, especially for Joseph, our president, and Ron, our governor, together with all legislators and judges. Direct them by Your Word and Spirit, and establish them in saving faith. Lead them in their offices to govern wisely for the good of their people. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**A** O God, behold in mercy all for whom we pray. Bring healing, comfort, strength, patience and certainty to all in need. Receive our thanks for Your constant watch and merciful kindness. In every sorrow and every joy, do not let our eyes be drawn from the greater marvel of Your kindness in Christ

Jesus, by whose grace and forgiveness alone we receive every blessing. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**A** Holy Lord, renew the gift of Your Holy Spirit to all who commune this day. Work in us true contrition to lament and abandon our sins, and so to come in confident faith to eat Your Son's body and drink His blood, given and shed for the forgiveness of sins. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**A** Holy Lord, mighty God, You have shown us the face of Your mercy in Your Son, through whom all nations may find unity and life. Hear the prayers of Your people and grant what is needful to us and those for whom we pray, that trusting in Your mercy, our hearts may find perfect peace and rest; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

## **+ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +**

*PREFACE*

LSB 177

**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 Him thanks and praise.**

*PROPER PREFACE*

- P** 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*

LSB 178

- C** **Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might:  
Heav'n 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.**

*LORD'S PRAYER*

LSB 179

- 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.**

*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.”

*PAX DOMINI*

LSB 180

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

*DISTRIBUTION*

*DISTRIBUTION HYMN*

**Here I Am, Lord** (1 Samuel) Daniel Schutte

“I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.  
All who dwell in deepest sin My hand will save.  
I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear My light to them? Whom shall I send?”

Chorus

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard You calling in the night.



I will go, Lord, if You lead me.  
I will hold Your people in my heart.

“I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.  
I have wept for love of them. They turn away.  
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.  
I will speak My Word to them. Whom shall I send?” (Chorus)

“I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.  
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.  
Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.  
I will give My life to them. Whom shall I send?” (Chorus)

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## *THANK THE LORD*

LSB 181

- C** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done.  
Let ev'ryone who seeks the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name.  
He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.

## *POST-COMMUNION COLLECT*

- P** Let us pray.  
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

*BENEDICTION*

LSB 183

- 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.
- C** Amen.

*HYMN*

**When to Our World the Savior Came** (I Corinthians) LSB 551

- 1 When to our world the Savior came  
The sick and helpless heard His name,  
And in their weakness longed to see  
The healing Christ of Galilee.
- 2 That good physician! Night and day  
The people thronged about His way;  
And wonder ran from soul to soul,  
“The touch of Christ has made us whole!”
- 3 His praises then were heard and sung  
By opened ears and loosened tongue,  
While lightened eyes could see and know  
The healing Christ of long ago.
- 4 Of long ago: yet living still,  
Who died for us on Calv’ry’s hill;  
Who triumphed over cross and grave,  
His healing hands stretched forth to save.
- 5 His sov’rign purpose still remains  
Who rose in pow’r, and lives and reigns;  
Till ev’ry tongue confess His praise,  
The healing Christ of all our days.

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✠ THE WORSHIP IS ENDED.  
LET THE SERVICE BEGIN. ✠

✠ We Go in Peace to Serve the Lord ✠  
✠ Trust ✠ Grow ✠ Show ✠

#### THOSE ASSISTING IN THE SERVICE

Preacher	Rev. Marc A. Kappel, M.Div.
Children's Message	Mr. Michael Yurk, D.C.E.
Music Director	Mr. Michael Neas, M.M.
Acolyte	Landon Leech
Lector	Robert Krall
Communion Assistant	Elder Michael Repass

*The altar flowers today have been placed by the Altar Guild to the glory of God.*

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