

Second Sunday after the Epiphany

January 15, 2024

Divine Setting 3

+ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +

HYMN OF INVOCATION

550 Lamb of God

- Your only Son, no sin to hide, But You have sent Him from Your side To walk upon this guilty sod, And to become the Lamb of God. Refrain
- ref O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the holy Lamb of God! O wash me in His precious blood, My Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God.
- Your Gift of love they crucified,
 They laughed and scorned Him as He died:
 The humble King they named a fraud,
 And sacrificed the Lamb of God. Refrain
- 3 I was so lost, I should have died,
 But You have brought me to Your side
 To be led by Your staff and rod,
 And to be called a lamb of God. Refrain

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(Stand)

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

- C Amen.
- Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **G** who made heaven and earth.
- **P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- **G** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for selfexamination.)

- **P** O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I 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 19:1–4a, b; antiphon: v. 14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be A acceptable | in your sight,* O LORD, my rock and my re- | deemer. The heavens declare the glo- | ry of God,* and the sky above proclaims his | handiwork. Day to day | pours out speech,* and night to night reveals | knowledge. There is no speech, nor | are there words,* whose voice is not heard. Their measuring line goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end | of the world.* In them he has set a tent | for the sun. 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. Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable | in your sight,* O LORD, my rock and my re- deemer. KYRIE LSB 186 С Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

- **P** Glory be to God on high:
- and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.
 We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.

O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.

Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,

art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

- A The Lord be with you.
- And with thy spirit.
- A 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. Amen.

(Sit)

ANTHEM "Arise, Shine, for Your Light Has Come" Pote Parish Adult Choir

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 49:1-7

¹Listen to me, O coastlands,

and give attention, you peoples from afar.

The LORD called me from the womb,

from the body of my mother he named my name.

²He made my mouth like a sharp sword;

in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow;

in his quiver he hid me away.

³And he said to me, "You are my servant,

Israel, in whom I will be glorified."

⁴But I said, "I have labored in vain;

I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my right is with the LORD,

and my recompense with my God."

⁵And now the LORD says,

he who formed me from the womb to be his servant,

to bring Jacob back to him;

and that Israel might be gathered to him-

for I am honored in the eyes of the LORD,

and my God has become my strength—⁶he says:

"It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob

and to bring back the preserved of Israel;

I will make you as a light for the nations,

that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth." ⁷Thus says the LORD,

the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One,

to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nation, the servant of rulers:

"Kings shall see and arise;

princes, and they shall prostrate themselves; because of the LORD, who is faithful,

the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."

- **L** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **G** Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL

A 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 1:1–9

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

²To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints together with all those who in every place call upon 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 was given you in Christ Jesus, ⁵that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge—⁶even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you—⁷so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, ⁸who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

- **I** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

(Stand)

ALLELUIA AND VERSE

G Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL

John 1:29–42a

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

G Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

²⁹The next day [John] saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold, 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 before me, because he was before me.' ³¹I myself did not know him, but for this purpose I came baptizing with water, that he might be revealed to Israel." ³²And John bore witness: "I saw the Spirit descend from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. ³³I myself did not know him, but he who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain, this is he who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' ³⁴And I have seen and have borne witness that this is the Son of God."

³⁵The next day again John was standing with two of his disciples, ³⁶and he looked at Jesus as he walked by and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God!" ³⁷The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. ³⁸Jesus turned and saw them following and said to them, "What are you seeking?" And they said to him, "Rabbi" (which means Teacher), "where are you staying?" ³⁹He said to them, "Come and you will see." So they came and saw where he was staying, and they stayed with him that day, for it was about the tenth hour. ⁴⁰One of the two who heard John speak and followed Jesus was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. ⁴¹He first found his own brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which means Christ). ⁴²He brought him to Jesus.

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- **G** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,

the only-begotten Son of God,

begotten of His Father before all worlds,

God of God, Light of Light,

very God of very God,

begotten, not made,

being of one substance with the Father,

by whom all things were made;

who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven

and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary

and was made man;

and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried.

And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures

and ascended into heaven

and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,

whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord and giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,

who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,

I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

(Sit)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Michael Yurk, D.C.E.

HYMN OF THE DAY 702 My Faith Looks Up to Thee

- My faith looks up to Thee, Thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine.
 Now hear me while I pray; Take all my guilt away;
 O let me from this day Be wholly Thine!
- 2 May Thy rich grace impart Strength to my fainting heart; My zeal inspire! As Thou hast died for me, Oh, may my love to Thee Pure, warm, and changeless be, A living fire!
- While life's dark maze I tread And griefs around me spread, Be Thou my guide;
 Bid darkness turn to day,
 Wipe sorrow's tears away,
 Nor let me ever stray
 From Thee aside.

4 When ends life's transient dream, When death's cold, sullen stream Shall o'er me roll, Blest Savior, then, in love, Fear and distrust remove; O bear me safe above, A ransomed soul!

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SERMON What He Did Right

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

- Beloved in the Lord, our Lord Jesus Christ said to His apostles: "Whoever confesses Me before men, I will also confess before My Father who is in heaven. But whoever denies Me before men, I will also deny before My Father who is in heaven." Lift up your hearts, therefore, to the God of all grace and joyfully give answer to what I now ask you in the name of the Lord.
- Do you this day in the presence of God and of this congregation acknowledge the gifts that God gave you in your Baptism?
- **R** Yes, I do.
- Do you renounce the devil and all his works and all his ways?
- **R** Yes, I renounce them.
- Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty, in Jesus Christ, His only Son our Lord, and in the Holy Spirit?

R Yes, I believe in God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

- Do you hold all the prophetic and apostolic Scriptures to be the inspired Word of God and the doctrine of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, drawn from them and confessed in the Small Catechism, to be faithful and true?
- R I do.
- Do you intend to hear the Word of God and receive the Lord's Supper faithfully?
- **R** I do, by the grace of God.
- Do you intend to live according to the Word of God, and in faith, word, and deed to remain true to God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, even to death?
- **R** I do, by the grace of God.
- Do you intend to continue steadfast in this confession and Church and to suffer all, even death, rather than fall away from it?
- **R** *I* do, by the grace of God.
- Do you desire to become a member of this congregation?
 I do.
- Will you support the work our gracious Lord has given this congregation with your prayers and the gifts God has given you?
- **R** *I will, with the help of God.*
- P Upon this your confession of faith, I acknowledge publicly that you are members of the Evangelical Lutheran Church and of this congregation. Receive the Lord's Supper and

participate with us in all the blessings of salvation that our Lord has given to His Church, in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

- C Amen.
- Let Us Pray. Lord God, heavenly Father, we thank and praise You for Your great goodness in bringing these Your sons and daughters to the knowledge of Your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ, and enabling them both with the heart to believe and with the mouth to confess His saving name. Grant that by Your Word and Spirit they may continue steadfast in the one true faith in the fellowship of this congregation as together we await the day when all who have fought the good fight of faith shall receive the crown of righteousness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.
- **P** The grace of our + Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
- C Amen.

OFFERTORY

- Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
 Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
 Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.
- OFFERING "As with Gladness, Men of Old" Floeter Laurie Stevens – violin

(Sit)

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

A Confident that our sins are forgiven for Jesus' sake and that our heavenly Father is ready to hear our prayers, let us go to Him on behalf of ourselves, those near and dear to us, and the Church around the world.

For the leaders of the Church around the world who, like Isaiah, may question their ministry amid continued opposition, that God would remind them of His presence and move them to renewed vigor as they shine the light of Christ on the dark places of this globe, let us pray to the Lord.

- **C** Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.
- ▲ For those who grow crops, tend flocks, distribute food, and alleviate hunger, that God would give them favorable weather, bountiful harvests, and the resources they need as they serve Him and work to meet the needs of people in their neighborhoods and in distant lands, let us pray to the Lord.
- **C** Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.
- A For those who lack decent clothing, secure shelter, and adequate nourishment, that God would surround them with caring people to meet their physical needs and share with them the forgiveness of sins won for them by Christ, the Lamb of God, let us pray to the Lord.
- **C** Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.
- A For those who labor in governments, those who go into harm's way as first responders, police forces, and deployed troops, and those who teach in schools at all levels, that God would keep them safe and give them wisdom and courage to do His will, let us pray to the Lord.

G Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

- A For ourselves and faith-filled people everywhere individuals, couples, nuclear families, and extended clans who seek to pass on God's forgiveness in Christ with words and actions, that God would renew their faith, increase their resolve, and provide opportunity to share their faith, hope, and love, let us pray to the Lord.
- **C** Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.
- For all who, like bruised reeds or faintly burning wicks, cry out to God for compassion, strength, and healing including the family of Libby Voigtman, Kim, Nancy, Sandra, Kathy, Dawn, Sue, Larry, Rick, Jean and Alfred, that God would not let them grow faint or discouraged, but would visit and relieve them according to His gracious will, using us whenever possible to bring renewal of life and joy, let us pray to the Lord.
- **C** Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.
- A Into Your hands, Lord our God, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- **C** Amen.

(Stand)

+ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

PREFACE

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- And with thy spirit.

- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **G** We lift them up unto the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.
- It is meet and right so to do.
- It is truly meet, right, and salutary . . . evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS

LSB 195

LSB 197

 Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth; heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

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

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

(Sit)

DISTRIBUTION

DISTRIBUTION HYMN **397 As with Gladness Men of Old**

- As with gladness men of old Did the guiding star behold; As with joy they hailed its light, Leading onward, beaming bright; So, most gracious Lord, may we Evermore be led by Thee.
- As with joyful steps they sped,
 Savior, to Thy lowly bed,
 There to bend the knee before
 Thee, whom heav'n and earth adore;
 So may we with willing feet
 Ever seek Thy mercy seat.
- 3 As they offered gifts most rare At Thy cradle, rude and bare, So may we with holy joy, Pure and free from sin's alloy, All our costliest treasures bring, Christ, to Thee, our heav'nly King.
- 4 Holy Jesus, ev'ry day Keep us in the narrow way; And when earthly things are past, Bring our ransomed souls at last Where they need no star to guide, Where no clouds Thy glory hide.

5 In the heav'nly country bright Need they no created light; Thou its light, its joy, its crown, Thou its sun which goes not down; There forever may we sing Alleluias to our King.

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(Stand)

NUNC DIMITTIS

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word,

for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people,

a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;

as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

THANKSGIVING

LSB 200

- **P** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
- **G** and His mercy endureth forever.
- 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.

Thanks be to God.

Bless we the Lord.

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and + give you

peace.

G Amen, amen, amen.

CLOSING HYMN

540 Christ, the Word of God Incarnate

 Christ, the Word of God incarnate, Lord and Son of Abraham;
 Christ, the radiance of the Father, Perfect God, the great I AM;
 Christ, the light, You shine unvanquished, Light and life You bring to all;
 Light our path with Your own presence, Grant us grace to heed Your call.

2 Christ, the living bread from heaven, Food for body, food for soul;
Christ, the manna daily given, Nourish, strengthen, make us whole.
Feed us with the food of heaven, Foretaste of the feast to be;

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SALUTATION

BENEDICAMUS

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Quench our thirst with living water Springing up eternally.

3 Christ, the shoot that springs triumphant From the stump of Jesse's tree; Christ, true vine, You nurture branches To bear fruit abundantly.
Graft us into You, O Savior; Prune our hearts so we remain
Fruitful branches in Your vineyard Till eternal life we gain.

4 Christ, our good and faithful shepherd, Watching all Your lambs and sheep; Christ, the gate that guards the sheepfold, Never-failing vigil keep.
When we stray, Good Shepherd, seek us, Find us, lift us, bear us home; Lamb of God, our shepherd, keep us; Let us hear Your voice alone.

5 Christ, the way that leads unfailing To the Father's home on high, Christ, the truth that frees the captive, Christ, the life that cannot die.
Mediator to the Father, Sacrifice and great High Priest: Lead us to Your heav'nly mansions, There to share Your wedding feast.

 △6 Christ, the Alpha and Omega, Christ, the firstborn from the dead, Christ, the life and resurrection, Christ, the Church's glorious head: Praise and thanks and adoration And unending worship be To the Father and the Spirit And to You eternally.

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