

5th Sunday of Epiphany

February 5, 2023

Holy Communion Setting Three

Light shines in the darkness for the upright, the psalmist sings. Isaiah declares that when we loose the bonds of injustice and share our bread with the hungry, the light breaks forth like the dawn. In another passage from the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus, the light of the world, calls his followers to let the light of their good works shine before others. Through baptism we are sent into the world to shine with the light of Christ.

GATHERING

HYMN SING

ELW 858	PRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY – VERSES 1 & 4
ELW 870	WE PRAISE YOU, O GOD – VERSES 1-3
ELW 883	ALL PEOPLE THAT ON EARTH DO DWELL – VERSES 1-3
ELW 891	GOD BLESS OUR NATIVE LAND – VERSES 1 & 2

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

Please stand as you are able.

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who alone does wonders, who lifts up the lowly, who fills the hungry with good things.

C Amen.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

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

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.

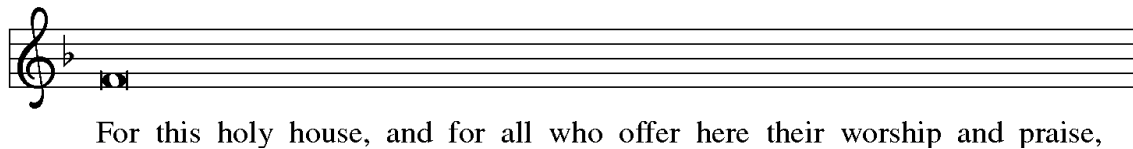
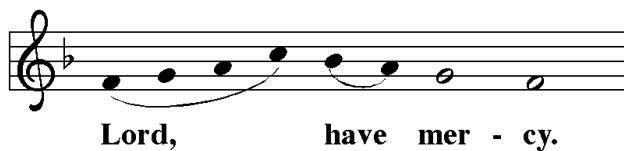
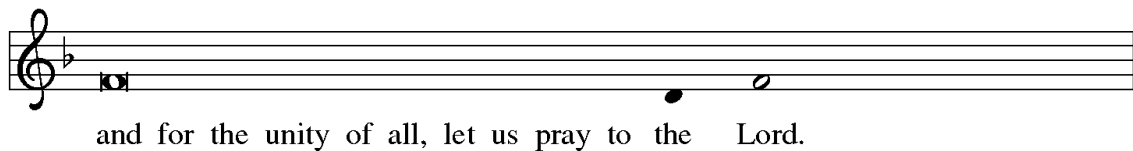
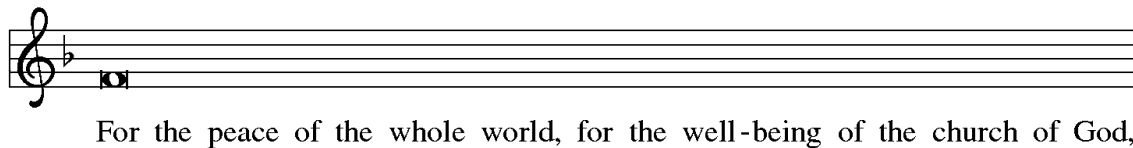
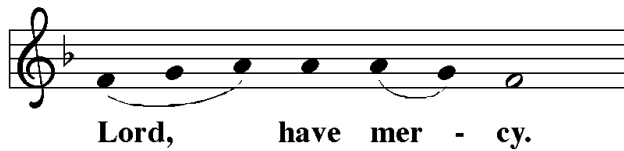
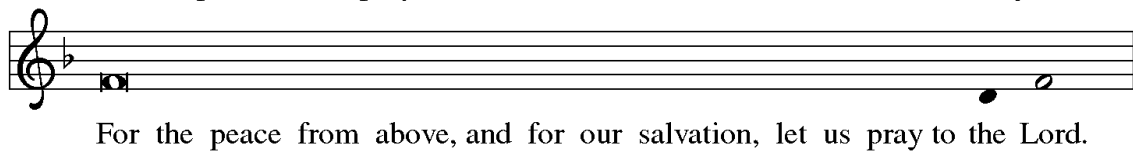
C Amen.

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.

KYRIE



let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. A - men.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb

who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich-es, wis - dom, and

strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of
 God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,
 glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Refrain
 This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia,
 al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was
 slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

Final refrain
 This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lord God, with endless mercy you receive the prayers of all who call upon you.

By your Spirit show us the things we ought to do, and give us the grace and power to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen.**

WORD

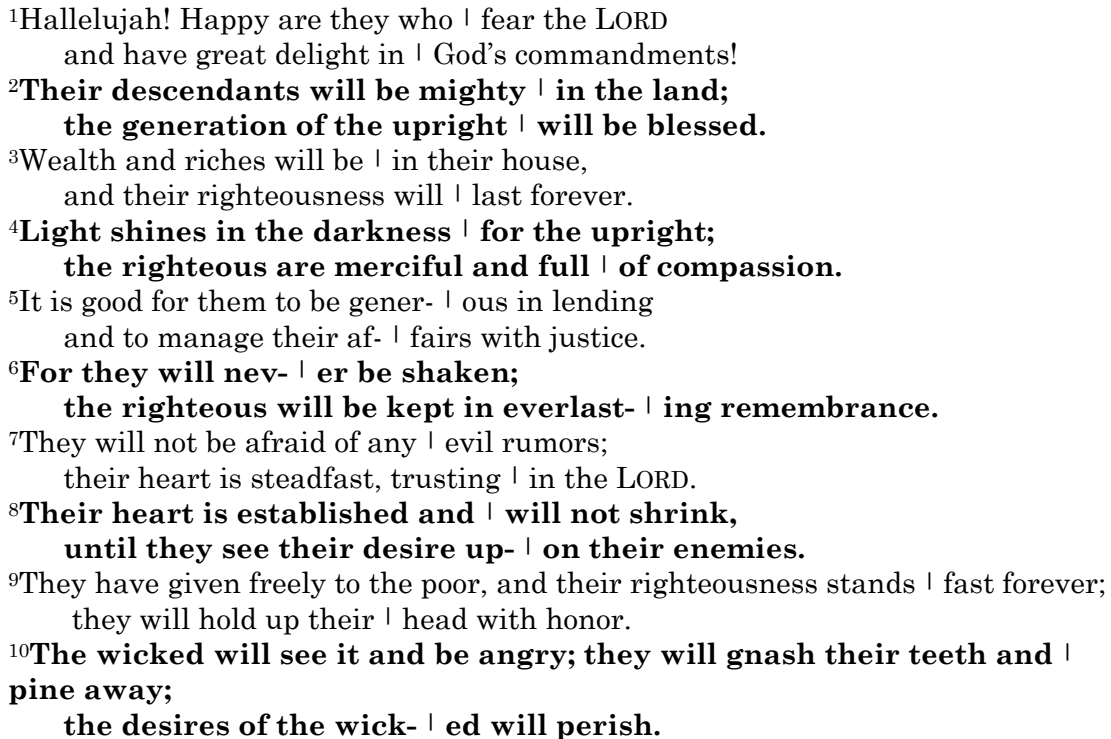
FIRST READING: ISAIAH 58:1-12

¹Shout out, do not hold back! Lift up your voice like a trumpet! Announce to my people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins. ²Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways, as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God; they ask of me righteous judgments, they delight to draw near to God. ³“Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice? Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day, and oppress all your workers. ⁴Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist. Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high. ⁵Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush, and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the LORD? ⁶Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? ⁷Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin? ⁸Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard. ^{9a}Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am. ^{9b}If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, ¹⁰if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. ¹¹The LORD will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. ¹²Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Sung responsively



¹When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. ²For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. ³And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. ⁴My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, ⁵so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God.

⁶Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. ⁷But we speak God's wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. ⁸None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. ⁹But, as it is written, "What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him"—¹⁰these

things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. ¹¹For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. ¹²Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God. [¹³And we speak of these things in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual things to those who are spiritual. ¹⁴Those who are unspiritual do not receive the gifts of God's Spirit, for they are foolishness to them, and they are unable to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. ¹⁵Those who are spiritual discern all things, and they are themselves subject to no one else's scrutiny. ¹⁶"For who has known the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?" But we have the mind of Christ.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Please stand as you are able.



P The Holy Gospel, according to Matthew, the fifth chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 5:13-20

Jesus said: ¹³"You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot. ¹⁴"You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. ¹⁵No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. ¹⁶In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. ¹⁷"Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. ¹⁸For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. ¹⁹Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom

of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. ²⁰For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Please be seated.

SERMON

PR. ANDREW PATTY

HYMN OF THE DAY

Christ, Be Our Light

ELW 715

Please stand for the final verse of the hymn.

P Let us confess our faith with the words of the Apostles' Creed.

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 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.

THE PRAYERS

A Called together to follow Jesus, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

A Call your people to seek your wisdom in difficult conversations and action. Give the church everywhere courage to repent for the ways we have tolerated and practiced injustice. Merciful God,

C **receive our prayer.**

A Inspire our wonder at creation, from the light of dawn to the beauty of the dark night. Sustain the unseen depths of the ocean to the plants and animals we know well. Bring healing to lands and communities experiencing natural disasters. Merciful God,

C **receive our prayer.**

- A Come to the aid of vulnerable people across the world, especially those affected by the war in Ukraine. Provide safety and assistance for those in need. Guide families as they lose their homes and loved ones. Particularly, let us pray for the German Evangelical-Lutheran Church in the Ukraine and our partner synod of the Evangelical-Lutheran Church of the Urals, Siberia and the Far East as they face times of conflict. Merciful God,
- C receive our prayer.**
- A Instruct the powerful in your ways. Provide upright leadership in business and industry, that workers are not oppressed. Throughout the world, inspire voters and raise up politicians to heed your call for nations to practice righteousness. Merciful God,
- C receive our prayer.**
- A Loosen the bonds of injustice in our midst. Put an end to hunger, and break every yoke of oppression. Shelter all who flee abuse or violence. Satisfy those afflicted in any way, especially Mike Jackson, Curt Lewis, Peggy Buchholz, Linda Longren, Don O'Brien, and Martha Nemeth. Merciful God,
- C receive our prayer.**
- A Shape our congregation and that of Faith Lutheran in Junction City and Marion Hill Lutheran in White City, Kansas, and Humanitri in St. Louis, Missouri, to be salt for the earth. Give us delight in your commandments, that we are generous with those in need. Make us steadfast in our trust in you, ready with tangible mercy and compassion for our neighbors. Merciful God,
- C receive our prayer.**
- A Bring joy to those who celebrate this week. We pray for Marcy Carlson as she celebrates her birthday and for Martha Nemeth as she remembers her baptism. Merciful God,
- C receive our prayer.**
- P The cross and resurrection bring redemption from sin and death. We praise you for all whose unshaken faith in Christ shines forth in their witness. Keep them in our remembrance and bring us with them into the kingdom of heaven. Merciful God,
- C receive our prayer.**
- P We bring to you our needs and hopes, O God, trusting your wisdom and power revealed in Christ crucified.
- C Amen.**

THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

Let us greet one another with God's peace.

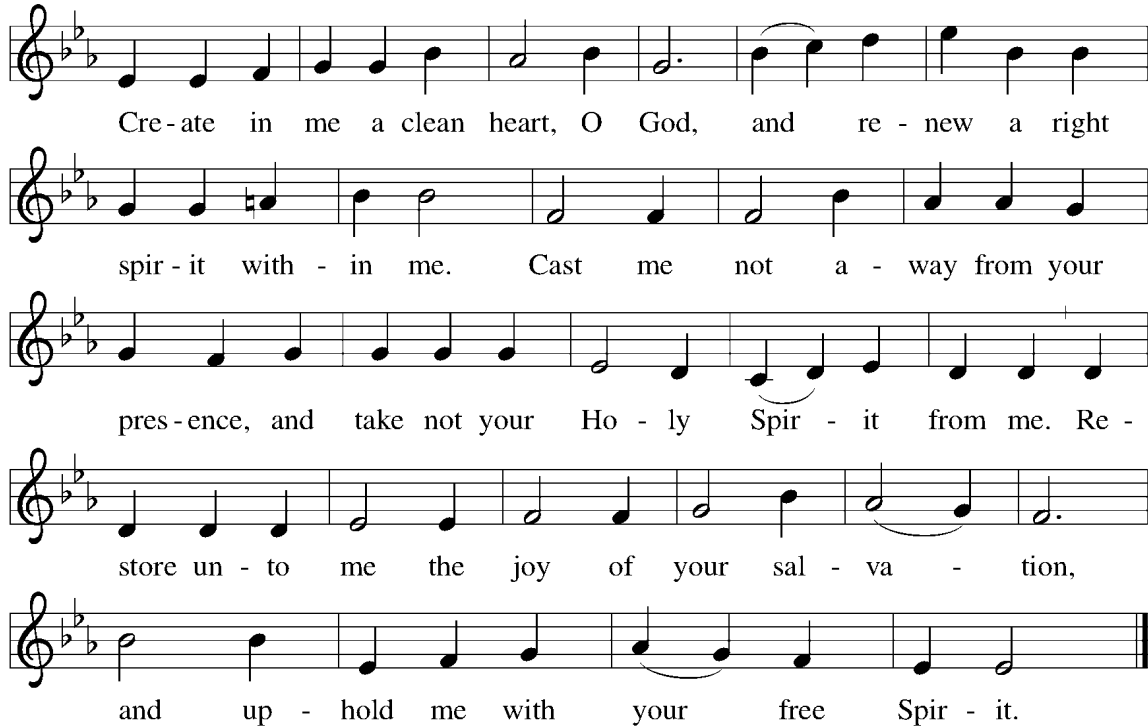
Please be seated.

MEAL

OFFERING

OFFERTORY SONG

Please stand as you are able.



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 -
store un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,
and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

A Liberating God, you break the bonds of injustice and let the oppressed go free.
Receive these offerings in thanksgiving for all your works of merciful power,
and shape us as people of your justice and freedom. You we magnify and adore,
through Jesus our Savior,

C Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

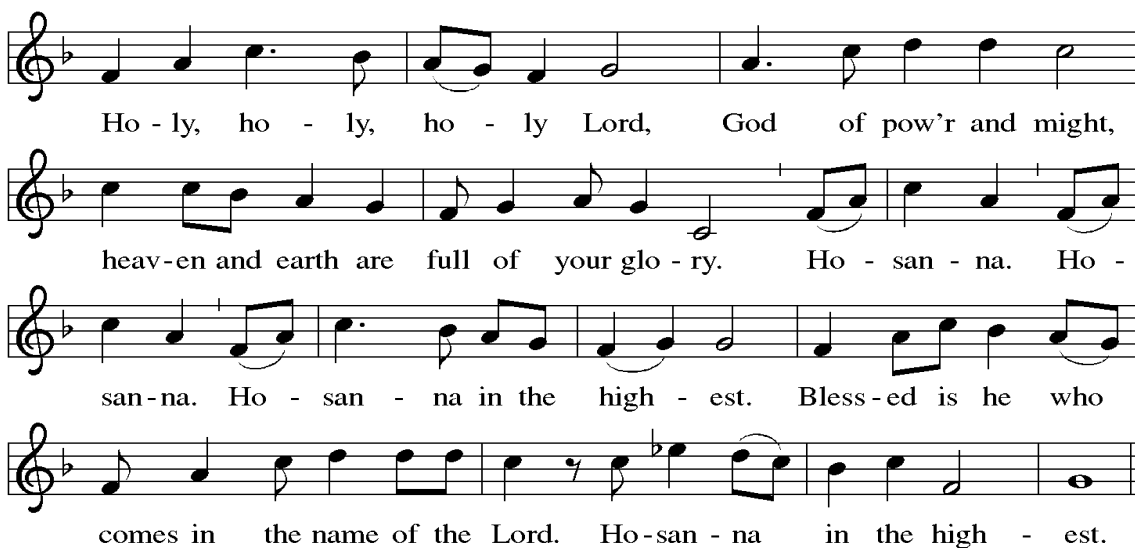
P Lift up your hearts.

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.

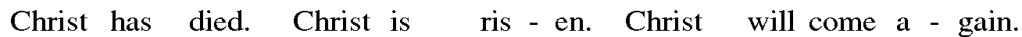
P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. By the leading of a star he was shown forth to all nations; in the waters of the Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved 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:



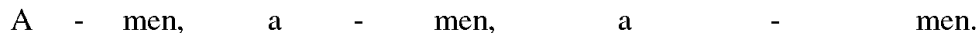
EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

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.

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.
Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:



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.



For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Please be seated.

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.

COMMUNION HYMN

For the Troubles and the Sufferings

ACS 1051

See page 15

COMMUNION BLESSING

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen.

Please stand as you are able.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A Holy One, we thank you for the healing that springs forth abundantly from this table. Renew our strength to do justice, love kindness, and journey humbly with you.

C Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

P The God who faithfully brings forth justice and breaks the oppressor's rod ✠ bless, strengthen, and uphold you, today and always.

C Amen.

Pe - las do - res des - te mun - do, ó Se - nhor,
 For the trou - bles and the suf - f'ings of the world,
 im - plo - ra - mos pi - e - da - de. A
 God, we call up - on your mer - cy: the
 um só tem - po ge - me a cri - a - ção. Teus ou -
 whole cre - a - tion's la - bor - ing in pain! Lend an
 vi - dos se in - cli - nem ao cla - mor des - sa
 ear . . . to the ris - ing cry for help from op -
 gen - te o - pri - mi - da. A - pres - sa - te com
 pressed and hope - less peo - ple: Come! Has - ten your sal -
 tu - a sal - va - ção. A tu - a paz,
 va - tion, heal - ing love! We pray for peace,
 ben - di - ta e jr - ma - na - da co'a jus -
 the bless - ed peace that comes from mak - ing
 ti - ça a - bra - ce o mun - do in - tei - ro.
 jus - tice, to cov - er and em - brace us.
 Tem com - pai - xão! O teu po - der
 Have mer - cy, Lord! We pray for pow'r,
 sus - ten - te o tes - te - mu - nho do teu po - vo.
 the pow'r that will sus - tain your peo - ple's wit - ness:
 Teu rei - no ve - nha a nos! Ky - ri - e - e - le - i - son!
 un - til your king - dom comes. Ky - ri - e - e - le - i - son!

SENDING HYMN

We Are Marching in the Light

ELW 866

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Follow the way of Jesus.

C Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Welcome to worship at Trinity!

Thank you for joining us for worship. We hope that you found the Spirit of God in our midst. If you are interested in becoming a member of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, or have other questions, please contact the church office at 785.233.0767

UPCOMING EVENTS AT TRINITY

Today, Feb. 5	Hymn Sing Along	10:15 AM
.....	Worship with Holy Communion.....	10:30 AM
.....	Coffee Hour	after worship
Tues., Feb. 7	Quilters	9:00 AM
Sun., Feb. 12.....	Adult Sunday School.....	9:45 AM
.....	Worship with Holy Communion.....	10:30 AM
.....	Coffee Hour	after worship
.....	PFLAG meeting	2:00 PM



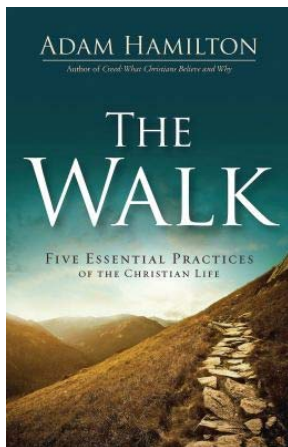
In an effort to trim our expenses a bit, most of today's hymns are not printed in the bulletin. Please feel free to use the hymnal in the pew racks for the hymns. While it is easier to have everything printed in the bulletin, it is also more expensive so please keep that in mind and let us know if this is an expense worth keeping.

We have a few volunteers to serve as acolytes. However, we do not yet have enough to make up a schedule so we'll try for March. Please, if you would like to serve, call or email the church office. Kids from 10 to 100 would be welcome! We'll provide training!



Thanks to everyone who took the time to note corrections and additions on the directory pages. I'll leave them for one more week in case there are folks who missed seeing them.

Worship Assistants							
Date	Ushers	Musician	Lector	Altar Guild	Asst. Minister	Presiding Minister	Coffee Hosts
Feb. 5	Dean McGinnis, Ted Murphy	Laurie Jackson	Bob Horton	Jane Lewis & Team 2	Bob Horton	Pr. Andrew Patty	Bob & Janeen Horton
Feb 12	Duane Pomeroy, Howard Reece	Mitchell Bean	Janelle Meredith	Jane Lewis & Team 2	Ted Murphy	Pr. Andrew Patty	Marcy Carlson & Janelle Meredith
Feb. 19	Diane Bottorff, Marcy Carlson	Laurie Jackson	LaVell Winsor	Jane Lewis & Team 2	Bob Horton	Pr. Andrew Patty	Dean McGinnis & Parker Jackson
Feb. 22 Ash Wed.	Curt Lewis, Dean McGinnis		Shelley Andrews	Jane Lewis & Team 2	Ted Murphy	Pr. Andrew Patty	Soup supper After worship
Feb. 26	Diane Bottorff, Marcy Carlson	Laurie Jackson	Debbie Pomeroy	Jane Lewis & Team 2	Ted Murphy	Pr. Andrew Patty	Carol Marker



Our next adult Sunday school class will be February 12. We are reading and discussing **“The Walk: Five Essential Practices of the Christian Life”** by Adam Hamilton. Please read Chapter 2—Study.

If you would like to join us for the next class, you can order the book on Amazon or borrow from the public library (physical copy and ebook), or contact Pastor Andrew if you are having trouble getting a copy.

If you are interested in attending the Fiber Arts Workshop presented by LFACT on Feb. 18, I have more information available about the presenters (Kris Luber will be sharing her fabric landscape designs) and the schedule for the day. Also please note that the event is free to attend, but they will collecting non-perishable food items for Doorstep as a free will offering.

OFFERING, ATTENDANCE, and FINANCIAL STATUS						
Date	General	Other	Total Weekly Income	Average Weekly Expense	Weekly Income Minus Average	Attendance/Communion
Jan. 8	\$1,130.00	\$5.00	\$1,135.00	-\$2,761.27	-\$1,626.27	27/24
Jan. 15	\$3,775.00	\$175.00	\$3,950.00	-\$2,761.27	\$1,188.73	30/25
Jan. 22	\$3,692.75	\$980.00	\$4,672.75	-\$2,761.27	\$1,911.48	33/31
Jan. 29	\$2,701.05	\$30.00	\$2,731.05	-\$2,761.27	-\$30.22	37/28
			Income	Expense	Behind/Ahead	
		Nov. 2022	\$9,182.57	-\$15,599.53	-\$6,416.96	
		Jan. - Nov.	\$89,958.25	-\$137,420.01	-\$47,461.76	

As a cost-saving measure, it has been decided to end the offering envelope mailing program. Some of you receive these envelopes in the mail once a month. The mailings are scheduled one or two months in advance, so even though the program is now cancelled, you may still receive the green-bordered envelopes for February and possibly March. Go ahead and use them if you wish. Beyond that, feel free to use an envelope of your own or use one from the pew. Thanks.

Current Doorstep Needs ~ February, 2023

Clothing Room Needs: (Gently Used, Not New)

- Small Appliances (toasters, coffee pots, hand mixers, etc.)
- * • Hand Can Openers
- Size 5 & 6 Diapers
- Men's Jeans (Especially Sizes 30-38)
- Men's Gloves
- Men's Sweatpants (All Sizes)
- Men's Shirts / T-shirts (Need Sizes 3x – 6x Only)
- Women's Sweatpants (All Sizes)
- Women's Gloves
- Boys Jeans/Pants (Sizes 5-16)
- Boys Shirts (Sizes 4-8)
- Boys Infant Pajamas (Sizes Newborn – 18mo)
- Girls Jeans (Sizes 4-8)
- Girls Tops (Sizes 3 & 6)
- Kid's Gloves
- Deodorant
- Conditioner

Donations Accepted:

**Monday – Friday
9am – 2pm**

Use the South Door
Please Do Not Leave
donations outside our
building when we are
closed. It becomes a
parking lot mess.

Doorstep is in immediate need
of the items marked with a star
as they are completely out of
those items.

Food Room Needs:

- | | | |
|-------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| * Dry Beans | * Hamburger Helper | Peanut Butter |
| Canned Milk | Powdered Milk | * Jelly |
| Oatmeal | Cold Cereal | * Egg Noodles |
| * Rice | Peas | Boxed Pastas |
| Spaghetti O's | Ravioli | Canned Beans |
| Macaroni & Cheese | * Hand Can openers | * Pork N Beans |
| * Tuna | * Spaghetti | * Ramen Noodles |
| Canned Fruit | | |



TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

725 SW Buchanan St. • Topeka, Kansas 66606
Phone: 785-233-0767 • Email: office@topekatlc.org
Website: trinitylutherantopeka.org

OFFICE HOURS

10:00AM-3:30PM, Monday through Thursday

Together in Community

Living with Christ's Love

Caring for Neighbors

Living with Christ's Love

As Lutherans, we believe that we are justified by faith alone through the grace of God (*Ephesians 2:1-9*). As our namesake Martin Luther made clear, we are both sinners and saints as we live our lives of faith. Together as Christians, we are called to allow God into our lives everyday and to do our best to live according to Christ's love. We do this through being a community of faithful that welcomes all people to join us in prayer, service, study, and worship as we journey together in learning how to live out the Great Commandment.

Congregation Council

President Duane Pomeroy (Spiritual Care)

Vice-President Howard Reece (Maintenance)

Secretary Diane Bottorff (Congregational Life)

Carol Marker (Administration)

Ted Murphy (Community Relations)

Ted Quast

Treasurer Bob Kobbeman