

January 19, 2025
Second Sunday after Epiphany



Prepare for Worship

“I rejoiced with those who said to me, ‘Let us go to the house of the Lord.’” Give me joy, dear Jesus, as I prepare to worship you today. Make me understand what my life would be like without you so that I long to hear about your grace and compassion. Help me participate in a way that honors you and builds up all who worship with me, and let their worship strengthen and encourage my faith.

Amen.

481 Alleluia! Let Praises Ring



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Let prais-es ring! To God the Fa - ther
 2 Al - le - lu - ia! Let prais-es ring! Un - to the Lamb of
 3 Al - le - lu - ia! Let prais-es ring! Un - to the Ho - ly
 4 Al - le - lu - ia! Let prais-es ring! Un - to our tri - une



let us bring our songs of ad - o - ra - tion.
 God we sing, in whom we are e - lect - ed.
 Ghost we sing for our re - gen - er - a - tion.
 God we sing; blest be his name for - ev - er!



To him through ev - er - last - ing days be wor - ship,
 He bought his Church with his own blood, he cleansed her
 The sav - ing faith in us he wrought and us un -
 With an - gel hosts let us a - dore and sing his



hon - or, pow'r, and praise whose hand sus - tains cre - a - tion.
 in that bless - ed flood and as his bride se - lect - ed.
 to the Bride - groom brought, made us his cho - sen na - tion.
 prais - es more and more for all his grace and fa - vor.



Sing - ing, ring - ing: ho - ly, ho - ly, God is ho - ly;
 Ho - ly, ho - ly is our un - ion and com - mun - ion;
 Glo - ry! Glo - ry! Joy e - ter - nal, bliss su - per - nal;
 Sing - ing, ring - ing: ho - ly, ho - ly, God is ho - ly;



spread the sto - ry of our God, the Lord of glo - ry.
 his be - friend - ing gives us joy and peace un - end - ing.
 there is man - na and an end - less, glad ho - san - na.
 spread the sto - ry of our God, the Lord of glo - ry!

Stand

Invocation

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Confession

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If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just

and will forgive us our sins

and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Holy God, gracious Father,

I am sinful by nature

and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.

I have not loved you with my whole heart;

I have not loved others as I should.

I deserve your punishment both now and forever.

But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins

with his innocent suffering and death.

Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection

Absolution

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Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

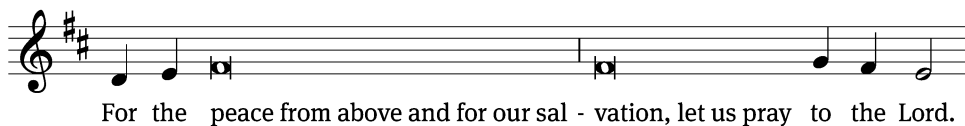
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Lord, Have Mercy

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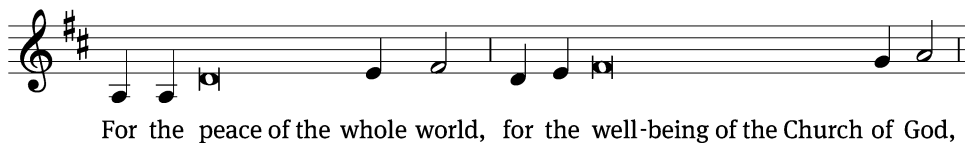
In peace let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



For the peace from above and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



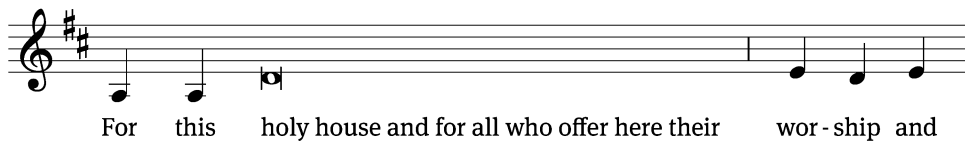
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the un - it - y of all, let us pray to the Lord.



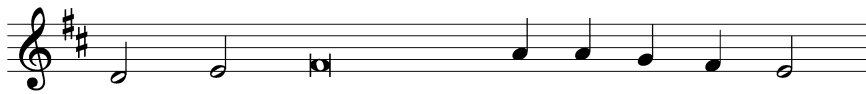
Lord, have mer - cy.



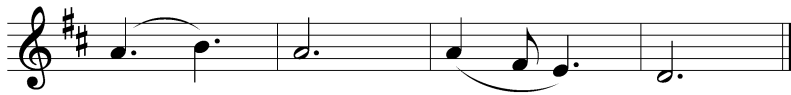
For this holy house and for all who offer here their wor - ship and



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



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra - cious Lord.



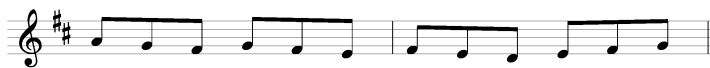
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Glory to God in the Highest

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Glo - ry to God in the high - est, glo - ry to



God, and peace to his peo - ple on earth,



and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and



Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we

praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly

Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,

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

us. You are seat - ed at the right hand of the

Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer. For


you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the

Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus


Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it in the



glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.



Glo - ry to God in the high - est, glo - ry to



God, and peace to his peo - ple on earth,



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The Word

Salutation

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you gave your one and only Son to be the light of the world. Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and believed to the ends of the earth; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Be seated

First Reading

Isaiah 62:1–5

For the sake of Zion I will not be silent.
For the sake of Jerusalem I will not be quiet,
until her righteousness goes forth shining brightly,
and her salvation burns like a torch.

²Nations will see your righteousness,
and all kings will see your glory.

You will be called by a new name
that the mouth of the LORD will assign to you.

³Then you will be a beautiful crown in the LORD's hand,
and a royal diadem in the palm of your God.

⁴You will never again be called Abandoned,
and your land will never again be called Desolation,
for you will be called My Delight Is in Her,
and your land will be called Married,
because the LORD delights in you,
and your land will be married.

⁵For just as a young man marries a virgin,
your sons will marry you,
and just as a bridegroom rejoices over a bride,
your God will rejoice over you.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

145B I Will Praise Your Name Forever

Refrain



I will praise your name for - ev - er, my King and my God.

Tone



Great is the LORD and most wor- / thy of praise;
his greatness no one can / fathom.

One generation commends your works to an- / other;
they tell of your / mighty acts.

The LORD upholds / all who fall
and lifts up all who are / bowed down. *Refrain*

The eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food at the / proper time.

You open your hand and satisfy the desires of every / living thing.

The LORD is near to all who / call on him,
to all who call on / him in truth.

He fulfills the desires of those who / fear him;
he hears their cry and / saves them.

**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. *Refrain***

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Second Reading

Ephesians 3:14–21

For this reason I kneel before the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁵from whom the entire family in heaven and on earth receives its name. ¹⁶I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he would strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner self, ¹⁷so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. Then, being rooted and grounded in love, ¹⁸I pray that you would be able to comprehend, along with all the saints, how wide and long and high and deep his love is, ¹⁹and that you would be able to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled to all the fullness of God.

²⁰Now to him, who is able, according to the power that is at work within us, to do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine, ²¹to him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever! Amen.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

Gospel Acclamation

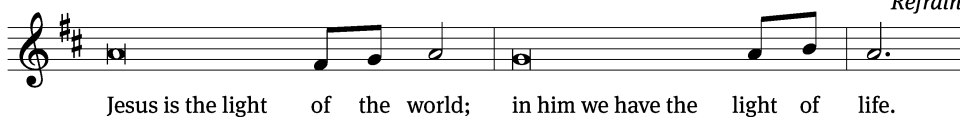
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Gospel

John 2:1–11

Three days later, there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee. Jesus' mother was there. ²Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding.

³When the wine was gone, Jesus' mother said to him, "They have no wine."

⁴Jesus said to her, "Woman, what does that have to do with you and me? My time has not come yet."

⁵His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you."

⁶Six stone water jars, which the Jews used for ceremonial cleansing, were standing there, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷Jesus told them, "Fill the jars with water." So they filled them to the brim. ⁸Then he said to them, "Now draw some out and take it to the master of the banquet." And they did.

⁹When the master of the banquet tasted the water that had now become wine, he did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew). The master of the banquet called the bridegroom ¹⁰and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and when the guests have had plenty to drink, then the cheaper wine. You saved the good wine until now!"

¹¹This, the beginning of his miraculous signs, Jesus performed in Cana of Galilee. He revealed his glory, and his disciples believed in him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

375 Arise and Shine in Splendor



1 A - rise and shine in splen - dor; let night to
2 See earth in dark - ness ly - ing, the hea - then
3 Lift up your eyes in won - der— see, na - tions
4 Your heart will leap for glad - ness when from the



day sur - ren - der. Your light is draw - ing near.
na - tions dy - ing in hope - less gloom and night.
gath - er yon - der from sin to be set free.
realms of sad - ness they come from near and far.



A - bove, the day is beam - ing, in match - less beau - ty
To you the Lord of heav - en— your life, your hope— has
The world has heard your sto - ry; her sons come to your
Your eyes will wake from slum - ber as peo - ple with - out



gleam - ing; the glo - ry of the Lord is here.
giv - en great glo - ry, hon - or, and de - light.
glo - ry, her daugh - ters haste your light to see.
num - ber re - joice to see the Morn - ing Star.

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Sermon God Delivers More than We Ask John 2:1-11

Stand

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From there 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.

Prayer of the Church

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God and Mary's Son, in the fullness of time you came into our world to save us from sin and death.

You ushered in the day of grace so long foretold.

Beloved Son of the Father, revered by the Magi, baptized by John, you came preaching and teaching, healing and comforting, forgiving and encouraging:

You brought the light of life to those walking in darkness, and the joy of salvation to those doomed to death.

Prince of peace, shine like a beacon for us and the people of our world. Let the good news of salvation be heard in the remotest corners of the earth. Open our own lips to speak your name to those around us who still live without faith or hope:

Arouse us and our missionaries to flood the world with the light of your gospel.

Lord of the Church, let your peace rule our hearts that we may use our gifts to serve you and each other in willing gratitude and joy. Watch over our loved ones near and far, that they may remember your love and rejoice in your salvation. Strengthen the faith of the sick and the disheartened. Give hope to those in despair and comfort those who mourn.

Be gracious to all and lead us to reflect your love in everything we say and do.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

Finally, bring us and all your believers to the heavenly home where we will stand in the full light of your glory and with all your saints and angels sing the everlasting song of triumph.
Amen.

Be seated

Good News for Kids

Offering

510 In Christ Alone



1 In Christ a - lone my hope is found; he is my
 2 In Christ a - lone, who took on flesh, full - ness of
 3 There in the ground his bod - y lay, light of the
 4 No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the



light, my strength, my song; this cor - ner - stone, this sol - id
 God in help - less babe; this gift of love and right - eous -
 world by dark - ness slain; then burst - ing forth in glo - rious
 pow'r of Christ in me; from life's first cry to fi - nal



ground, firm through the fierc - est drought and storm.
 ness, scorned by the ones he came to save.
 day, up from the grave he rose a - gain!
 breath, Je - sus com - mands my des - ti - ny.



What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are
 Till on that cross as Je - sus died, the wrath of
 And as he stands in vic - to - ry, sin's curse has
 No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man can ev - er



stilled, when striv - ings cease! My com - fort - er, my all in
 God was sat - is - fied; for ev - 'ry sin on him was
 lost its grip on me; for I am his and he is
 pluck me from his hand; till he re - turns or calls me



all; here in the love of Christ I stand.
 laid; here in the death of Christ I live.
 mine, bought with the pre - cious blood of Christ.
 home, here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

Stand

Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart that, being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

**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.**

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.

Amen.

611 Joyously I'll Praise My Savior



1 Joy - ous - ly I'll praise my Sav - ior; for my God I'll
 2 God, with firm and clear con - vic - tion, gave for me his
 3 God had seen my sad con - di - tion, gave me sight when
 4 Since your love is nev - er - end - ing, far be - yond what



glad - ly sing, as I see his lov - ing fa - vor ev - i -
 pre - cious Son, by whose blood - y cru - ci - fix - ion I from
 I was blind; he will be my great phy - si - cian, heal - ing
 words can say, up to you my hands ex - tend - ing, Fa - ther,



dent in ev - 'ry - thing. In his faith - ful heart is beat - ing
 hell have now been won. O you spring of love pre - vail - ing,
 bod - y, soul, and mind. When it seems it's not worth try - ing—
 as your child, I pray: Let your grace to me be giv - en



love that's pure and wide and long, love that makes his
 depth of which I'll nev - er know, cur - rent which will
 all my skill gets noth - ing done— Je - sus helps me
 that I may with all my might cling to you both



ser - vants strong. All I see on earth is fleet - ing; God's a -
 ev - er flow. All I see on earth is fail - ing; God's a -
 car - ry on. All I see on earth is dy - ing; God's a -
 day and night till I see your face in heav - en where my



maz - ing love for me lasts for all e - ter - ni - ty.
 maz - ing love for me lasts for all e - ter - ni - ty.
 maz - ing love for me lasts for all e - ter - ni - ty.
 praise and love will be yours for all e - ter - ni - ty.

THIS WEEK AT LINCOLN HEIGHTS
January 19 - 26, 2025

Sunday	8:00 am	Worship
	9:00 am	Homeless Meal Delivery
	9:15 am	Basic Bible Christianity
	9:15 am	Sunday School
	9:15 am	Bible Class
	10:30 am	Worship
	10:30 am	Kunama Worship
Wednesday	5:30 pm	Catechism and Bible History
	5:30 pm	Choir
	6:30 pm	Evening Prayer
	6:45 pm	Bible Class
	6:45 pm	Children's Hand Bell Practice
Thursday	10:00 am	Women's Fellowship Group
Sunday	9:00 am	Worship with Communion
	10:15 am	Annual Voters' Meeting
	10:15 am	Sunday School
	12:00 pm	Fellowship Meal

In Our Prayers

The Lord is eager to hear the prayers of thanks and petitions for help from his people. Please keep these members and families in your prayers. Contact Pastor to add someone to this list:

Ukraine

Ray & Gloria Overson, Sherry Just and Randy Michael- shut-ins

Linda Thielke, Merle Carter, Larry Borchert, Jeff Overson, Pat Oswald, Makenzie Phippen- health

Lucas Gilman & Karri Pippett, Daniel Pfeifer & Paige Harman, Isaiah Luellen & Andie Schlabach, Caleb Winecke & Makayla Gallentine - engaged couples

Voters Meeting and New Member Welcome Meal

The Annual Voters Meeting will be on Sunday, January 26. We will have a modified schedule that day to get in the meeting and the fellowship meal after.

9:00 am Worship (one service only)

10:15 am Annual Voters Meeting and Sunday School

12:00 pm Fellowship Meal

New Member Potluck

The New Member Potluck is being handled by Cyndie Norton's committee. If you are on her committee, expect to hear from her or please contact her about plans for setting up, serving, or cleaning up after the meal.

If you plan to attend the potluck, please bring a main dish. If your last name starts with A-O, please also bring a side dish. If your last name starts with P-Z, please also bring a dessert. Please include a list of ingredients for each dish you bring to assist in avoiding allergy issues.

If you are a new member, you are not asked to bring anything. You are our guests, and we welcome you!

Prepare for Next Sunday

For a simple devotional reading plan, review the readings for this week on Monday through Wednesday. Then read the Scripture for next Sunday on Thursday through Saturday. The Word for next Sunday:

Isaiah 61:1-6, Acts 4:23-31, Luke 4:16-30

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