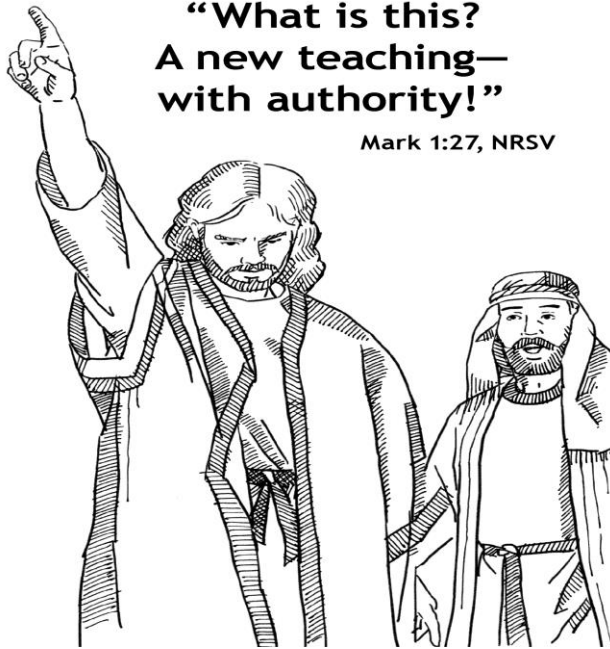
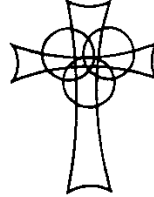


**“What is this?
A new teaching—
with authority!”**

Mark 1:27, NRSV



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WELCOME TO WORSHIP!!!

In the Name of Jesus Christ, Welcome! We are pleased that you have come to worship our loving Lord with us today. In this Epiphany season, our Lord continues to reveal Himself to us as the Son of God who has come to redeem the world. And here in this place, through His holy Word and Sacraments, Jesus continues to show us the Father’s love for us sinners. May we all continue to rejoice in God’s abiding love for us all.

A PRAYER AS WE GATHER

Compassionate God, You gather the whole universe into Your radiant presence and reveal Your Son as our Savior. Bring wholeness to all that is broken and speak truth to us in our confusion, that all creation will see and know Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.



The Divine Service of Word and Sacrament

*Divine Service, Setting Two
Lutheran Service Book, Page 167ff*

✠ *In the Name of Jesus Christ* ✠

✠ **The Preparation** ✠

The Music for Meditation

The Prelude

“Jesus Has Come and Brings Pleasure”

The Words of Welcome

The Congregation rises.

The Opening Hymn

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 533

“Jesus Has Come and Brings Pleasure”

- 1 **Jesus has come and brings pleasure eternal,
Alpha, Omega, Beginning and End;
Godhead, humanity, union supernal,
O great Redeemer, You come as our friend!
Heaven and earth, now proclaim this great wonder:
Jesus has come and brings pleasure eternal!**
- 2 **Jesus has come! Now see bonds rent asunder!
Fetters of death now dissolve, disappear.
See Him burst through with a voice as of thunder!
He sets us free from our guilt and our fear,
Lifts us from shame to the place of His honor.
Jesus has come! Hear the roll of God’s thunder!**
- 3 **Jesus has come as the mighty Redeemer.
See now the threatening strong one disarmed!
Jesus breaks down all the walls of death’s fortress,
Brings forth the pris’ners triumphant, unharmed.
Satan, you wicked one, own now your master!
Jesus has come! He, the mighty Redeemer!**

The Hymn continues on the next page...

- 4 Jesus has come as the King of all glory!
Heaven and earth, O declare His great pow'r,
Capturing hearts with the heavenly story;
Welcome Him now in this fast-fleeting hour!
Ponder His love! Take the crown He has for you!
Jesus has come! He, the King of all glory!**

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The Invocation:

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

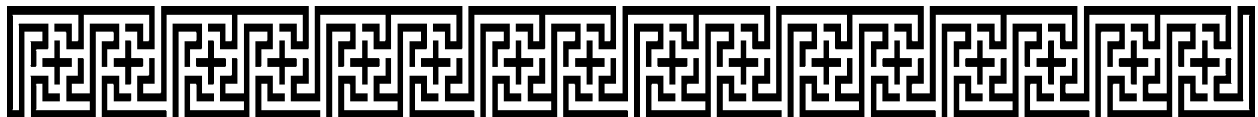
- P** In the Name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

The Confession of Sins:

- 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.



✠ The Service of the Word ✠

The Introit of the Day

Psalm 32:1-2, 5-7; antiphon: verse 10

- P** Many are the sorrows of the wicked,
but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the LORD.
- C** **Blessèd is the one whose transgression is forgiven,
whose sin is covered.**
- P** Blessèd is the man against whom the LORD counts no iniquity,
and in whose spirit there is no deceit.
- C** **I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity;
I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,"
and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.**
- P** Therefore let everyone who is godly offer prayer to you
at a time when you may be found;
surely in the rush of great waters, they shall not reach him.
- C** **You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble;
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.**
- C** **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**
- P** Many are the sorrows of the wicked,
but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the LORD.

The Hymn of Praise

Gloria in Excelsis

A Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to His peo-ple on earth.

C 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.

The Salutation and Collect of the Day:

P The Lord be with you.

G And al - so with you.

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, You know we live in the midst of so many dangers that in our frailty we cannot stand upright. Grant strength and protection to support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

G A - men.

The Congregation is seated.

¹⁵“The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your brothers—it is to him you shall listen—¹⁶just as you desired of the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly, when you said, ‘Let me not hear again the voice of the LORD my God or see this great fire any more, lest I die.’¹⁷ And the LORD said to me, ‘They are right in what they have spoken.¹⁸ I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their brothers. And I will put my words in his mouth, and he shall speak to them all that I command him.¹⁹ And whoever will not listen to my words that he shall speak in my name, I myself will require it of him.²⁰ But the prophet who presumes to speak a word in my name that I have not commanded him to speak, or who speaks in the name of other gods, that same prophet shall die.’”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

¹Concerning food offered to idols: we know that “all of us possess knowledge.” This “knowledge” puffs up, but love builds up. ²If anyone imagines that he knows something, he does not yet know as he ought to know. ³But if anyone loves God, he is known by God.

⁴Therefore, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that “an idol has no real existence,” and that “there is no God but one.” ⁵For although there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as indeed there are many “gods” and many “lords”—⁶yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

⁷However, not all possess this knowledge. But some, through former association with idols, eat food as really offered to an idol, and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. ⁸Food will not commend us to God. We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. ⁹But take care that this right of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. ¹⁰For if anyone sees you who have knowledge eating in an idol’s temple, will he not be encouraged, if his conscience is weak, to eat food offered to idols? ¹¹And so by your knowledge this weak person is destroyed, the brother for whom Christ died. ¹²Thus, sinning against your brothers and wounding their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. ¹³Therefore, if food makes my brother stumble, I will never eat meat, lest I make my brother stumble.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

The Congregation rises.

The Gradual and Verse:

Psalms 117:1–2a; 96:8; Mark 1:22a

- P** Praise the LORD, all nations!
Extol him, all peoples!
- C** **For great is his steadfast love toward us,
and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever.**
- P** Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;
C **bring an offering, and come into his courts!**
- P** Alleluia. They were astonished at his teaching
C **for he taught them as one who had authority. Alleluia.**

The Holy Gospel

Mark 1:21-28

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.
C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

²¹They went into Capernaum, and immediately on the Sabbath [Jesus] entered the synagogue and was teaching. ²²And they were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one who had authority, and not as the scribes. ²³And immediately there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit. And he cried out, ²⁴“What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God.” ²⁵But Jesus rebuked him, saying, “Be silent, and come out of him!” ²⁶And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying out with a loud voice, came out of him. ²⁷And they were all amazed, so that they questioned among themselves, saying, “What is this? A new teaching with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him.” ²⁸And at once his fame spread everywhere throughout all the surrounding region of Galilee.

- P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

The Congregation is seated.

The Hymn of the Day

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 541

“‘Away from Us!’ the Demon Cried”

- 1** **“Away from us!” the demon cried
When Christ, the Lord, drew near.
“Our dark, disordered world is lost
When You, the Light, appear!”**

The Hymn continues on the next page...

- 2 But Jesus spoke with God's own pow'r;
 "Come forth!" was His command;
 For evil cannot bear the Light
 Nor sin the Truth withstand.
- 3 O risen Christ, God's living Word,
 To us, we pray, draw near.
 Come, speak the truth that cleanses sin
 With love that conquers fear.
- 4 Drive out the doubt that cripples faith;
 Expel our pride and greed
 That we, from pow'rs that threaten us,
 May, by Your grace, be freed.
- 5 Then help us, Lord, to greet each day
 With hearts and wills made new
 And, when You call us forth to serve,
 To rise and follow You.

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The Sermon

The Exorcist

The Congregation rises.

The Nicene Creed

- C** 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.**

The Prayer of the Church

- P** Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.
- P** Heavenly Father, Your servant Moses promised that You would raise up a prophet like him from among Your ancient people, putting Your words into his mouth. We bless Your Name that You fulfilled that promise when You sent Your Son with the words of eternal life for us to hear and to treasure. Make all ministers and servants of Your Church faithful in proclaiming that Word, and grant all Your people grace to hear and welcome it with joy. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Your Son spoke with power and showed His authority to release from the oppression of the devil those whom the enemy had afflicted. Through our Savior's mighty Word, continue to free those in bondage to the powers of darkness, transferring them into the Kingdom of Your Son, that with us they may marvel at Your gracious love. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Kind Master, You summon Your children to consider and weigh the impact of their actions on their weaker brothers and sisters and so not to live in such a way that they are merely pleasing themselves. Help all the members of our congregation to be considerate of one another and not to put needless stumbling blocks in the way of each other's faith. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Into Your merciful keeping, we commend all those entrusted with civil authority among us. Help them to serve our nation and communities with honor. Remember also all in our armed forces and particularly our chaplains who minister to them in Your Name. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**

- P** Father, You invite everyone who is godly to offer prayer to You at a time when You may be found. Hear the cries of Your children who call to You in their time of need: those who are ill, hospitalized, injured, grieving, lonely or frightened, especially all we name before You: _____. Have mercy on them all, O Lord, and let them take comfort in Your steadfast love that surrounds those who trust in You. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Heavenly Father, You comfort Your children in their grief. Be present with those who mourn (especially _____), reminding them of hope and joy of eternal life won for us by Your Son and of the certainty of the reunion of all Your faithful ones in the kingdom of heaven. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** O Provider of all good gifts, You abundantly bless Your people with all that is necessary for life on earth, as well as giving us that which gladdens our hearts. With those who rejoice we also rejoice, especially with _____. May we ever give You all thanks and praise for every blessing that You continue to shower on us. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** O Lover of souls, You look with compassion and love upon all of Your children. To Your fatherly care we commend all those who have asked for our prayers. Especially we remember before you _____ and all the people and concerns we name in the silence of our hearts... Hear these prayers, we beseech You, and grant them all according to Your good and gracious will. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Blessed is the one whose transgression You forgive and whose sin You cover. Grant that all who approach the holy altar today to partake of Your Son's true Body and Blood may taste the goodness of Your forgiveness and bring forth the fruits of faith in their lives. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Lord, You are our hiding place. You preserve Your children from trouble and surround them with shouts of deliverance. Receive our thanks for the patriarch Jacob and all the faithful departed who have gone before us and now rest in Christ. Bring us with all Your saints to the joys of the resurrection. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** **Amen.**

The Sharing of the Peace:

- P** Christ is our Peace. If anyone is in Christ, they are a new creation. Behold, the old
has passed away, and everything has become new.
The Peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C** **And also with you.**

The Congregation is seated.

✠ **The Service of the Sacrament** ✠

The Hymn of Preparation

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 849

“Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness”

- 1 Praise the One who breaks the darkness
With a liberating light;
Praise the One who frees the pris’ners,
Turning blindness into sight.
Praise the One who preached the Gospel,
Healing ev’ry dread disease,
Calming storms, and feeding thousands
With the very Bread of peace.**

- 2 Praise the One who blessed the children
With a strong, yet gentle, word;
Praise the One who drove out demons
With the piercing, two-edged sword.
Praise the One who brings cool water
To the desert’s burning sand;
From this Well comes living water,
Quenching thirst in ev’ry land.**

- 3 Let us praise the Word Incarnate,
Christ, who suffered in our place.
Jesus died and rose victorious
That we may know God by grace.
Let us sing for joy and gladness,
Seeing what our God has done;
Let us praise the true Redeemer,
Praise the One who makes us one.**

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The Congregation rises.

The Preface Dialogue:

P The Lord be with you.



C And al-so with you.

P Lift up your hearts.



C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



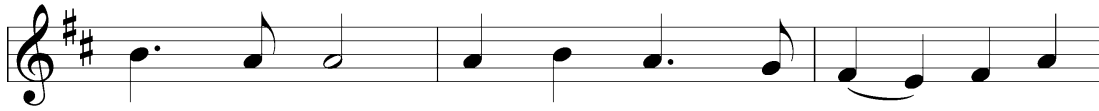
C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

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:

The *Sanctus*:



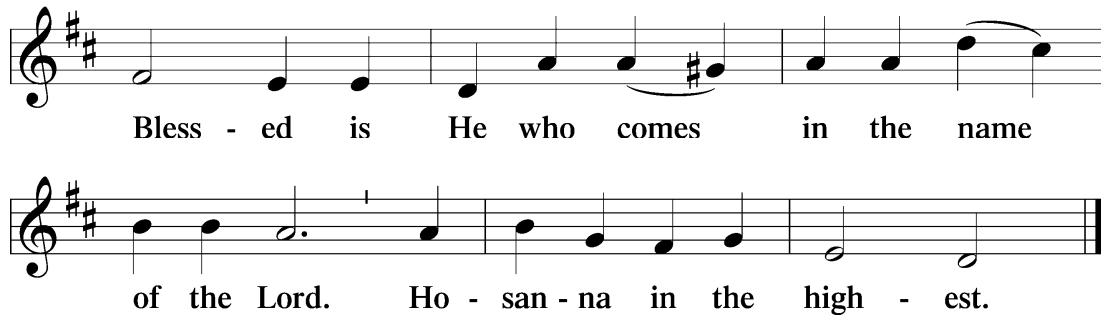
C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of



pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your



glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



The Prayer of Thanksgiving:

- P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His Body and His Blood on the cross.

Gathered in the Name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His Body and drink His Blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

- C** Amen.

The Lord's Prayer:

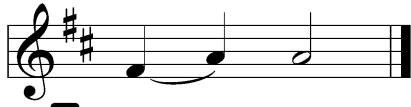
- P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- C** **Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead 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."

The *Pax Domini*:

P The Peace of the Lord be with you always.



C A - men.

The *Agnus Dei*:



C Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world;



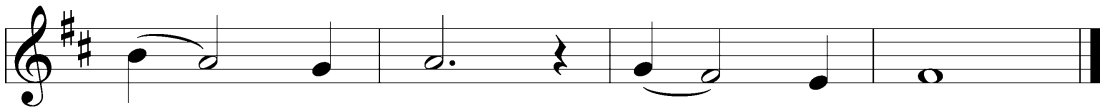
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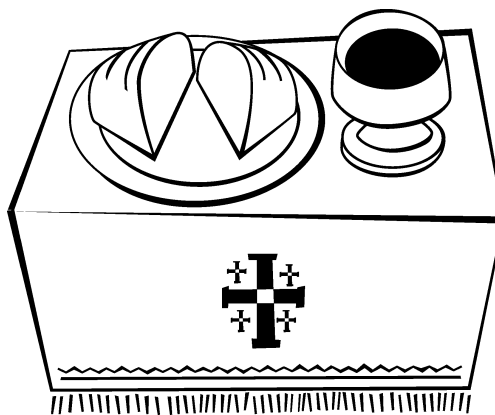


God, You take a - way the sin of the world;



grant us peace, grant us peace.

The Congregation is seated.



The Distribution of Holy Communion:

Lutherans believe that in this Sacrament the very Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ are present in, with, and under the physical elements of bread and wine. And this Sacrament is distributed to the Baptized of the Church who believe in the Presence of Christ in the Sacrament, sincerely repent of their sins, and desire to receive God's forgiveness in this Holy Meal. Those who are present at this celebration who are baptized, have been instructed in the meaning of this Supper, and believe likewise are welcome to commune with us at this Altar today.

Holy Communion is distributed to the congregation in a continuous manner in front of the altar. Please follow the direction of the ushers to make your way to the Altar. The Sacrament is distributed in the following way...Please extend your hand to the Pastor to receive the Body of Christ. Christ's Blood is then received from individual cups from the assistant (wine and white grape juice are available). After receiving, please place your empty cup into the tray at the end of the communion rail and return to your seat by way of the side aisle. Children and those not wishing to receive the Sacrament are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing from the Pastor.

Music During the Distribution: "Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"

After all have communed, the Pastor continues:

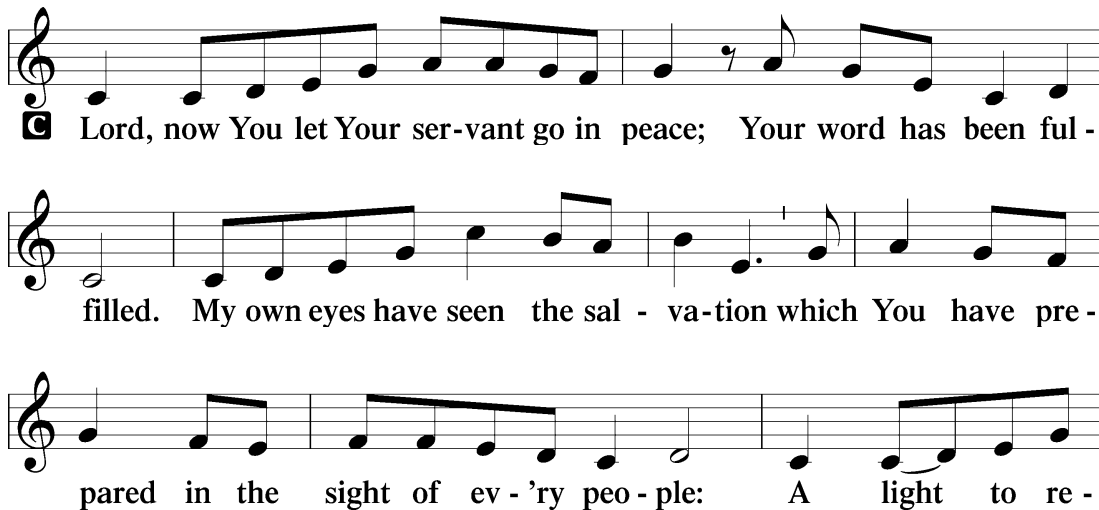
The Eucharistic Blessing:

- P** The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ✠ in peace.
- C** Amen.

The Congregation rises.

The Post-Communion Canticle:

Nunc Dimittis



C Lord, now You let Your ser-vant go in peace; Your word has been fulfilled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va-tion which You have prepared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: A light to re -

veal You to the na-tions and the glo-ry of Your peo-ple Is - ra - el.

Glo-ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Spir-it;

as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.

The Post-Communion Collect:

- P** Let us pray.
 O God the Father, the Fountain and Source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C A - men.

The Benediction:

- 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 A - men.

“Son of God, Eternal Savior”

- 1 **Son of God, eternal Savior,
Source of life and truth and grace,
Word made flesh, whose birth among us
Hallows all our human race,
You our Head, who, throned in glory,
For Your own will ever plead:
Fill us with Your love and pity,
Heal our wrongs, and help our need.**

- 2 **As You, Lord, have lived for others,
So may we for others live.
Freely have Your gifts been granted;
Freely may Your servants give.
Yours the gold and Yours the silver,
Yours the wealth of land and sea;
We but stewards of Your bounty
Held in solemn trust will be.**

- 3 **Come, O Christ, and reign among us,
King of love and Prince of Peace;
Hush the storm of strife and passion,
Bid its cruel discords cease.
By Your patient years of toiling,
By Your silent hours of pain,
Quench our fevered thirst of pleasure,
Stem our selfish greed of gain.**

- 4 **Son of God, eternal Savior,
Source of life and truth and grace,
Word made flesh, whose birth among us
Hallows all our human race:
By Your praying, by Your willing
That Your people should be one,
Grant, O grant our hope’s fruition:
Here on earth Your will be done.**

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The Silent Worship

The Parish Announcements

The Postlude

“Son of God, Eternal Savior”

✠ *To God All Praise and Glory!* ✠

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NOTES AND NEWS

PERSONAL SCRIPTURE STUDY ... Even though we are not able to hold our Sunday Morning Bible Class at this time doesn't mean that you can't continue to be "in the Word" on your own. Pastor has provided parts of our Bible Study guide, "A Longer Look at the Lessons", for your use during the month of January. These materials are posted on the church website, and can be found at: <http://tlcmr.org/our-ministries/christian-education/online-bible-study-materials/> (The link can also be accessed off of our church website home page.)

MIDWEEK DEVOTIONS AND BIBLE STUDY ... will be held this Wednesday at 4:00 PM as Pastor goes live on the church Facebook Page. The services are available for you to view either on the livestream, or anytime afterward by accessing it on the video section on the Facebook Page. During these Wednesdays of the Epiphany Season, we will be studying through the Book of Jonah. We hope that you will join us for these times of the Word and prayer.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR... Dr. Michael Zeigler shares a story about people who had more in common than they thought. Listen to the Lutheran Hour next Sunday February 7, 2021, for this message by Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler, "Stories Around the Table", on WMZQ 98.7 FM at 7:00 AM or on Sundays at 1:30 PM and 6:30 PM on WFAX 1220 AM. If you are out of the radio station's range you may listen on line to WFAX worldwide at WFAX.com.

OUR PRAYER LIST ... The weekly "O Christ, Hear Us" page in the bulletin is a listing of those we remember in prayer during worship at Trinity and for whom you are invited to pray for in your own personal prayers during the week. In the version of the weekly bulletin that is published online, we only list the persons we are praying for by their first names because of privacy concerns and laws, while we continue to lift them up by full name in our spoken prayers. Pastor continues to keep the list current and invites you to send him by email any new prayer requests, or to let him know of any changes or deletions which need to be made. The "full text" version of the Prayer List, as it would ordinarily be found in the bulletin, can be made available to Trinity members who request one by sending an email to Pastor.

FROM YOUR CHURCH'S PUBLISHER ... Concordia Publishing House is assisting congregations and their members with materials to help sustain us spiritually during this time of quarantine that many find ourselves in. Please visit www.cph.org and check out the new and free content available on their homepage which contains many free resources for devotion, learning, and worship.

ALTAR FLOWERS ... The flower chart for 2021 is now available for you to donate floral arrangements to adorn the Lord's Altar in honor of special occasions or in memory of loved ones. The chart can be found on the bulletin board in the narthex. The donation for a single arrangement is \$30.00. If you have any questions, please contact Rona by calling the church office or by email (trinity-elc-office@verizon.net).

COMPASSION CENTER NEWS... Our Compassion Center is open and is once again serving members of our community with their needs for food and clothing. Please see the full page announcement in the bulletin for more information. If you are able to volunteer during the Center's open hours, please contact Elma. Thank you all for your continued help and support and prayers.

In an effort to keep the cupboards full at the Compassion Center during this time of great need in our community we will continue to need your generous donations of food. All non-perishable foods are welcome, and especially needed items include:

Peanut Butter; Pasta; Pasta Sauce; Macaroni & Cheese; Canned Tuna and Chicken;
Canned Fruit; Soup.

There is also a need for diapers, especially sizes 4, 5, and 6.

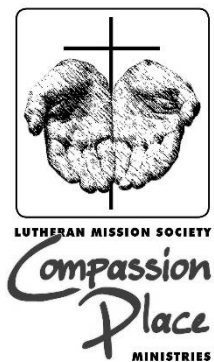
Donations can be dropped off at the Center during Center hours. And you can also leave your donations at church, and we will make sure that it is delivered to the Compassion Center. Thank you for your loving and generous support.

Elma Pervaiz, Coordinator, LMS Compassion Center, Hyattsville, MD

PREPARING FOR NEXT SUNDAY ...

The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany, February 7, 2021

Scripture Readings: Isaiah 40:21-31; 1 Corinthians 9:16-27; Mark 1:29-39



Hyattsville Compassion Center

*A shared ministry of
Redeemer & Trinity Congregations
and the Lutheran Mission Society*

Ms. Elma Pervaiz, Center Coordinator
Center Phone Number: 301-277-2302, ext. 23

We are happy to announce that our Compassion Center has reopened!

Our operating hours will be:

Monday: 10 AM – 4 PM

Tuesday: 10 AM – 4 PM

Wednesday: 10 AM – 2 PM

Food and Clothing Ministry is available by appointment
during the center's open hours.

Please call Elma to make arrangements for us to assist you.

The thrift center will be open during our operating hours
with the following safety guidelines:

- Masks must be worn at all times
- Please observe social distancing
- Number of persons in the center at a time will be limited

In-Kind Donations for the thrift center are limited at this time
owing to reduced staffing at the center.

If you have donations, please contact Elma at the center
before bringing your items during center hours.

Trinity Stay-Safe Rules

- ❖ If you are sick, PLEASE STAY HOME, and please get under a doctor's care.
- ❖ If you are over 65 or immunocompromised, please be careful, follow the rules here at church, or feel free to stay home with God's blessing and ours. (We'll be here when you are ready to come back to worship.)
- ❖ While in the church building, please wear a mask as much as possible for the sake of your neighbors.
- ❖ Please spread out in church in order to do the recommended distancing (six feet). In addition to the pews in the nave, you may also be seated in the balcony or church overflow. Of course, families who reside together may sit together.
- ❖ Wash your hands often. 20 seconds with soap and water. Hand sanitizer is available for you to use as well. Try not to touch your face.
- ❖ Cough and sneeze into a tissue or into your elbow.
- ❖ Please, no handshaking. Use an elbow bump or wave for now.
- ❖ Limit your socializing indoors after the service; or better yet, use distanced visiting with one another outside.
- ❖ All Worship materials are printed for each service. As we will not be reusing them, please take them home with you to recycle.
- ❖ Offerings will not be collected during the service. Please place your offering in the basket on the table in the rear of the nave, or continue to mail in your offering to the church office.
- ❖ Holy Communion will be distributed in a continuous fashion using individual wafers and cups. Please follow the direction of the usher to go forward and receive the Sacrament, and please keep a distance in line between persons.

PARISH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 31 – FEBRUARY 7
May Be Subject to Change

Today	<i>The Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany</i>	
	9:30 AM	Worship Service with Holy Communion (at church in person and via Facebook Live)
Monday	10:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Compassion Center Open
Tuesday	9 AM—Noon	Church Office Open
	10:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Compassion Center Open
Wednesday	10:00 AM – 2:00 PM	Compassion Center Open
	4:00 PM	Midweek Devotions and Bible Study (via Facebook Live)
Thursday	9 AM—Noon	Church Office Open
Next Sunday	<i>The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany</i>	
	9:30 AM	Worship Service with Holy Communion (at church in person and via Facebook Live)

CHURCH STATISTICS

Sunday, January 24, 2021

Worship Attendance: 23 ; Communed: 22 .



✠ O Christ, Hear Us! ✠

Intercessions for the Week of January 31, 2021

Prayers for Continued Healing and Help

For Members of Our Trinity Family:

John, Diane, Julie & Kenny, Elizabeth, Joseph, Diane, Evelyn, Waymond, Alan, August, Clara, David, Ernie, Paul, Sylvia, Angela, Priscilla, and David, Sr.

For Those Who Have Asked of Our Prayers:

Luke, grandson of Charlie & Jean; Dina, niece of Sylvia; Betty, mother of Helen;
Susan, relative of Gus & Betty; Joe, friend of Cullen; Britnany, niece of Lynda; Juliet, mother of Ras-I;
Kristie, co-worker of Joyce; Giovanna, co-worker of Joyce; Linda, daughter of Gus & Betty;
Sue, co-worker of Joyce; Rosemary, sister-in-law of Sylvia; Nicole & daughter, Anya, co-worker of Joyce;
Eric, homeless; Mary, cousin of Pastor; Alan, cousin of Kim; Danielle, neighbor of Kim;
Shirley, aunt of Kim; Lisa, neighbor of Peter & Kim; Dennis & Caron, former Concordia Teachers;
Tasha, and her son Layton, friends of Kristina; Zoila, mother of David; Jeff, husband of Mary;
Jeannette, mother-in-law of John; Ty & Clare, friends of David & Joyce;
Roger & Family, friends of Vincent & Tracy; Jari, former Concordia Teacher

All those affected by or who are in fear of the Coronavirus Outbreak.

For our Medical Community, First Responders, and other Workers who aid us in this time.

Thanksgivings and Blessings

Gary Holland, Erin Burt, and Richard Hudson, who celebrate their birthdays this week.

We Keep In Our Prayers

- ✠ Our Trinity family, our ministries, and our mission.
- ✠ For Pastor Gugssa Biru and the people of the Ethiopian Evangelical Church Mekane Yesus in Maryland
- ✠ For the Lord to continue to move the hearts of our Trinity members to a deeper realization of our part in His mission to the world and to be *Ablaze!* with a desire to tell the Good News about Jesus with those whom we come into contact in our lives.
- ✠ For Elma Pervaiz, our Center Coordinator, and for the work of our Compassion Center.
- ✠ Our government leaders, and for the members of our armed forces.
- ✠ For peace and justice among the residents of our nation's cities and towns where there is unrest from fear and distrust.
- ✠ For all those still affected and recovering from the effects of natural disasters.
- ✠ For our brothers and sisters in Christ who suffer persecution for the faith and Name of Jesus, even to the point of the shedding of their blood.
- ✠ Prayers for peace in our world, especially in those places that are affected by war, oppression, or by acts of terror, and for those who find themselves in harm's way in the war on terrorism.
- ✠ All those we know who are sick, who grieve, and who are in any need of prayer.