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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

Thanks be to You, Lord Jesus Christ, most wonderful Redeemer, for the countless blessings and benefits You give. May we know You more clearly, love You more dearly, and follow You more nearly, daily praising You, with the Father 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 "Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty"

The Words of Welcome

The Congregation rises.

The Opening Hymn

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 901

"Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty"

- Open now thy gates of beauty;
 Zion, let me enter there,
 Where my soul in joyful duty
 Waits for Him who answers prayer.
 Oh, how blessèd is this place,
 Filled with solace, light, and grace!
- Gracious God, I come before Thee;
 Come Thou also unto me.
 Where we find Thee and adore Thee,
 There a heav'n on earth must be.
 To my heart, O enter Thou;
 Let it be Thy temple now!
- 3 Here Thy praise is gladly chanted;
 Here Thy seed is duly sown.
 Let my soul, where it is planted,
 Bring forth precious sheaves alone,
 So that all I hear may be
 Fruitful unto life in me.

The Hymn continues on the next page...

- 4 Thou my faith increase and quicken;
 Let me keep Thy gift divine,
 Howsoe'er temptations thicken;
 May Thy Word still o'er me shine
 As my guiding star through life,
 As my comfort in all strife.
- Speak, O God, and I will hear Thee;
 Let Thy will be done indeed.
 May I undisturbed draw near Thee
 While Thou dost Thy people feed.
 Here of life the fountain flows;
 Here is balm for all our woes.

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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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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 40:1-5; antiphon: verse 10a, b

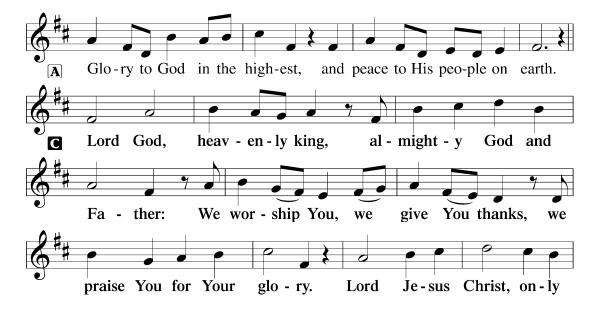
- I have not hidden your deliverance within my heart; I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation;
- I waited patiently for the LORD; he inclined to me and heard my cry.
- P He drew me up from the pit of destruction, out of the miry bog, and set my feet upon a rock, making my steps secure.
- He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God.

 Many will see and fear, and put their trust in the LORD.
- P Blessèd is the man who makes the LORD his trust, who does not turn to the proud, to those who go astray after a lie!
- You have multiplied, O LORD my God, your wondrous deeds and your thoughts toward us; none can compare with you!

 I will proclaim and tell of them, yet they are more than can be told.
- Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
- I have not hidden your deliverance within my heart; I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation.

The Hymn of Praise

Gloria in Excelsis





The Salutation and Collect of the Day:



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.



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

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

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

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

⁸And the LORD called Samuel again the third time. And he arose and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the young man. ⁹Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down, and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant hears." So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

¹⁰And the LORD came and stood, calling as at other times, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant hears."

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

The Epistle 1 Corinthians 6:12-20

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

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

The Congregation rises.

- Praise the LORD, all nations! Extol him, all peoples!
- 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;
- bring an offering, and come into his courts!
- P Alleluia. You are my servant, Israel,
- in whom I will be glorified. Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel John 1:43-51

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

⁴³The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." ⁴⁴Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. ⁴⁵Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him of whom Moses in the Law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." ⁴⁶Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." ⁴⁷Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him and said of him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom there is no deceit!" ⁴⁸Nathanael said to him, "How do you know me?" Jesus answered him, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you." ⁴⁹Nathanael answered him, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" ⁵⁰Jesus answered him, "Because I said to you, 'I saw you under the fig tree,' do you believe? You will see greater things than these." ⁵¹And he said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man."

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

The Congregation is seated.



"Speak, O Lord, Your Servant Listens"

- 1 Speak, O Lord, Your servant listens,
 Let Your Word to me come near;
 Newborn life and spirit give me,
 Let each promise still my fear.
 Death's dread pow'r, its inward strife,
 Wars against Your Word of life;
 Fill me, Lord, with love's strong fervor
 That I cling to You forever!
- 2 Oh, what blessing to be near You
 And to listen to Your voice;
 Let me ever love and hear You,
 Let Your Word be now my choice!
 Many hardened sinners, Lord,
 Flee in terror at Your Word;
 But to all who feel sin's burden
 You give words of peace and pardon.
- 3 Lord, Your words are waters living
 When my thirsting spirit pleads.
 Lord, Your words are bread life-giving;
 On Your words my spirit feeds.
 Lord, Your words will be my light
 Through death's cold and dreary night;
 Yes, they are my sword prevailing
 And my cup of joy unfailing!
- 4 As I pray, dear Jesus, hear me;
 Let Your words in me take root.
 May Your Spirit e'er be near me
 That I bear abundant fruit.
 May I daily sing Your praise,
 From my heart glad anthems raise,
 Till my highest praise is given
 In the endless joy of heaven.

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The Sermon Hearing Test

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

- Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.
- Lord of glory, You have raised up Your Church to be a refuge of peace to an exhausted world. Remember in mercy all the outreach efforts of Your people, and grant them success, that many might find the joy of laying the burden of their sins down at the foot of the cross. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.

- Lord of the Church, Your Son prayed that all His followers might be one, just as You and He are one. Grant that Your Church, despite its wounds and divisions might indeed be one and unified in joyfully and rightly confessing Your Name before the world and inviting the world to find life with You through the salvation You have brought to the world through Jesus Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Father of all, we thank You that You have also adopted us to be Your children by grace through faith and appointed us to be Your servants. Bless the work of our Congregation, Mekane Yesus Congregation, and every Christian Congregation, that we may invite the world to come to You and ever shine forth in word and deed the saving light of the message of the Gospel of Your Son. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Heavenly Father, You hold in Your hand all human might. Remember those who are entrusted with civil authority. Remember in mercy and preserve in wisdom and honor our president and vice-president inaugurated this week. Grant all earthly leaders to exercise the public trust they have been given in such a way that the weak and helpless, especially the unborn, are protected, and that our common life conforms to Your will. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- E King of Creation, You still rule in might over a world broken and torn by sin. Bring peace to our world, especially where war, violence, and bloodshed abound. Give safety to those who work to bring about and preserve freedom, especially remembering the members of our armed forces. Visit our communities and bring healing where there is division. Give wisdom and love to all those who serve the common good in schools, hospitals, and other agencies, and sustain all those who work to keep our communities safe, strong, and united. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- God of all compassion, send forth Your protecting hand upon all children who are still in their mother's womb. Protect them from all sickness and harm, and most especially from willful death by abortion. Give to all women with child true compassion that they may value the life they bear, and give us the courage to speak up in defense of the defenseless and to provide loving homes for children who have no families. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Father of mercy, we ask You to remember today all those who are passing through difficult situations: the lonely, the sick, the hospitalized, especially remembering all whom we have been asked to remember before this altar Bring them the comfort that You alone can give, and grant them relief according to Your wisdom. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.

| <u> </u> | Heavenly Father, You call Your children to dwell forever with You. Comfort those who mourn (especially), reminding them of the open path to heaven given to all who believe and are baptized in Christ. Teach us all to number our days and to rejoice in the eternal life already given to us in the heavenly washing of Baptism. Lord, in Your mercy, |
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| P | 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, |
| 0 | hear our prayer. |
| P | 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, |
| | hear our prayer. |
| <u> </u> | His appearing, thus proclaiming His death and the shedding of His blood. Help us to receive this most holy gift in repentance and in faith, that we may be refreshed in body and soul. Lord, in Your mercy, |
| P | praise for St. Peter, the matriarch Sarah, St. Timothy, and for all who have fallen asleep trusting in the triumph of Christ's cross. Bring us with them to see You face to face in the Kingdom that has no end. Lord, in Your mercy, |
| P | All these things, kind Father, and whatever else You see that we need, grant us for the sake of Him who ever lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. |
| 0 | Amen. |
| The Shar | ing 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. |
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The Congregation is seated.

▼ The Service of the Sacrament **▼**

The Hymn of Preparation

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 395

"O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright"

- O Morning Star, how fair and bright!
 You shine with God's own truth and light,
 Aglow with grace and mercy!
 Of Jacob's race, King David's son,
 Our Lord and master, You have won
 Our hearts to serve You only!
 Lowly, holy!
 Great and glorious,
 All victorious,
 Rich in blessing!
 Rule and might o'er all possessing!
- Come, heav'nly Bridegroom, Light divine, And deep within our hearts now shine; There light a flame undying! In Your one body let us be As living branches of a tree, Your life our lives supplying.

 Now, though daily
 Earth's deep sadness
 May perplex us
 And distress us,
 Yet with heav'nly joy You bless us.
- At once there falls from God above
 A ray of purest pleasure.
 Your Word and Spirit, flesh and blood
 Refresh our souls with heav'nly food.
 You are our dearest treasure!
 Let Your mercy
 Warm and cheer us!
 O draw near us!
 For You teach us
 God's own love through You has reached us.

The Hymn continues on the next page...

4 Almighty Father, in Your Son
You loved us when not yet begun
Was this old earth's foundation!
Your Son has ransomed us in love
To live in Him here and above:
This is Your great salvation.
Alleluia!
Christ the living,
To us giving
Life forever,
Keeps us Yours and fails us never!

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The Congregation rises.

The Preface Dialogue:

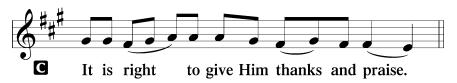
P The Lord be with you.



P Lift up your hearts.

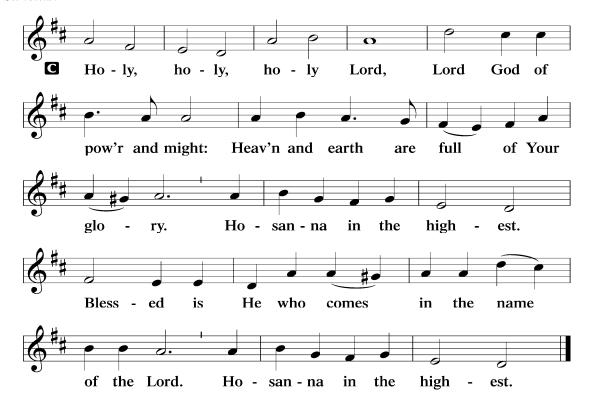


P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



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:



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:
- 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:

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.



The Agnus Dei:



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: "Lift Every Voice and Sing"

After all have communed, the Pastor continues:

The Eucharistic Blessing:

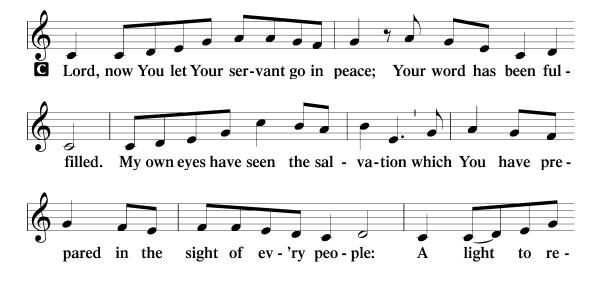
- P The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart

 → in peace.
- C Amen.

The Congregation rises.

The Post-Communion Canticle:

Nunc Dimittis





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.



The Benediction:

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.



"O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright"

O let the harps break forth in sound!
Our joy be all with music crowned,
Our voices gladly blending!
For Christ goes with us all the way—
Today, tomorrow, ev'ry day!
His love is never ending!
Sing out! Ring out!
Jubilation!
Exultation!
Tell the story!
Great is He, the King of Glory!

What joy to know, when life is past,
The Lord we love is first and last,
The end and the beginning!
He will one day, oh, glorious grace,
Transport us to that happy place
Beyond all tears and sinning!
Amen! Amen!
Come, Lord Jesus!
Crown of gladness!
We are yearning
For the day of Your returning!

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The Silent Worship

The Parish Announcements

The Postlude

"O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright"

₩ To God All Praise and Glory! ₩

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NOTES AND NEWS

The flowers on the altar are presented to the Glory of God by Peter Schiebel in thanksgiving to the Lord for the 5th anniversary of Kim's cancer being in remission.

PORTALS OF PRAYER...The January – March 2021 Portals of Prayer are available on the literature table at the rear of the church. The Large Print editions have finally arrived for those who need them. Thanks for your patience. If you need a copy mailed to you at home, please send a message to the church office by phone or email and we will get that to you as soon as we can.

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. Over the next four Wednesdays, 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... Jesus' parables draw His followers out of the crowd and into the circle of His disciples. Listen to the Lutheran Hour next Sunday January 24, 2021, for this message by Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler, "Why Jesus Told Parables", 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 Third Sunday after the Epiphany, January 24, 2021 Scripture Readings: Jonah 3:1-5, 10; 1 Corinthians 7:29-31; Mark 1:14-20



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 17 - 24 May Be Subject to Change

Today The Second Sunday after the Epiphany

9:30 AM Worship Service with Holy Communion

(at church in person and via Facebook Live)

Monday10:00 AM - 4:00 PMCompassion Center OpenTuesday9 AM—NoonChurch 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 The Third Sunday after the Epiphany

9:30 AM Worship Service with Holy Communion

(at church in person and via Facebook Live)

CHURCH STATISTICS

Sunday, January 10, 2021 Worship Attendance: 26; Communed: 24.

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🛚 O Christ, Hear Us! 🔻

Intercessions for the Week of January 17, 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; Robin, friend 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

Diane Hines, Eric Royal, Tim Thate, and Shekira Ramdass, 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.