# **Second Sunday after Epiphany**

Sunday, January 14, 2024 8:30 & 11:00 a.m. Livestream at 11:00 a.m.



Icon 1, Epiphany 2b, Sundays and Seasons

# FAITH - DISCIPLESHIP - COMMUNITY THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

The Rev. Alejandro Mejia, Interim Senior Pastor The Rev. William (Bill) Gohl, Jr., Interim Associate Pastor

At The Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, we embrace the uniqueness of every individual and respect their dignity and worth, for all are created in the image of God. We strive to welcome everyone in the fullness of who they are.

Let us call together for reconciliation, and live out God's vision of love for people of every sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, socio-economic status, age, physical or mental ability, political persuasion, race, ethnicity, and personal history.

Let us walk together to strive for racial equity, as Jesus calls us to do.

All people are welcome here to worship, build community, and grow together as Jesus' disciples at this place.

#### Enter Reverently. Meditate Quietly. Worship Joyfully. Serve Christ Faithfully.

# **♦** GATHERING **♦**

**Prelude** Berceuse: 24 Pieces in free style Vol. II L. Vierne

Please rise, as you are able.

#### **Confession and Forgiveness**

- **P** Blessed be the holy Trinity, & one God, creator of darkness and light, word of truth, wind sweeping over the waters.
- C Amen.
- **P** Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

- **P** God our rock and refuge,
- C we pour out our hearts before you. We have known you but have not always loved you. We have wounded one another and sinned against you. We have not always recognized the Holy Spirit dwelling in each of us. Remember your covenant. Renew your creation. Restore us, that we might proclaim your good news to all. Amen.
- P The voice of the Lord is upon the waters. God has spoken: The time of grace is now. In Jesus, the reign of God has come near. By the authority of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are God's beloved.
- C Amen.

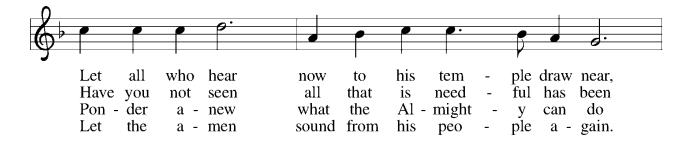
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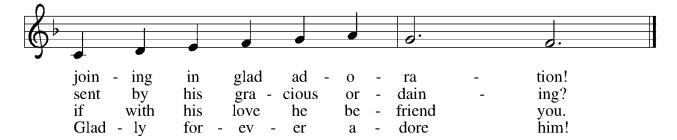


- 1 Praise to the Lord, the Al might y, the King of cre a tion!
- 2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is won-drous-ly reign ing
- 3 Praise to the Lord, who will pros-per your work and de-fend you;
- 4 Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me a dore him!



my soul, praise him, for O he is your health and sal - va - tion! and, as on wings of an ea - gle, up - lift - ing, sus - tain ing. mer - cy shall dai - ly at - tend good - ness and his you. life and breath, come now with prais - es be - fore him! All that has





- **P** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.

**Gathering Hymn** 

#### **Hymn of Praise**



- 1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
- 2 Glo-ry be to Christ for ev er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
- 3 Ho-ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth: Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove; Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise. on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand. Je-sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa-ther's splen-dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise. Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand. For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

- **P** Let us pray. Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, most merciful redeemer,
- C for the countless blessings and benefits you give. May we know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day praising you, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Please be seated.

#### **→** THE WORD **→**

#### **First Reading**

1 Samuel 3:1-10

A reading from first Samuel. <sup>1</sup>Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

<sup>2</sup>At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; 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. <sup>4</sup>Then the Lord called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" <sup>5</sup>and 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. <sup>6</sup>The Lord called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up 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." Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. 8The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. <sup>9</sup>Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.' "So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

<sup>10</sup>Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

- **A** The word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

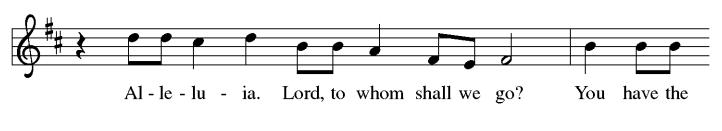
- **A** <sup>1</sup>O LORD, you have searched me and known me.
- C <sup>2</sup>You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from far away.
- **A** <sup>3</sup>You search out my path and my lying down, and are acquainted with all my ways.
- C <sup>4</sup>Even before a word is on my tongue, O LORD, you know it completely.
- **A** <sup>5</sup>You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me.
- C <sup>6</sup>Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain it.
- **A** <sup>13</sup>For it was you who formed my inward parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb.
- C <sup>14</sup>I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; that I know very well.
- **A** <sup>5</sup>My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth.
- C <sup>16</sup>Your eyes beheld my unformed substance. In your book were written all the days that were formed for me, when none of them as yet existed.
- **A** <sup>17</sup>How weighty to me are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them!
- C <sup>18</sup>I try to count them they are more than the sand; I come to the end I am still with you.

## **Second Reading**

#### 1 Corinthians 6:12-20

- A reading from first Corinthians. 12 "All things are lawful for me," A but not all things are beneficial. "All things are lawful for me," but I will not be dominated by anything. <sup>13</sup> "Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food," and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is meant not for fornication but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. <sup>14</sup>And God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power. <sup>15</sup>Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Should I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! <sup>16</sup>Do you not know that whoever is united to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For it is said, "The two shall be one flesh." <sup>17</sup>But anyone united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. <sup>18</sup>Shun fornication! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body; but the fornicator sins against the body itself. <sup>19</sup>Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own? <sup>20</sup>For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body.
- **A** The word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Please rise, as you are able.





#### **Gospel**

John 1:43-51

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

<sup>43</sup>The 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. <sup>45</sup>Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." <sup>46</sup>Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." 47When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" <sup>48</sup>Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." <sup>49</sup>Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" <sup>50</sup>Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." <sup>51</sup>And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

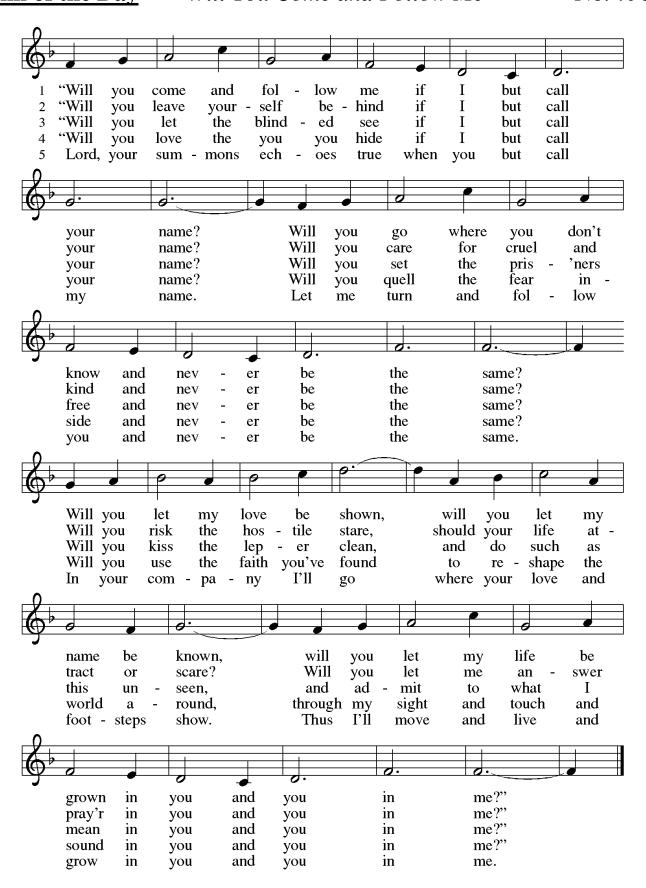
- **P** The Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

#### Sermon

The Rev. Kelsey Green Pastor, Lutheran Episcopal Campus Ministry in Baltimore

Please rise, as you are able.



- **A** Let us confess our faith using the words of the Nicene Creed.
- C We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**A** As we celebrate Christ embodied in human form, we pray for God's blessing on the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

After each portion of the prayers:

- A God of grace,
- C receive our prayer.

The prayers conclude:

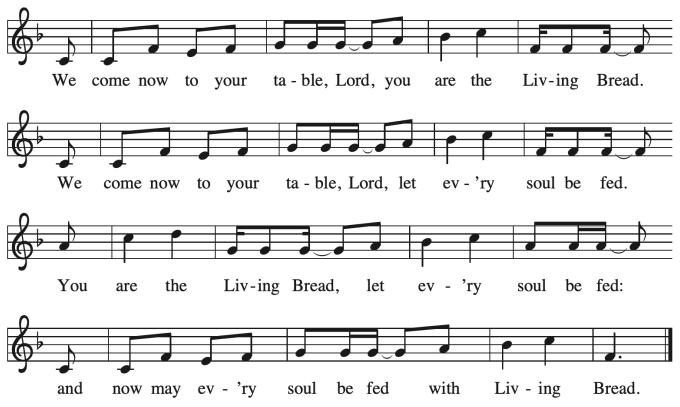
- **P** Knowing the Holy Spirit intercedes for us, we offer these prayers and the silent prayers of our hearts in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ.
- C Amen.
- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C And also with you.

After sharing the peace, please be seated.

#### **Offering and Offertory**

Von Himmel hoch, da komm ich her (2nd variation) F. W. Zachau

As the gifts are presented, please rise as you are able.



- A Let us pray. Blessed are you, Holy One,
- C for all good things come from you. In bread and cup you open heaven to us. Meet us at this table, that we receive what we seek and follow your Son, Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen.

#### **+**THE EUCHARIST**+**

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give God thanks and praise.

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should in all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. By the leading of a star he was shown forth to all nations; in the waters of the Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son, and in the miracle of water turned to wine he revealed your glory. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn.



- **P** Holy God, mighty and merciful, your people praise you, saying: Your mercy endures forever.
- C Your mercy endures forever.
- P By your promise you bound yourself to earth and all its creatures, granting them life and calling them to flourish, setting the sign of your bow in the clouds, the colors of your love and faithfulness. Your mercy endures forever.
- C Your mercy endures forever.
- P By your promise you bound yourself to your people of old, blessing them with family outnumbering the stars and calling them to be a blessing to others, showing them steadfast love in every generation and calling them to be a light to the nations. Your mercy endures forever.
- C Your mercy endures forever.
- **P** By your promise you joined us to Jesus, your Beloved, grafting us into your living Vine, and calling us to bear the fruit of your self-giving love.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

- **P** With this bread and cup we remember his life laid down and lifted up as we proclaim the mystery of faith.
- C Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.
- P Send your Holy Spirit upon us and these gifts of bread and wine. Bless us to be a blessing. Make us a sign of your faithfulness. Send us to tend and cherish the earth and to serve the world with mercy and love.

With all the saints in light, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, through Christ Jesus, in your Spirit, now and forever.

- C Amen.
- **P** Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.
- 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.

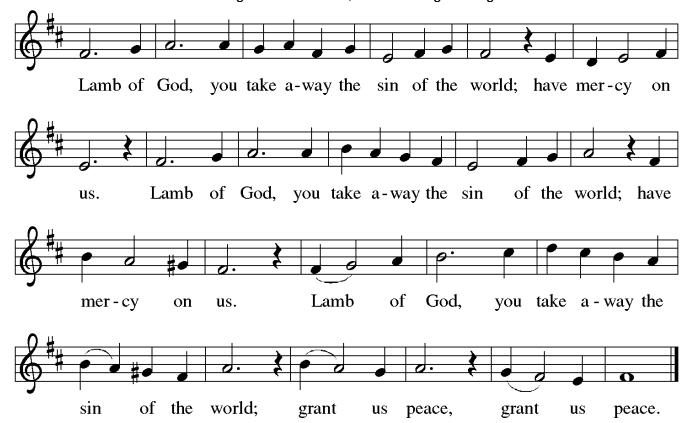
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

- **P** At Jesus' table, heaven and earth are joined as one. Come and see.
- C Thanks be to God.

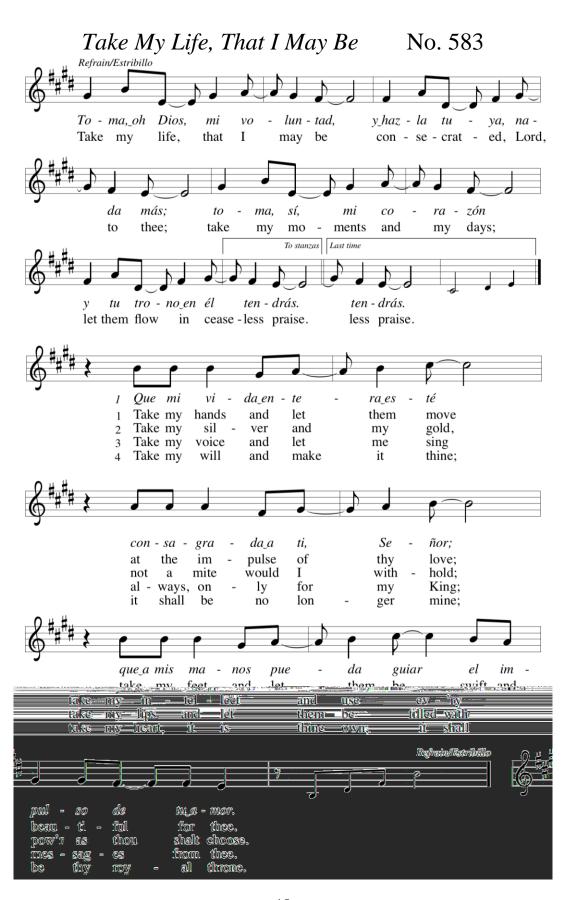
Please be seated.

We welcome to the table all who proclaim with us that Jesus Christ is truly present in the bread and the wine. (Note: should you prefer, we also offer gluten free wafers and grape juice.

#### During the distribution, the following is sung:







- **P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- C Amen.
- **A** Let us pray. Giver of every gift,
- C Christ's body is our food, and we are Christ's body. Raise us to life by your power for the benefit of all and to your glory, now and forever. Amen.

#### **♦** SENDING **♦**

- **P** God who names you, Christ who claims you, and the Holy Spirit who dwells in you, + bless you and remain with you always.
- C Amen.

### **Sending Hymn**

#### We All Are One in Mission

No. 576



- 1 We all are one in mis sion; we all are one in call,
- 2 We all are called for ser vice, to wit-ness in God's name.
- 3 Now let us be u nit ed, and let our song be heard.



our var-ied gifts u - nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all. Our min-is-tries are dif - f'rent; our pur - pose is the same: Now let us be a ves - sel for God's re - deem-ing Word.



sin - gle great com - mis sion com - pels us from a - bove God's sur-pris-ing touch the lives of oth ers with We all are one in mis sion; we all are one in



to plan and work to - geth - er that all may know Christ's love. so ev - 'ry folk and na - tion may feel God's warm em - brace. our var - ied gifts u - nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all.

- **A** Go in peace. You are God's beloved.
- C Thanks be to God.

#### **Postlude**

O Lamm Gottes unschuldig

J. Pachelbel

We welcome and thank Pastor Kelsey Green for being our guest preacher and Troy Lawson for leading our music this morning!

#### The Flowers are Given to the Glory of God by

Gail Fricke in honor of our guests from the Racial Justice Alliance of Maryland.

#### Pray for Those That Need God's Healing

Ray, Paul, Darius, Lynn, Ken, Donald, Al, Donna, Lind, Joan, Ed, Marion, Betty, Karen, Theresa, Elaine, Georgeann, Jean, Marge, Nicholas, Lois, Barbara & Bruce

# **Prayers of Comfort**

for Steve, Marcy, Ellie, Owen, and Vivian Starbuck on the recent passing of Steve's dad, Fred Starbuck.

We pray the blessed hope of the resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ comforts to the Starbuck family.

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