



A Congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church In America



THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

January 15, 2023 - 10:00 AM - in the Gym



Welcome to Trinity Lutheran Church

As disciples of Christ seeking peace and justice in the world, we welcome, affirm, and include all people into the fullness of God's love. We celebrate people of all races, cultures, ages, sexual orientations, gender identities, physical or mental abilities, socioeconomic statuses, appearances, family status and citizenship as equally loved and valued in the eyes of God and in this place. All are invited to join this community as we worship God, grow in faith, and strive to love and serve one another. All, without exception, are welcome in this place.

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in honor of their daughters, Beth and Alicia, by Tad and Becky Boland.

SERVING TODAY

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| Presiding Minister and Preaching | David Coffman |
| Assisting Minister | Penny Bostain |
| Pianist and Choir Director | Jim Parham |
| Lector | Samuel Godfrey |
| Cantor | Donna Potts |
| Prayers | Reid Tidwell |
| Greeters | Lura Godfrey Paul Godfrey Samuel Godfrey Pattimarie Janssen Andrew Weiner Joyce Weiner |
| Ushers | Mark Godfrey Lani Ludian Chris Wannemacher |
| Refreshment Hosts | Chad and Julie Brightwell |
| Video | Henry Wilcox |
| Audio | Gregg Alley |

GATHERING

PRELUDE

WORDS OF WELCOME AND AFFIRMATION

Please stand as able

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,
who makes all things new,
whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Holy One, source of our renewal,
**we confess that we are wrapped up in sin,
and cannot free ourselves.
We have not practiced your righteousness.
Our hearts have turned away from you.
For the sake of the world you so love,
forgive us,
that we may be reconciled to one another
for the glory of your holy name.**

Amen.

Thus says our God:

"The former things have come to pass
and new things I now declare."

God's mercy makes us new.

We are forgiven in the name of ✝ Christ our Savior.

Amen.

**Rise, shine, you people! Christ the Lord has entered
our human story; God in him is centered. He comes to us,
by death and sin surrounded, with grace unbounded.**

**See how he sends the pow'rs of evil reeling;
he brings us freedom, light and life and healing. All men and
women, who by guilt are driven, now are forgiven.**

**Come, celebrate; your banners high unfurling,
your songs and prayers against the darkness hurling. To all the
world go out and tell the story of Jesus' glory.**

**Tell how the Father sent the Son to save us.
Tell of the Son, who life and freedom gave us. Tell how the
Spirit calls from ev'ry nation God's new creation.**

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Cantor



Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

All



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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Holy God, our strength and our redeemer, by your Spirit hold us forever, that through your grace we may worship you and faithfully serve you, follow you and joyfully find you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

WORD

FIRST READING

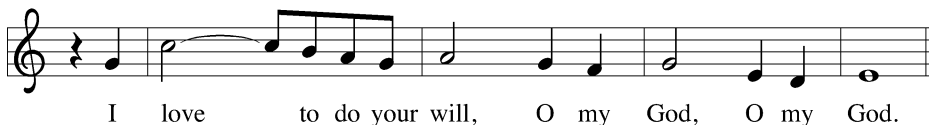
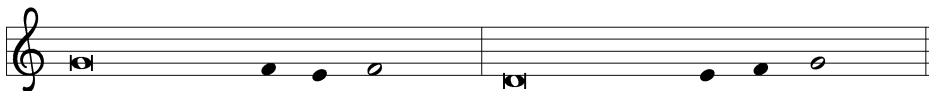
Isaiah 49:1-7

A reading from Isaiah.

¹Islands, listen to me! Pay attention, distant peoples! God called me before I was born, and named me from my mother's womb. ²God made my mouth a sharp sword, and hid me in the shadow of the hand of the Most High. The Almighty made me into a sharpened arrow, and concealed me in God's quiver. ³The Holy One said to me, "You are my Servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified." ⁴I had been thinking, "I have toiled in vain, I have exhausted myself for nothing!"—yet all the while my cause was with God, and my reward was with my God. ⁵Thus says God, who formed me in the womb to be God's Servant, who destined me to bring back the children of Jacob and gather again the people of Israel: ⁶"It is not enough for you to do my bidding, to restore the tribes of Leah, Rachel, and Jacob and bring back the survivors of Israel; I will make you the light of the nations, so that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth." ⁷Thus says God, the Redeemer of Israel, the Holy One, to the one deeply despised, the one abhorred by nations, the one enslaved by despots: "Rulers will stand when you walk in the room and court officials will pay homage because of God, who is faithful, because of the Holy One of Israel, who chose you."

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

*Thereafter, the congregation is invited to sing without introduction.*Psalm
RefrainPsalm
Tone

- ¹I waited patiently up- | on the LORD,
who stooped to me and | heard my cry.
- ²**The LORD lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the | miry clay,
and set my feet upon a high cliff, making my | footing sure.**
- ³The LORD put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise | to our God;
many shall see, and stand in awe, and put their trust | in the LORD.
- ⁴**Happy are they who trust | in the LORD!
They do not turn to enemies or to those who | follow lies. R**
- ⁵Great are the wonders you have done, O LORD my God! In your plans for us, none can be
com- | pared with you!
Oh, that I could make them known and tell them! But they are more than | I can count.
- ⁶**Sacrifice and offering you do | not desire;
you have opened my ears: burnt-offering and sin-offering you have | not
required. R**
- ⁷And so I said, "Here I | am; I come.
In the scroll of the book it is writ- | ten of me:
- ⁸**'I love to do your will, | O my God;
your law is | deep within me.'**"
- ⁹I proclaimed righteousness in the | great assembly;
I have not restrained my lips, O | LORD, you know.
- ¹⁰**I have not hidden your righteousness in my heart; I have spoken of your
faithfulness and | your deliverance;
I have not concealed your steadfast love and truth from the | great assembly.**
- ¹¹You are the LORD; do not withhold your compas- | sion from me;
may your steadfast love and your truth continually | keep me safe. **R**

A reading from first Corinthians.

¹From Paul, called by God's will to be an apostle of Jesus Christ, together with Sosthenes our brother, ²To the church of God in Corinth, you who have been consecrated in Christ Jesus and called to be a holy people, as well as to all who, wherever they may be, call on the name of Jesus Christ, their Redeemer and ours: ³Grace and peace from our Loving God and our Savior Jesus Christ. ⁴I continually thank my God for you because of the gift bestowed on you in Christ Jesus, ⁵in whom you have been richly endowed with every gift of speech and knowledge. ⁶In the same way, the testimony about Christ has been so confirmed among you ⁷that you lack no spiritual gift, as you wait for the revelation of our Savior Jesus Christ. ⁸God will strengthen you to the end, so that you will be blameless on the day of our Savior Jesus Christ. ⁹God, through whom you have been called into intimacy with Jesus our Savior, is faithful.

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Pastor Coffman

Please stand as able

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the



words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

The Holy Gospel according to Saint John the first chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁹John the Baptist saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, "Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!" ³⁰This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.' ³¹I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel." ³²And John testified, "I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. ³³I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' ³⁴And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God."
³⁵The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, ³⁶and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!" ³⁷The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. ³⁸When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi", which translated means Teacher, "where are you staying?" ³⁹He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. ⁴⁰One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. ⁴¹He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah", which is translated Anointed. ⁴²He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas", which is translated Peter.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

SERMON

Pastor Coffman

Please stand as able

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**Jesus calls us; o'er the tumult of our
life's wild, restless sea, day by day his clear voice
sounding, saying, "Christian, follow me".**

**As of old Saint Andrew heard it by the
Galilean lake, turned from home and toil and
kindred, leaving all for Jesus' sake.**

**Jesus calls us from the worship of the
vain world's golden store, from each idol that would
keep us, saying, "Christian, love me more."**

**In our joys and in our sorrows, days of
toil and hours of ease, still he calls in cares and
pleasures, "Christian, love me more than these."**

**Jesus calls us! By your mercy, Savior,
may we hear your call, give our hearts to your
obedience, serve and love you best of all.**

APOSTLES' CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

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

A brief silence.

Put a new song in the mouth of your church. Inspire the baptized to tell of your faithfulness, sharing the good news of your salvation throughout the earth. Bless the witness of missionaries serving you both domestically and internationally. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

The waters of baptism call us into life in the Spirit. Preserve the world's waters: protect them from pollution, support plants and animals who depend on them. Grant rest to trees, grasses, and perennial plants that have gone dormant for the winter. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

In Jesus you are the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Show your mercy to all nations. Direct leaders to do your will; fill governing bodies with righteousness; equip judges with discernment and compassion. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

You incline your ear to all who cry to you. Draw near to individuals and communities suffering violence, injustice, illness, or poverty. Hide them in the shadow of your hand and make us signs of your faithfulness to all in need. Bring healing to the sick and hope to the dying. We pray especially for those we name now on our lips or silently in our hearts ... Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

You are glorified in the servants you have called. With Martin Luther King Jr., give us bold trust in you. Even when it feels like a sharp sword or polished arrow, give us courage to receive your call to repentance and racial justice. Remind us that you show no partiality when it comes to race, nationality, ethnicity, gender identity, or sexual orientation. We pray that the church will not be complicit of injustice by being silent, but that it can rise up with a prophetic voice that speaks truth to power and advances the values of your Kin-dom. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

In every place and time, you have sanctified your people. We praise you for the testimony of those who have died in the faith. Strengthen us as we wait for the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

We bring to you our needs and hopes, O God, trusting your wisdom and power revealed in Christ crucified.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ is with you always.

And also with you.

Please share with one another a sign of Christ's peace.

Please be seated

MEAL

OFFERING

Lamb of God
F. Melius Christiansen

Adult Choir

Please stand as able

OFFERING HYMN

As with Gladness Men of Old
(verse 2 & 3)

#302

**As with joyful steps they sped, Savior, to thy lowly bed,
there to bend the knee before thee, whom heav'n and earth adore;
so may we with willing feet ever seek thy mercy seat.**

**As they offered gifts most rare at thy cradle rude and bare,
so may we with holy joy, pure and free from sin's alloy,
all our costliest treasures bring, Christ, to thee, our heav'nly king.**

Let us pray, Liberating God,

**you break the bonds of injustice
and let the oppressed go free.**

Receive these offerings in thanksgiving

for all your works of merciful power,

and shape us as people of your justice and freedom.

You we magnify and adore, through Jesus our Savior,

Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord is with you.

And also with you.

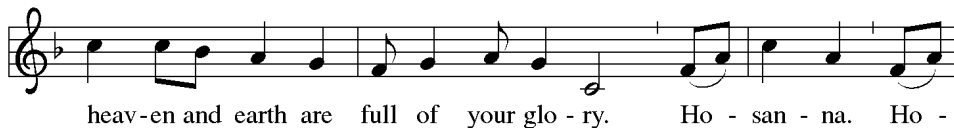
Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ;
who on this day overcame death and the grave,
and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.
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:



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.

LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God!

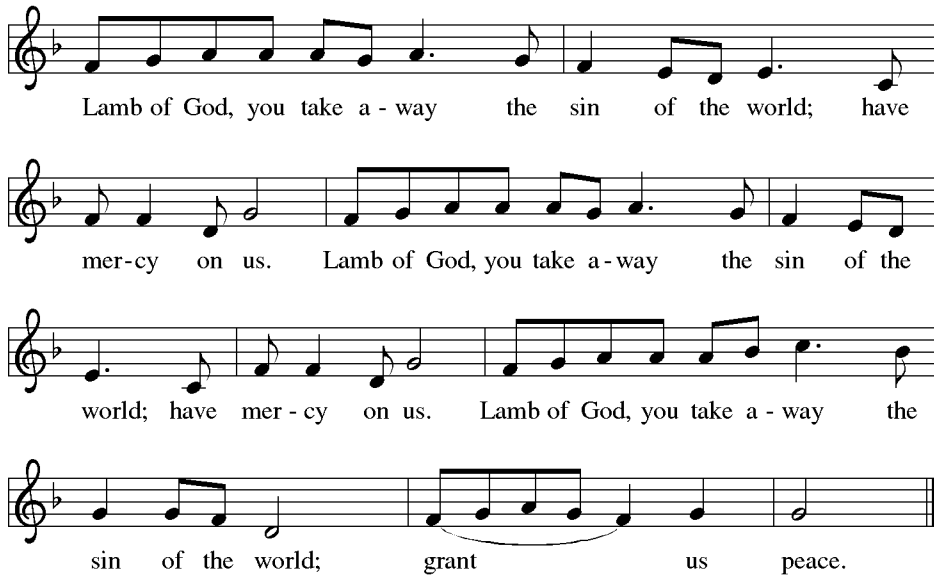
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COMMUNION

All, without exception, are welcome at the table of God's grace and love. Anyone preferring not to receive the wine may receive only the bread, completely trusting that the full benefit of communion — Christ's grace and forgiveness — may be found in either the bread or wine.

Worshippers will come forward to receive the bread and wine and then return to their seats to consume the elements.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

Here I Am, Lord

#574

**“I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?”**

Refrain

***Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you
calling in the night. I will go, Lord, if you
lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.***

**“I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people’s pain.
I have wept for love of them. They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?” *Refrain***

**“I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?” *Refrain***

Come, beloved of the Maker, come,
behold the First-born One; see revealed creation's
splendor, bear us into light at last.

See the Morning-star now beckon to those
bound to doubt and night; "Follow me," Christ calls in
welcome, "come from darkness into light."

Follow to the birth of newness; follow
to the life of peace; follow to the hill of
anguish; follow to the garden bliss.

There we too will burn and brighten, God's
resplendent work begun; glory will ascend and
heighten, crowning us with glorious sun.

Christ, bright image of the Maker, God, whose
glory none may pass, Spirit, sun of love and
splendor, bear us into light at last.

Please stand as able

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

Amen.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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

Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

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

Amen.

SENDING HYMN

Arise, Your Light Has Come!

#314

**Arise, you light has come! The Spirit's call obey;
show forth the glory of your God which shines on you today.**

**Arise, your light has come! Fling wide the prison door;
proclaim the captive's liberty, good tidings to the poor.**

**Arise, your light has come! All you in sorrow born,
bind up the broken hearted ones and comfort those who mourn.**

**Arise, your light has come! The mountains burst in song!
Rise up like eagles on the wing, God's pow'r will make us strong.**

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Follow the way of Jesus.

Thanks be to God.

*Everyone is invited to gather in the back of the Gym
following worship for refreshments and fellowship.*

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