



A Congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church In America

# FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

February 9, 2025 - 10:00 AM - in the Sanctuary

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 memory of their father, Wayne Mangels, by his daughters, Susan Mangels and Stephanie Watson.

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## GATHERING

#### Prelude

WORDS OF WELCOME AND AFFIRMATION

Please stand as able

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, our creator, our protector, our wellspring of life.

#### Amen.

Trusting that God receives our words and the meditations of our hearts, let us confess our sin.

## Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God,

you speak blessing and compassion into the world. Forgive us for the ways we act with judgment, cruelty, or indifference. We ignore the needs of our neighbors; we resist your call to oppose injustice; we give in to scarcity and fear; we assume the worst about one another. Cleanse us from our faults and release us from their grasp. Show us your lovingkindness. Restore our hearts and repair your world, that we may live in Christ's ways. Amen.

God proclaims these words of assurance: "Do not fear, for I have redeemed you. I have called you by name. You are mine." In + Christ, you are forgiven. In the Spirit, you are made free. Refreshed by the waters of mercy, live anew as beloved children of God.

#### Amen.

Here in this place the new light is streaming, now is the darkness vanished away; see in this space our fears and our dreamings brought here to you in the light of this day.

Gather us in, the lost and forsaken, gather us in, the blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall awaken, we shall arise at the sound of our name.

We are the young, our lives are a myst'ry, we are the old who yearn for your face; we have been sung throughout all of hist'ry, called to be light to the whole human race.

Gather us in, the rich and the haughty, gather us in, the proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so lowly, give us the courage to enter the song.

Here we will take the wine and the water, here we will take the bread of new birth, here you shall call your sons and your daughters, call us anew to be salt for the earth.

Give us to drink the wine of compassion, give us to eat the bread that is you; nourish us well, and teach us to fashion lives that are holy and hearts that are true.

Not in the dark of buildings confining, not in some heaven, light years away, here in this place the new light is shining, now is the kingdom, and now is the day.

Gather us in and hold us forever, gather us in and make us your own; gather us in, all peoples together, fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

#### GREETING

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

## CANTICLE OF PRAISE



## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. God of the journey, in the great mystery of your abundant and relentless love for us, sometimes you call us into the deep, dark water. We do not understand. We do not want to go. We question your wisdom. We doubt your motive. Give us the strength and courage to trust you even when we are afraid, even when the world seems to be falling apart. Remind us that we bow to you, not to any earthly power. Help us to follow you into the deep, dark water trusting that you are with us, that you will never ever leave us or betray us or forsake us or abandon us, in Jesus' name we pray.

Amen.

Please be seated

Word

FIRST READING Isaiah 6:1-8

A reading from Isaiah.

<sup>1</sup> In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw God sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of God's robe filled the temple. <sup>2</sup> Seraphs were in attendance above; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. <sup>3</sup> And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the God of hosts;

whose glory fills the whole earth."

<sup>4</sup>The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. <sup>5</sup>And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the Ruler, the God of hosts!" <sup>6</sup>Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. <sup>7</sup>The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." <sup>8</sup>Then I heard God's voice saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

# The refrain is introduced by the cantor Thereafter, the congregation is invited to sing without introduction.



- <sup>1</sup>I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with 1 my whole heart; before the gods I will 1 sing your praise.
- <sup>2</sup>I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name, because of your steadfast | love and faithfulness; for you have glorified your name and your word a- | bove all things. R
  <sup>3</sup>When I called, you | answered me; you increased my | strength within me.
- <sup>4</sup>All the rulers of the earth will praise | you, O LORD, when they have heard the words | of your mouth.
- <sup>5</sup>They will sing of the ways ∣ of the LORD, that great is the glory ∣ of the LORD.
- $^6$ The LORD is high, yet cares  $^{\mid}$  for the lowly, perceiving the haughty  $^{\mid}$  from afar. R
- <sup>7</sup>Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you I keep me safe; you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right I hand shall save me.
- 8You will make good your pur- | pose for me; O LORD, your steadfast love endures forever; do not abandon the works | of your hands. R

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

A reading from first Corinthians.

<sup>1</sup> Now I would remind you, my dear siblings, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, <sup>2</sup> through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain. <sup>3</sup> For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, <sup>4</sup> and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, <sup>5</sup> and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. <sup>6</sup> Then Christ appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. <sup>7</sup> Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. <sup>8</sup> Last of all, as to one untimely born, Christ appeared also to me. <sup>9</sup> For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. <sup>10</sup> But by the grace of God I am what I am, and God's grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. <sup>11</sup> Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

The Word of God for the people of God.

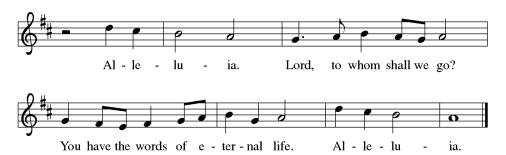
#### Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

The Call to Justice

Please stand as able

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL Luke 5:1-11

The Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke the fifth chapter.

## Glory to you, O Lord.

¹Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, ² he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the ones who had been fishing had gone out of them and were washing their nets. ³ Jesus got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then Jesus sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. ⁴ When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." ⁵ Simon answered, "Teacher, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." ⁶ When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. ⁶ So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. ⁶ But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" ⁶ For Simon and his shipmates were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; ¹¹ and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will fish among human kind." ¹¹ When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed Jesus.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

SERMON

God is with Us in the Deep Water

Please stand as able

HYMN OF THE DAY

God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind

#400

God of tempest, God of whirlwind, as on Pentecost descend! Drive us out from sheltered comfort; past these walls your people send! Sweep us into costly service, there with Christ to bear the cross, there with Christ to bear the cross!

God of blazing, God of burning, all that blocks your purpose purge! Through your church, Christ's living Body, let your flaming Spirit surge! Where deceit conceals injustice, kindle us to speak your truth, kindle us to speak your truth!

God of earthquake, God of thunder, shake us loose from lethargy! Break the chains of sin asunder, for earth's healing set us free! Crumble walls that still divide us; make us one in Christ our Lord, make us one in Christ our Lord!

God of passion, God unsleeping, stir in us love's restlessness! Where the people cry in anguish, may we share your heart's distress. Rouse us from content with evil; claim us for your kingdom's work, claim us for your kingdom's work!

### APOSTLES' CREED

God has made us God's people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we 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

With the Spirit of Christ shining upon us, let us boldly pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

## A brief silence.

God of surprising abundance, you call your people to enter deeply into the world. Equip us to respond to your call, gather up what we have, and offer it to all. Give your church the tools, wisdom, and courage needed for this time. Make this community of faith a refuge of safety and love for those seeking hope. God of grace, **hear our prayer.** 

God of creation, guide us to live carefully alongside the wonders of the land and waters. Protect endangered species and the abundance of life in danger as this country reduces or eliminates protections for vulnerable species and habitats in favor of access to more fossil fuels. God of grace, **hear our prayer.** 

Open the hearts of all leaders. Soften the hearts of leaders. Grant them compassion and mercy for the hurting, oppressed, and victimized. Grant them sight to see who they are hurting. Ensure that all who serve do so in sound mind and spirit. Strengthen and sustain voices of reason, justice, and equity even as others try to silence them. God of grace, **hear our prayer.** 

Fill with your compassionate presence all who are suffering from addiction, mental health challenges, injury, or illness of any kind, especially those we name now on our lips or silently in our hearts ... Draw helpers to their side so that they find relief from their burdens. God of grace, **hear our prayer.** 

Call our faith communities and organizations to do marvelous things. Bless the labor and efforts of your people, that we may be a sign of your presence in the world. Provide leaders and employees of Lutheran Services with the wisdom, resolve, and resources to continue in your good work. Silence deceitful voices. We pray especially for Lutheran Services of the Carolinas and their Refugee Resettlement programs. Protect families seeking asylum and safety in this land. Bless the ministry of Linda, Pat, Sandra, Dale, Karen, David, Donna, and David as they provide care and support to Brenda and her eight children as they seek safety and refuge here in the US. God of grace, **hear our prayer.** 

You shine your light on your children the world tries to surround with darkness. Shine your light, O God, your shimmering and radiant light, upon our transgender, gender non-conforming, and non-binary siblings. Help them to know you are with them. Enrich ministries supporting the LGBTQIA+ community. Sustain non-profit organizations who may find themselves lacking funding for the queer community at this time. Ensure that each of your beloved children know deep in their being that they reflect your holy image. God of grace, hear our prayer.

We thank you for those who have courageously gone before us in the faith. May we too show a deep trust in you throughout our lives. God of grace, **hear our prayer.** 

We entrust our prayers to you, O God, in the sure and certain hope that your promise is revealed among the people.

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 he seated

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence setting of PICARDY by John Ferguson Adult Choir

Text from the Liturgy of St. James; tr. Gerard Moultrie, 1829-1885, alt.

Let all mortal flesh keep silence, and with fear and trembling stand; ponder nothing earthly-minded, for with blessing in his hand Christ our God to earth descending comes full homage to demand.

King of kings, yet born of Mary, as of old on earth he stood, Lord of lords in human vesture, in the body and the blood, he will give to all the faithful his own self for heavenly food.

Rank on rank the host of heaven spreads its vanguard on the way; as the Light of light, descending from the realms of endless day, comes, the powers of hell to vanquish, as the darkness clears away.

At his feet the six-winged seraph, cherubim with sleepless eye, veil their faces to the presence, as with ceaseless voice they cry:

"Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia, Lord Most High!"

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. God of grace, your love reaches to the heavens, and your abundance to the depths of the seas.

Bless what we offer to your service:
our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts.

Let us overflow with gratitude and generosity, now and always.

Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord is with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

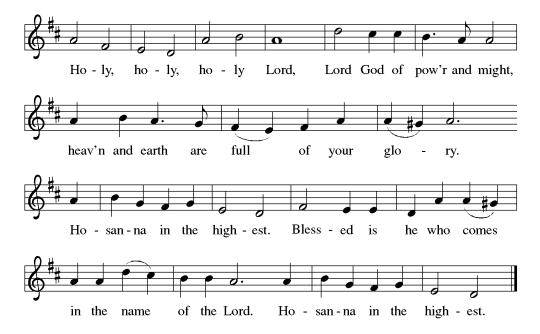
We lift them to the Lord.

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.

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:



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 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!

Please be seated

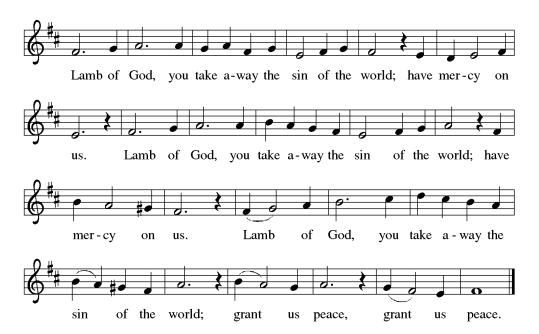
#### COMMUNION

All, without exception, are welcome at the table of God's grace and love. Both wine and grape juice are available in the split chalice— wine in the larger section and grape juice in the smaller section. Christ's grace and forgiveness is found in the bread, wine, and grape juice.

Gluten free wafers are available.

At the direction of the ushers, worshippers are invited to move to the front of the center aisle to dip the wafer into the chalice to receive Communion by intinction.

## MUSIC DURING COMMUNION



Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing arranged for flute and piano by Marianne Kim

Jo Lewis, flute

"Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known,
will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?"

"Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare, should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer pray'r in you and you in me?"

"Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name?
Will you set the pris'ners free and never be the same?
Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen,
and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?"

"Will you love the you you hide if I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around, through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?"

Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.

Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.

In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show.

Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

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# You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore

Tú has venido a la orilla



- 2 Tú sabes bien lo que tengo: en mi barca no hay oro no espadas; tan sólo redes y mi trabajo. Estribillo
- 3 Tú necesitas mis manos, mi cansancio que\_a otros descanse, amor que quiera seguir amando. Estribillo
- 4 Tú, Pescador de otros mares, ansia eterna de almas que esperan. Amigo bueno, que así me llamas. Estribillo

"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

## Light Dawns on a Weary World

#726

Light dawns on a weary world when eyes begin to see all people's dignity. Light dawns on a weary world: the promised day of justice comes.

# Refrain

The trees shall clap their hands; the dry lands, gush with springs; the hills and mountains shall break forth with singing!

We shall go out in joy, and be led forth in peace,
as all the world in wonder echoes shalom.

Love grows in a weary world when hungry hearts find bread and children's dreams are fed. Love grows in a weary world: the promised feast of plenty comes. Refrain

Hope blooms in a weary world when creatures, once forlorn, find wilderness reborn. Hope blooms in a weary world: the promised green of Eden comes. Refrain

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

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Nourishing God, at this table you have refreshed us with holy gifts of food and drink. Strengthen us for service, and send us out to embody your good news of liberation and healing for the sake of the world. In the name of Christ we pray, Amen.

SENDING

#### BLESSING

The Spirit of the triune God

+ bless you with joy,
anoint you with compassion,
and send you in love.

#### Amen

SENDING HYMN

Arise, Your Light Has Come!

#314

Arise, your 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.

When the deep waters threaten to overwhelm us, may we muster the faith to trust that God is with us... sustaining us, supporting us, keeping us afloat. Keep fighting the good fight. Jesus is with you, will never ever leave you or forsake you.

Thanks be to God.

Following worship, everyone is invited to gather for refreshments and fellowship on the front lawn.

Gather Us. In

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