

**A Prayer
Upon
Entering
Church**

Almighty,
ever-living
God, grant
that I may
gladly hear
Thy Word and
that all my
worship may
be acceptable
unto Thee;
through Jesus
Christ, my
Lord. Amen.

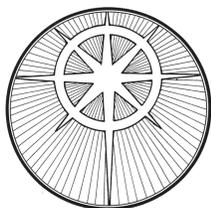
~ *The Lutheran
Hymnal,
1981 A.D.*



The Second Sunday after Epiphany

January 14, 2018 + 9:00 and 11:00 A.M

Welcome to the Lord's Day. The Lord saw Nathanael sitting under a fig tree even though He was nowhere nearby. He sees what the world cannot see! We therefore listen to what Jesus sees more than what we see, learning to view the world, our neighbors, and ourselves in the light of His favor. It's all part of the new life that God bestows on us through His Son. Today's sermon reflects on that gift in the second part of our sermon series, "Newness of Life."



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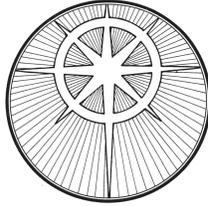
A Welcome for Those With Young Children

This house is your children's home, too. Relax and enjoy your time here:

- Jesus knows that children tend to wiggle and squawk, so please don't feel embarrassed by it. Your children are welcome at Zion.
- To make it a bit easier on your family, please consider sitting towards the front where your children can easily see the worship leaders, hear the words, note the colors, wonder about some of the images up there, and embrace the action at the altar.
- As we go along, softly explain the liturgy to your children, encouraging them to chime in with their parts: *Amen! Lord have mercy! And also with you! I believe! Our Father!* All of that belongs to them, too.
- Be sure to sing and pray your parts as you stand and kneel and sit. Your children learn by following your lead.
- If you and your child must leave, please hurry back. There is a nursery downstairs for those who would like to use it, but like Jesus, we want your children in the liturgy, not out. *Let the little children come unto me.* (Luke 18:16).
- If you need help, just ask. There are lots of folks here who will lend a hand.

Announcements

Parish announcements may be found in the weekly newsletter, *For You*, provided by the ushers after worship.



PRELUDE

Partita on "As with Gladness Men of Old" ... Mark E. Bloedow

RINGING OF THE BELLS

Please stand.

INVOCATION

P: In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen**

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.

Please kneel. Silence for reflection.

The grace of God really comes to lost sinners, but in coming it disrupts them to the core. It kills to make alive and sets the captive free.... Grace is disruptive because God does not compromise with sin, nor ignore it, nor call it good. On the contrary, God removes it by submitting to the cross to show that love is stronger than death.

~ George Hunsinger, Disruptive Grace: Studies in the Theology of Karl Barth

Now and then, set aside for yourself a day on which, without hindrance, you can be at leisure to praise God and to make amends for all the praise and thanksgiving you have neglected all the days of your life to render to God for all the good he has done . . .

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

P: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church, and by the authority of Christ, I therefore forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

Please stand.

ENTRANCE HYMN

“As with Gladness Men of Old” green hymnal #82

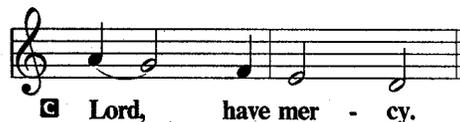
GREETING

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

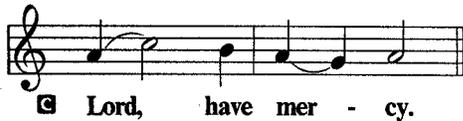
C: And also with you.

KYRIE

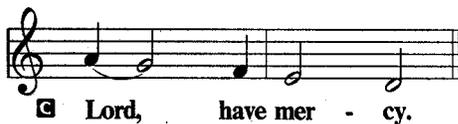
P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



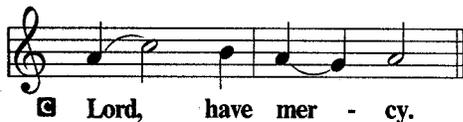
P: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the holy Church, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



P: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.



P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us gracious Lord.



GLORIA

P: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.



... This will be a day of praising and thanksgiving and a day of jubilation, and you will celebrate the memory of that radiant praise with which you will be jubilant to the Lord for eternity, when you will be satisfied fully by the presence of God, and the glory of the Lord will fill your soul.

~ Gertrude the Great, Spiritual Exercises

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

SALUTATION AND COLLECT

P: The Lord be with you.

☐ And al - so with you.

P: 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.

C: **Amen**

Please be seated.

OLD TESTAMENT 1 Samuel 3:1-10

¹Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread. ²At 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. ⁴Then the LORD called, "Samuel! 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. ⁶The 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." ⁷Now 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. ⁹Therefore 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. ¹⁰Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

*If he have
faith, the be-
liever cannot
be restrained.
He betrays
himself. He
breaks out. He
confesses and
teaches this
gospel to the
people at the
risk of life it-
self.*

*~ Martin
Luther*

PSALM 139:1-9

L: LORD, you have searched me 'out and known me;*
you know my sitting down and my rising up; |
you discern my thoughts 'from afar.

**C: You trace my journeys and my 'resting-places*
and are acquainted with 'all my ways.**

L: Indeed, there is not a word 'on my lips,*
but you, O LORD, know it 'altogether.

**C: You press upon me behind 'and before*
and lay your 'hand upon me.**

L: Such knowledge is too wonder'ful for me;*
it is so high that I cannot at'tain to it.

C: Where can I go then 'from your Spirit?*
Where can I flee 'from your presence?

L: If I climb up to heaven, 'you are there;*
if I make the grave my bed, you 'are there also.

**C: If I take the wings 'of the morning*
and dwell in the uttermost parts 'of the sea,**

L: even there your 'hand will lead me*
and your right hand 'hold me fast.

**All: Glory 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**

EPISTLE 1 Corinthians 6:12-20

¹²“All things are lawful for me,” but not all things are beneficial. “All things are lawful for me,” but I will not be dominated 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 meant not for fornication but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. ¹⁴And God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power. ¹⁵Do 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! ¹⁶Do 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.” ¹⁷But anyone united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. ¹⁸Shun fornication! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body; but the fornicator sins against the body itself. ¹⁹Or 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? ²⁰For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand.

VERSE

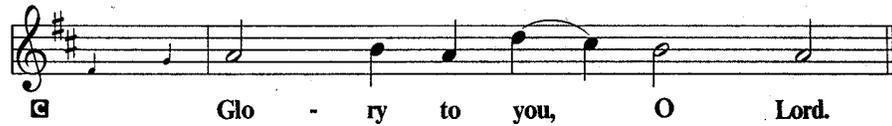
Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

*The reason for not going out and sinning all you like is the same as the reason for not going out and putting your nose in a slicing machine: its dumb, stupid, and no fun. Some individual sins may have pleasure still attached to them because of the residual goodness of the realities they are abusing: adultery can indeed be pleasant and tying one on can amuse. But betrayal, jealousy, love grown cold, and the gray dawn of the “morning after” are nobody's idea of a good time.
~ Robert Farrer Cappon, Kingdom, Justice, Grace*

The Church embraces . . . Baptism, ab-solution, and the Lord's Supper. However one wants to name these things, whether one speaks of "sacraments" with the Latin church or of "mysteries" with the Eastern church, or whether one includes them with the Word in the collective term 'means of grace', one thing they all have in com-mon: they have end-time impor-tance. The coming world is anticipated in them . . .

GOSPEL

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 1st chapter.



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 about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." ⁴⁶Nathanael 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!" ⁴⁸Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." ⁴⁹Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" ⁵⁰Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." ⁵¹And 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.



APOSTLES CREED

P: Let us confess the faith with one heart:

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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

Please be seated.

SUNDAY SCHOOL (9:00 a.m.)

During the singing of the hymn, children of preschool age through grade 4 may leave for Sunday School classes downstairs in the church hall. Please reclaim your children at 10:25 a.m. after their music time in the balcony.

HYMN OF THE DAY

"The Only Son from Heaven" green hymnal #86

SERMON

"Newness of Life, Part II: The Body"

Please kneel.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P: Trusting in our Lord Jesus Christ, the everlasting God and Son of Mary, let us pray.

P: . . . O King of Kings,

C: receive our prayer.

*. . . They do not merely describe a divine, heavenly reality; they bestow right now a share in it. The forgiveness of sins, which we receive in Baptism and the absolution, is the anticipation of the acquittal in the Last Judgment. Our death and our resurrection to eternal life have begun already in our baptism (Rom. 6:3-11). In the Holy Supper Christ comes to us now and gives us a share in the 'messianic'; heavenly feast.
~ Herman Sasse
This Is My Body*

P: Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray,
trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our
Lord.

C: **Amen**

Please be seated.

OFFERING

*While the offerings are received, please pass in your row the **Friendship Register**, and add your name(s). If you are a guest or visitor, please include your address.*

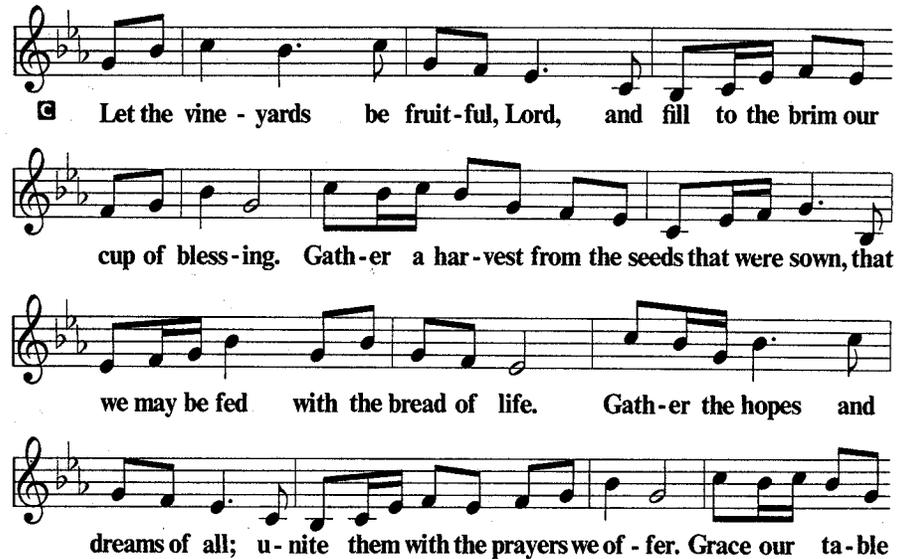
VOLUNTARY

“The Only Son from Heaven”

... Mark Knickelbein

Please stand.

OFFERTORY



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our
cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that
we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and
dreams of all; u - nite them with the prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble

with your pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

P: Let us pray . . . Blessed are you, heavenly Father, for the priceless gift of your Son, sent into our flesh to redeem the creation. Grant that we may now so eat of his flesh and drink of his blood that we may ever dwell in him, and he in us.

C: Amen

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

And al - so with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right and salutary . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

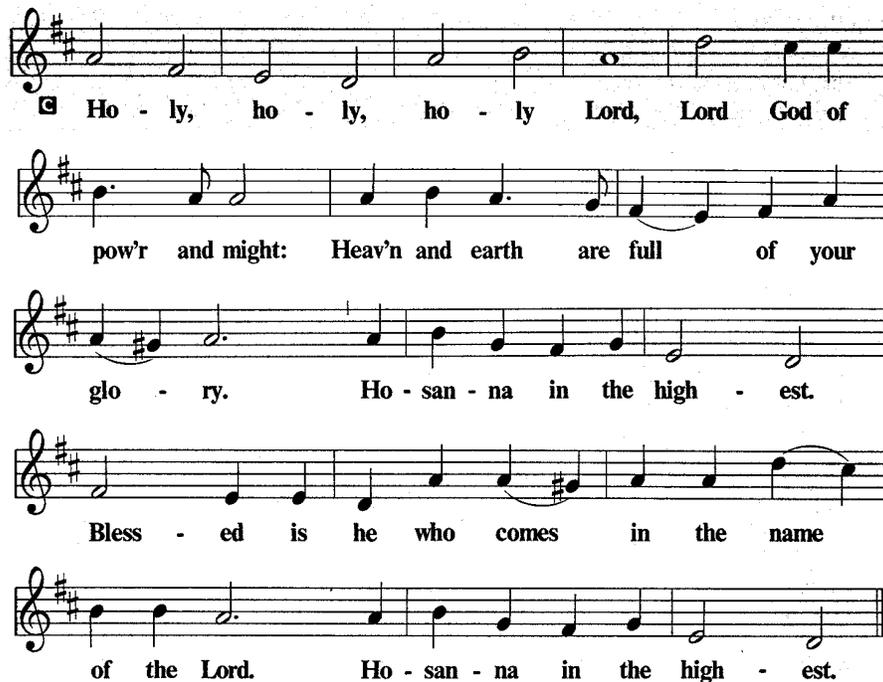
Mercy and truth have met together. Righteousness and bliss shall kiss one another.

Man, in his weakness and shortsightedness believes he must make choices in this life.

He trembles at the risks he takes. We do know fear.

But no. Our choice is of no importance. There comes a time when our eyes are opened and we come to realize that mercy is infinite . . .

SANCTUS ("Holy")



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of
pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name
of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is my body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of me."

In the same way also he took the cup after the 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 of it, in remembrance of me.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

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

ACCLAMATION

P: The Word was made flesh

C: **and we have seen his glory, full of grace and truth.**

AGNUS DEI ("Lamb of God")



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, grant us peace.

Please be seated.

... We need only await it with confidence and receive it with gratitude. Mercy imposes no conditions.

And lo! Everything we have chosen has been granted to us. And everything we rejected has also been granted. Yes, we even get back what we rejected.

*For mercy and truth have met together, and righteousness and bliss shall kiss one another.
~ Old Lorenz Lowenhielm, Babette's Feast, 1987*

The congregation is ushered forward for Communion. If you cannot use the steps to the altar, you may either ask an usher to have Communion brought to you, or you may go to the altar in the side (west) chapel. Those not communing may cross their arms over their chest for a blessing.

Holy Communion is the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ which He joyfully gives to His Church to eat and to drink. This gift bestows tremendous benefits. His body and blood forgives our sins, strengthens our faith, binds us to the Lord, and unites us with each other. In this is life and salvation.

The Lord therefore invites to His altar baptized Christians who trust that they will receive in Holy Communion all that He promises there: His body and blood, the forgiveness of sins, union with Christ and His Church, life, and salvation. Know that He gives it to you with great joy.

COMMUNION HYMNS

“Take My Life, that I May Be” green hymnal #406

“ ‘Come, Follow Me,’ the Savior Spake” green hymnal #455

Please stand after all have received the sacrament.

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE (*Simeon’s Song*)

☐ Lord, now you let your ser-vant go in peace; your word has been ful -

filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which you have pre -

pared in the sight of ev-'ry peo - ple: A light to re-
 veal you to the na - tions and the glo-ry of your peo-ple Is - ra - el.
 Glo-ry to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it,
 as it was in the be-gin - ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

P: Let us pray . . . O God of wonder, we have tasted your goodness, and beheld your presence in the Word made flesh. Shine forth his light in all we say and do, and fill the earth with your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

BENEDICTION

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

A - men

SILENT PRAYER

A Prayer as You Go
 Grant us, O Lord of the church, living congregations in which thy Spirit shall speak and work and make me also ready to serve thee in thy church with the gift thou hast given me, not to please men and not for worldly honor, but for gratitude and love.
 Amen.
 ~ Otto Riethmreller

POSTLUDE

“Herr Christ, Der Ein’ge Gottes Sohn”
(The Only Son From Heaven) (BWV 601)

... J. S. Bach

+ Soli Deo Gloria +
To God alone be glory

Serving at Worship

Preaching: The Rev. Dr. Steven K. Gjerde

Organist: Kantor Irene Beethe

Lector: (9:00) Robert Hochberger
(11:00) Paul Henning

Radio Announcer: (9:00) Scott Schubring

Acolyte: (9:00) Michael Cornell
(11:00) Mitchell Steinke

Elder: (9:00) Dick Ames
(11:00) Karla Westcott

Ushers: (9:00) Marty and Janet Dettmering;
Gary and Sue Wolslegel
(11:00) Al Lippert; Herbert Zahrt

Communion Assistants:
(9:00) Ted Gulhaugen; Lois Jarosz; Rob Kittel
(11:00) Marge Gausewitz; Ted Gulhaugen; Cheryl Plautz

Altar Guild: Anna Gjerde; Jane Gjerde

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Those who trust in the Lord shall be like Mount Zion,
which cannot be moved, but abides forever. (Psalm 125:1)

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