

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany



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"I rejoiced with those who said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the LORD.'" Psalm 122:1

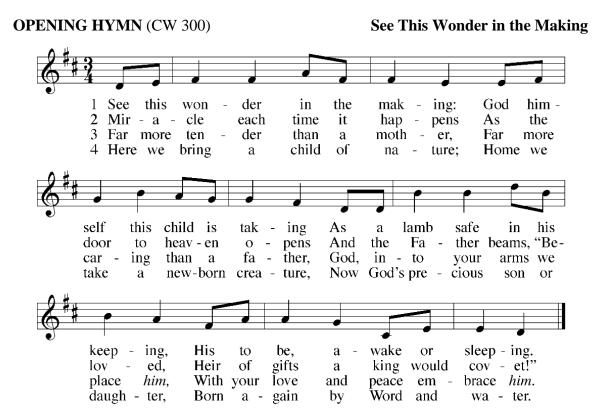


Today's 8:00 service will be recorded including the Service of the Sacrament. Individuals taking communion will not be visible in the recording.

Lord of Love Lutheran Church

January 29, 2023

THE COMMON SERVICE



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THE ORDER OF HOLY BAPTISM (8:00 a.m.)

This morning, George Alfred Kilian and Walter Lyle Kilian are born again of water and the Word in Holy Baptism

REMAIN SEATED

M: The grace of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also with you.

CONFESSION OF SINS

- M: Our Savior Jesus Christ commanded baptism when he said: "Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." All of us are born into this world with a deep need for baptism. From our parents we inherit a sinful nature; we are without true fear of God and true faith in God and are condemned to eternal death. But Jesus took away our sin by giving his life on the cross. At our baptism he clothes us with the robe of his righteousness and gives us a new life. Our sinful nature need not control us any longer. We recall what baptism means for our daily lives as we speak these words:
- C: Baptism means that the sinful nature in us should be drowned by daily sorrow and repentance, and that all its evil deeds and desires be put to death. It also means that a new person should daily arise to live before God in righteousness and purity forever.
- **M:** As baptized children of God we confess our sins:

The congregation may kneel.

C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

The Rite of Baptism continues at the font.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

For the baptism of children

M: In obedience to the command of our Lord and trusting in his promise, you have brought *this child* to be baptized. Jesus told us: "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these." It is in baptism that God grants the new life of forgiveness, joy, and peace to little children. By the power of God's Word, this gracious water of life washes away sin, delivers from death and the devil, and gives eternal salvation to all who believe.

M: Receive the sign of the cross on the head and heart (+) to mark you as a redeemed child of Christ.

The minister applies water to the person presented for baptism as he says:

_____, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

The Almighty God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—has forgiven all your sins. By your baptism, you are born again and made a dear child of your Father in heaven. May God strengthen you to live in your baptismal grace all the days of your life. Peace be with you.

STAND

EXHORTATION

M: Brothers and sisters in Christ: Our Lord commands that we teach his precious truths to all who are baptized. Christian love therefore urges all of us, especially parents and sponsors, to assist in whatever manner possible so that ____ may remain a child of God until death. If you are willing to carry out this responsibility, then answer: Yes, as God gives me strength.

C: Yes, as God gives me strength.

M: Let us pray:

Merciful Father in heaven, we thank you for the blessing of baptism by which you offer and grant the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation. Help us to regard our baptism as the robe of righteousness we are to wear all the days of our life. Look with special favor on ____ and grant him a rich measure of your Spirit that he may grow in faith and godly living. Make us willing to carry out our responsibilities to those who have been baptized, so that all of us may finally come to the blessed joys of heaven, through Jesus our Lord.

C: Amen.

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The service continues with Prayer and Praise on page 7.

THE ORDER OF COMMON SERVICE (10:30 a.m.)

STAND

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

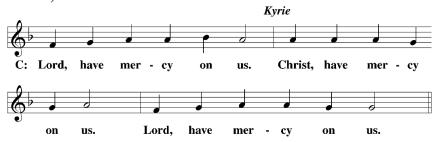




CONFESSION OF SINS

- **M:** Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

LORD, HAVE MERCY



M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.



PRAYER AND PRAISE

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.



PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: The Lord be with you.



M: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, look with mercy on our weaknesses, and in all our dangers and needs stretch out the right hand of your majesty to help and defend us; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



BE SEATED



THE WORD

FIRST LESSON 1 Corinthians 1:26-31

²⁶ For example, consider your call, brothers. Not many of you were wise from a human point of view, not many were powerful, and not many were born with high status. ²⁷ But God chose the foolish things of the world to put to shame those who are wise. God chose the weak things of the world to put to shame the things that are strong, ²⁸ and God chose the lowly things of the world and the despised things, and ^[a] the things that are not, to do away with the things that are, ²⁹ so that no one may boast before God. ³⁰ But because of him you are in Christ Jesus, who became for us the wisdom from God, namely, our

righteousness and sanctification and redemption. ³¹ God did this so that, just as it is written, "Let the one who boasts boast in the Lord."

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

M: Alleluia. Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Alleluia.

STAND

GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 5:1-12

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up onto a mountain. When he sat down, his disciples came to him. ² He opened his mouth and began to teach them. He said these things:

- ³ "Blessed are the poor in spirit, because theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- ⁴ Blessed are those who mourn, because they will be comforted.
- ⁵ Blessed are the gentle, because they will inherit the earth.
- ⁶ Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, because they will be filled.
- ⁷ Blessed are the merciful, because they will receive mercy.
- ⁸ Blessed are the pure in heart, because they will see God.
- ⁹ Blessed are the peacemakers, because they will be called sons of God.
- ¹⁰ Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, because theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

¹¹ "Blessed are you when people insult you and persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. ¹² Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven. In fact, that is how they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

NICENE CREED

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 fully 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 in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy Christian 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.

BE SEATED



Text: Harry E. Fosdick, 1878-1969, abr., alt.

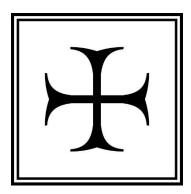
Tune: CWM RHONDDA (87 87 877) John Hughes, 1873–1932.

³ Seek the LORD, all you humble people of the earth who have carried out his commands. Seek righteousness. Seek humility. Maybe then you will be sheltered in the day of the LORD's anger...

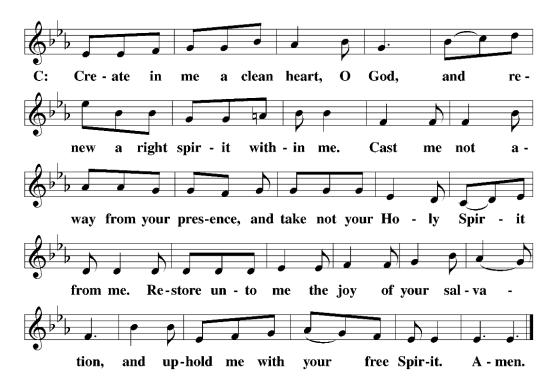
¹¹ In that day you will no longer bear the shame of your rebellions against me. Then I will remove the proud boasters from among you, and you will never again be arrogant on my holy hill. ¹² But I will leave among you the people who are humble and weak. They will seek refuge in the name of the LORD. ¹³ The Israelites who remain will no longer act unjustly. They will not lie, and a deceitful tongue will not be found in their mouth. Instead, they will graze peacefully like sheep and lie down. No one will terrify them.

The Humble Sit Atop the Hill of the Lord

STAND



After the sermon, the congregation sings:



GATHERING OF THANK OFFERING

While the offering is gathered, please sign and pass the Friendship Register. Thank you!

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

In peace, let us pray to the Lord: Lord, have mercy.

For the wisdom of God, that we would not confess the wisdom of men, but boldly proclaim Christ and him crucified for the salvation of the world, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For meekness, that we would be delivered from stubborn hearts and gladly submit to God's holy will, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For parents, that the Lord who gave his firstborn for our sins would strengthen them to teach their children his ways and to rejoice in his grace rather than embrace the sins of their forebears, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For peace, that the Lord who led His people past Pharaoh and Balak would provide wise rulers to the nations and protect us from tyranny, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For those reviled and slandered on account of Jesus, that the Lord would preserve them and ceaselessly give them joy and gladness that their reward in heaven is great, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For help in affliction, that the Lord who chooses what is weak in the world to shame the strong would use infirmities for our good until he delivers those who suffer them, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord**, **have mercy**.

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For hunger and thirst for Christ's body and blood, that by his Holy Communion we may be cleansed of our sin and equipped to love him above all and to love our neighbor as ourselves, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

Lord God, heavenly Father, receive our thanks for the saints whom you preserved in righteousness and delivered to glory. Purify our hearts by your grace and strengthen us against temptation, that we would look joyfully to the day when we will see you in glory; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.



THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

M: The Lord be with you.



M: Lift up your hearts.

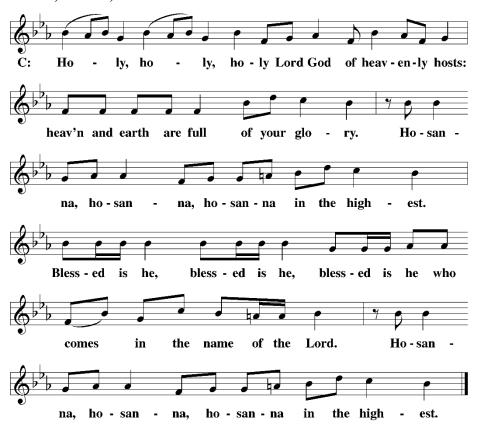


M: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lived among us as a human being and revealed his glory as your only Son, full of grace and truth.

Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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

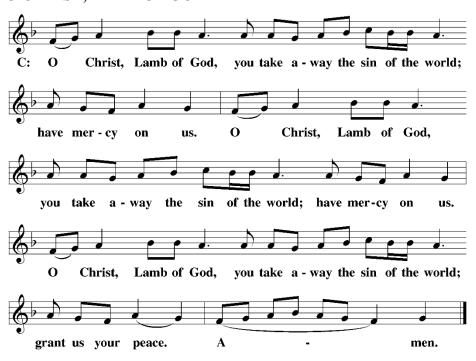
Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

M: The peace of the Lord be with you always.



O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

Agnus Dei



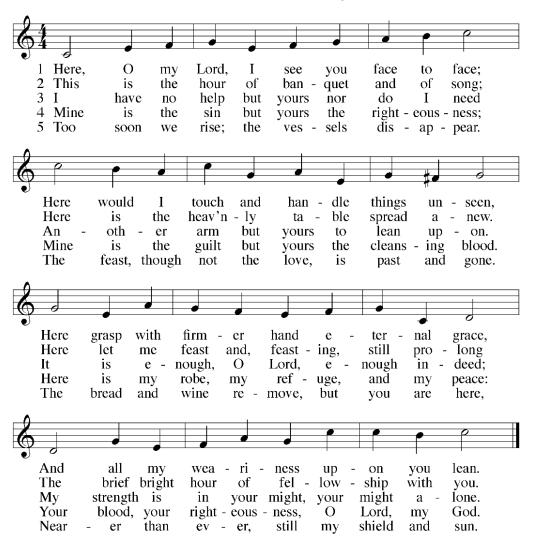
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DISTRIBUTION

In accordance with the Scriptural practice of closed Communion, we invite to the Sacrament of Christ's body and blood the communicant members of this congregation. We invite also the communicant members of our sister congregations in our fellowship (the WELS and the ELS) who have made their intention known to one of our pastors. We ask other guests in attendance to refrain from taking the Sacrament with us today, and we invite you to speak with a pastor about how you may join our fellowship and commune with us in the future.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN (CW 315)

Here, O My Lord, I See You Face to Face



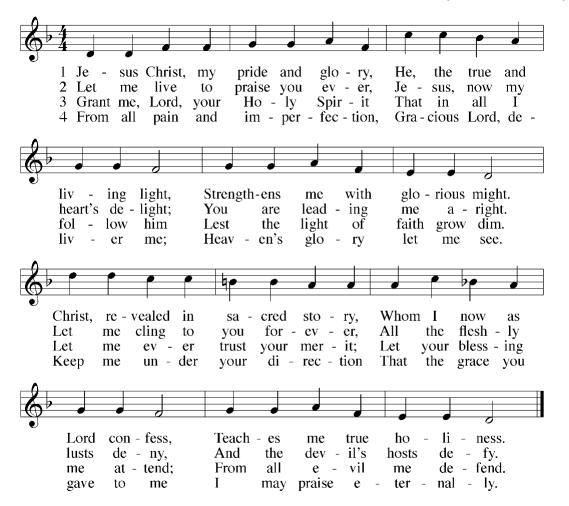
6 Feast after feast thus comes and passes by, Yet, passing, points to that glad feast above, Giving sweet foretaste of the festal joy, The Lamb's great marriage feast of bliss and love.

Text: Horatius Bonar, 1808-89, abr., alt.

Tune: FARLEY CASTLE (10 10 10 10) Henry Lawes, 1595-1662.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN (CW 464)

Jesus Christ, My Pride and Glory



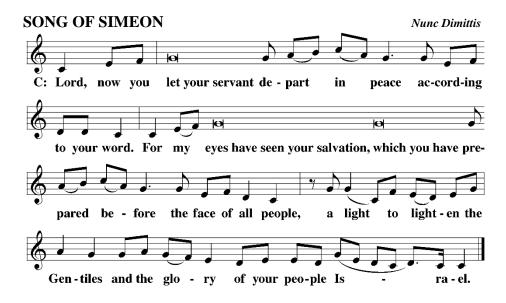
Text: Johann G. Olearius, 1635–1711, abr.; tr. Paul E. Kretzmann, 1883–1965, alt.

Tune: ACH, WAS SOLL ICH SUNDER MACHEN (877 877) Schäffer-Belustigung . . . Hirthen-Lieder, Altdorf,

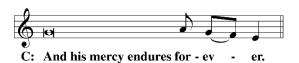
1653, alt.

THANKSGIVING

STAND



M: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.



M: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this holy supper. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



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CLOSING HYMN (CW 332)

Go, My Children, with My Blessing (printed on page 23)

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Sunday January 29: Fourth Sunday after Epiphany Worship Services at 8:00 & 10:30 with Holy Communion 9:15 am: Adult Bible study, Teen Group and Sunday School

- Pastor Joel Jenswold
- Organist: Sharon Freund
- Councilman/Elder: Mike Wilson (8:00) and Steve Kalscheuer (10:30)
- Ushers 8:00 am: Ben Olson and Dave Olson
- Ushers 10:30 am: Joshua Hodkiewicz and Greg Zeman
- Counters: Roger LaGrange and Greg Zeman
- Refreshments: Sue Jenswold
- Altar Guild: Sandy Heath/Sally Kaalberg A/V & Recording: Julie Doyle

Sunday February 5: Fifth Sunday after Epiphany Worship Services at 8:00 & 10:30 with Holy Communion 9:15 am: Adult Bible Study, Teen Group and Sunday School

- Pastor Joel Jenswold
- Organist: Jennifer Boll
- Councilman/Elder: Brian Ehlenbach (8:00) and Mitch Myhre (10:30)
- Ushers 8:00 am: Bob Degnan and Gene Freund
- Ushers 10:30 am: Joshua Hodkiewicz and Greg Zeman
- Counters: Donna Cotter and Mike Wilson
- Refreshments: *Volunteers needed*
- Altar Guild: Mandi Miller

• A/V & Recording: RaeLyn Parker

Happy Birthday: We wish God's blessings to Miles Saidler (1/29), Joleen LaReau (1/30), Merida Sullivan (1/30), Sue Virnig (1/30), Harold Olson (1/31), Becki Woolsey (2/1), John Barden (2/3), Aaron Parker (2/3) and Elaine Wilson (2/4) who celebrate their birthdays this week.

In Our Prayers: Fred Bakken, Joyce Hamburg (sister-in-law of Karen Tobison), Wyatt Kingsland, Roger LaGrange, Peter Leege, Marilyn Lund, Rose Lund and Peg Schroeder who are experiencing difficulties.

A special prayer for all our men & women who are serving in the Armed Forces. Among them are Shannon & Matthew Garrett, Sara Goss and John J. Schueman (son of Bonnie & John Schueman).