



THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

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A SPECIAL WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS!

We're thrilled that you are here and we want you to feel at home.

- * Restrooms are near the door that you came in today.
- * The service is printed in this worship folder. Join in as your comfortable. Ask anyone if you're lost - they'll be glad to help!
- * We're glad you brought your kids! We know and Jesus knows that little kids have a hard time sitting quietly sometimes. They are still welcome here. Jesus said: Let the little children come to me! If your little one is restless, feel free to spend a minute in the entryway, you should still be able to hear through speakers.
- * If you could use some hearing assistance, please ask the usher in the entryway, we have headsets available.



Please introduce yourself to Pastor Boettcher or Pastor Peil. They would love to meet you and serve you however they can!

From the River to the Mountain - Committed to a Lofty Charge

To whom does the work of salvation belong? Simple question. There is only one Savior. But this is how good Jesus is. So that our lives might have profound meaning and eternal purpose, he shares some of that work with us. He calls us not just to be followers, but to be follower-makers. Jesus asks some— prophets, apostles, pastors, missionaries, teachers—to do this full time. But ultimately Jesus asks all believers to serve as his ambassadors, sharing the gospel with whomever he brings into our sphere of influence. This lofty charge requires commitment—a willingness to abandon everything else should faithfulness require it. This is the life-changing revelation for this week.

Jesus has committed us to a lofty charge: the privilege to play a role in his saving work.

THE DIVINE SERVICE

 *The congregation speaks and sings the words in **BOLD type**.* 

Hymn 904 O Christ, Our True and Only Light

Please stand.

In the name of the Father and of the Son ✝ and of the Holy Spirit.

Matthew 28:19

Amen.

Confession and Absolution

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

**If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins
and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

1 John 1:8-9

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Holy God, gracious Father,

I am sinful by nature

and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.

I have not loved you with my whole heart;

I have not loved others as I should.

I deserve your punishment both now and forever.

But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins

with his innocent suffering and death.

Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for reflection

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. 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.

Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

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

Lord, have mercy.

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

Lord, have mercy.

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

Lord, have mercy.

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

Amen.

Glory to God in the Highest

The cantor and congregation sing this new setting of the Glory to God as indicated:

Congregation:



Glo - ry, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the
high - est! Glo - ry, glo-ry to God, and peace to his
peo-ple on earth.

Cantor: Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory.

Congregation:



Glo - ry, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the
high - est! Glo - ry, glo-ry to God, and peace to his
peo-ple on earth.

Cantor: Lord, Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us, have mercy on us. You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer, receive our prayer.

Congregation:



Glo - ry, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the
high - est! Glo - ry, glo-ry to God, and peace to his
peo-ple on earth.

Cantor: For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord, You alone are the most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in the glory of God the Father.

Congregation: Glo - ry, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the
high - est! Glo - ry, glo-ry to God, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth.

Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you sent your Son to proclaim your kingdom and teach with authority. Anoint us with the power of your Spirit that we too may bring good news to the afflicted, bind up the brokenhearted, and proclaim liberty to the captive; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Be seated.

First Reading

Jonah 3:1-5,10

The reluctant Jonah had been given the lofty charge of proclaiming a message from the LORD to the people of Nineveh.

¹Then the word of the LORD came to Jonah a second time: ²“Go to the great city of Nineveh and proclaim to it the message I give you.”

³Jonah obeyed the word of the LORD and went to Nineveh. Now Nineveh was a very large city; it took three days to go through it.

⁴Jonah began by going a day’s journey into the city, proclaiming, “Forty more days and Nineveh will be overthrown.” ⁵The Ninevites

believed God. A fast was proclaimed, and all of them, from the greatest to the least, put on sackcloth. [...]

¹⁰When God saw what they did and how they turned from their evil ways, he relented and did not bring on them the destruction he had threatened.

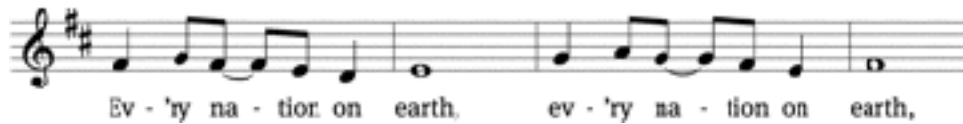
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God

Psalm of the Day | Psalm 72 Every Nation on Earth

The choir will sing the refrain.

The congregation immediately repeats the refrain and sings the refrain each time thereafter.

Refrain



The choir sings the verses:

Give the king your justice, O God,
and your righteousness to the king's son.
This one shall be the hope of the needy,
the hope of the poor and oppressed.

Refrain

May he reign while the sun endures,
for as long as the moon lights the sky.
Fresh as the rainfall that waters the earth,
gifting his people with peace.

Refrain

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 5:14-21

Christ has committed to us, as his ambassadors, the message of reconciliation..

¹⁴For Christ's love compels us, because we are convinced that one died for all, and therefore all died. ¹⁵And he died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again.

¹⁶So from now on we regard no one from a worldly point of view. Though we once regarded Christ in this way, we do so no longer. ¹⁷Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here! ¹⁸All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation:

¹⁹that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation. ²⁰We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God. ²¹God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Please stand

Gospel Acclamation

Psalm 22:2

Alleluia! I will declare your name to my people, in the assembly I will praise you.

Alleluia!

The Holy Gospel

Mark 1:14-20

When Jesus gave Simon and Andrew the lofty charge of fishing for people, they left everything else behind. This lesson is the basis of the sermon this morning.

¹⁴After John was put in prison, Jesus went into Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God. ¹⁵“The time has come,” he said. “The kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news!”

¹⁶As Jesus walked beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. ¹⁷“Come, follow me,” Jesus said, “and I will send you out to fish for people.”

¹⁸At once they left their nets and followed him.

¹⁹When he had gone a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John in a boat, preparing their nets. ²⁰Without delay he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men and followed him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to You, O Christ!

Be seated.

Hymn of the Day | Listen, Listen God Is Calling

Tanzanian Tune



Cantor: Listen, listen God is calling through the Word inviting, offering forgiveness, comfort and joy.

Cong: Listen, listen God is calling through the Word inviting, offering forgiveness, comfort and joy.

Cantor: Jesus gave His mandate: share the good news that He came to save us and set us free.

Cantor: Listen, listen God is calling through the Word inviting, offering forgiveness, comfort and joy.

Cong: Listen, listen God is calling through the Word inviting, offering forgiveness, comfort and joy.

Cantor: Let none be forgotten throughout the world. In the triune name of God go and baptize.

Cantor: Listen, listen God is calling through the Word inviting, offering forgiveness, comfort and joy.

Cong: Listen, listen God is calling through the Word inviting, offering forgiveness, comfort and joy.

Cantor: Help us be faithful, standing steadfast, walking in Your precepts, led by Your will.

Cantor: Listen, listen God is calling through the Word inviting, offering forgiveness, comfort and joy.

Cong: Listen, listen God is calling through the Word inviting, offering forgiveness, comfort and joy.

Sermon Mark 1:4-11 Let's go

Please stand

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,**

Romans 10:10; Dt 6:4

Matthew 6:9; Ex 6:3

Genesis 1:1; John 1:1

Colossians 1:16

Romans 10:9

Matthew 16:16

John 3:16

John 1:1,8:12,17:22

Colossians 2:9

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 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.

John 1:2
John 10:30
Hebrews 1:2; John 1:3
1 Tim 2:4; Rom 3:23
John 6:41; Luke 15:20
Luke 1:34-35
John 1:14
Mk 15:25; Jn 19:16-18
Jn 19:1-3; Lk 23:53
1 Cor 15:4; Lk 24:6
Acts 1:9
Acts 7:55
Matthew 26:64
Acts 10:42; My 3:12
2 Peter 1:11

Jn 14:26; Acts 2:38
Genesis 1:2; John 3:6
John 15:26
Mt 3:16-17; Lk
Ez 11:5; 2 Pt 1:20-21
1 Peter 2:5; Eph 2:19-22
Ephesians 4:5; Acts 2:38
1 Co 15:35-49; 1 Thes 4
Psalm 106:48

Be seated

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

For the gifts of divine peace and pardon, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For all those in need, the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For a worthy reception of Christ's holy body and blood and for great joy in the forgiveness of sins, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the faithful who have gone before us, let us give thanks to God and ask Him to bring us with them to the unending feast in His Kingdom, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

Special intercessions may be included here

All these things and whatever else You know that we need, grant us, Father, for the sake of Him who died and rose again and

now lives and reigns with You and the Holy

Spirit, one God forever. **Amen.**

Offering



Moved by God's love in Christ, we return to God our first and best gifts, purely out of thanks to Him.

There is an offering plate in the entry way for those who wish to give in that way.

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THE SACRAMENT

Stand

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is good and right so to do.

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:

Holy, Holy, Holy



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

Prayer of Thanksgiving

We give thanks to you, O God, through your dear Son, Jesus Christ, whom you sent to be our Savior, our Redeemer, and the messenger of your grace. Through him you made all things; in him you are well pleased. He is the incarnate Word, conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. To fulfill your promises, he stretched out his hands on the cross and released from eternal death all who believe in you.

As we remember Jesus' death and resurrection, we thank you that you have gathered us together to receive your Son's body and blood. Send us your Spirit, unite us as one, and strengthen our faith so that we may praise you in your Son, Jesus Christ.

Amen.

The 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 Words of Our Lord Jesus

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."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Amen.

O Christ, Lamb of God



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

Be seated

Distribution of the Lord's Supper

A NOTE TO OUR GUESTS *Children and those who are not communicant members of our church may come forward for a blessing. Those who do are asked to cross their arms on their chest to indicate this. Prince of Peace practices closed communion, because the Bible teaches it and because we love you. That means we ask that only members of Prince of Peace or other congregations in our fellowship take the Lord's Supper this morning. This is not a judgment of anyone's faith, it is simply our desire to uphold what God says in 1 Corinthians 10 and 11 about who should receive Holy Communion and how. Please speak to Pastor Boettcher or Pastor Peil about communing with us in the future if you're not part of our congregation. **Thank you for your understanding!***

Hymn | 743 I Hear the Savior Calling

Hymn | 746 I Love to Tell the Story stanzas 1,7,3

After the distribution, the minister speaks this blessing:

The true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you to life everlasting.
Your † sins are forgiven.

Amen.

Stand

The Song of Simeon

Lord, now you let your servant de - part in peace ac -
cord - ing to your word. For my eyes have seen your salvation,
which you have pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,
a light to light - en the Gen - tiles
and the glo - ry of your peo - ple is - ra - el.

Prayer

Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good;
His mercy endures forever.

Psalm 118:1

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

1 Corinthians 11:26

We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this saving gift. 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.

Amen.

Blessing

Numbers 6:24-26

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.

Amen.

Stand

Closing Hymn | 716 O Christ, Who Called the Twelve stanzas 1+4 *(printed below)*

O Christ, who called the Twelve
to rise and follow you,
forsaking old, familiar ways
for ventures bold and new:
grant us to hear your call
to risk security
and, bound in heart and will to you,
find perfect liberty.

O Christ, th' apostles' Lord,
the martyrs' strength and song,
the crucified and risen King
to whom the saints belong:
though generations pass,
our tribute still we bring,
our hymns a sacrifice of praise,
our lives an offering.



Thank you to our musicians this morning, Monica Brandt, Sophie Leng, Zach Brandt, Tom Bruce, Chandra Lange and Mike Paulsen for using their gifts to serve us and our Savior with music this morning!