

Second Sunday after the Epiphany  
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**WELCOME**

**INVOCATION:**

*Vicar: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.*

**People: Amen.**

**CALL TO WORSHIP:** *Psalm 40:1m 3a, 4, 5, 11*

*Vicar: I waited patiently for the LORD; He inclined to me and heard my cry.*

**People: He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God.**

*Vicar: Blessed is the man who makes the LORD his trust,*

**People: who does not turn to the proud, to those who go astray after a lie!**

*Vicar: You have multiplied, O LORD my God, Your wondrous deeds and thoughts toward us; none can compare with You!*

**People: I will proclaim and tell of them, yet they are more than can be told.**

*Vicar: As for You, O LORD You will not restrain Your mercy from me;*

**People: Your steadfast love and Your faithfulness will ever preserve me!**

*Vicar: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;*

**People: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

**OPENING HYMN:** "From God the Father, Virgin-Born" (Lutheran Service Book, #401,  
melody: Herr Jesu Christ, Meins)

From God the Father, virgin-born  
To us the only Son came down;  
By death the font to consecrate,  
The faithful to regenerate.

Beginning from His home on high,  
In human flesh He came to die;  
Creation by His death restored,  
And shed new joys of life abroad.

Glide on, O glorious Sun, and bring  
The gift of healing on Your wing;  
To ev'ry dull and clouded sense  
The clearness of Your light dispense.

Abide with us, O Lord, we pray;  
The gloom of darkness chase away;  
Your work of healing, Lord, begin,  
And take away the stain of sin.

Lord, once You came to earth's domain  
And, we believe, shall come again;  
Be with us on the battlefield,  
From ev'ry harm Your people shield.

To You, O Lord, all glory be  
For this Your blest epiphany;  
To God, whom all His hosts adore,  
And Holy Spirit evermore.

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### **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION: LSB page 203, absolution—left column**

*Vicar: My friends, since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.*

**People: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

*Vicar: Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.*

**People: Amen.**

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY:**

*Vicar: The Lord be with you.*

**People: And also with you.**

*Vicar: Let us pray:*

**People: 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. Amen.**

**SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM:** (11:00am) Gregory Mark English

**THE OLD TESTAMENT READING:** *Isaiah 49:1–7*

Listen to me, O coastlands,  
and give attention, you peoples from afar.  
The Lord called me from the womb,  
from the body of my mother he named my name.  
He made my mouth like a sharp sword;  
in the shadow of his hand he hid me;  
he made me a polished arrow;  
in his quiver he hid me away.  
And he said to me, “You are my servant,  
Israel, in whom I will be glorified.”  
But I said, “I have labored in vain;  
I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity;  
yet surely my right is with the Lord,  
and my recompense with my God.”  
And now the Lord says,  
he who formed me from the womb to be his servant,  
to bring Jacob back to him;  
and that Israel might be gathered to him—  
for I am honored in the eyes of the Lord,  
and my God has become my strength—  
he says:  
“It is too light a thing that you should be My servant  
to raise up the tribes of Jacob  
and to bring back the preserved of Israel;  
I will make you as a light for the nations,  
that My salvation may reach to the end of the earth.”  
Thus says the Lord,  
the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One,  
to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nation,  
the servant of rulers:  
“Kings shall see and arise;  
princes, and they shall prostrate themselves;  
because of the Lord, Who is faithful,  
the Holy One of Israel, Who has chosen you.”

*Lector: This is the word of the Lord.*

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**EPISTLE READING:** *1 Corinthians 1:1–9*

Paul, called by the will of God to be an apostle of Christ Jesus, and our brother Sosthenes,

To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints together with all those who in every place call upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, that in every way you were enriched in Him in all speech and all knowledge—even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you—so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, Who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful, by Whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Lector: This is the word of the Lord.*

**People: Thanks be to God.**

*Lector: Please rise, as you are able.*

*Lector: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 1<sup>st</sup> chapter:*

**People: Glory to You, O Lord!**

**GOSPEL READING:** *John 1:29–42a*

The next day [John] saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, “Behold, the Lamb of God, Who takes away the sin of the world! This is He of Whom I said, ‘After me comes a Man Who ranks before me, because He was before me.’ I myself did not know Him, but for this purpose I came baptizing with water, that He might be revealed to Israel.” And John bore witness: “I saw the Spirit descend from heaven like a dove, and it remained on Him. I myself did not know Him, but He Who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on Whom you see the Spirit descend and remain, this is He Who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ And I have seen and have borne witness that this is the Son of God.”

The next day again John was standing with two of his disciples, and he looked at Jesus as He walked by and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God!" The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. Jesus turned and saw them following and said to them, "What are you seeking?" And they said to him, "Rabbi" (which means Teacher), "where are You staying?" He said to them, "Come and you will see." So they came and saw where He was staying, and they stayed with Him that day, for it was about the tenth hour. One of the two who heard John speak and followed Jesus was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his own brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which means Christ). He brought him to Jesus.

*Lector: This is the Gospel of our Lord.*

**People: Praise to You, O Christ!**

*Lector: We confess together our Christian faith, using the Apostles' Creed.*

**CONFESSION OF FAITH:** The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

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

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**HYMN:** "Behold the Holy Lamb of God" (melody: "While Shepherds Watched, Lutheran Worship, # 70)

Behold the holy Lamb of God  
Who takes away all sin  
Is present in this sacred hour  
To make souls clean within.  
He comes disguised in lowliness  
As Servant of the Lord  
Yet is the very King of kings

By angel hosts adored.  
As sacrifice this Lamb was slain;  
For us His blood was shed.  
His hands and feet were pierced by nails,  
Thorns crowned His sinless head;  
And from His wounded side flowed forth  
A river deep with love  
That fills the chalice and the font  
With blessings from above.

Behold the risen Lamb of God  
Who reigns on heaven's throne.  
All honor, worship, thanks, and praise  
Belong to Him alone,  
Whom with the mighty Father and  
The Spirit we adore,  
One God-in-Three and Three-in-One  
Now and forevermore.

*(Walter A. Pohland January 11, 2023)*

**SERMON:** "It Bears Repeating" (*John 1:29-42a*)

## **PRESENTATION OF GIFTS AND OFFERINGS**

## **PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

### **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.**

## **PREFACE**

*Pastor: The Lord be with you.*

**People: And also with you.**

*Pastor: Lift up your hearts.*

**People:** We lift them to the Lord.

*Pastor:* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People:** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

## PROPER PREFACE

*Pastor:* It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your glory. Therefore with angels and arch angels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.



Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho- san - na to the Lord;



Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION:

*Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night in which He was betrayed, took bread; and when He had given thanks, He broke it, and gave it to His 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 supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new covenant in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sin. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."*

## PAX DOMINI ~ *The Peace of the Lord*

*Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.*

**People: Amen.**

## AGNUS DEI



**1** O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,

2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,



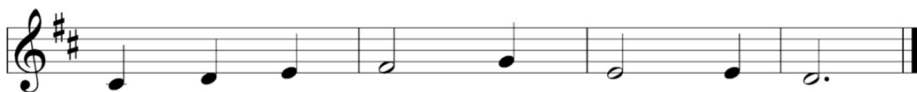
You take the sin of the world a - way;

You take the sin of the world a - way;



O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,

Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,



Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.

And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

## DISTRIBUTION

**The Lord's Supper will be distributed at the altar rail. Please follow the ushers' directions.**

## DISTRIBUTION SONG: "Behold The Lamb"

See Him there, the great I Am,  
A crown of thorns upon His head.  
The Father's heart displayed for us.  
O God, we thank You for the cross.

Lifted up on Calv'ry's hill,  
We cursed Your name and even still  
You bore our shame and paid the cost.  
O God, we thank You for the cross.

Behold the Lamb, the story of  
redemption  
Written on His hands.  
Jesus, You will reign forevermore!  
The victory is Yours!  
We sing Your praise,  
Endless hallelujahs to Your holy name.  
Jesus, You will reign forevermore!  
The victory is Yours!



Offer up this sacrifice.  
For ev'ry sin our Savior died.  
The Lord of Life can't be contained.  
Our God has risen from the grave.

Behold the Lamb, the story of  
redemption  
Written on His hands.  
Jesus, You will reign forevermore!  
The victory is Yours!  
We sing Your praise,  
Endless hallelujahs to Your holy name.  
Jesus, You will reign forevermore!  
The victory is Yours!

When the age of death is done,  
We'll see Your face bright as the sun.  
We'll bow before the King of kings.  
O God forever we will sing.  
O God forever we will sing

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### **DISTRIBUTION SONG: "Revelation Song"**

Worthy is the Lamb Who was slain,  
Holy, holy is He.  
Sing a new song to Him Who sits on  
Heaven's mercy seat.

Holy, holy, holy  
Is the Lord God Almighty  
Who was and is and is to come.  
With all creation I sing  
"Praise to the King of kings!"  
You are my everything,  
And I will adore You.

Clothed in rainbows of living color  
Flashes of lightning, rolls of thunder.  
Blessing and honor, strength and glory  
And power be to You the only wise King.

Holy, holy, holy  
Is the Lord God Almighty  
Who was and is and is to come.  
With all creation I sing

"Praise to the King of kings!"  
You are my everything,  
And I will adore You.

Filled with wonder, awestruck wonder  
At the mention of Your name.  
Jesus Your name is power, breath and  
living water,  
Such a marvelous mystery.

Holy, holy, holy  
Is the Lord God Almighty  
Who was and is and is to come.  
With all creation I sing  
"Praise to the King of kings!"  
You are my everything,  
And I will adore You.

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**DISTRIBUTION HYMN: “The Lamb” (LSB, #547)**

The Lamb, the Lamb,  
O Father, where’s the sacrifice?  
Faith sees, believes  
God will provide the Lamb of price!  
Worthy is the Lamb whose death makes  
me His own!  
The Lamb is reigning on His throne!

The Lamb, the Lamb,  
One perfect final offering.  
The Lamb, the Lamb,  
Let earth join heav’n His praise to sing.  
Worthy is the Lamb whose death makes  
me His own!

The Lamb is reigning on His throne!  
The Lamb, the Lamb,  
As wayward sheep their shepherd kill  
So still, His will  
On our behalf the Law to fill.  
Worthy is the Lamb whose death makes  
me His own!  
The Lamb is reigning on His throne!

He sighs, He dies,  
He takes my sin and wretchedness.  
He lives, forgives,  
He gives me His own righteousness.  
Worthy is the Lamb whose death makes  
me His own!  
The Lamb is reigning on His throne!

He rose, He rose,  
My heart with thanks now overflows.  
His song prolong  
Till ev’ry heart to Him belong.  
Worthy is the Lamb whose death makes  
me His own!

The Lamb is reigning on His throne!

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**DISTRIBUTION HYMN: “Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord” (LSB, #637)**

Draw near and take the body of the Lord,  
And drink the holy blood for you outpoured;  
Offered was He for greatest and for least,  
Himself the victim and Himself the priest.

He who His saints in this world rules and shields,  
To all believers life eternal yields;  
With heav’nly bread He makes the hungry whole,  
Gives living waters to the thirsting soul.

Come forward then with faithful hearts sincere,  
And take the pledges of salvation here.  
O Lord, our hearts with grateful thanks endow

As in this feast of love You bless us now.

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**COMMON DISMISSAL:**

*Vicar: Now may this true body and blood our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in faith unto life everlasting.*

**People: Amen.**

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

*Vicar: Let us pray:*

**People: O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, Who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**BENEDICTION:** *(Numbers 6:24-26)*

*Vicar: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.*

**People: Amen.**

**CLOSING HYMN:** "Sent Forth by God's Blessing" (LSB, #643)

Sent forth by God's blessing,  
Our true faith confessing,  
The people of God from His dwelling take leave.  
The Supper is ended.  
O now be extended  
The fruits of this service in all who believe.  
The seed of His teaching,  
Receptive souls reaching,  
Shall blossom in action for God and for all.  
His grace did invite us,  
His love shall unite us  
To work for God's kingdom and answer His call.  
With praise and thanksgiving

To God ever-living,  
The tasks of our ev'ryday life we will face.  
Our faith ever sharing,  
In love ever caring,  
Embracing His children of each tribe and race.  
With Your feast You feed us,  
With Your light now lead us;  
Unite us as one in this life that we share.  
Then may all the living  
With praise and thanksgiving  
Give honor to Christ and His name that we bear.

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**DISMISSAL:**

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Go in peace and serve the Lord!

**In Christian Service:**

All disciples of the Lord Jesus

*with*

Liturgist: Vicar John Cotner

Proclaimer: Rev. Walt Pohland

Musicians: Adam Perez, Amanda Theiland, and McKenna Barnes

Organist: Karen Darby

8:15 Lay Reader: Michael Weil

11:00 Lay Reader: Ron Swanson

Children's Message: DCE Austin Angerman