

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

JANUARY 17, 2021

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

If you are attending the Drive-In Service, please tune your radio to 98.1 FM.

PRELUDE

HERE I AM

LINKER

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
whose voice is upon the waters,
whose mercy is poured out upon all people,
whose goodness cascades over all creation.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin, trusting in the abundant grace of God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Holy God,

you search us and know us.

You are acquainted with all our ways.

**We confess that our hearts are burdened by sin—
our own sins and the broken systems that bind us.**

**We turn inward, failing to follow
your outward way of love.**

We distrust those who are not like us.

**We exploit the earth and its resources
and fail to consider generations to come.**

**Forgive us, gracious God,
for all we have done and left undone.**

**Even before the words are on our tongues,
you know them;**

receive them in your divine mercy.

Amen.

How vast is God's grace!

Through the power and promise of † Christ Jesus,
our sins are washed away
and we are claimed as God's own beloved.

Indeed, we are forgiven.

In the wake of God's forgiveness,
we are called to be the beloved community
living out Christ's justice
and the Spirit's reconciling peace.

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN 553

CHRIST, WHOSE GLORY FILLS THE SKIES

- 1 Christ, whose glory fills the skies,
Christ, the true and only light,
Sun of righteousness, arise,
triumph o'er the shades of night;
Dayspring from on high, be near;
Daystar, in my heart appear.
- 2 Dark and cheerless is the morn
unaccompanied by thee;
joyless is the day's return,
till thy mercy's beams I see,
till they inward light impart,
glad my eyes, and warm my heart.
- 3 Visit then this soul of mine,
pierce the gloom of sin and grief;
fill me, radiancy divine,
scatter all my unbelief;
more and more thyself display,
shining to the perfect day.

GREETING

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

And also with you.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Assisting Minister:



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

Assembly:



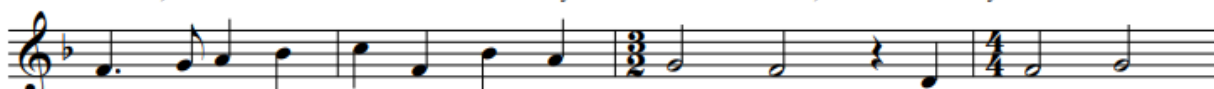
Lord God, heav - en-ly King, al - might-y God and Fa-ther: We wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we



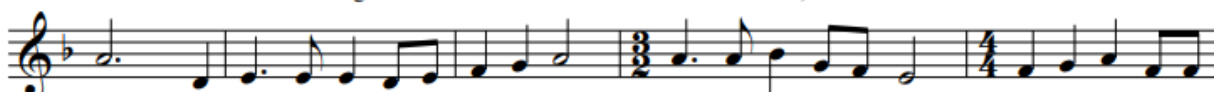
praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord



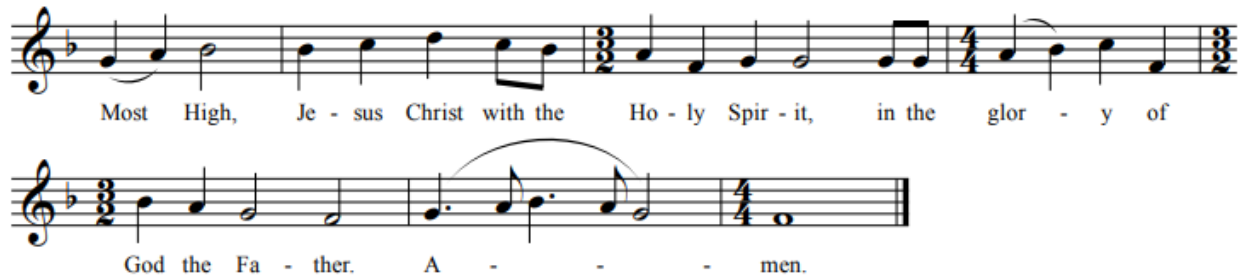
God, Lamb of God: You take a-way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. You are



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



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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, most merciful redeemer, for the countless blessings and benefits you give. May we know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day praising you, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

READING

1 SAMUEL 3:1-20

A reading from 1 Samuel.

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.” [¹¹Then the LORD said to Samuel, “See, I am about to do something in Israel that will make both ears of anyone who hears of it tingle. ¹²On that day I will fulfill against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end. ¹³For I have told him that I am about to punish his house forever, for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were blaspheming God, and he did not restrain them. ¹⁴Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli’s house shall not be expiated by sacrifice or offering forever.”

¹⁵Samuel lay there until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the LORD. Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. ¹⁶But Eli called Samuel and said, “Samuel, my son.” He said, “Here I am.” ¹⁷Eli said, “What was it that he told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also, if you hide anything from me of all that he told you.” ¹⁸So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. Then he said, “It is the LORD; let him do what seems good to him.” ¹⁹As Samuel grew up, the LORD was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. ²⁰And all Israel from Dan to Beer-sheba knew that Samuel was a trustworthy prophet of the LORD.]

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Congregation:

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

Optional Repeat

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GOSPEL

JOHN 1:43-51

The Holy Gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

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.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN’S TIME

PASTOR ANDREW ISENHOWER

SERMON

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HYMN OF THE DAY 798

WILL YOU COME AND FOLLOW ME

- 1 "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?
- 2 "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?
- 3 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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APOSTLES' CREED

Let us 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

Guided by Christ made known to the nations, let us offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all people in need.

The congregation responds to each petition with "Have mercy, O God."

Merciful God, hear the prayers of your people, spoken or silent, for the sake of the one who dwells among us, your Son, Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The congregation is invited to share the peace either by waving to your car neighbors or by taking this time to quickly send a text message offering God's peace.

*Drive-in Service continues with the Great Thanksgiving below.
Online Service continues with the Benediction on page 7.*

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

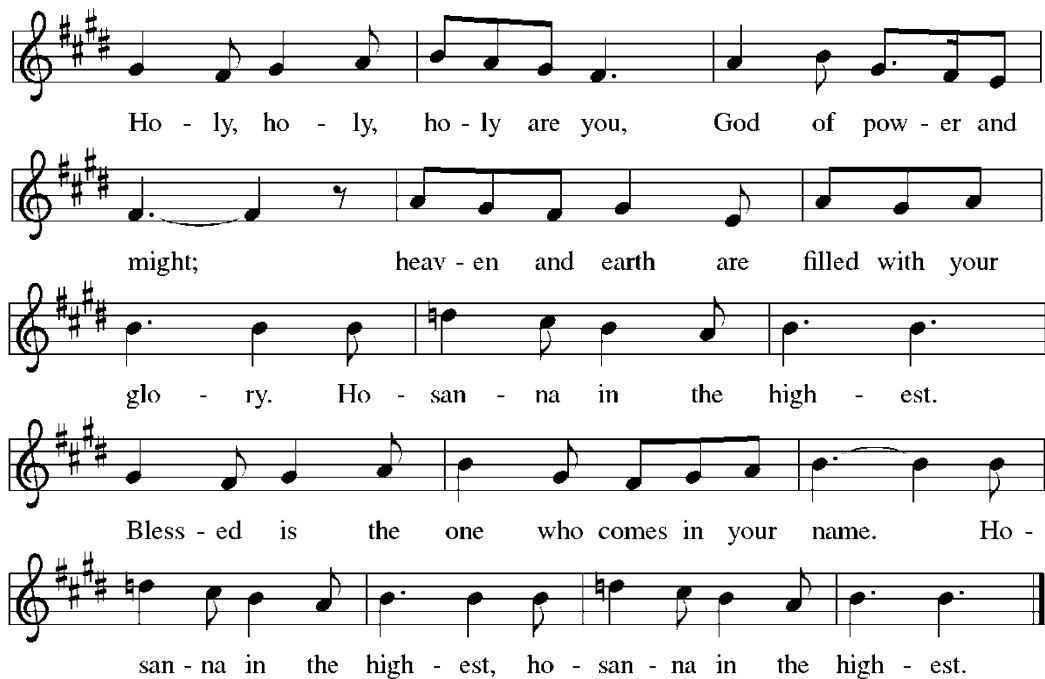
Lift up your hearts.

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; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. 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:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and
might; heav - en and earth are filled with your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is the one who comes in your name. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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 for 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.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

The Pastor will provide an invitation for those communing to eat the bread, with these words:

Take and eat. This is the body of Christ given for you.

Amen.

Afterwards, the Pastor will also provide the invitation to drink the juice.

Take and drink. This is the blood of Christ shed for you.

Amen.

BLESSING OF THE COMMUNICANTS

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

Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Christ Jesus, at this table we have feasted on your very life and are strengthened for our journey.

Send us forth from this banquet nourished in body and in spirit to proclaim your good news and serve others in your name.

Amen.

BENEDICTION

Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN 673

GOD, WHOSE ALMIGHTY WORD

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| 1 | God, whose almighty word
chaos and darkness heard
and took their flight:
hear us, we humbly pray,
and where the gospel day
sheds not its glorious ray,
let there be light. | 3 | Spirit of truth and love,
life-giving, holy dove,
speed forth your flight;
move on the water's face
bearing the lamp of grace,
and in earth's darkest place
let there be light. |
| 2 | Christ, who once came to bring,
on your redeeming wing,
healing and sight;
health to the troubled mind,
sight where illusions blind;
oh, now to humankind
let there be light. | 4 | Holy and blessed three,
glorious Trinity,
Wisdom, Love, Might:
boundless as ocean's tide,
rolling in fullest pride,
through the earth, far and wide,
let there be light. |

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Be the light of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

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LET US REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

- Blue Ridge of Sumter** – Virginia Stephens
- Colonial Gardens Nursing Home** – Irene S. Poole
- Lowman Home** – Rosemarie Brown, Marianne De Werdt, Martha Haigler
- NHC Parklane** – Mary Allen, Becky Silvia
- The Palmettos** – Sara Loyd
- Rice Estate** – Grace Boozer
- Wellmore of Lexington** – Dot Correll, Bev Weymouth
- Wellmore of Daniel Island** – Barbara Sutton
- Wildewood Downs** – Joanna Carpenter, Dot Gibert
- At their homes** – Gwen Barnes, Helen Derrick, Sylvia Anne Derrick, Larry Evans, Bonnie Hammond, Jeannine Jameson, Carol Mayfield, Doris McCaughey, Margaret Moody, Mary Sox, and Nancy Taylor

January 10, 2021 ATTENDANCE & OFFERINGS

No Drive-In Worship Service Held January 10, 2021

**While we are not worshiping in the Sanctuary,
 Financial Reports may be obtained by calling the church office**

***Budgeted Weekly Benevolence Collections needed: \$8,575.25**

***Current Expenses & Benevolences Received: \$9,005**

OTHER MISCELLANEOUS OFFERINGS

Altar Flowers	\$120	Initial Offering	\$70
Youth Mission Fund - Contributions	\$25	From Day School (For Utilities)	\$150
Capital Improvement	\$50	Processing Fee	\$1
		January Social Ministry Focus – The Woodyard Fund	\$295

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given by Debi Powell to the Glory of God and in honor of Chris Powell on their 7th wedding anniversary.

FOOD PANTRY SUNDAY – The food pantry is of immediate need of canned vegetables such as green beans, sweet peas, carrots, potatoes, and mixed vegetables.

YEAR-END STATEMENTS READY FOR PICK UP – Deb Embrey will be handing out the 2020 yearly statements. Please see her as you enter the Drive-In Worship Service and pick up your statement in order to save the church mailing costs.

EVANGELISM COMMITTEE – will meet Sunday, January 24, 2021, at 2:30 p.m. in the FAB. If you are unable to attend in-person, Zoom invites will be made available upon request. Contact: Peter Zornow at zornowpd@juno.com, 803-542-7071, or cell: 803-730-7570.

LUTHERAN MEN IN MISSION – will meet via Zoom, Sunday, January 31, 2021, at 2:30 p.m. Contact Peter Zornow for a Zoom invite at zornowpd@juno.com, 803-542-7071, or cell: 803-730-7570.

2021 OFFERING ENVELOPES are on a table in front of the Chapel. If you have not done so, please come by and pick up your envelopes.

SOCIAL MINISTRY JANUARY EMPHASIS – The Woodyard Fund is a joint project of The State newspaper and The Salvation Army. The Woodyard Fund helps residents in crisis in Richland, Lexington, Newberry and Fairfield counties pay utilities bills. Applicants are vetted and must meet certain criteria to receive aid. If you'd like to support this effort, you may contribute any time during January by sending your offering to the church office or dropping it off when you come to the Drive-In Worship Service. Checks should be made to Good Shepherd and designated for The Woodyard Fund.

SIGN UP TO OFFER FLOWERS FOR 2021 — The sign-up chart for offering altar flowers is on the **BULLETIN BOARD** in the Narthex. Please sign up – with your phone number – for the dates you want to offer flowers in 2021. We will not be ordering the altar rose and narthex flowers until we are meeting in the Sanctuary again.

TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY – Meet in the FAB on Tuesday mornings at 11:30 a.m. for a Bible Study. *Masks and social distancing required.*

ZOOM BIBLE STUDY will be led by Pastor Andrew each Wednesday at 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. A reminder with a meeting link will be sent by email each week.