



*Second Sunday After the Epiphany*  
*1/14/24*  
*Lutheran Book of Worship Holy Communion Setting One*

**GOD GATHERS US AS HIS HOLY PEOPLE.**

**HYMNS TODAY: LBW #82, LBW #76 AND LBW #90**

**PRELUDE, WELCOME, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION (LBW p. 56)

*Matthew 28:19; 1 John 1:8-10*

*Please stand as you are able.*

*In remembrance of Baptism, you may sign a cross on your chest or forehead.*

We gather to worship the One true God – the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

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. **Amen.**

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.

*We keep silence for self-reflection and contrition.*

Most merciful God, **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.**

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 of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

OFFERING OF PEACE (LBW p. 66)

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

*John 20:19-21*

As God has given us peace by the forgiveness of our sins, so let us forgive and share his peace with our brothers and sisters in Christ.

*Please, remain standing as you are able for the hymn.*

**GATHERING HYMN: “As with Gladness Men of Old” LBW #82**

AFFIRMATION OF PURPOSE

*Matthew 28:18-20, 22:36-39; Mark 12:30-31*

We are Joy Mission Church, missionary-disciples of Jesus Christ.

**We love God, love neighbor, and serve with joy in Jesus’ name.**

APOSTOLIC GREETING (LBW p. 57)

*2 Corinthians 13:14*

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 (LBW pp. 58-59)

Luke 2:14; John 1:29; Mark 16:19; Acts 7:55-56; Romans 8:34; Ephesians 1:20; Colossians 3:1; Hebrews 8:1, 12:2



♩ Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



♩ 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,



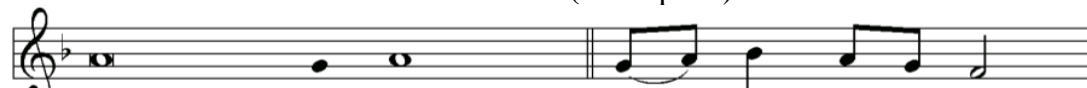
you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men

SALUTATION & PRAYER OF THE DAY (LBW p. 62)

Ruth 2:4



♩ The Lord be with you.

♩ And al - so with you.

Let us pray together. **Almighty and eternal God, you restrain the powers of heaven and earth. Mercifully hear your people's prayers for peace in our time. Grant this, we pray, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## GOD SPEAKS TO US IN HIS WORD.

FIRST READING: 1 Samuel 3:1-20

<sup>1</sup>The boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord in the presence of Eli. And the word of the Lord was rare in those days; there was no frequent vision. <sup>2</sup>At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his own place. <sup>3</sup>The 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. <sup>4</sup>Then the Lord called Samuel, and he said, "Here I am!" <sup>5</sup>and 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. <sup>6</sup>And the Lord called again, "Samuel!" and Samuel arose 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." <sup>7</sup>Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. <sup>8</sup>And the Lord called Samuel again the third time. And he arose and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. <sup>9</sup>Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down, and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant hears.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place. <sup>10</sup>And the Lord came and stood, calling as at other times, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant hears." <sup>11</sup>Then the Lord said to Samuel, "Behold, I am about to do a thing in Israel at which the two ears of everyone who hears it will tingle. <sup>12</sup>On that day I will fulfill against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end. <sup>13</sup>And I declare to 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. <sup>14</sup>Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli's house shall not be atoned for by sacrifice or offering forever." <sup>15</sup>Samuel lay until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the Lord. And Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. <sup>16</sup>But Eli called Samuel and said, "Samuel, my son." And he said, "Here I am." <sup>17</sup>And Eli 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." <sup>18</sup>So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. And he said, "It is the Lord. Let him do what seems good to him." <sup>19</sup>And Samuel grew, and the Lord was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. <sup>20</sup>And all Israel from Dan to Beersheba knew that Samuel was established as a prophet of the Lord.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 139:1-9 - *Sung responsively with the cantor.*

<sup>1</sup>Lord, you have searched me | out and known me;\*

you know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts | from afar.

<sup>2</sup>**You trace my journeys and my | resting places\***

**and are acquainted with | all my ways.**

<sup>3</sup>Indeed, there is not a word | on my lips,\*

but you, O Lord, know it | altogether.

<sup>4</sup>**You press upon me behind | and before\***

**and lay your | hand upon me.**

<sup>5</sup>Such knowledge is too wonder- | ful for me;\*

it is so high that I cannot at- | tain to it.

<sup>6</sup>**Where can I go then | from your Spirit?\***

**where can I flee | from your presence?**

<sup>7</sup>If I climb up to heaven, | you are there;\*

if I make the grave my bed, you | are there also.

<sup>8</sup>**If I take the wings | of the morning\***

**and dwell in the uttermost parts | of the sea,**

<sup>9</sup>Even there your | hand will lead me\*

and your right hand | hold me fast.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 6:12-20

<sup>12</sup>“All things are lawful for me,” but not all things are helpful. “All things are lawful for me,” but I will not be dominated by anything. <sup>13</sup>“Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food” — and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is not meant for sexual immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. <sup>14</sup>And God raised the Lord and will also raise us up by his power. <sup>15</sup>Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I then take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! <sup>16</sup>Or do you not know that he who is joined to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For, as it is written, “The two will become one flesh.” <sup>17</sup>But he who is joined to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. <sup>18</sup>Flee from sexual immorality. Every other sin a person commits is outside the body, but the sexually immoral person sins against his own body. <sup>19</sup>Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, <sup>20</sup>for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as you are able.*

VERSE (LBW p. 62) *John 6:68*

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

GOSPEL ANNUNCIATION (LBW p. 63)

The Holy Gospel according to St. John the first chapter.

Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL READING: John 1:43-51

<sup>43</sup>The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, “Follow me.” <sup>44</sup>Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. <sup>45</sup>Philip found Nathanael and said to him, “We have found him of whom Moses in the Law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.” <sup>46</sup>Nathanael said to him, “Can anything good come out of Nazareth?” Philip said to him, “Come and see.” <sup>47</sup>Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him and said of him, “Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom there is no deceit!” <sup>48</sup>Nathanael said to him, “How do you know me?” Jesus answered him, “Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you.” <sup>49</sup>Nathanael answered him, “Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!” <sup>50</sup>Jesus answered him, “Because I said to you, ‘I saw you under the fig tree,’ do you believe? You will see greater things than these.” <sup>51</sup>And he said to him, “Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

GOSPEL RESPONSE (LBW p. 63)

Praise to you, O Christ.

*Please be seated.*

CHILDREN’S SERMON

SERMON

## **GOD INVITES US TO RESPOND IN FAITH.**

*Please stand as you are able.*

**HYMN OF THE DAY: “O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright” LBW #76**

*Please be seated.*

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS BY AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

*Congregation, please stand, as you are able.*

APOSTLE’S CREED (LBW p. 65)

**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**

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS BY TRANSFER

*To new members of Joy and the whole congregation*

You have made public profession of your faith.

Do you intend to continue in the covenant made with you in Holy Baptism:

to live among God’s faithful people;

to hear his Word and share in his supper;

to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed;

to serve all people, following the example of our Lord Jesus;

and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

**I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.**

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

Let us pray... Gracious Lord, we pray for those preparing for Baptism, those affirming their Baptism and joining this community of faith, and for all the baptized everywhere, that they be redeemed from all evil and rescued from the way of sin and death.

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

...That the Holy Spirit fill our hearts with your grace and truth.

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

...That we be kept in the faith and in the communion of your holy Church.  
Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

...That we be sent into the world to witness to your love.  
Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

...That we be brought to fulfillment of your peace and glory.  
Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

We thank you, dear Lord, for these new members of this congregation. By your life-giving power, bind us to each other in you, strengthen us for service, support us all our days, and bring us at last to that day when all your children will be one and you will be All-in-All.  
Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Lord, we pray also for your tender mercy and compassion, abiding presence and care for all who suffer in mind, body, or spirit, those on our congregational prayer list, and especially...  
as well as any others we name before you now...  
Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

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

Gracious Lord, through water and the Spirit you have made these men and women your own. You have forgiven them all their sins and brought them to newness of life. Continue to strengthen them and each of us with the Holy Spirit and daily increase in us your gifts of grace: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of Counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence; we ask this through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

OFFERING OF TITHES, ADDITIONAL GIFTS, & SPECIAL MUSIC as available

*We offer our time, talents, and treasures in gratitude for all of the blessings God has given us.*

*Please stand as you are able.*

OFFERTORY HYMN & PRAYER (LBW pp. 66-67)

☞ 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.

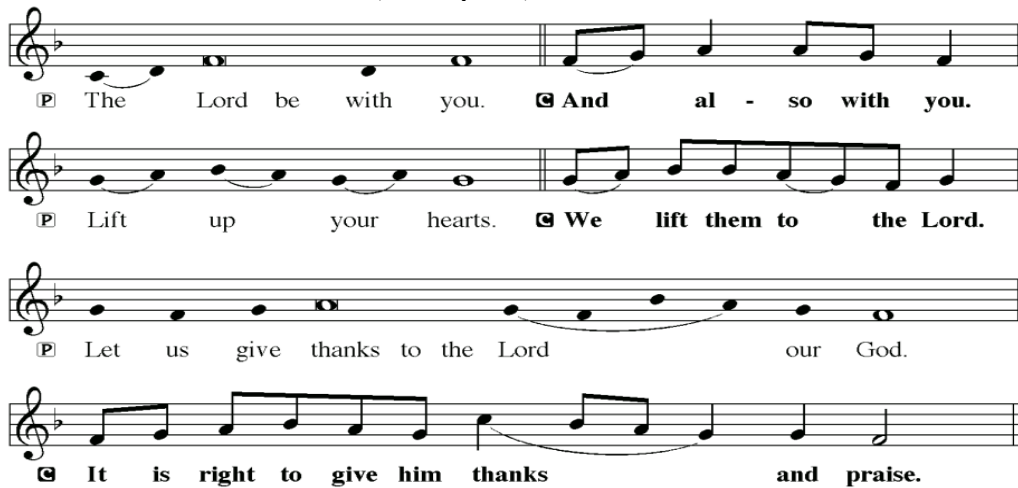
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Gath-er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the  
prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your  
pres - ence, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

Let us pray... Blessed are you, O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING (LBW p. 68)



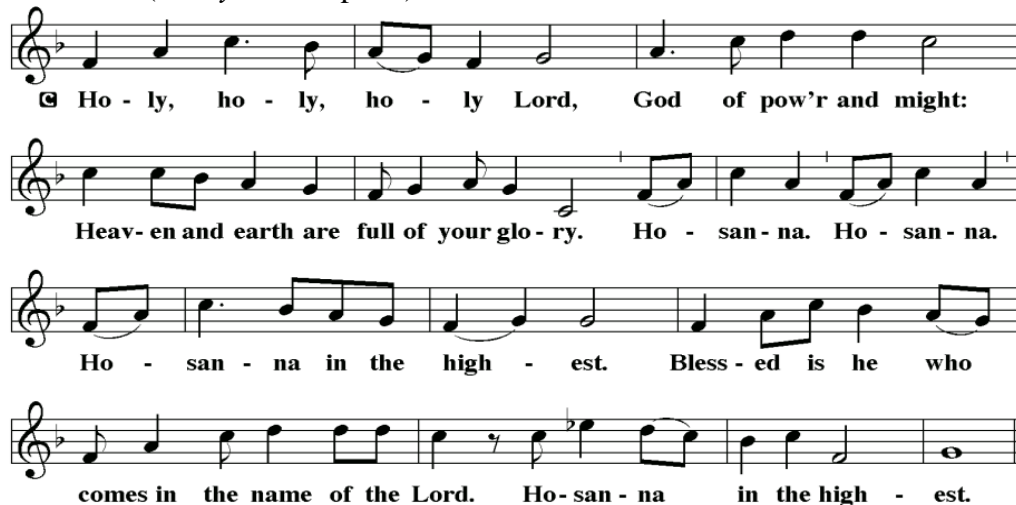
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.  
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

PREFACE (LBW p. 68) *Sung or spoken by the pastor.*

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, Holy Father, through Christ our Lord. Sharing our life, he lived among us to reveal your glory and love, that our darkness should give away to his own brilliant light. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS ("Holy" LBW p. 69)

*Psalm 118:25-26; Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9; Mark 11:9*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:  
Heav - en 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 who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION (LBW p. 69) *1 Corinthians 11:23-26; Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20*

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.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (LBW p. 71)

*Matthew 6:9-13; Luke 11:2-4*

Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray...

**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.**

COMMUNION HYMN ("*Lamb of God...*" LBW p. 72)

*John 1:29*

♩ 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.

*Please be seated.*

### **GOD GIVES US HIMSELF IN HIS HOLY MEAL.**

*All who are baptized and trust that Christ is truly present in, with, and under the bread and wine may come forward to commune. The usher will direct you and offer hand sanitizer if you so desire.*

- *If you require gluten-free wafers or abstain from wine, indicate so to the pastor.*
- *To receive the Sacrament in your seat, notify the usher and it will be brought to you.*
- *If you abstain from the Sacrament, you have full forgiveness of sins by God's Word alone.*

The body of Christ given for you. **Amen.** The blood of Christ shed for you. **Amen.**



POST-COMMUNION BLESSING & CANTICLE (LBW pp. 72-73)

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



☩ Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re-joice and proud-ly bear his name.



He re-calls his prom-is-es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks-giv-ing, Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER & BENEDICTION (LBW p. 74)

Let us pray...We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



☩ Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now . . . and for - ever. ☩ A - men

**GOD SENDS US FORTH TO SERVE.**

**SENDING HYMN: "Songs of Thankfulness and Praise" LBW #90**

**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Share the light of Christ! **Thanks be to God!**

**POSTLUDE**

As a congregation of the North American Lutheran Church we strive to be:

**Christ Centered, Mission Driven, Traditionally Grounded, & Congregationally Focused.**

Ministers: Joy Mission Church and all the people of God

Pastor: Rev. Paulette McHugh

Parish Administrator: Scheri Force

Pianist: Lavenia Hentz

Volunteer Director of Music: Laurie Lackey

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