



WORSHIP SERVICE

Now the Feast and Celebration

February 5, 2023

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Light shines in the darkness for the upright, the psalmist sings. Isaiah declares that when we loose the bonds of injustice and share our bread with the hungry, the light breaks forth like the dawn. In another passage from the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus, the light of the world, calls his followers to let the light of their good works shine before others. Through baptism we are sent into the world to shine with the light of Christ.

GATHERING

♫ PRELUDE - *Little Light Shines* performed by Swara Nanda

† WELCOME

† CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who makes all things new, whose mercy endures forever.

C: Amen.

P: Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Holy One, source of our renewal,

C: we confess that we are wrapped up in sin, and cannot free ourselves. We have not practiced your righteousness. Our hearts have turned away from you. For the sake of the world you so love, forgive us, that we may be reconciled to one another for the glory of your holy name. Amen.

P: Thus says our God: "The former things have come to pass and new things I now declare." God's mercy makes us new. We are forgiven in the name of † Christ our Savior.

C: Amen.

♫ GATHERING SONG ~ *God, Whose Almighty Word*

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Verse 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.

Verse 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.

Verse 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.

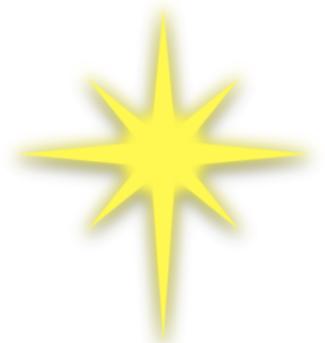
Verse 4:

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.

† GREETING

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

C: And also with you.



♫ **SONG OF PRAISE - Kyrie & Now the Feast**

A: In peace, in peace

Refrain

Assistant: *Congregation:*

Let us pray to the Lord, have mer - cy, Christ, have

to Verses

mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy.



A: For the reign of God, and for peace throughout the world, for the unity of all... (to refrain above)

A: For your people here, who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your Word...(to refrain above)

A: Help, save, and defend us. O God.

C: ♫ **Amen** ♫

Now the Feast and Celebration

Refrain

Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion, all of cre - a - tion

sings for joy to the God of life and love and free-dom;

praise and glo - ry for - ev - er - more!

1 Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, whose blood has

freed and u - nit-ed us to be one great peo-ple of God. *Refrain*

2 Pow - er and rich-es, wis-dom and might, all hon - or and

glo - ry to Christ for - ev - er. *Refrain*

3 For God has come to dwell with us, to make us peo-ple of

God; to make all things new. *Refrain*

†**SALUTATION**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

†**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: Lord God, with endless mercy you receive the prayers of all who call upon you. By your Spirit show us the things we ought to do, and give us the grace and power to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

WORD

†**FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 58:1-9a [9b-12]**

†**PSALM 112:1-9[10]**

¹Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the Lord and have great delight in God's commandments!

²**Their descendants will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed.**

³Wealth and riches will be in their house, and their righteousness will last forever.

⁴**Light shines in the darkness for the upright; the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.**

⁵It is good for them to be generous in lending and to manage their affairs with justice.

⁶**For they will never be shaken; the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.**

⁷They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; their heart is steadfast, trusting in the Lord.

⁸**Their heart is established and will not shrink, until they see their desire upon their enemies.**

⁹They have given freely to the poor, and their righteousness stands fast forever; they will hold up their head with honor.

¹⁰**The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth and pine away; the desires of the wicked will perish.**

†**SECOND LESSON: 1 Corinthians 2:1-12 [13-16]**

L: Word of God, Word of Life.

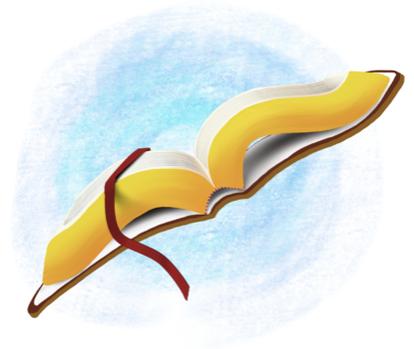
C: Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

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



†**GOSPEL: Matthew 5:13-20**

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

†**SERMON**

Pastor Ron Bock

HYMN OF THE DAY ~ Go, Make Disciples

"Go, make disciples,
baptizing them, teaching them.
Go, make disciples,
for I am with you till the end of time.
Go, be the salt of the earth.
Go, be the light for the world.
Go, be a city on a hill,
so all can see that you're serving me. (Repeat)



AND MAKE DISCIPLES

Go, make disciples."

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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

P: Merciful God,
Congregation:



Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, Lord, send your Spir-it in this place;



Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.



SPECIAL MUSIC ~ Glory of God performed by Swara Nanda

MEAL

GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.
C: **And also with you.**
P: Lift up your hearts.
C: **We lift them to the Lord.**
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**



P: It is our duty and delight... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



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.

†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.

♫LAMB OF GOD

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Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us, mercy on us, mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you are God's light to all of the world: have mercy on us, mercy on us, mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.

†THE MEAL IS SHARED

*All are welcome at the Lord's table for Holy Communion.
The ushers will direct you to the altar to receive the gifts. You will receive gluten free bread from Pastor Ron.
Then the assisting minister will offer you a prefilled cup of wine (dark) or grape juice (light).*

†COMMUNING AS THE PEOPLE OF GOD

♫COMMUNION SPECIAL MUSIC ~ Salt & Light by Lauren Daigle

Video

♫COMMUNION HYMN ~ Now the Silence (repeat as needed)

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Now the silence	Now the hearing	Now the wedding
Now the peace	Now the pow'r	Now the songs
Now the empty hands uplifted	Now the vessel brimmed for pouring	Now the heart forgiven leaping
Now the kneeling	Now the body	Now the Spirit's visitation
Now the plea	Now the blood	Now the Son's epiphany
Now the Father's arms in welcome	Now the joyful celebration	Now the Father's blessing
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†TABLE BLESSING

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

C: Amen.

†PRAYER AFTER HOLY COMMUNION

P: Holy One, we thank you for the healing that springs forth abundantly from this table. Renew our strength to do justice, love kindness,
and journey humbly with you.

C: Amen.

SENDING

†BENEDICTION

P: The God who faithfully brings forth justice and breaks the oppressor's rod ✚ bless, strengthen, and uphold you, today and always.

C: Amen.

♫ **SENDING SONG ~ Bring Forth the Kingdom**

HS #821

Verse 1:

Cantor: You are salt for the earth, O people:

All: Salt for the Kingdom of God!

Cantor: Share the flavor of life, O people:

All: Life in the Kingdom of God!

Refrain:

Bring forth the Kingdom of mercy,

Bring forth the Kingdom of peace;

Bring forth the Kingdom of justice,

Bring forth the City of God!

Verse 2:

Cantor: You are a light on the hill, O people:

All: Light for the City of God!

Cantor: Shine so holy and bright, O people:

All: Shine for the Kingdom of God! Refrain

Verse 3:

Cantor: You are a seed of the Word, O people:

All: Bring forth the Kingdom of God!

Cantor: Seeds of mercy and seeds of justice,

All: Grow in the Kingdom of God! Refrain

Verse 4:

Cantor: We are a blest and a pilgrim people:

All: Bound for the Kingdom of God!

Cantor: Love our journey and love our homeland:

All: Love is the Kingdom of God! Refrain

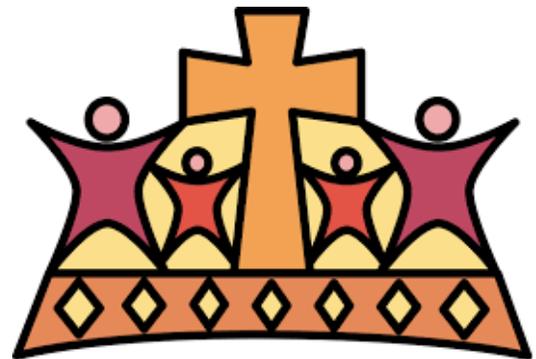
ANNOUNCEMENTS & FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

† **DISMISSAL**

P: Go in peace. Follow the way of Jesus.

C: Thanks be to God.

♫ **POSTLUDE**



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