JANUARY 14, 2024 | The Second Sunday after Epiphany

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Welcome to our worship service today! We are glad to have you with us as we gather before our almighty and saving God to hear His holy and powerful Word and celebrate His life-giving Sacraments, offering our prayers and praises as He strengthens our faith and brings us ever closer to our eternal home with Him.

SERVICE NOTES

All the earth shall worship You and sing praises to You. They shall sing praises to Your name. Make a joyful shout to God, all the earth! Sing out the honor of His name, make His praise glorious.

If you need any assistance, please ask any of our ushers for help. In inclement weather, or if walking from your car is difficult, please make use of the carport. The ushers will gladly park and/or retrieve your car for you if needed.

If you are a visitor with us today, please sign the Guest Book before you leave today (the black binder in the front of church). If you would like to learn more about our church or are interested in church membership, please speak with the Pastor or one of the Elders.

If you have small children, please note there is a Parents' Room at the rear of the sanctuary if you need to temporarily calm a child, but we are caring, loving and happy to hear your child/children. From the Parents' Room you can still see, hear, and participate in the worship service.

For your convenience today's order of service is printed on the following pages. It is based on the Order of Morning Service, found on p. 5ff. in *The Lutheran Hymnal*.

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Minister Rev. Michael Dietz

Organist Deb Meyer

Elder on Duty Sunday: Rod Meves

Ushers on Duty Dennis Barlament, Brian Busse, Daniel Meves

Altar Guild Julie Busse & Sandra VanderHeyden

The Order of Morning Service

Please stand.

OPENING HYMN

The Star Proclaims the King is Here | 131

INVOCATION AND CONFESSION OF SINS

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



M: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Our help is in the name of the Lord.



M: I said, I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.



- **M:** Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Therefore, we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- C: O most merciful God, You have given Your only-begotten Son to die for us; have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You, and of Your will, and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

M: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only-begotten Son to die for us, and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To all who believe on His Name He gives power to become the children of God, and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He who believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all!



You may be seated.

THE INTROIT & GLORIA PATRI

John 1:29

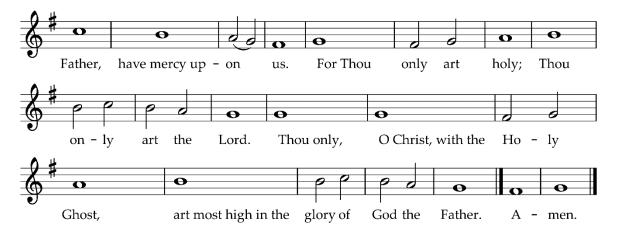
M: John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.



GLORIA IN EXCELSIS—"GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST

Luke 2:14





PSALM 139

- M: O LORD, You have searched me and known me.
- C: You know my sitting down and my rising up; You understand my thought afar off.
- M: You alcomprehend my path and my lying down, And are acquainted with all my ways.
- C: For there is not a word on my tongue, But behold, O LORD, You know it altogether.
- M: You have behind and before, And laid Your hand upon me.
- C: Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; It is high, I cannot attain it.
- M: Where can I go from Your Spirit? Or where can I flee from Your presence?
- C: If I ascend into heaven, You are there; If I make my bed in [shell, behold, You are there.
- M: If I take the wings of the morning, And dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,
- C: Even there Your hand shall lead me, And Your right hand shall hold me.
- M: If I say, "Surely the darkness shall defall on me," Even the night shall be light about me;
- C: Indeed, the darkness [e]shall not hide from You, But the night shines as the day; The darkness and the light *are* both alike *to* You.
- M: For You formed my inward parts; You ©covered me in my mother's womb.
- C: I will praise You, for [9] I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Marvelous are Your works, And that my soul knows very well.
- M: My herame was not hidden from You, When I was made in secret, *And* skillfully wrought in the lowest parts of the earth.
- C: Your eyes saw my substance, being yet unformed. And in Your book they all were written, The days fashioned for me, When as yet there were none of them.
- M: How precious also are Your thoughts to me, O God! How great is the sum of them!
- C: If I should count them, they would be more in number than the sand; When I awake, I am still with You.
- M: Search me, O God, and know my heart; Try me, and know my anxieties;
- C: And see if there is any wicked way in me, And lead me in the way everlasting.

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

THE SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

M: The Lord be with you.



Please stand.

M: Let us pray: Almighty God, you gave your one and only Son to be the light of the world. Grant that our people, illumined by your Word and sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and believed to the ends of the earth; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and forever.



You may be seated.

FIRST LESSON: 1 SAMUEL 3:1-10

The boy Samuel ministered before the LORD under Eli. In those days the word of the LORD was rare; there were not many visions.

²One night Eli, whose eyes were becoming so weak that he could barely see, was lying down in his usual place. ³ The lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the house of the LORD, where the ark of God was. ⁴ Then the LORD called Samuel.

Samuel answered, "Here I am." ⁵ And he ran to Eli and said, "Here I am; you called me." But Eli said, "I did not call; go back and lie down." So he went and lay down.

⁶Again the LORD called, "Samuel!" And Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, "Here I am; you called me."

"My son," Eli said, "I did not call; go back and lie down."

⁷Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD: The word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him.

⁸ A third time the LORD called, "Samuel!" And Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, "Here I am; you called me."

Then Eli realized that the LORD was calling the boy. ⁹So Eli told Samuel, "Go and lie down, and if he calls you, say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening." So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

¹⁰ Now the LORD came and stood and called as at other times, "Samuel! Samuel!" Then Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

SECOND LESSON: 1 CORINTHIANS 6:12-20

¹² "I have the right to do anything," you say—but not everything is beneficial. "I have the right to do anything"—but I will not be mastered by anything. ¹³ You say, "Food for the stomach and the stomach for food, and God will destroy them both." The body, however, is not meant for sexual immorality but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. ¹⁴ By his power God raised the Lord from the dead, and he will raise us also.

¹⁵ Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ himself? Shall I then take the members of Christ and unite them with a prostitute? Never! ¹⁶ Do you not know that he who unites himself with a prostitute is one with her in body? For it is said, "The two will become one flesh." ^[a] ¹⁷ But whoever is united with the Lord is one with him in spirit.^[b]

¹⁸ Flee from sexual immorality. All other sins a person commits are outside the body, but whoever sins sexually, sins against their own body. ¹⁹ Do you not know that your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; ²⁰ you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your bodies.

GRADUAL

M: Alleluia! Oh, praise the Lord, all you nations! Laud Him, all you peoples! For His merciful kindness is great toward us: and the truth of the Lord endures forever. Alleluia!



Please stand.

GOSPEL LESSON: JOHN 1:43-51



- ⁴³ The next day Jesus decided to leave for Galilee. Finding Philip, he said to him, "Follow me."
- ⁴⁴ Philip, like Andrew and Peter, was from the town of Bethsaida. ⁴⁵ Philip found Nathanael and told him, "We have found the one Moses wrote about in the Law, and about whom the prophets also wrote—Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph."
 - ⁴⁶ "Nazareth! Can anything good come from there?" Nathanael asked.
 - "Come and see," said Philip.
- ⁴⁷ When Jesus saw Nathanael approaching, he said of him, "Here truly is an Israelite in whom there is no deceit."
 - 48 "How do you know me?" Nathanael asked.

Jesus answered, "I saw you while you were still under the fig tree before Philip called you."

- ⁴⁹ Then Nathanael declared, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God; you are the king of Israel."
- ⁵⁰ Jesus said, "You believe^[a] because I told you I saw you under the fig tree. You will see greater things than that." ⁵¹He then added, "Very truly I tell you,^[b] you^[c] will see 'heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending on'^[d] the Son of Man."

M: This is the Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.



THE APOSTLES' CREED

C: 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 Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; The forgiveness of sins; The resurrection of the body; And the life everlasting. Amen.

HYMN

Come, Follow Me, the Savior Spake | 421

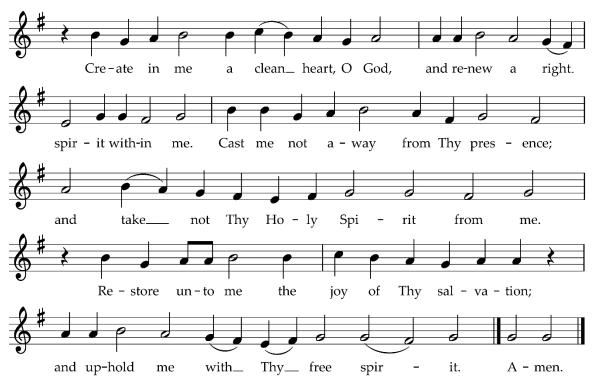
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SERMON - JOHN 1:43-51

A Blessed Invasion of Privacy

Please stand.

THE OFFERTORY



You may be seated.

THE OFFERING

Please stand.

THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH & THE LORD'S PRAYER

ALL: 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.

You may be seated.

HYMN

Speak, O Lord, Thy Servant Heareth | 296

Please stand.

COLLECT OF THE WORD

M: Blessed Lord, since You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart, that by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever.



THE BENEDICTION

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY (1/21)

ALTAR FLOWERS - If you are interested in sponsoring altar flowers, please sign up on the flower chart in the fellowship hall.

SNACK SPONSORS – Thanks to Brian and Julie Busse for sponsoring and serving snacks during our fellowship time this morning! If you're interested in sponsoring and serving snacks, please sign up on the sheet in the fellowship hall!

THANK YOU – Thank you to all the volunteers that helped take down the Christmas decorations yesterday. Your help was appreciated.

THANK YOU – Thank you, Pastor Dietz, for conducting our service today.

CONGREGATIONAL CALL MEETING – Pastor Trent Saari returned the call to Christ the King and will remain in Cottage Grove, WI (letter is posted in Fellowship Hall). A Call Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, January 21, time to be determined.

THIS WEEK AT CHRIST THE KING

SUNDAY (1/14)	Divine Service, 9:00 a.m		
	Appual Cong	& Waters Mta	10.20.2 m

Annual Cong. & Voters Mtg., 10:30 a.m.

MONDAY (1/15) WOM Mtg., 6:00 a.m.

WEDNESDAY (1/17) Emerald Bay Service, 4:00 p.m.

Divine Service w/Comm., 9:00 a.m. Education Hour, 10:30 a.m.

Congregational Call Meeting, TBD

OUR MISSION

Christ the King Ev.
Lutheran Church gives all praise and thanks to the
Triune God for His grace received through Word and Sacrament by sharing the saving Gospel of Christ with the people of this community and the world.