

**JANUARY 14, 2024  
SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY  
CHRIST EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH  
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**Weekly Worship:    Saturday @ 5:00pm  
                             Sunday @ 10:30am**

**MISSION STATEMENT**

**Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church is a redeemed family of God's people empowered by the Holy Spirit to proclaim the love of God in Jesus Christ in this community and in the world.**

**As an active and growing congregation, we share ourselves, our time, and our possessions to serve the Lord by serving others. Inspired in worship, nurtured through teaching, supported with fellowship, and strengthened by prayer, we reach out to others with the Gospel, now and in future generations.**

**Patterson Derr - Minister of Music/Treasurer**

**Cynthia Derr – Church Secretary/Congregation Council Secretary**

**Sexton – Margie Yost**

**Congregation Council – Betty Anne Bernstein, Julia Bobrowski, Joyce Bradbury, Beth Brown Barbara DeLong, Jean Frye, Deb Jones, Marty Kellow (president), Dave Kisenwether, Tyler Russell, Scott Steiner, Jessica Thorne(vice-president).**

**Designated Pastor – Rev. Wayne Lupole**

Welcome in the name of Christ, whose church this is! If you are seeking a church home, please notify the church office. Contact information is on the front of the bulletin.

**FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE:** Hearing Assistive Devices are located on the table at the entrance to the worship space. An ADA Compliant restroom and changing station are located in the entrance hallway. A first aid kit, water, juice and snacks are in the kitchenette adjacent to the Parlor (main entrance room).

**FOR SECURITY:** During worship, only the upper-level main entrance doors are open- all other doors are locked.

Have any questions? An usher will be glad to help you!

Individual communion cups are ready for pick up for you to use at home. They are inside the front door of the parlor and may be picked up during office hours. Please help yourself. You may also commune with what you have handy at home; bread, crackers, juice, wine, etc.

Our Sunday morning 10:30am service is on our FaceBook page “Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church Congregation’ or catch the service on the website video tab using ‘clcconyngham.org’. The bulletin is on the web site using the bulletin tab.

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**10:30am Worship Service**

**PRELUDE**

**“Take My Life, and Let It Be Consecrated”**

**Arr. Barbara Boertje**

**GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**GATHERING**

**PLEASE STAND**

**GATHERING HYMN**

**“Here I Am, Lord”**

**ELW(red) #574**

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

**P** Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
creator of darkness and light,  
word of truth,  
wind sweeping over the waters.

**C** **Amen.**

**P** Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

**PLEASE KNEEL OR BE SEATED**

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

**P** God, our rock and refuge,  
**C** **we pour out our hearts before you.**  
**We have known you but have not always loved you.**  
**We have wounded one another**  
**and sinned against you.**  
**We have not always recognized the Holy Spirit**  
**dwelling in each of us.**  
**Remember your covenant.**  
**Renew your creation.**  
**Restore us,**  
**that we might proclaim your good news to all.**  
**Amen.**

**P** The voice of the Lord is upon the waters.  
 God has spoken:  
 The time of grace is now.  
 In Jesus, the reign of God has come near.  
 By the authority of † Jesus Christ,  
 your sins are forgiven.  
 You are God's beloved.  
**C** **Amen.**

**PLEASE STAND**

## **GREETING**

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

## HYMN OF PRAISE

## Arise, Your Light Has Come!

1 A - rise, your light has come! The Spir - it's call o - bey;  
 2 A - rise, your light has come! Fling wide the pris - on door;  
 3 A - rise, your light has come! All you in sor - row born,  
 4 A - rise, your light has come! The moun - tains burst in song!

show forth the glo - ry of your God which shines on you to - day.  
 pro - claim the cap - tive's lib - er - ty, good tid - ings to the poor.  
 bind up the bro - ken - heart - ed ones and com - fort those who mourn.  
 Rise up like ea - gles on the wing, God's pow'r will make us strong.

Text: Ruth Duck, b. 1947

Music: FESTAL SONG, William H. Walter, 1825-1893

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## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**A** 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.

**C** Amen.

PLEASE BE SEATED

## WORD

### A READING FROM 1<sup>st</sup> SAMUEL

#### 1 Samuel 3:1-20

*At a time when visions are rare and unexpected, the LORD comes to Samuel and calls him to speak the divine word. Though just a boy, Samuel responds to God obediently, as Eli the priest has taught him to respond. This marks the beginning of Samuel's prophetic ministry.*

<sup>1</sup>Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

<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 room; <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! 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>The 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." <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>The 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. <sup>9</sup>Therefore 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.

<sup>10</sup>Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening." [<sup>11</sup>Then 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. <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>For 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. <sup>14</sup>Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli's house shall not be expiated by sacrifice or offering forever."

<sup>15</sup>Samuel lay there until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the LORD. Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. <sup>16</sup>But Eli called Samuel and said, “Samuel, my son.” He said, “Here I am.” <sup>17</sup>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. Then he said, “It is the LORD; let him do what seems good to him.”

<sup>19</sup>As Samuel grew up, the LORD was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. <sup>20</sup>And all Israel from Dan to Beer-sheba knew that Samuel was a trustworthy prophet of the LORD.

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

L Please join in reading the Psalm - Congregation responses are in **bold** type

### **Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18**

*You have searched me out and known me. (Ps. 139:1)*

<sup>1</sup>LORD, you have searched me out;

O LORD, you have known me.

<sup>2</sup>**You know my sitting down and my rising up;  
you discern my thoughts from afar.**

<sup>3</sup>You trace my journeys and my resting-places  
and are acquainted with all my ways.

<sup>4</sup>**Indeed, there is not a word on my lips,  
but you, O LORD, know it altogether.**

<sup>5</sup>You encompass me, behind and before,  
and lay your hand upon me.

<sup>6</sup>**Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;  
it is so high that I cannot attain to it.**

<sup>13</sup>For you yourself created my inmost parts;  
you knit me together in my mother's womb.

<sup>14</sup>**I will thank you because I am marvelously made;  
your works are wonderful, and I know it well.**

<sup>15</sup>My body was not hidden from you,  
while I was being made in secret and woven in the depths of the earth.

<sup>16</sup>**Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb; all of them were written in  
your book;  
my days were fashioned before they came to be.**

<sup>17</sup>How deep I find your thoughts, O God!

How great is the sum of them!

<sup>18</sup>**If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand;  
to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.**

## A READING FROM 1<sup>st</sup> CORINTHIANS

### 1 Corinthians 6:12-20

*Paul helps the Corinthians understand that God has claimed the entirety of their lives through the death of Christ. Hence Christian relationships and conduct, including areas of human sexuality, are to reflect the reality that we belong to Christ and that the Holy Spirit lives within us.*

<sup>12</sup>“All things are lawful for me,” but not all things are beneficial. “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 meant not for fornication but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. <sup>14</sup>And God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power. <sup>15</sup>Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Should I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! <sup>16</sup>Do you not know that whoever is united to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For it is said, “The two shall be one flesh.” <sup>17</sup>But anyone united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. <sup>18</sup>Shun fornication! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body; but the fornicator sins against the body itself. <sup>19</sup>Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own? <sup>20</sup>For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body.

L        The Word of the Lord.

C        **Thanks be to God.**

PLEASE STAND



## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



## THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO ST. JOHN THE 1<sup>st</sup> CHAPTER

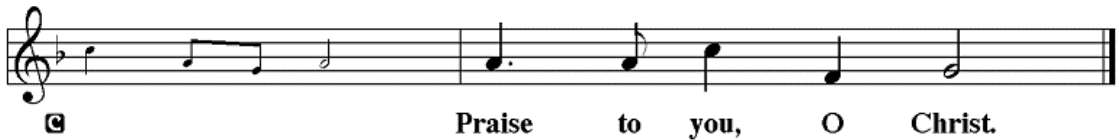


### John 1:43-51

*In John's gospel, Jesus' ministry begins with the call of disciples, who then bring others to Jesus. Philip's friend Nathanael moves from skepticism to faith when he accepts the invitation to "Come and see."*

<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 about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." <sup>46</sup>Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." <sup>47</sup>When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" <sup>48</sup>Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." <sup>49</sup>Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" <sup>50</sup>Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." <sup>51</sup>And 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."

*P* The Gospel of the Lord.



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**SERMON**

**Pastor Lupole**

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**HYMN OF THE DAY**

**“Jesus Call Us; o’er the Tumult”**

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**APOSTLES' CREED**

**P** Let us join in confessing our faith using the words of the Apostle’s Creed.

**C** 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

*A* As we celebrate Christ embodied in human form, we pray for God's blessing on the church, the world, and all of creation.

*A brief silence.*

*A* Encourage the ministry and mission of the church, God of truth. Let the leaders of your church be trustworthy and accountable stewards, that all its resources and outreach bring hope and healing to communities. God of grace,

**C receive our prayer.**

*A* Delight in the goodness of your creation, God of fig trees and fertile soil. Heal areas of the world harmed by human greed. Restore those recovering from natural disasters. Protect our forests and waterways and all the creatures that live in them. God of grace,

**C receive our prayer.**

*A* Call the leaders of every neighborhood and nation to serve faithfully, God of wisdom. Give them visions of justice and unity. Lead them to action that promotes equitable partnership and uplifts those on the margins of society. God of grace,

**C receive our prayer.**

*A* Hold in your care any who suffer and struggle, God of compassion. You who know our inner hearts, be present with any who are oppressed, victims of racism or cultural bias, and all who long for respite or restoration. Especially we pray for all those on our prayer list and others we name in our hearts(*pause*).... God of grace,

**C receive our prayer.**

*A* Give this congregation the anticipation and excitement of Samuel, so inspired and empowered to do your work in the world, God of unity. Make us faithful as we build communities of inclusion and mutual care. God of grace,

**C receive our prayer.**

*A* Trusting God who raised Jesus and will also raise us in spirit and truth, we remember all who have died and are at peace among the saints (*especially the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. whose faithful advocacy for peace and justice continues to embolden the church*). God of grace,

**C receive our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

*P* Knowing the Holy Spirit intercedes for us, we offer these prayers and the silent prayers of our hearts in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

**C Amen.**

# MEAL

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

*P* The peace of the Lord be with you always.

*C* And also with you.

*Please greet each other as you are comfortable.*

PLEASE BE SEATED

## OFFERING

### MUSIC AT THE OFFERING

“Here I Am, Lord”

Dan Schutte-arr. John Carter

PLEASE STAND

## OFFERTORY

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

## OFFERTORY PRAYER

- A* In thanksgiving for our offerings, let us pray.  
 Blessed are you, Holy One,  
 for all good things come from you.  
 In bread and cup you open heaven to us.  
 Meet us at this table,  
 that we receive what we seek  
 and follow your Son, Jesus,  
 in whose name we pray.
- C* **Amen.**

## THE 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 him thanks and praise.**
- P* It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and  
 might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.  
 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. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P Blessed are you, O holy God:  
     you are the Life and Light of all.  
 By your powerful word you created all things.  
 Through the prophets you called your people to be a light to the nations.  
 Blessed are you for Jesus, your Son.  
 He is your Light, shining in our darkness  
     and revealing to us your mercy and might.

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.

Remembering, therefore,  
     his preaching and healing,  
     his dying and rising,  
     and his promise to come again,  
     we await that day when all the universe  
     will rejoice in your holy and life-giving light.

By your Spirit bless us and this meal,  
     that, refreshed with this heavenly food,  
     we may be light for the world,  
     revealing the brilliance of your Son.

Through him all glory and honor is yours,  
     Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit,  
     in your holy Church,  
     both now and forever.

C Amen.

## LORD'S PRAYER

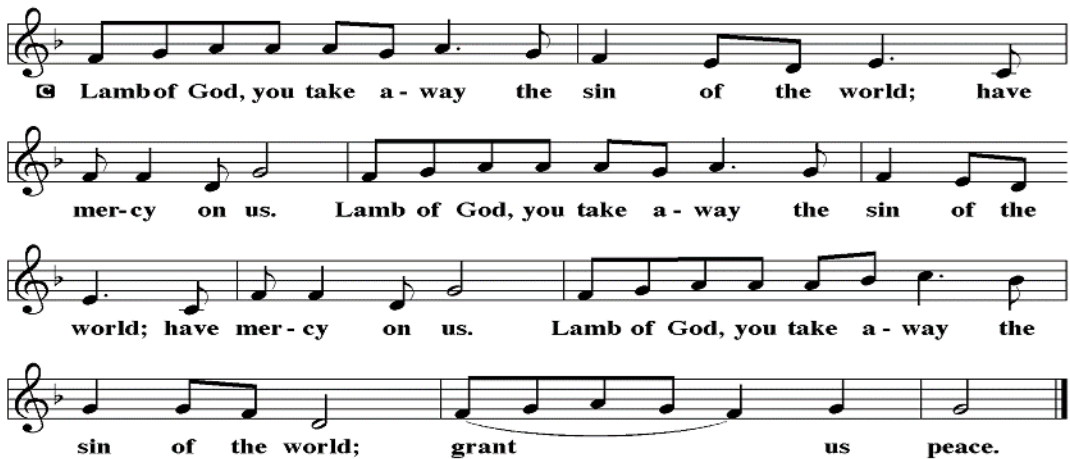
*P* Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**C** 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.

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*P* At Jesus' table, heaven and earth are joined as one.  
 Come and see.

## COMMUNION



**L** 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

## HOLY COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

*Those using the pre-filled communion elements and the people on Facebook will take communion first. Those taking communion from the altar will receive next. Proceed forward from your pew toward the altar. The Lectern side (right facing Altar) will proceed first and then the Pulpit side (left facing Altar). Pick up an empty communion glass as you approach, or use a cup filled with grape juice. Receive the bread and eat the wafer, then the assistant will fill your cup with wine and drink. Deposit empty cups in the bowls provided on the way back to your pews and be seated. If you need a gluten-free wafer, come forward with your arms crossed in front of you.*

## COMMUNION HYMN

“Take My Life, That I May Be”

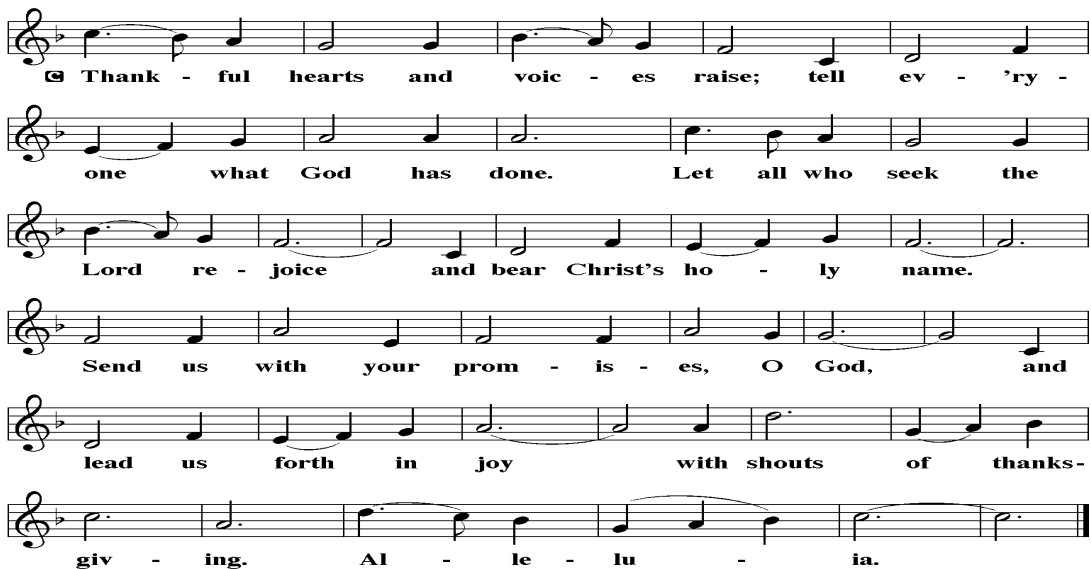
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## COMMUNION BLESSING

**P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen us and keep us in His grace.  
**C** Amen.

## CANTICLE



☞ Thank - ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev - 'ry -  
 one what God has done. Let all who seek the  
 Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.  
 Send us with your prom - is - es, O God, and  
 lead us forth in joy with shouts of thanks -  
 giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia.



## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*A* Giver of every gift,  
Christ's body is our food, and we are Christ's body.  
Raise us to life by your power  
for the benefit of all and to your glory,  
now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## SENDING

### BENEDICTION

*P* God who names you,  
Christ who claims you,  
and the Holy Spirit who dwells in you,  
✠ bless you and remain with you always.

**C** Amen.

**SENDING HYMN**      “Lord, Speak to Us, That We May Speak”      ELW (red) #676

### DISMISSAL

*P* Go in peace. You are God's beloved.

**C** Thanks be to God.

### POSTLUDE

“Lord of All”

Phil McHugh – arr. Tim Doran

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The flowers are offered to the glory of God by Ken & Shirley Ikeda in honor of Shirley's birthday.

The bulletins are offered to the glory of God by Margie Yost in memory of loved ones.

### **Worship Helpers**

Acolyte	Julia Bobrowski
Asst. Minister	Russ Nyblade
Reader	Fred Jaxheimer
Comm. Asst.	Dave Getz
Ushers	Sue Oliver & Barbara DeLong

### **Calendar of Events for the Week of January 14, 2024**

Monday-	5:00pm	Karate
Tuesday -	10:00am	Stephen Ministry Supervision
Wednesday-	11:00am	Bible Study
	7:00pm	Bible Study
Thursday-	9:00am	Quilting Group
	5:00pm	Karate
	6:30pm	AA Meeting
Friday-		
Saturday-		

**Next Weekend:**

**January 20 & 21, 2024**

### **THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY**

**Saturday Worship Service 5:00pm**

**Sunday Worship Service 10:30am**

**Sunday School 9:15am**

### **PASTORAL CARE**

If you are in need of pastoral care or wish a visit, please contact the church office at 570-788-1572, email [clccony@ptd.net](mailto:clccony@ptd.net). In case of emergencies, you can also reach Cindy at 570-788-3708 or 570-579-7732 or Pastor Lupole at 570-708-1690.

### **OUR PRAYER LIST**

Betty Lou, Shirley, Jean, Wilma, Dawn, Bob, Betsy, George, Barbara, Frank, Patt, Dennis, Viola, Sandy, Kim, Rich, Eileen, Samantha, Emily, Jarrod, Amanda, Dawn, Nancy, Rob, Violet, Scarlet. Robbie, Seth, Josh, Dick, Tom, Judi, Rodney, Pauline, Tom, Anita, Alex, Madison, Patti, Bob, Jean, Doug, Dolores, Gene, Donna, Betty and Bruce. A copy of the prayer list is on the bulletin board in the parlor for you to take home.

### **SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED**

Dates are open for volunteers to teach Sunday School in 2024. Open dates are: **March 17, April 14, 21 & 28 and May 12, 19, & 26 for the Pre-K-4<sup>th</sup> grade class and February 11 & 18, March 10 & 17 and May 12 for the 5<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> grade class.** Please consider helping by picking one of the dates. All material is provided. See the sign-up sheet on the table in the parlor.

### **NEED A RIDE?**

Would you like to come to church or go to a church event but are unable to get there on your own, especially at night?

Currently, this need is being assessed. Please call Dawn Whitfield (570-788-3256) or Betsy Fisher (570-788-6611) if you would be interested in getting a ride,

*Also, if you are willing to possibly help provide transportation, let Dawn or Betsy know.*

### **DEVOTIONS ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE**

Have you seen and read the devotional prayers that are posted periodically on our congregation's Facebook page? Hopefully, when you read them, you will find encouragement and a sense of God's peace as you go about your daily life,

### **LUTHERAN DISASTER RESPONSE**

LDR is asking for gifts to help with the recent disasters and wars. The survivors need our support. Checks may be sent to:

Lutheran Disaster Response

P. O. Box 1809

Merrifield, VA 22116-8009

*If you send a check to our church, please make sure it is marked for LDR.*

### **VALLEY FOOD PANTRY NEEDS**

The pantry is in need of powdered drinks mixes, jelly and coffee. Please place your donation in the grocery card in the vestibule.

### **STEPHEN MINISTRY**

Christ caring for people through people. This is the motto of Stephen Ministry. The Stephen Minister's role is to bring God's love into the lives of people who are going through a difficult time or experiencing a crisis. What do Stephen Ministers do? They listen, care, support, encourage, and pray with and for a person who is hurting. And in the midst of this confidential, one-to-one, caring relationship, God's healing love comes pouring through. If the Spirit is moving you to learn more about this ministry, please talk with Deb Jones or any of our Stephen Ministers.

## **CASTING OUR NETS**

The next gathering of Casting Our Nets ministry group will be this morning after the luncheon. Please feel free to join in!

## **FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER**

Please note the deadline for all articles, information, etc. for the February newsletter is **January 21<sup>st</sup>!!**

## **SOUP SALE**

Our annual soup sale is taking place **Saturday January 27<sup>th</sup> with pick-up from Noon-2pm**. Call the church office mornings at 570-788-1572, Joyce Bradbury at 570-788-5372 or use the order form on the table in the back of the church. **Order deadline will be Saturday January 20<sup>th</sup> or until sellout (some restaurants donate a certain number of quarts)**. Soup is \$9.00 per quart and Chili is \$12.00 per quart. Soups are: Beef Noodle (Willing Workers); Chicken Pastene (church); Chili (church); Cream of Broccoli (Lookout House); Italian Wedding (church); Loaded Baked Potato (Lookout House); Manhattan Clam Chowder (Lookout House); Minestrone (Sand Springs); Rhode Island Clam Chowder (Meeting House); Spinach Cheese Noodle (church); Split Pea (Gould's Supermarket); Tomato Garlic (Tom's Kitchen); Turkey Corn Chowder (Sally Purcell's Country Inn). There will be Apple Dumplings for sale at \$5.00 each.

## **THE ANNUAL PORK AND SAUERKRAUT DINNER**

will be held **Saturday February 3<sup>rd</sup> from 3:00pm-7:00pm**. The dinner will **be served both in-house and take-out**. Cost is \$12 for adults and \$4 for children 12 and younger. You may call Mary Lou Keck at 453-5969 or the church office at 788-1572 weekdays between 9am-Noon to make reservations. Sales at the door are limited as to prior sales. You may also purchase tickets at the church office. If you wish tickets to sell on your own, please see Cindy. *Cakes are needed for desserts. Please see the sign-up sheet and use a disposable pan.*

## **2024 FLOWERS AND BULLETIN SPONSOR CHARTS ARE AVAILABLE**

Look for the sign-up charts on the bulletin board in the parlor to choose your dates to sponsor. Special flower pieces need to be ordered through the office (i.e. altar piece).

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS NEEDED**

All 2023 year-end committee reports are due in the church office by **Sunday February 4<sup>th</sup>** to be included in the February Congregational Report. *The Congregational Meeting will take place on Sunday February 25<sup>th</sup> following the 10:30am worship service.*

## Here I Am, Lord

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1 "I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.  
 2 "I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo - ple's pain.  
 3 "I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.



All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.  
 I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way.  
 I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.



I, who made the stars of night, I will make their dark-ness bright.  
 I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.  
 Fin-est bread I will pro-vide, till their hearts be sat - is - fied.



Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?"  
 I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?"  
 I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?"



Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you



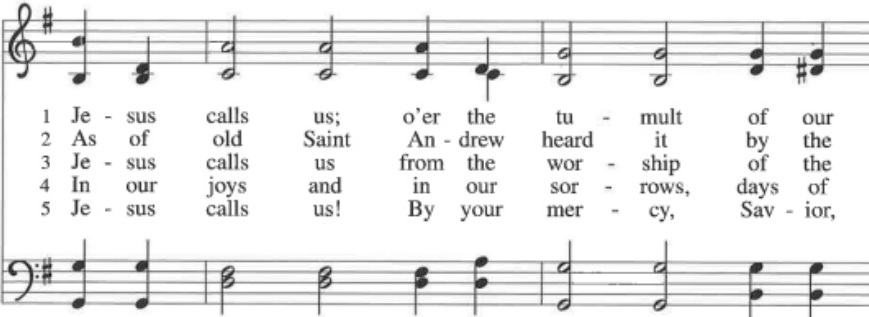
call-ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you



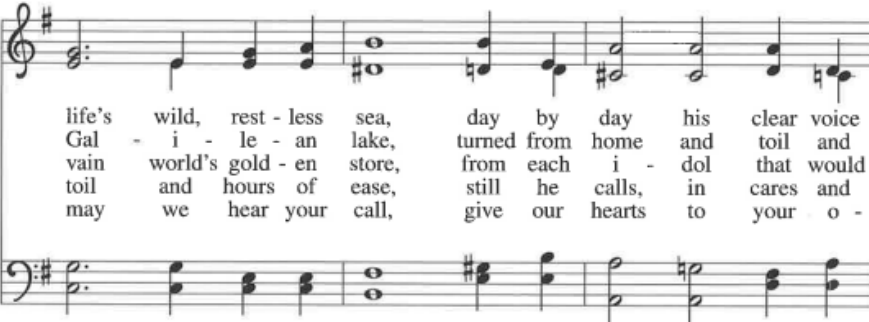
lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

# Jesus Calls Us; o'er the Tumult

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1 Je - sus calls us; o'er the tu - mult of our  
 2 As of old Saint An - drew heard it by the  
 3 Je - sus calls us from the wor - ship of the  
 4 In our joys and in our sor - rows, days of  
 5 Je - sus calls us! By your mer - cy, Sav - ior,



life's wild, rest - less sea, day by day his clear voice  
 Gal - i - le - an lake, turned from home and toil and  
 vain world's gold - en store, from each i - dol that would  
 toil and hours of ease, still he calls, in cares and  
 may we hear your call, give our hearts to your o -



sound - ing, say - ing, "Chris - tian, fol - low me":  
 kin - dred, leav - ing all Je - sus' sake.  
 keep us, say - ing, "Chris - tian, love me more."  
 plea - sures, "Chris - tian, love me more than these."  
 be - dience, serve and love you best of all.



## STEWARDSHIP

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## Take My Life, That I May Be

1 Take my life, that I may be con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;  
 2 Take my hands and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love;  
 3 Take my voice and let me sing al - ways, on - ly, for my King;  
 4 Take my sil - ver and my gold, not a mite would I with - hold;

take my mo - ments and my days; let them flow in cease - less praise.  
 take my feet and let them be swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.  
 take my lips and let them be filled with mes - sag - es from thee.  
 take my in - tel - lect, and use ev - 'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.

5 Take my will and make it thine;  
 it shall be no longer mine.  
 Take my heart, it is thine own;  
 it shall be thy royal throne.

6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour  
 at thy feet its treasure store;  
 take myself, and I will be  
 ever, only, all for thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836-1879, alt.  
 Music: William H. Havergal, 1793-1870


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# Lord, Speak to Us, That We May Speak 676



1 Lord, speak to us, that we may speak in  
 2 Oh, lead us, Lord, that we may lead the  
 3 Oh, teach us, Lord, that we may teach the  
 4 Oh, fill us with your full - ness, Lord, un -



liv - ing ech - oes of your tone; as you have sought, so  
 wan-d'ring and the wa - v'ring feet; oh, feed us, Lord, that  
 pre - cious truths which you im - part; and wing our words, that  
 til our ver - y hearts o'er - flow in kin - dling thought and



let us seek your stray - ing chil - dren, lost and lone.  
 we may feed your hun - g'ring ones with man - na sweet.  
 they may reach the hid - den depths of man - y a heart.  
 glow - ing word, your love to tell, your praise to show.