

**JANUARY 21, 2024
THIRD 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

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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 with I Surrender All”

arr. Tom Fettke

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING

PLEASE STAND

GATHERING HYMN “I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light” ELW(red) #815

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.

Almighty God, by grace alone you call us and accept us in your service. Strengthen us by your Spirit, and make us worthy of your call, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

PLEASE BE SEATED

WORD

A READING FROM JONAH

Jonah 3:1-5, 10

The book of Jonah is a comedy starring a reluctant prophet who is given a one-sentence message: Nineveh will be destroyed in forty days. Much to Jonah's dismay, the people of Nineveh repent. The point of the story is to get the reader to wrestle with the question "On whom should God have mercy?"

¹The word of the LORD came to Jonah a second time, saying, ²"Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you." ³So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days' walk across. ⁴Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And he cried out, "Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" ⁵And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth.

¹⁰When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

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 62:5-12

God alone is my rock and my salvation. (Ps. 62:6)

⁵For God alone I wait in silence;
truly, my hope is in God.

⁶**God alone is my rock and my salvation,
my stronghold, so that I shall never be shaken.**

⁷In God is my deliverance and my honor;
God is my strong rock and my refuge.

⁸**Put your trust in God always, O people,
pour out your hearts before the one who is our refuge.**

⁹Those of high degree are but a fleeting breath; those of low estate cannot be trusted.
Placed on the scales together they weigh even less than a breath.

¹⁰**Put no trust in extortion; in robbery take no empty pride;
though wealth increase, set not your heart upon it.**

¹¹God has spoken once, twice have I heard it,
that power belongs to God.

¹²**Steadfast love belongs to you, O Lord,
for you repay all according to their deeds.**

A READING FROM 1st CORINTHIANS

1 Corinthians 7:29-31

Paul does not disapprove of marriage or other human social institutions. He does, however, want Christians to live in the present in fervent anticipation of God's future, which even now has dawned through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

²⁹Brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short; from now on, let even those who have wives be as though they had none, ³⁰and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no possessions, ³¹and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

PLEASE STAND

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO ST. MARK THE 1st CHAPTER



Mark 1:14-20

Before Jesus calls his first disciples, he proclaims a message that becomes known as “the gospel” or good news from God. God is ready to rule our lives. Those who realize this will respond with repentance and faith.

¹⁴Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, ¹⁵and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.”

¹⁶As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. ¹⁷And Jesus said to them, “Follow me and I will make you fish for people.” ¹⁸And immediately they left their nets and followed him. ¹⁹As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. ²⁰Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

P The Gospel of the Lord.



PLEASE BE SEATED

SERMON

Pastor Lupole

PLEASE STAND

HYMN OF THE DAY

“O Jesus, I Have Promised”

ELW(red) #810

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 God our rock and deliverance, do not let your church be shaken. We trust you never
 abandon your promises to the most vulnerable among us. Give your church wisdom and
 empathy in its varied ministries. God of grace,

C receive our prayer.

- P* God our hope and refuge, you placed the fish in the sea. Guide our care of oceans and all creatures that live in them. Hold us accountable for actions that endanger water sources and the people who depend on them. God of grace,
- C receive our prayer.**
- P* God who proclaims judgement and offers mercy, be a model to the leaders of our nation and the world. As they lead, may they follow in your way of justice and truth. God of grace,
- C receive our prayer.**
- P* God who cares for the suffering, care for survivors of assault and sexual abuse and sustain all who minister to them. Keep safe any who live under threat of violence, those living in poverty, and any among us who are ill or in pain. 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.**
- P* God of resurrection and new life, as the first disciples shared the good news, empower us and this faith community to be open to your call. When we are uncertain of your call, assure us. When we have strayed from your ways, redirect us. God of grace,
- C receive our prayer.**
- P* God who holds the saints against your tender bosom, we trust you welcome them into your care. Comfort those who grieve, even as we place our hope in your salvation. 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 “Thy Word” Michael W. Smith-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

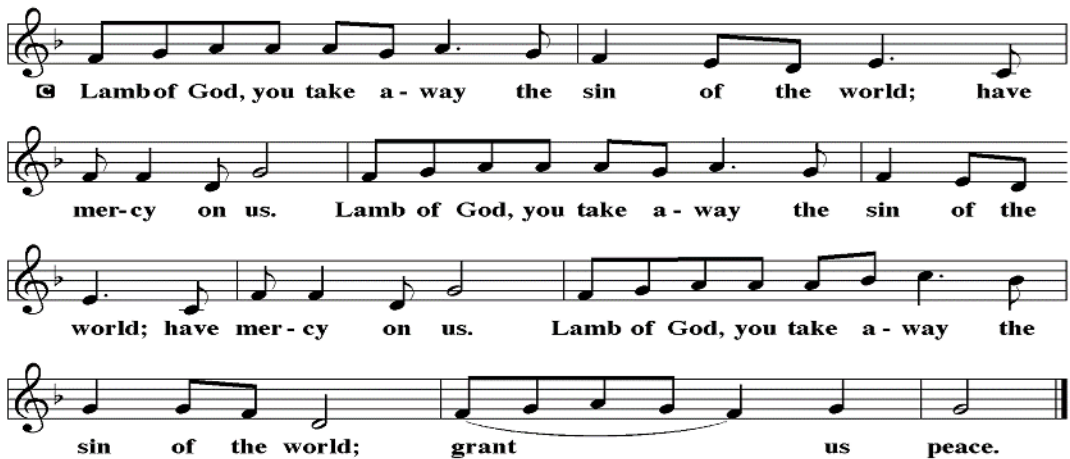
P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

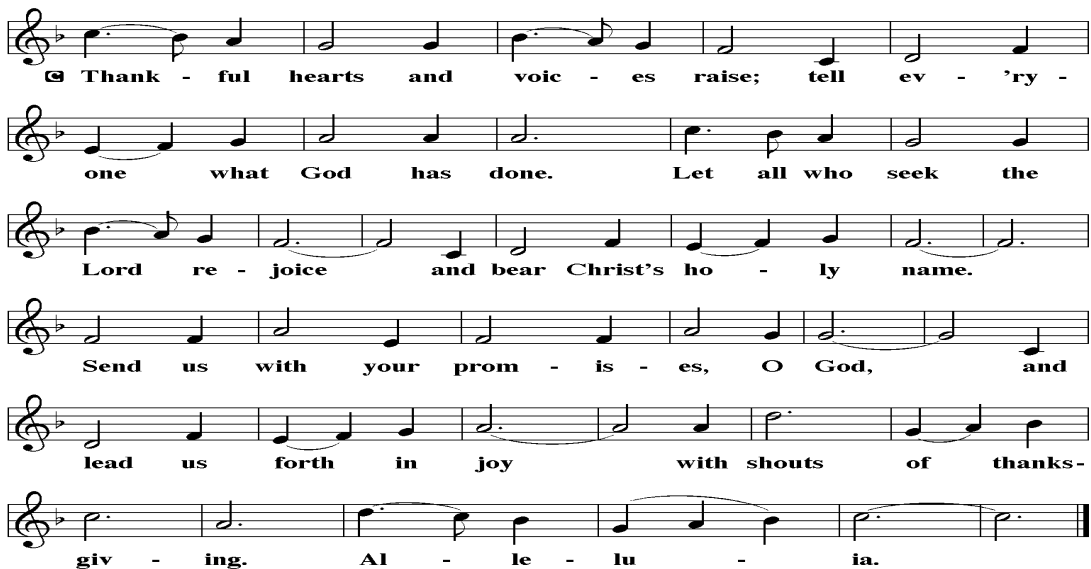
COMMUNION HYMN “There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy” ELW(red) #588

PLEASE STAND

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 **“The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve”** **ELW (red) #551**

DISMISSAL

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

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE **“New Faith, New Life”** **Franklin Ritter**

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The flowers are offered to the glory of God by Dennis Mallams & Deb Jones in memory of loved ones.

The bulletins are offered to the glory of God by Sue Oliver & family in honor of Betsy Fisher for her birthday.

Worship Helpers

Acolyte	Eden James
Asst. Minister	Nancy Centrella
Reader	Aaron Floryshak
Comm. Asst.	Tom Toth
Ushers	Bobrowski Family

Calendar of Events for the Week of January 21, 2024

Monday-	5:00pm	Karate
Tuesday -	9:00am	Soup Sale Prep
Wednesday-	9:00am	Soup Sale Prep
	7:00pm	Bible Study
Thursday-	9:00am	Soup Sale Prep
	5:00pm	Karate
	6:30pm	AA Meeting
Friday-	9:00am	Soup Sale Prep
Saturday-	9:00am	Soup Sale Prep
	12:00pm-2:00pm	Soup Sale Pick-up

Next Weekend:

January 27 & 28, 2024

FOURTH 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 clcony@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, 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-4th grade class and February 11 & 18, March 10 & 17 and May 12 for the 5th-7th 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 meet **this morning** following the worship service. Please feel free to join in!

FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER

Please note the deadline for all articles, information, etc. for the February newsletter is **TODAY!**

SOUP SALE

Saturday January 27th pick-up from Noon-2pm.

Please see the sign-up sheet on the table in the parlor for days and times help is needed this week.

THE ANNUAL PORK AND SAUERKRAUT DINNER

will be held **Saturday February 3rd 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.

FAMILY FUN & GAME NIGHT

The next game night will be **Sunday March 10th at 5pm.** Bring your favorite game and a snack to share. Everyone is invited

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 4th** to be included in the February Congregational Report. *The Congregational Meeting will take place on Sunday February 25th following the 10:30am worship service.*

COMMITMENT, DISCIPLESHIP

815 I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

1 I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to
 2 I want to see . . . the bright-ness of God. I want to
 3 I'm look - ing for . . . the com - ing of Christ. I want to

fol - low Je - sus. God set the stars to give
 look at Je - sus. Clear Sun of righ - teous - ness,
 be with Je - sus. When we have run . . . with

light to the world. The star of my life is Je - sus.
 shine on my path, and show me the way to the Fa - ther.
 pa - tience the race, we shall know the joy of Je - sus.

Refrain

In him there is no dark - ness at all. The night and the

Text: Kathleen Thomerson, b. 1934
 Music: Kathleen Thomerson
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COMMITMENT, DISCIPLESHIP

day are both a - like. The Lamb is the light of the

cit - y of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

The image shows a musical score for two systems. Each system consists of a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one sharp (F#), indicating G major. The lyrics are: 'day are both a - like. The Lamb is the light of the' for the first system, and 'cit - y of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.' for the second system. The piano accompaniment features chords and moving lines that support the vocal melody.

COMMITMENT, DISCIPLESHIP

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O Jesus, I Have Promised

1 O Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve you to the end;
 2 Oh, let me feel you near me; the world is ev - er near.
 3 Oh, let me hear you speak - ing in ac - cents clear and still
 4 O Je - sus, you have prom - ised to all who fol - low you

re - main for - ev - er near me, my mas - ter and my friend.
 I see the sights that daz - zle, the tempt - ing sounds I hear.
 a - bove the storms of pas - sion, the mur - murs of self - will.
 that where you are in glo - ry your ser - vant shall be too.

I shall not fear the bat - tle if you are by my side,
 My foes are ev - er near me, a - round me and with - in;
 Now speak to re - as - sure me, to has - ten or con - trol;
 And Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve you to the end;

nor wan - der from the path - way if you will be my guide.
 but, Je - sus, then draw near - er to shield my soul from sin.
 now speak and make me lis - ten, O Guard - ian of my soul.
 oh, give me grace to fol - low, my mas - ter and my friend.

GRACE, FAITH

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

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1 There's a wide-ness in God's mer - cy, like the wide-ness of the sea;
 2 There is wel - come for the sin - ner, and a prom - ised grace made good;
 3 For the love of God is broad - er than the mea - sures of our mind;
 4 'Tis not all we owe to Je - sus; it is some - thing more than all:



there's a kind - ness in God's jus - tice which is more than lib - er - ty.
 there is mer - cy with the Sav - ior; there is heal - ing in his blood.
 and the heart of the E - ter - nal is most won - der - ful - ly kind.
 great - er good be - cause of e - vil, larg - er mer - cy through the fall.



There is no place where earth's sor - rows are more felt than up in heav'n.
 There is grace e - nough for thou - sands of new worlds as great as this;
 But we make this love too nar - row by false lim - its of our own;
 Make our love, O God, more faith - ful; let us take you at your word,



There is no place where earth's fail - ings have such kind - ly judg - ment giv'n.
 there is room for fresh cre - a - tions in that up - per home of bliss.
 and we mag - ni - fy its strict - ness with a zeal God will not own.
 and our lives will be thanks - giv - ing for the good - ness of the Lord.

The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve

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1 The Spir - it sends us forth to serve; we go in
 2 We go to com - fort those who mourn and set the
 3 We go to be the hands of Christ, to scat - ter
 4 Then let us go to serve in peace, the gos - pel

Je - sus' name to bring glad tid - ings
 bur - dened free; where hope is dim, to
 joy to like seed and, all our days, to
 to pro - claim. God's Spir - it has em -

to the poor, God's fa - vor to pro - claim.
 share a dream and help the blind to see.
 cher - ish life, to do the lov - ing deed.
 pow - ered us; we go in Je - sus' name.

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