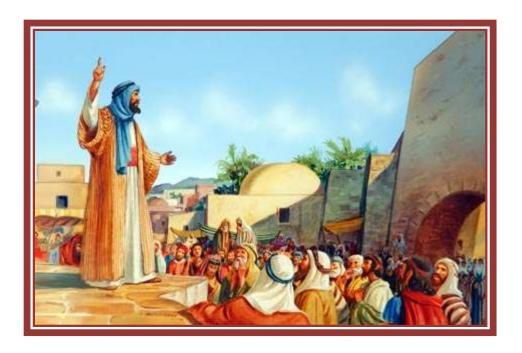
# HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH Divine Service Three

# Third Sunday after the Epiphany January 25, 2015



So Jonah arose and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD.

Jonah 3:3



# Third Sunday after the Epiphany

January 25, 2015

8:00 and 10:30 AM

# **Holy Cross Lutheran Church**

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#### PRAYER FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

Lord Jesus Christ, You came bringing light and life and hope to a world that lies in spiritual darkness and under the shadow of eternal death. As the Gentile men knelt and adored You, so we bow our hearts in praise to You, our Savior and King. Praise be also to the Father in heaven who, by sending You to be our Savior, has commanded the light of the hope of everlasting life to shine into a sin-darkened world. O Jesus, Savior of the nations, Light of the Gentiles, and the Glory of Israel, shine Your bright beam of life and salvation into the farthest corners of the world and into the darkest recesses of human hearts, that people everywhere will be drawn to You. And lead us at last out of this evil world of darkness to heaven where we will enjoy, with all the saints and angels, a life that will never end. We ask this in Your name, O Christ, the Light who shines in us. Amen.



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# Confession and Absolution

#### 685 Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus

Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the 

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **©** who made heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ♣ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

# Service of the Word



Ps. 113:1-2, 4, 7-8; antiphon: Ps. 113:3

From the rising of the sun to its | setting,\* the name of the LORD is | to be praised!

Praise the LORD! Praise, O servants of the LORD,\* praise the name of the LORD!

Blessèd be the name | of the LORD\* from this time forth and for- | evermore!

The LORD is high above all | nations,\* and his glory above the | heavens!

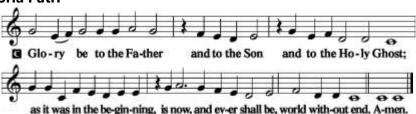
He raises the poor | from the dust\* and lifts the needy from the | ash heap,

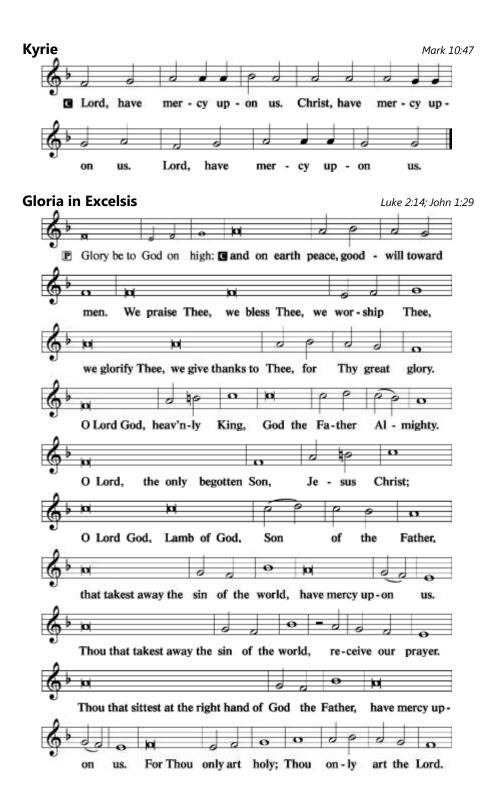
to make them sit with | princes,\* with the princes of his | people.

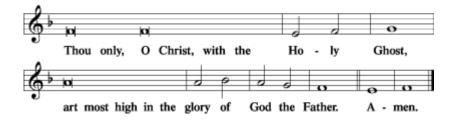
Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\* and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be- | ginning,\* is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

From the rising of the sun to its | setting,\* the name of the LORD is | to be praised!

#### Gloria Patri







#### Salutation and Collect of the Day



Almighty and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities and stretch forth the hand of Your majesty to heal and defend us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Sit

#### Old Testament Reading: Jonah 3:1-5, 10

Then the word of the LORD came to Jonah the second time, saying, "Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and call out against it the message that I tell you." So Jonah arose and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly great city, three days' journey in breadth. Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's journey. And he called out, "Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" And the people of Nineveh believed

God. They called for a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them to the least of them. ...

When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil way, God relented of the disaster that he had said he would do to them, and he did not do it.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

#### Gradual

#### 614 "As Surely as I Live," God Said vs. 1-4

#### **Epistle: 1 Corinthians 7:29–31**

This is what I mean, brothers: the appointed time has grown very short. From now on, let those who have wives live as though they had none, and 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 goods, and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **☐** Thanks be to God.

Stand

#### **Alleluia and Verse**



#### Holy Gospel: Mark 1:14-20

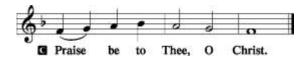
**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.



Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel."

Passing alongside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and Andrew the brother of Simon casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you become fishers of men." And immediately they left their nets and followed him. And going on a little farther, he saw James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, who were in their boat mending the nets. And immediately he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired servants and followed him.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



#### **Apostles' Creed**

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 Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life 

→ everlasting. Amen.

#### 839 O Christ, Our True and Only Light

#### Sermon

"Proclaiming the Message"

Text: See the Old Testament Reading

Stand

#### Offertory

836 O God of Light

Sit

#### Offering

(Please add your name to the red fellowship book and pass it to your fellow worshipers.)

Stand

#### **Prayer of the Church**

After each portion of the prayer:

- **P** Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.

### **Closing Collect**

P Grant, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, unto Thy Church Thy Holy Spirit and the wisdom which cometh down from above, that Thy Word, as becometh it, may not be bound but have free course and be preached to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people, that in steadfast faith we may serve Thee and in the confession of Thy name abide unto the end; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.





#### **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.

#### **Salutation and Benedicamus**



#### **Benediction**

Numbers 6:24-26

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

C Amen.

#### 924 Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing



# Soli Deo Gloria!

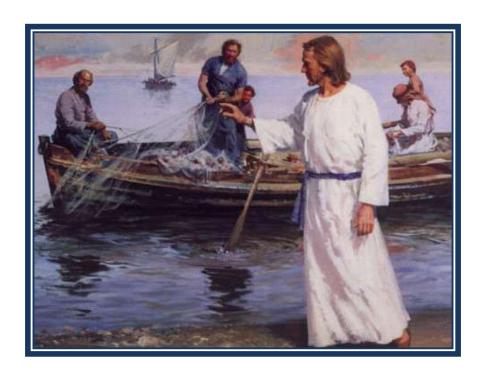
(To God alone be the glory.)

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And Jesus said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you become fishers of men."

Mark 1:17