

OUR SAVIOUR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
SUNDAY WORSHIP



Sunday, January 15, 2023

Epiphany 2

ELW = Evangelical Lutheran Worship: Our red hymn book is located in the pew rack in front of you. The songs are in the back half of the book, with the song number at the top of the page.

**An asterisk indicates the congregation should stand as you are able.*

Prelude

Prayer by Mark Davis

Welcome



Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

***Confession and Forgiveness**

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

Amen.

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

Silence for reflection.

Holy One, source of our renewal,
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.

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.

Amen.

***Song of Praise** (insert, pages 1-2)

This Is The Feast

***Greeting**

***Prayer of the Day**



Word

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

First Reading: Isaiah 49:1-7

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 40:1-11

¹I waited patiently upon the LORD,
who stooped to me and heard my cry.

²**The LORD lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the miry clay,
and set my feet upon a high cliff, making my footing sure.**

³The LORD put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God;
many shall see, and stand in awe, and put their trust in the LORD.

⁴**Happy are they who trust in the LORD!**

They do not turn to enemies or to those who follow lies.

⁵Great are the wonders you have done, O LORD my God! In your plans for us,
none can be compared with you!

Oh, that I could make them known and tell them! But they are more than I can
count.

⁶**Sacrifice and offering you do not desire;**

you have opened my ears: burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required.

⁷And so I said, "Here I am; I come.

In the scroll of the book it is written of me:

**⁸'I love to do your will, O my God;
your law is deep within me.'**"

⁹I proclaimed righteousness in the great assembly;
I have not restrained my lips, O LORD, you know.

**¹⁰I have not hidden your righteousness in my heart; I have spoken of your
faithfulness and your deliverance;**

**I have not concealed your steadfast love and truth from the great
assembly.**

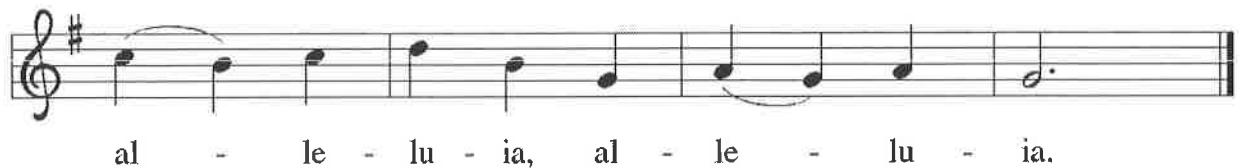
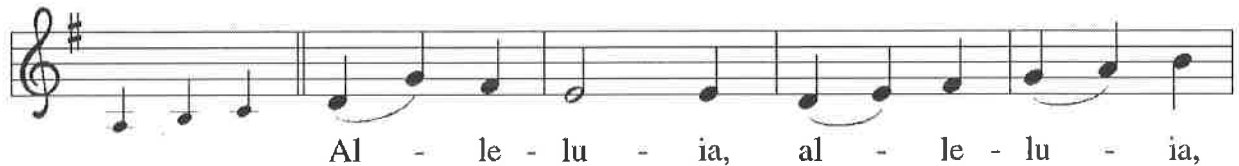
¹¹You are the LORD; do not withhold your compassion from me;
may your steadfast love and your truth continually keep me safe.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:1-9

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

***Gospel Acclamation, ELW p. 102**



Repeat alleluia



***Gospel: John 1:29-42**

The Holy Gospel according to John.
Glory to you, O God.

²⁹[John the Baptist] saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, "Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!"³⁰This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.' ³¹I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel." ³²And John testified, "I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. ³³I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' ³⁴And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God."

³⁵The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, ³⁶and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!" ³⁷The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. ³⁸When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" ³⁹He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. ⁴⁰One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. ⁴¹He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). ⁴²He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).

This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

Sermon

Silence for reflection

***Hymn of the Day**

ELW 808 - *Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song*

***Prayers of Intercession**

After each petition of the prayers:

Merciful God,
receive our prayer

We bring to you our needs and hopes, O God, trusting your wisdom and power revealed in Christ crucified. **Amen.**

***Exchange of Peace**

Please be seated.



Meal

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Offertory

It is Well With My Soul arr. David Clydesdale

Olivia Blackman

Offering Song

Create In Me (See insert)

***Offering Prayer**

***The Great Thanksgiving** (Insert, page 4)

Gathered into one in Christ, let us pray as Jesus taught:

***Our Father/Parent,**
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

Come and taste the joy of God!

This is Christ's table. You are welcome here, without exception. Please follow the ushers' direction, filling in the communion rail starting on the right side. You may stand or kneel. If you prefer a blessing, cross your hands over your heart. Gluten free wafers are available. The wine is red; the grape juice is clear. Please let an usher know if you would like communion brought to your pew.

Lamb of God, ELW p. 112

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, grant us peace.

Communion Music

Post-Communion Blessing

Prayer after Communion

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.
Amen.

Sending Announcements

***Blessing**

***Sending Hymn**

ELW 677 - This Little Light of Mine

***Dismissal**

Go in peace. Follow the way of Jesus.
Thanks be to God.



Postlude

Alleluia with The Majesty and Glory of Your Name arr. by Mark Hayes

You are welcome to leave anytime during the postlude or stay to listen. Please use this time in whatever way is most worshipful for you.

About our worship music during the season after Epiphany:

Behold I Make All Things New

“Behold, I Make All Things New” is a full communion setting written by Ben Splichal Larson at age 24. Ben was a gifted church leader and musician, the child of Bishop April Ulrich Larson and Rev. Judd Larson. Ben was a graduate of Luther College. In his senior year of study at Wartburg Theological Seminary, Ben traveled to Haiti with his wife, Renee, and cousin, Jon on a return trip to work at an orphanage.



Ben's grave in Decorah, Iowa.

Ben was killed in the Haiti Earthquake on January 12, 2010, when setting up for a worship service with Renee and Jon. Ben sang the “Lamb of God,” of setting 10 in the Evangelical Lutheran Worship Book, while buried in the rubble, his final words being, “God's peace to us, we pray.”

Following Ben's death, Renee and Ben's family and friends worked to publish and make available “Behold I Make All Things New.”

From his family:

It was Ben’s intention, and now his family’s prayer, that the music he wrote to the ancient worship language of the church be a catalyst for renewal, hope, and faith for people and congregations. In the spirit of Ben, we give his liturgy to the Church with joy and pray it may bless all who sing it.



We will gradually learn parts of this liturgy in the coming months and use the full liturgy during the season of Easter.

Welcome to Our Saviour's

Christ is our peace and breaks down the walls that divide us (Ephesians 2:14). You are welcome at Our Saviour's because of who you are. We are a congregation of longtime churchgoers, newcomers, seekers, seasonal visitors, and returners with diverse backgrounds, life experiences, and beliefs. We follow a familiar Lutheran service with piano, organ, and guest musicians. We celebrate the cultural, ethnic, and racial diversity of the Tucson region and seek to be a place of belonging for all. We welcome those who have felt or been excluded from church spaces because of race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, financial status, or any other reason. We like the sound of young people in worship, we value the experience of our elders, and all ages between. Our communion table is Christ's table, and all people are welcome, no exceptions. Your presence here builds up the body of Christ.



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Nilu Dorschner

Accompanist
Gréta Pásztor

Cantor
Jennifer Strand

Offertory
Olivia Blackman

**Communion
Assistant**
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Acolyte
Nilu Dorschner

Ushers
Kathy DeVinney
Pam Hardman

Patio Sweeper
Tracy Ratliff

Coffee Host
Catalina Rankin

Greeter
Diane Siefkes

Sound & Video
Kent Pflibsen
Tracy Ratliff
Timothy Bustamante
Jack Ryan

**THOSE SERVING NEXT SUNDAY
(1/22/23)**

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Jennifer Strand

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Gréta Pásztor

Cantor
Sophia Rankin

Anthem
OSLC Chancel Choir

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Ginny Phillips

Acolyte
Ginny Phillips

Ushers
Angie Grandison
Diane Siefkes

Patio Sweepers
Ron Rude
Nancy Rude

Coffee Host
David Lester

Greeters
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