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Fifth Sunday after Epiphany / Lect. 5 C



Ringing of Bell

PRELUDE Will You Come & Follow Me (THE SUMMONS)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ♦ CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS
- P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, our creator, our protector, our wellspring of life.
- C: Amen.
- P: Trusting that God receives our words and the meditations of our hearts, let us confess our sin.

 Silence is kept for reflection.
- P: Merciful God,
- C: you speak blessing and compassion into the world. Forgive us for the ways we act with judgment, cruelty, or indifference. We ignore the needs of our neighbors; we resist your call to oppose injustice; we give in to scarcity and fear; we assume the worst about one another. Cleanse us from our faults and release us from their grasp. Show us your lovingkindness. Restore our hearts and repair your world, that we may live in Christ's ways. Amen.
- P God proclaims these words of assurance: "Do not fear, for I have redeemed you. I have called you by name. You are mine." In + Christ, you are forgiven. In the Spirit, you are made free. Refreshed by the waters of mercy, live anew as beloved children of God.

C: Amen.

HYMN No. 876

Let the Whole Creation Cry

1 Let the whole creation cry, "Glory to the Lord on high!" Heav'n and earth, awake and sing,

- "Praise to our almighty king!" Praise God, angel hosts above, ever bright and fair in love; sun and moon, lift up your voice; night and stars, in God rejoice.
- 2 Servants striving for the Lord, prophets burning with the word, those to whom the arts belong add their voices to the song. Pow'rs of knowledge and of law, to the glorious circle draw; all who work and all who wait, sing, "The Lord is good and great!"
- 3 Men and women, young and old, raise the anthem loud and bold, and let children's happy hearts in this worship take their parts; from the north to southern pole let the mighty chorus roll: "Holy, Holy, Holy One; glory be to God alone!"

PRAYER OF THE DAY We pray together

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

L: Most holy God, the earth is filled with your glory, and before you angels and saints stand in awe.

C: Enlarge our vision to see your power at work in the world, and by your grace make us heralds of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Please be seated for the readings

FIRST READING: ISAIAH 6:1-8

Isaiah says, 'Here am I; send me'

¹ In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty, and the hem of his robe filled the temple. ² Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. ³ And one called to another and said, "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." ⁴ The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. ⁵ And I said, "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips, yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

⁶ Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. ⁷ The seraph touched my mouth with it and said, "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." ⁸ Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

WORD OF GOD. WORD OF LIFE. THANKS BE TO GOD

PSALM 138 We read responsively

I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with my whole heart; before the gods I will sing your praise.

I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name, because of your stead-fast love and faithfulness; for you have glorified your name and your word above all things.

When I called, you answered me; you increased my strength within me.

All the rulers of the earth will praise you, O LORD, when they have heard the words of your mouth.

They will sing of the ways of the LORD, that great is the glory of the LORD.

The LORD is high, yet cares for the lowly, perceiving the haughty from afar.

Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me.

You will make good your purpose for me; O LORD, your steadfast love endures forever; do not abandon the works of your hands.

SECOND READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 15:1-11 I am the least of the apostles

¹ Now I want you to understand, brothers and sisters, the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, ² through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain.

³ For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures 4 and that he was buried and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures 5 and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. ⁷Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. 8 Last of all. as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. 9 For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰ But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I but the grace of God that is with me. 11 Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you believed.

WORD OF GOD. WORD OF LIFE. THANKS BE TO GOD

♦ THE HOLY GOSPEL: LUKE 5:1-11
C: GLORY TO YOU, O LORD.

Jesus calls the disciples to fish for people

¹Once while Jesus was standing beside the Lake of Gennesaret and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, 2 he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gotten out of them and were washing their nets. 3 He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. 4When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." 5 Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." 6 When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to burst. ⁷So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink.

⁸ But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus's knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" ⁹ For he and all who were with him were astounded at the catch of fish that they had taken, ¹⁰ and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." ¹¹ When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

P: THE GOSPEL OF THE LORD. C: PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST.

Please be seated

CHILDREN'S WORD

MESSAGE Pr. D.J. Chatelaine

HYMN OF THE DAY v. 1,3,4 No. 575 In Christ Called to Baptize

- 1 In Christ called to baptize, we witness to grace and gather a people from each land and race. In deep, flowing waters, we share in Christ's death, then, rising to new life, give thanks with each breath.
- 3 In Christ called to witness, by grace we will preach the life-giving gospel; God's love we will teach. By grace may our living give proof to our praise in costly compassion reflecting Christ's ways.
- 4 Unite us, anoint us, O Spirit of love, for you are within us, around us, above. Equip us for service with gifts you bestow. In Christ is our calling. In Christ may we grow.

HOLY BAPTISM--APOSTLES CREED p. 227-231

ASSEMBLY AFFIRMATION

P: Let us welcome the newly baptized.

C: We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

God of grace, hear our prayer.

SHARING OF PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

OFFERTORY—OFFERING—GLOBE OFFERING

Children are invited to bring an offering to the globe in the front of the church.

♦ OFFERING PRAYER

P: God of grace, your love reaches to the heavens, and your abundance to the depths of the seas.

C: Bless what we offer to your service: our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts. Let us overflow with gratitude and generosity, now and always. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING Spoken

The Lord be with you. And also with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION & LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The joy of the Lord is our strength. Come, eat this meal of gladness.

Please be seated

DISTRIBUTION

HYMN

No. 818

You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore

1 You have come down to the lakeshore seeking neither the wise nor the wealthy, but only asking for me to follow.

REFRAIN

Sweet Lord, you have looked into my eyes; kindly smiling, you've called out my name. On the sand I have abandoned my small boat; now with you, I will seek other seas.

2 You know full well what I have, Lord: neither treasure nor weapons for conquest, just these my fish nets and will for working. REFRAIN

- 3 You need my hands, my exhaustion, working love for the rest of the weary-- a love that's willing to go on loving. *REFRAIN*
- 4 You who have fished other waters; you, the longing of souls that are yearning: O loving Friend, you have come to call me. REFRAIN

TABLE BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Nourishing God, at this table you have refreshed us with holy gifts of food and drink.

C: Strengthen us for service, and send us out to embody your good news of liberation and healing for the sake of the world. In the name of Christ we pray. Amen.

BENEDICTION

P: The Spirit of the triune God ⊕ bless you with joy, anoint you with compassion, and send you in love.

C Amen.

♦ HYMN Here I Am, Lord

No. 574

- 1 "I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry. All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save. I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright. Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?"
- Refrain Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
 I have heard you calling in the night.
 I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
 I will hold your people in my heart.
- 2 "I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain. I have wept for love of them. They turn away. I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone. I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?" Refrain
- 3 "I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame. I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied. I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?" Refrain

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DISMISSAL Go in peace. Live in hope. Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE I'm Going on a Journey (WET SAINTS)

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CALENDAR

Su 2-9	9 AM WORSHIP - 5th Sun aftr Epiph
	SOUPER BOWL OF CARING!
	10 AM Sun. School
	10 AM Coffee
We 2-12	5:30 – 7 РМ Confirmation
	6:30 EdYou
Th 2-13	1 PM LOVE DAY
	7 PM AA
Fr 2-14	8:45 am - KWHS Band performs at
	Convention Center
Su 2-16	9 AM WORSHIP - 6th Sun aftr Epiph
	10 ам Sun. School: <i>Birthday Bag</i>
	Packing Party benefiting Food Shelf.
	See Flyer for Needed Items
	10 AM Coffee
	2-4 PM Cannon River Conference
	Assembly at First
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME AVERY! Baptized Today: Avery Lynn Eggert, daughter of Sarah Collins Eggert & Brice Eggert, Sponsors are: Sabrina Eggert, & Stacy Wenlund.

Men of First Lutheran



You are invited to join our Men's Ministry group. This group can center around a Bible study, service work, social gatherings, etc. To express your interest in joining this group, please fill out the form linked here: https://forms.gle/VuSUL faGKkraX4tX6

GET—ORGAN—IZED By donating items to the Organ Fund Garage Sale **Coming MARCH 29!**

SEE FLYER for details. Contacts: Susan Hoversten 907-854-5959 or Christine Ersland 507-319-4754



Please consider donating 1, 2, 5, or more Dollars to 'Tackle Hunger.' Monetary donations are being collected through Super Bowl Sunday (Feb. 9) - Proceeds going to ELCA World Hunger. Give Generously.

THRIVENT MEMBERS: If you have a \$250 Action Team Grant available, please contact Bryana Lothert to discuss how this money could be used to support children and youth ministry here at First Lutheran. Find Contact Info Below ψ

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