# FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Sunday, February 7, 2021 9:30 am

#### THE SERVICE OF PREPARATION

#### PRELUDE

THE RINGING OF THE BELLS

HYMN OF INVOCATION (Please Stand) "God Himself is Present" LSB 907

> God Himself is present Let us now adore Him And with awe appear before Him God is in His temple All within keep silence Humbly kneel in deepest rev'rence He alone On His throne Is our God and Savior Praise His name forever

God Himself is present Hear the harps resounding See the hosts the throne surrounding Holy holy holy Hear the hymn ascending Songs of saints and angels blending Bow Your ear To us here Hear O Christ the praises That Your Church now raises Fount of ev'ry blessing Purify my spirit Trusting only in Your merit Like the holy angels Worshiping before You May I ceaselessly adore You Let Your will Ever still Rule Your Church terrestrial As the hosts celestial

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]

People: (Sing) Amen.

Pastor: 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.

(You are invited to kneel, or to be seated)

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord,
People: (Sing) who made heaven and earth. Psalm 124:8
Pastor: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

People: (Sing) And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.

Psalm 32:5

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

Pastor: 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 of your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. [John 20:19-23]

People: (Sing) Amen.

(Please Sit)

## THE FIRST READING Isaiah 40:21-31 ESV

Do you not know? Do you not hear? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth? It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to dwell in; who brings princes to nothing, and makes the rulers of the earth as emptiness. Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows on them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble. To whom then will you compare me, that I should be like him? says the Holy One. Lift up your eyes on high and see: who created these? He who brings out their host by number, calling them all by name; by the greatness of his might and because he is strong in power, not one is missing. Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden

from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God"? Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength. Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted; but they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

## THE EPISTLE 1 Corinthians 9:16-27 ESV

For if I preach the gospel, that gives me no ground for boasting. For necessity is laid upon me. Woe to me if I do not preach the gospel! For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward, but if not of my own will, I am still entrusted with a stewardship. What then is my reward? That in my preaching I may present the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my right in the gospel. For though I am free from all, I have made myself a servant to all, that I might win more of them. To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though not being myself under the law) that I might win those under the law. To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (not being outside the law of God but under the law of Christ) that I might win those outside the law. To the weak I became weak, that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that by all means I might

save some. I do it all for the sake of the gospel, that I may share with them in its blessings. Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one receives the prize? So run that you may obtain it. Every athlete exercises selfcontrol in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable. So I do not run aimlessly; I do not box as one beating the air. But I discipline my body and keep it under control, lest after preaching to others I myself should be disqualified.

(Please Stand for the Gospel)

# People: (Sing) Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

Reader: The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the first chapter.

# People: (Sing) Glory be to Thee, O Lord!

# HOLY GOSPEL Mark 1:29-39 ESV

And immediately he left the synagogue and entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. Now Simon's mother-in-law lay ill with a fever, and immediately they told him about her. And he came and took her by the hand and lifted her up, and the fever left her, and she began to serve them. That evening at sundown they brought to him all who were sick or oppressed by demons. And the whole city was gathered together at the door. And he healed many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons. And he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him. And rising very early in the morning, while it was still dark, he departed and went out to a desolate place, and there he prayed. And Simon and those who were with him searched for him, and they found him and said to him, "Everyone is looking for you." And he said to them, "Let us go on to the next towns, that I may preach there also, for that is why I came out." And he went throughout all Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and casting out demons.

Reader: Here endeth the Gospel. People: (Sing) Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

## NICENE CREED

- All: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation, came down from heaven. And was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried.
- And the third day, He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom shall have no end.
- And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.
- And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

HYMN OF THE DAY (Please Sit)

"On Eagles Wings" LSB 727 You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord Who abide in His shadow for life Say to the Lord My refuge My rock in whom I trust And He will raise you up on eagles' wings Bear you on the breath of dawn Make you to shine like the sun And hold you in the palm of His hand

The snare of the fowler will never capture you And famine will bring you no fear Under His wings your refuge His faithfulness your shield

And He will raise you up on eagles' wings Bear you on the breath of dawn Make you to shine like the sun And hold you in the palm of His hand

You need not fear the terror of the night Nor the arrow that flies by day Though thousands fall about you Near you it shall not come

And He will raise you up on eagles' wings Bear you on the breath of dawn Make you to shine like the sun And hold you in the palm of His hand

For to His angels He's given a command To guard you in all of your ways Upon their hands they will bear you up Lest you dash your foot against a stone

And He will raise you up on eagles' wings Bear you on the breath of dawn Make you to shine like the sun And hold you in the palm of His hand

## +++ SERMON +++

"On Eagle's Wings" Text: Isaiah 40:21-31 ESV (Old Testament Reading)

**PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH** (Please remain seated) Reader: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. **People: Amen** (Please rise for the Lord's Prayer) THE LORD'S PRAYER (Spoken) All: 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

#### THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

#### THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

(Spoken by the Pastor)

#### THE DISTRIBUTION (Please Sit)

(See Communion policy on the front "Welcome" page of the bulletin or on the screen.) Before approaching The Altar: (Kneel and say)

O Lord Jesus Christ Son Of The Living God, Who according to the will of The Father and through the operation of The Holy Spirit has given life to the world through Your death; by Your Most Sacred Body and Precious Blood deliver me from all my iniquities and from every evil, and make me ever cling to Your commandments, and permit me never to part from You.

Let not my reception of Your Body and Blood, which I, all unworthy, presume to eat and drink, be to my judgment and condemnation; but by Your mercy may it be to me for protection and health both of soul and body. Who lives and reigns with The Father and The Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen!

<u>After Returning to The Pew:</u> (Kneel and say this or another prayer) O Lord Christ, I can never thank You enough for instituting this Most Blessed Sacrament of Your Most Holy Body and Blood. May it ever be for me salvation to life everlasting and strength for godly living. Who lives and reigns with The Father and The Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen!

## **DISTRIBUTION HYMN**

"I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table" LSB 618 I Come O Savior to Thy table For weak and weary is my soul Thou Bread of Life alone art able To satisfy and make me whole

Lord may Thy body and Thy blood Be for my soul the highest good

Thy heart is filled with fervent yearning That sinners may salvation see Who Lord to Thee in faith are turning So I a sinner come to Thee

Lord may Thy body and Thy blood Be for my soul the highest good Unworthy though I am O Savior Because I have a sinful heart Yet Thou Thy lamb wilt banish never For Thou my faithful shepherd art Lord may Thy body and Thy blood Be for my soul the highest good

Weary am I and heavy laden With sin my soul is sore oppressed Receive me graciously and gladden My heart for I am now Thy guest

Lord may Thy body and Thy blood Be for my soul the highest good

What higher gift can we inherit It is faith's bond and solid base It is the strength of heart and spirit The covenant of hope and grace

Lord may Thy body and Thy blood Be for my soul the highest good

Pastor: Oh, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good. People: (Sing) And His mercy endureth forever.

Pastor: O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving kindness sent Your onlybegotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve you; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

## People: (Sing) Amen

## THE BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

People: (Sing) Amen, Amen, Amen.

## **CLOSING HYMN**

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer" LSB 918 Guide me O Thou great Redeemer Pilgrim through this barren land I am weak but Thou art mighty Hold me with Thy pow'rful hand Bread of heaven bread of heaven Feed me till I want no more Feed me till I want no more

> Open now the crystal fountain Whence the healing stream doth flow Let the fiery cloudy pillar Lead me all my journey through Strong deliv'rer strong deliv'rer Be Thou still my strength and shield Be Thou still my strength and shield

When I tread the verge of Jordan Bid my anxious fears subside Death of death and hell's destruction Land me safe on Canaan's side Songs of praises songs of praises I will ever give to Thee I will ever give to Thee

# THOSE SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE

Rev. Paul Pollatz, Pastor Marie Brown, Organist Bill Switter, Elder/Comm. Assist Jim Bumgarner, Reader Jim Bumgarner & Frank Pignanelli, Ushers

# GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### **Church Website**

www.mthopelutheranchurch.com Have you checked it out? We now have Newsletters, Bulletins, Lent service Schedule & soon Church service Videos

## Cards for members & friends of others

Everyone can sign the cards and they are in the narthex, or entry into the church sanctuary.

## ATTENDANCE

January 31 9:30am 32

## PRAYER LIST

If sudden illness or the need for immediate prayers occurs, please feel free to contact our Prayer Chain leader, Joan Hafkesbrink, at 313.565.6871. Prayer requests will remain on the list for two weeks.

#### **Anniversary**

#### **Birthdays**

Paul Utcai – February 7<sup>th</sup> Joshua Haney – February 13<sup>th</sup>

## For the Shut-Ins

Gladys Hill, at Beaumont Commons Ken Knick, at home Dorothy MacTavish, at home George Morton, at home

# For Those Who Are Sick or Healing

Juanita Haflen, Shirley Griffin's Sister, was called to her eternal home Barbra Parise, Frank Pignanelli's Sister, Hospitalized with brain tumor, undergoing Chemo Melissa Zapinski - Baby to be delivered soon **Pam Benford** – General Heart & Breathing Problems Gavle French – Discussions of treatment for cancer **Bill Morison,** Sandy Cairns Father, Prayers of thanksgiving for good test results **Ronald Ladach Jr** – Hospitalized with heart problems The Family of Sam Duplessie – Laurie Pignanelli's Sister, was called to her eternal home Alan Hoye, Glenn Cairns Nephew, Aneurysm repair Cathy Owens, Sandy Cairns Co-worker, Covid-19 Kati Berry, sister of Nancy Dajos, aneurysm Louie Bigliardi, recovering from cataract surgery on 14th Karen Morrison, Sister of Sandy Cairns, heart attack **Douglas**, Eleanor Wirth's Son, Home recovering Ronda Smith, Glenn Cairns Cousin, recovering from Covid Eric Witte, son of Phyllis Witte, side effects from Covid

#### Place on your refrigerator LENTEN MIDWEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

Our Website: www.mthopelutheranchurch.com

ASH WEDNESDAY - February 17th

In person worship 12 Noon & 7:00 PM (With Holy Communion and Imposition of Ashes)

#### MIDWEEK OF LENT 1--February 24<sup>th</sup>

In person worship 12 Noon (To be recorded for viewing on church's FB page and Website)

#### MIDWEEK OF LENT 2—March 3<sup>rd</sup>

In person worship 12 Noon (To be recorded for viewing on church's FB page and Website.)

#### MIDWEEK OF LENT 3—March 10th

In person worship 12 Noon (To be recorded for viewing on church's FB page and Website.)

#### MIDWEEK OF LENT 4—March 17<sup>th</sup>

In person worship 12 Noon (To be recorded for viewing on church's FB page and Website.)

#### MIDWEEK OF LENT 5—March 24<sup>th</sup>

In person worship 12 Noon (To be recorded for viewing on church's FB page and Website.)

PALM SUNDAY—March 28<sup>th</sup> In person worship with Holy Communion 9:30 am

#### HOLY (MAUNDY) Thursday—April 1<sup>st</sup>

In person worship 12 Noon & 7:00 PM w/HC Stripping of the altar for Good Friday

#### GOOD FRIDAY—April 2<sup>nd</sup>

In person worship 12 Noon (To be recorded for viewing on church's FB page and Website.)

# THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

April 4<sup>th</sup> EASTER SUNDAY In person worship with Holy Communion 9:30 am