

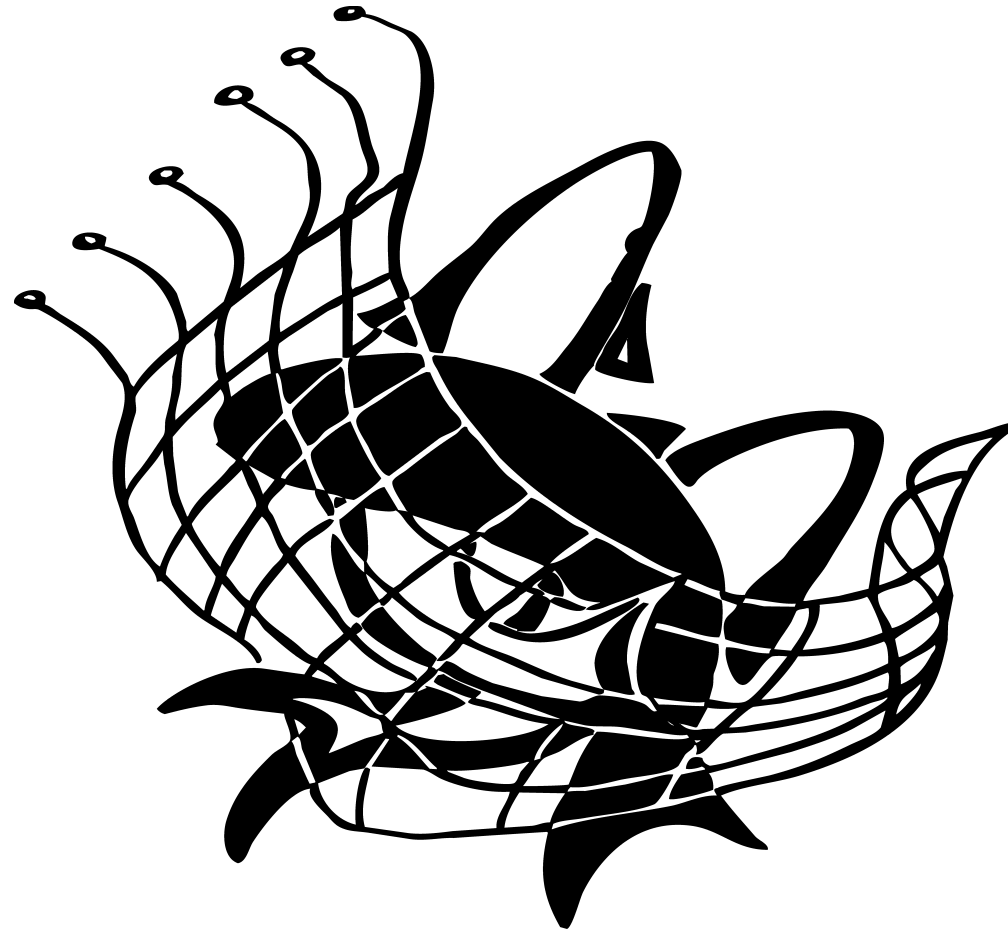
Philadelphia Lutheran Church

3rd Sunday after Epiphany

January 22, 2023

Worship Service

Indoor /Outdoor Worship Service (You can sit in your car outside church
and tune in on the Radio Station at FM 88.3



Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

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

C: Amen.

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

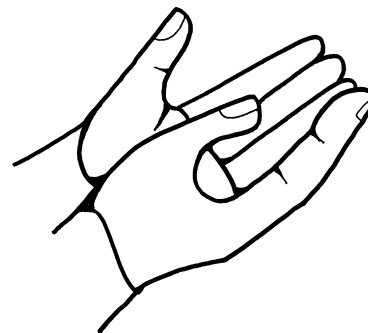
P: Holy One, source of our renewal,

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.

P: 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.

C: Amen.



Gathering Hymn

“Shine Jesus Shine”

ELW # 671

Refrain

Shine, Je - sus, shine, fill this land with the Fa - ther's glo - ry;
 blaze, Spir - it, blaze, set our hearts on fire.
 Flow, riv - er, flow, flood the na - tions with grace and mer - cy;
 send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light!

1 Lord, the light of your love is shin - ing, in the midst of the
 2 As we gaze on your king - ly bright-ness, so our fac - es dis -

dark - ness, shin - ing; Je - sus, light of the world, shine up - on us,
 play your like - ness, ev - er chang - ing from glo - ry to glo - ry,

set us free by the truth you now bring us.
 mir - rored here, may our lives tell your sto - ry.

Refrain

Shine on me, shine on me:
 Shine on me, shine on me:

Text: Graham Kendrick, b. 1950
 Music: Graham Kendrick
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SHINE, JESUS, SHINE
 9 9 10 10 3 3 and refrain

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.

Kyrie



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



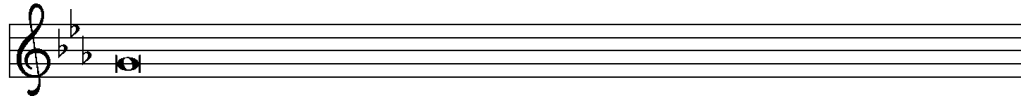
Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,
let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mer - cy.
Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.
A - men, a - men.

Hymn of Praise

Refrain
This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
2 Sing . . with all the peo - ple of God, and
blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:
Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and strength, and
Bless - ing and hon - or, glo - ry and might be to
hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.
3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -
gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

Prayer of the Day

P Let us pray together.

All: Lord God, your lovingkindness always goes before us and follows after us. Summon us into your light, and direct our steps in the ways of goodness that come through the cross of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

+WORD+

First Reading: Isaiah 9:1-4

The northern tribes of Zebulun and Naphtali experienced the gloom of defeat by Assyrian military forces, but they are assured that their condition will be reversed when God makes a light-filled appearance. The joy they will experience will resemble celebrations of great harvests, because God will deliver them from everything that diminishes or oppresses them.

¹There will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time [the LORD] brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

²The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness— on them light has shined.

³You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder.

⁴For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian

The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 27:1, 4-9

¹The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom then [|] shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I [|] be afraid?

⁴**One thing I ask of the LORD; one [|] thing I seek; that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life; to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to seek God [|] in the temple.**

⁵For in the day of trouble God will [|] give me shelter, hide me in the hidden places of the sanctuary, and raise me high up- [|] on a rock.

⁶**Even now my head is lifted up above my enemies [|] who surround me. Therefore I will offer sacrifice in the sanctuary, sacrifices of rejoicing; I will sing and make music [|] to the LORD. R**

⁷Hear my voice, O LORD, [|] when I call; have mercy on me and [|] answer me.

⁸**My heart speaks your message— [|] “Seek my face.” Your face, O LORD, [|] I will seek.**

⁹Hide not your face from me, turn not away from your ser- [|] vant in anger. Cast me not away—you have been my helper; forsake me not, O God of [|] my salvation. **R**

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:10-18

Paul calls on the Corinthians to end their dissensions and share the unified outlook of the gospel. Discord arises when we forget that we belong not to human leaders or institutions but to Christ. Indeed, the unifying word of the cross of Christ is the center of the gospel and the power of God's salvation.

¹⁰Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. ¹¹For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. ¹²What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." ¹³Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? ¹⁴I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, ¹⁵so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. ¹⁶(I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) ¹⁷For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.

¹⁸For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

Children's Sermon

Gospel Acclamation



The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 4th chapter

ALL: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: Matthew 4:12-23

Jesus begins his public ministry shortly after John the Baptist is imprisoned by Herod. He proclaims the nearness of God's reign and calls four fishermen to be his first disciples.

¹²Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. ¹³He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, ¹⁴so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

¹⁵“Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali,
on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—
¹⁶the people who sat in darkness
have seen a great light,
and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death
light has dawned.”

¹⁷From that time Jesus began to proclaim, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”

¹⁸As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen.

¹⁹And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.” ²⁰Immediately they left their nets and followed him. ²¹As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. ²²Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

²³Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

The gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Pastor Shea Berbaum



Hymn of the Day: *“Will you Come and Follow Me”* ELW# 798

1 “Will you come and fol - low me if I but call
2 “Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call
3 “Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call
4 “Will you love the you you hide if I but call
5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call

your name? Will you go where you don't
your name? Will you care for cruel and
your name? Will you set the pris - 'ners
your name? Will you quell the fear in -
my name. Let me turn and fol - low

know and nev - er be the same?
kind and nev - er be the same?
free and nev - er be the same?
side and nev - er be the same?
you and nev - er be the same.

Will you let my love be shown, will you let my
Will you risk the hos - tile stare, should your life at -
Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as
Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the
In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and

name be known, will you let my life be
tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer
this un - seen, and ad - mit to what I
world a - round, through my sight and touch and
foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and

grown in you and you in me?"
pray'r in you and you in me?"
mean in you and you in me?"
sound in you and you in me?"
grow in you and you in me.

Text: John L. Bell, b. 1949
Music: KELVINGROVE, Scottish traditional
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Apostles' Creed

P: Let us confess our faith with the words of the Apostle's Creed.

**All 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

Called together to follow Jesus, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

Make your church one in purpose, proclaiming the message of the cross. Help us to work together across differences. Energize ecumenical partnerships, including the World Council of Churches and Lutheran World Federation (*other ecumenical ministries in which the congregation takes part may be named*). Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

We rejoice at the bounty of your creation. Fill the land and sea with your abundance. Bless harvests in the southern hemisphere and fallow fields in the northern hemisphere. Equip farmers to till and keep the earth sustainably. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

In Christ your reign comes near and calls all to repentance. Break the rod of the oppressor in every nation. Dispel the shadow of death in places of war and persecution. Grant us leaders who lift the yokes that burden those in need. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Be a stronghold for those in trouble and a rock for all who are afraid. Rouse communities to care for neighbors who need shelter, are facing maltreatment, or are isolated and lonely. (*Especially we pray for . . .*) Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Sustain the ministries of this congregation and all churches in this community (*neighboring congregations may be named*). Nurture each congregation's unique witness to your presence; foster mutual respect; inspire our cooperation in loving our neighbors. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

We praise you for the faithful who have gone ahead of us, both famous and unknown.
Help us to leave our nets and follow, and bring us with them to the fullness of your
promise of eternal life. 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.

Peace

P: The Peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Meal

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

The Offering

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful *Offering Song*



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Music: Marty Haugen, b. 1950
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Offering Prayer

P: Liberating God, you break the bonds of injustice and let the oppressed go free. Receive these offerings in thanksgiving for all your works of merciful power, and shape us as people of your justice and freedom. You we magnify and adore, through Jesus our Savior. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving



Proper Preface:

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus

“Holy, Holy, Holy”



Thanksgiving at the Table

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.



Remembering, therefore, his salutary command, his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension, and the promise of his coming again, we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty, not as we ought but as we are able; we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants, and these your own gifts of bread and wine, so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace, and, receiving the forgiveness of sin, may be formed to live as your holy people and be given our inheritance with all your saints. To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.



Lord's Prayer:

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

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: Come and taste the joy of God!

Communion

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Communion Song



Song after Communion

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



Prayer after Communion

P: 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.

C: Amen.

Blessing

P:The God who faithfully brings forth justice and breaks the oppressor’s rod + bless, strengthen, and uphold you, today and always. Amen.

Sending Hymn

“I Love to Tell the Story”

ELW # 661



1 I love to tell the sto - ry of un - seen things a - bove,
2 I love to tell the sto - ry: how pleas - ant to re - peat
3 I love to tell the sto - ry, for those who know it best



of Je - sus and his glo - ry, of Je - sus and his love.
what seems, each time I tell it, more won - der - ful - ly sweet!
seem hun - ger - ing and thirst-ing to hear it like the rest.



I love to tell the sto - ry, be - cause I know it's true;
I love to tell the sto - ry, for some have nev - er heard
And when, in scenes of glo - ry, I sing the new, new song,



it sat - is - fies my long-ings as noth - ing else would do.
the mes - sage of sal - va - tion from God's own ho - ly word.
I'll sing the old, old sto - ry that I have loved so long.

Refrain



I love to tell the sto - ry; 'twill be my theme in glo-ry



to tell the old, old sto - ry of Je - sus and his love.

Text: Katherine Hankey, 1834–1911
Music: HANKEY, William E. Fischer, 1849–1936

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Follow the way of Jesus.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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Church News.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to everyone and we are thankful to have you with us in worship. You are invited to sign the attendance book located at the end of each pew, a helpful way to communicate with the congregation, pastor and church office.

Altar Flowers (January 22, 2023) are given to the Glory of God.

Altar Flower Sign-up sheet is available in the Narthex. There are many dates available.

Altar Flowers for 2023.....Please note...There will be an increase in the flowers this year. Cost: \$47.00 for both flowers. One flower will be \$23.50. Gaston Floral Garden.

All Information for the Sunday bulletin needs to be in by **Tuesday Noon**.

To prepare for Next Sunday (January 29), 4th Sunday of Epiphany; Micah 6:1-8, 1 Cor. 1:18-31, Matthew 5:1-12,

Attendance: 1/15/2022: Outdoor/Indoor Worship Service: 42

SERVING THIS WEEK

Ministers: Members of Philadelphia Lutheran Church

Visit our Web Site: <http://www.philadelphialutheran.org>

Email: church@philadelphialutheran.org

Church Ph. & Fax: 704-922-5334

Pastor: Pastor Shea Berbaum Cell: 336-633-9770 (In case of an emergency, or if you need a Pastor) Email: shea.berbaum@gmail.com **"Do you know someone who would benefit from a conversation or a visit with the Pastor? Please let Pastor Shea or the church office know! Pastor Shea can be reached at 336-633-9770."**

Parish/Financial Secretary: Lisa Rubow Music: Amy Lewis

Lector: Reading of First/Second Lessons/Psalm: Linda Weant

Parish Mail:

Altar Guild: Steve and Allison Adams



WE PRAY...

*Below are all those included on our weekly List for **Intercessory Prayer**. We lift them up in Prayer during the Sunday Worship Service and we encourage you to include them in your Prayer Life during the coming week. Please contact the Church office regarding persons whom you would like to add or remove from our weekly list for Intercessory Prayer. In our ongoing prayers: Evelyn Watts, The Family of Cheryl Friday, Dian Newton, Faye Cloninger, Mary Jo Friday, Cindy Friday, David Luoto, Frances Lineberger, Cloteen Rogers, Steve Cloninger, John Jarrett/Janice Jarrett, Clay Pasour, Ed Friday, Ginger Cloninger, Danny and Rhonda Adams, Rhonda Love, Ellen Adams, Dixie Shives, Ricky Schertz, Frank Parker, Julie Pettus, Healing from the COVID-19 Virus*

Nursing home, Assisted Living or Rehabilitation Facilities:

Frances Lineberger: TerraBella Cramer Mountain, 500 Cramer Mountain Road, Cramerton, NC 28032, Phone Number: 704-823-4105

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Betty Smith: Stanley Total Living Center, 514 Old Mt Holly Road, Stanley NC 28164

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Howard Pasour: 1067031 – AVERY MITCHELL CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION P.O. Box 247 Phoenix MD 21131

If you wish to add/or remove names to the prayer list, please call the church office (704-922-5334)



Dallas High Shoals Christian Ministry: Hours: Tuesday and Thursday...9:00am-1:00pm. Donations (Just food at the present time) can be brought to the ministry on Monday and Wednesday mornings 11:00am –2:00pm. And most Friday mornings. No clothing donations. Check out their new website: www.dallaschristianministry.com. You can also find them on Facebook (Dallas Christian Ministry) - Every Wednesday they post “Wish List Wednesday” with items needed. Thanks for your continued support for this ministry!



Sunday, January 22 , 2023 “3rd Sunday after Epiphany:

- 10:45am Simple service project each Sunday during the season of Epiphany. All are welcome!
- 11:30am Indoor/ Outdoor Worship Communion Service:
Pastor Shea Berbaum

Wednesday, January 25, 2023

- 4:30pm **Choir practice**
- 6:30pm Pastor Shea’s Bible study on Zoom.

Friday/Saturday January 28, 2023

Fellowship Hall reserved by Cammie Kelly

Saturday, January 28, 2023

- 11:00am Baby Shower for Caitlyn, Thor and Baby Kaius Haskins

Sunday, January 29, 2023 “4th Sunday of Epiphany”

- 11:30am Joint Indoor/ Outdoor Worship Service: Southern Morning Prayer
Pastor Shea Berbaum

Sunday, January 29, 2023

- 11:30am Joint Service @ PLC Southern Morning Prayer**

Tuesday, January 31, 2023

- 6:00pm Historic Committee Meeting at Church

Join the Christian Education Committee and the Congregation Council for fellowship, food, devotions, and a simple service project each Sunday during the season of Epiphany. Starting promptly at 10:45 a.m. today, we'll have a brief devotion and work on an intergenerational project to serve our neighbors both locally and globally. We'll be finished each Sunday by 11:15 a.m., so everyone can clean up and get to worship at our new time of 11:30 a.m. We're going to be making stars for the congregation, fleece blankets for the women's shelter, bags for the homeless, personal care kits for LWR, and valentine treat bags for seniors at the old high school apartments in Dallas. We'll finish by collecting soup and crackers for the food pantry and having a Souper Bowl of Caring Soup and Sandwich luncheon following worship on February 2. If you have any questions or want to help, please contact Allison Adams. Watch for a list of items needed to complete these projects in future bulletins.



A Little “Wild One” is on the Way

Join us for a Baby Shower honoring *Caitlyn, Thor, and Baby Kaius Haskin* on Saturday, January 28th at 11:00am here in the Fellowship Hall at Philadelphia Lutheran Church. Please RSVP to Hannah at 704-917-9451. Registered at Target and Buy Buy Baby.



THE GENERAL BUDGET

	BUDGET	RECEIVED	STATUS
1-15-2023	\$ 2,888.30	\$4,000.76	\$1,112.76
Year to date	\$ 8,664.00	\$7,126.97	\$(1,537.03)

For the year 2023, as of 1-15-2023

\$40.00	Building Fund
<u>\$500.00</u>	Area Lutheran Foundation
\$540.00	Total

Memorials: During the past week, the following memorials were given to the Glory of God and in support of:

Building Fund:

In honor of Clay and Nancy Pasour by Johnny and Vivian Friday.

Introduction of Online Giving:

Philadelphia is excited to announce the introduction of an electronic option for making regular offerings. Contributions can now be debited automatically from your checking or savings account or processed using your credit or debit card. Our new electronic giving program offers convenience for you and provides donation consistency for our congregation.

To get started simply follow these steps:

- 1. Visit the website at [www.philadelphialutheran.org],*
- 2. Click on the [online giving] button, then*
- 3. Follow the onscreen instructions to create an online profile and to schedule your recurring contributions.*

We hope you enjoy this new way to contribute to our ministry!