

Third Sunday after Epiphany
January 23, 2022

Prelude / Bell
Welcome

Call to Worship

L: Gift-giver, you call us together,

C: with our different gifts, our different ideas, our different tastes.

L: You call us together,

C: to share what makes us special, to build each other up, to serve each other in love.

L: You call us together,

C: knowing that we need all parts of the body if we are to be whole.

L: You call us together,

C: to sing, to pray, to listen, to speak, to be refreshed.

L: You call us together,

C: in the name of the One who teaches us to go out and serve.

May it be so with us. Thanks be to God. Amen.

Hymn

Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

ELW 886 (vs. 1-3)

Prayer of Confession

God you have given each of us many gifts,

but sometimes we cannot recognize what gift we have to share, so we hide it under a bushel.

God you remind us that all gifts are needed,

but sometimes we let ourselves be convinced that some gifts are more special than others.

God you call us to work, to live, to love together as parts of one body,

but sometimes we decide that membership in the body is limited by our understandings.

God, for the times we have ignored or mislabeled your gifts,

for those times we have cut another off from the body,

We offer words of repentance, we ask for forgiveness and grace.

Words of Assurance and Forgiveness

God is the Giver of many gifts.

God is the Creator of the one body.

God is slow to anger and quick to forgive.

God helps us to share and honor the gifts of all,

God helps us to heal the wounds and reunite the body.

People of God, we are forgiven, loved, and accepted.

Thanks be to God. Amen! Amen! Amen!

Hymn

Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

ELW 886 (vs. 4-6)

Prayer

Reading

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

Responsive Reading

Psalm 19

L: The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

C: Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge.

L: There is no speech, nor are there words; their voice is not heard;

C: yet their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In the heavens he has set a tent for the sun,

L: which comes out like a bridegroom from his wedding canopy, and like a strong man runs its course with joy.

C: Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its circuit to the end of them; and nothing is hid from its heat.

L: The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul; the decrees of the Lord are sure, making wise the simple;

C: the precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the Lord is clear, enlightening the eyes;

L: the fear of the Lord is pure, enduring forever; the ordinances of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.

C: More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey, and drippings of the honeycomb.

L: Moreover by them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward.

C: But who can detect their errors? Clear me from hidden faults.

L: Keep back your servant also from the insolent; do not let them have dominion over me. Then I shall be blameless, and innocent of great transgression.

C: Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to you, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

Reading	1 Corinthians 12:12-31a	
L: The Word of the Lord	C: Thanks be to God	
Gospel Acclamation	<i>This Little Light of Mine</i>	
Gospel Reading	Luke 4:14-21	
L: The Gospel of the Lord.	C: Glory to you, O Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.	
Message		
Hymn	<i>We Give Thee But Thine Own</i>	ELW 686
Prayers		
Offering / Offertory	Song of Thankfulness and Praise	ELW 310 (v. 1)
Words of Institution		
Lord's Prayer / Communion		
Blessing / Benediction		
Hymn	<i>The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve</i>	ELW 551
Dismissal		
Bell / Postlude		

You are a beloved child of God, deserving of love and respect and God is using you to care for the world.

We Thank

Ushers; Sound & Screen Techs
Reader: Nancy Powers

Organist/ Pianist: RaNae Martinson
Communion Servers

Nordland's Week & Notices

Today 9:15	Education & Fellowship
9:30 am	Youth 7 -12 th grade meet w/ John
10:30 am	Worship w/ Communion
11:30 am	Youth Ministry Planning Meeting
Wed. 6:30 pm	Confirmation
Sat.	Youth Ski Trip to Powder Ridge, 7 -12 th grade
Sun. 9:15 am	Education & Fellowship / 9:30 am 7 -12 th grade meet
10:30 am	Worship w/ Communion
11:30 am	Nordland Lutheran Church Annual Meeting- Annual Reports are in members Church mailboxes please bring them with you to the Annual Meeting Jan. 30.

You are invited to the 10th Annual Moonlight Meander on Sat. Feb. 12, 7 – 9 pm. The Crow River Trail Guards line the park trails with candle luminaries and invite the public to enjoy a free walk under a full moon. Friendly campfire stations and hot refreshments will keep you warm. Meet at 200 Burr Street at the Crow River Nature Park in Paynesville. Alternate parking is available at Grace United Methodist Church, 500 Business 23 West. This is another entry to the park trails. Questions- call Tom Koshiol 320-250-0464.