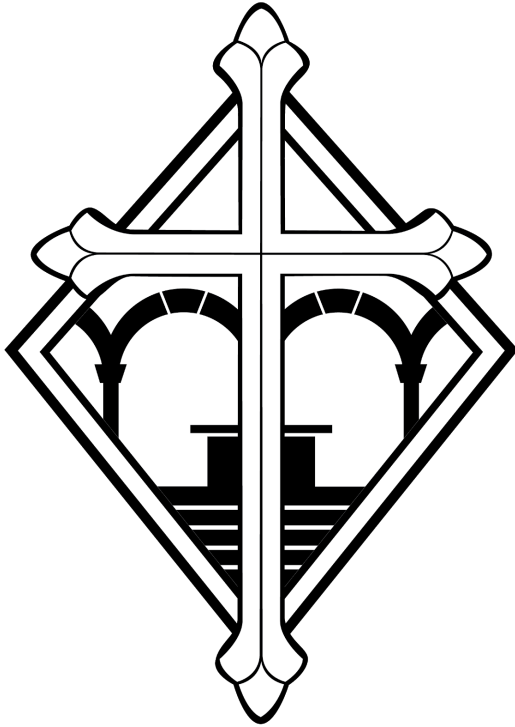


# **FAITH**

## **LUTHERAN CHURCH**



### **YOUTH & EDUCATION**

1st Sunday After Epiphany

**WELCOME!**

If you are visiting us for the first time, welcome! Please see Pastor Hendrix after the service for a special Christmas gift.

**WE LOVE LETTING KIDS BE WITH JESUS**

Children learn the faith by watching those around them. Our service is for kids too. If we can help you in any way, let us know.

**RESTROOMS & NURSERY**

Restrooms are located downstairs for your convenience. We also offer a nursery wired with audio. If you need any further assistance, please feel free to ask an usher.

**MASKS**

If your conscience allows, and you are medically able to do so, we ask that you please wear a mask while inside. In all things, “Let us excuse [our neighbor], speak well of him, and put the best construction on everything.” (8th Commandment, Explanation)

**SERVICE NOTES FOR THIS MORNING**

In the days of Solomon, the Lord dwelt among His people in the temple. The

glory of the Lord filled the house of the Lord in the form of a cloud. (1 Ki 8:6–13) Now He who is the glory of the Lord in the flesh, Jesus, enters the temple to show that He is Himself the everlasting temple and dwelling place of God. (Lk 2:41–52) Our young Lord, true man, subject to His mother Mary and Joseph, reveals Himself also to be true God, whose father is not Joseph but the Almighty Father in heaven. Jesus does this at the time of the Passover. For He came to be the sacrificial Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Even as He was found after three days, so He would later rise from the dead on the third day that the favor of God might rest also upon us. It is by these mercies of God that we present our bodies a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God through Christ. (Rom 12:1–5)

**SERVING TODAY**

Preacher:	Rev. Jeff Hendrix
Organist:	Caroline Rehborg
Altar Guild:	Joan Behr, Rob Mikkelsen

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**GOD’S WORD THIS WEEK**

**THEME**

Jesus, as true man, is found at the Temple

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SERVICE OF  
PREPARATION



*The first part of our service prepares our hearts to come before God. God forgives our sins and the theme for the day is set in the introit.*

OPENING PRAYER

O Lord, our Maker, Redeemer, and Comforter, we are assembled in Your presence to hear Your holy Word. We pray You to open our hearts by Your Holy Spirit, that through the preaching of Your Word we may be taught to repent of our sins, to believe on Jesus in life and death, and to grow day by day in grace and holiness. Hear us for Christ's sake. Amen.

ENTRANCE HYMN

Jesus Loves Me | 179

CONFESSION

**P** Let us bow before the Lord and confess our sins. Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against You by thought, word and deed. Therefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**C** O most merciful God, You have given Your only-begotten Son to die for us: have mercy upon us, and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You, and of Your will, and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

KYRIE [Lord, Have Mercy (Luke 18:39)]



**C** O God the Fa - ther in hea - ven, have mer - cy up - on  
us. O God the Son, Re - deem - er of the world,



have mer - cy up-on us. O God the Ho-ly



Ghost, true Com-fort-er, have mer-cy up-on us.

## ABSOLUTION

*The sign of the cross may be made by all at the absolution in remembrance of their Baptism.*

**P** Hear the holy and comforting Word of our Lord: Come unto Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. For God so loved the world that He gave His only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.


Lift up your hearts! By the authority of God and of my holy office I forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS *[Glory to God in the Highest (Luke 2:14)]*

**P**  Glory be to God in the Highest



**C** And on earth peace, good will to-ward men.

**C**  All glory be to God on high Who hath our race befriended!  
 To us no harm shall now come nigh, The strife at last is ended;  
 God showeth His good will to men, And peace shall dwell on earth again;  
 O thank Him for His goodness!

## SALUTATION & COLLECT OF THE DAY

**P**  The Lord be with you.



**C** And with your spir - it.

**P** Let us all pray: Lord God, heavenly Father, in mercy You have established the Christian home among us: We beseech You so to rule and direct our hearts, that we may be good examples to children and those subject to us, and not offend them by word or deed, but faithfully teach them to love Your Church and hear Your blessed Word. Give them Your Spirit and grace, that this seed may bring forth good fruit, so that our homelife may advance Your glory, honor and praise, our own improvement and welfare, and give offense to no one; through the same, Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever.

**C** *♪* **Amen.**

## SERVICE OF THE WORD



*Our service builds towards the hearing of the Gospel. The lessons and even the chief hymn all reflect the theme of the Gospel.*

### OLD TESTAMENT

**Isaiah 61:1-3**

The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me to preach good news to the afflicted. He sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim freedom for the captives and release for those who are bound, <sup>2</sup>to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor and the day of vengeance for our God, to comfort all who mourn, <sup>3</sup>to provide for those who mourn in Zion, to give them a crown of beauty instead of ashes, the oil of joy instead of mourning, a cloak of praise instead of a faint spirit, so that they will be called oaks of righteousness, a planting of the Lord to display his beauty.

### PSALM (Psalm 100)

Ye Lands to the Lord | **56**

### EPISTLE

**Romans 12:1-5**

Therefore I urge you, brothers, by the mercies of God, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice—holy and pleasing to God—which is your appropriate worship. <sup>2</sup>Also, do not continue to conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, so that you test and approve what is the will of God—what is good, pleasing, and perfect.

<sup>3</sup>So by the grace given to me, I tell everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought, but think in a way that results in sound judgment, as God distributed a measure of faith to each of you. <sup>4</sup>For we have many members in one body, and not all the members have the same function. <sup>5</sup>In the

same way, though we are many, we are one body in Christ, and individually members of one another.

**GOSPEL**

**Luke 2:41-52**

<sup>41</sup>Every year his parents traveled to Jerusalem for the Passover Festival. <sup>42</sup>When he was twelve years old, they went up according to the custom of the Festival.

<sup>43</sup>When the days had ended, as they were returning, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem. His parents did not know it. <sup>44</sup>Since they thought he was in their group, they went a day’s journey. Then they began to look for him among their relatives and friends. <sup>45</sup>When they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem, searching for him.

<sup>46</sup>After three days they found him in the temple courts, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. <sup>47</sup>And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. <sup>48</sup>When his parents saw him, they were astonished. His mother said to him, “Son, why have you treated us this way? See, your father and I have been anxiously looking for you.”

<sup>49</sup>He said to them, “Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be taking care of my Father’s business?” <sup>50</sup>They did not understand what he was telling them.

<sup>51</sup>He went down with them and came to Nazareth. He was always obedient to them. And his mother treasured up all these things in her heart. <sup>52</sup>Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and with people.

**P** This is the Gospel of Christ:



**C** God be prais - ed for His glad ti - dings.

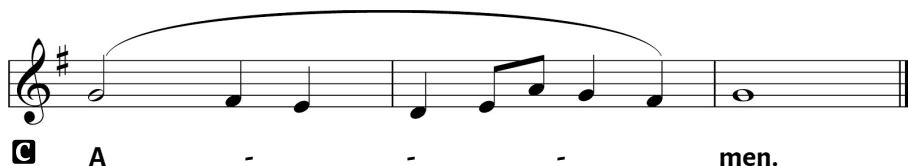
**NICENE CREED**

**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 is seated at the right hand of the Father; and He**

shall 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 worshiped and glorified, Who spoke by the prophets. And I believe 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 life of the world to come. Amen.



## CHIEF HYMN

Ye Parents, Hear What Jesus Taught | 186

**SERMON** “The Christian Home Begins in the Father’s House” (Luke 2:41-52)

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

**P** Everlasting and merciful God, we beseech You in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ: **C** To have mercy upon us and to hear our prayer.

*Pastor prays on behalf of the congregation. Each prayer ends with:*

**P** ...Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

**P** Be merciful, O God, to all, according to Your great love in Christ Jesus, our Lord. When our final hour shall come, grant us a blessed departure from this world, and on the last day, a resurrection to Your glory.

**C** Amen. Grant us Your peace, O Lord!

**P** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit † be with you all.

*Offering: Your offering can be placed in the plate in the back, or given online.  
You are also encouraged to consider setting aside your first fruits to the Lord and scheduling a recurring offering at [FaithLutheranOregon.com/OnlineGiving](http://FaithLutheranOregon.com/OnlineGiving)*

# SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT



*The third part of our service is the second high point of the service, and what everything has been building towards. Christ actually comes to us in His Body and Blood by which He cleanses us of our sins.*

## PREFACE

**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with your spir - it.

**P** Lift up your hearts unto the Lord.



**C** We lift up our hearts un - to the Lord.

**P** Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.



**C** It is good and right so to do.

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God ...and now we praise You that You sent us Your only-begotten Son and that in Him, being found in fashion as a Man, You manifested the fullness of Your glory...

Therefore with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## SANCTUS [Holy, Holy, Holy (Isaiah 6:3, Matthew 21:9)]

ELH pg. 52



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



Heav'n and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na



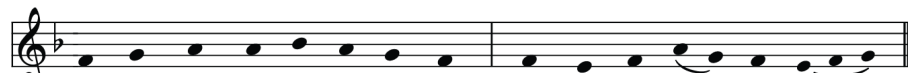
in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who comes in the





name of the Lord. Hos - an-na in the high - est.

### THE LORD'S PRAYER



Our Fa-ther, who art in hea-ven, Hal-low-ed be Thy name,



Thy king-dom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heav-en.



Give us this day our dai-ly bread; And for-give us our tres - pass-es,



as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us;



And lead us not in-to temp-ta-tion, But de-liv-er us from e-vil.



For Thine is the king-dom and the pow'r and the glo-ry



for - ev - er and ev - er.



A - - - men.

### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples saying: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying: "Drink of it all of you; this cup is the New Testament in My blood which is shed for you and for many, for the remission of sins. This do as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

**C** **♪** O Christ, the Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world,  
have mercy upon us.  
O Christ, the Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world,  
have mercy upon us.  
O Christ, the Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world,  
Grant us Your peace. Amen.

## DISTRIBUTION

- *Holy Communion is limited to communicant members of our fellowship, who have properly announced themselves to the pastor beforehand.*
- *Please limit one family per side of the communion rail, or two individuals per side.*
- *To receive the host, form a cup with your hands to receive.*
- *While others commune, take this time to pray the prayers for Communion (ELH pg. 40) or read the hymn “O Lord, We Praise Thee, Bless Thee, and Adore Thee” (327).*

*The sign of the cross may be made by all as you are dismissed from the Lord’s Table in peace.*

## HYMN OF THANKSGIVING

God Loves Me Dearly | 175

## COLLECT OF THANKSGIVING

**P** Let us give thanks and pray: We thank You, Lord God Almighty, that You have refreshed us with these Your salutary gifts; and we beseech You of Your mercy, to strengthen us through the same in faith toward You, and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord.

**C** **♪** Amen.

## BENEDICTION

**P** **♪** 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.

**C** **♪** Amen. Amen. Amen.

## CLOSING HYMN

I Pray Thee, Dear Lord Jesus | 178

CLOSING PRAYER

**P** O Lord, we render unto You our heartfelt thanks that You have taught us what You would have us believe and do. Help us, O God, by Your Holy Spirit, for the sake of Jesus Christ, to keep Your Word in pure hearts, that we thereby may be strengthened in faith, perfected in holiness, and comforted in life and death. Amen.

NEWS & NOTES

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Today	9:00am	Epiphany 1 Divine Service
	10:15am	Bible Study: 1 Corinthians
Tuesday	6:00pm	Elders Meeting at Church
	7:00pm	Council Meeting at Church
Thursday	All Day	Private Communion Available at Church (Please sign up online)
	3:40-5pm	Confirmation Class
Sunday	9:00am	Epiphany 2 Divine Service
	10:30am	Bible Study
Tues., Jan. 19	6:30pm	Memorial Committee
Sun., Jan. 24	10:30am	Annual Voters' Assembly

## BLESSING YOUR HOME

Did you know one of the services that Lutheran pastors can provide is a blessing of your home? It is appropriate that Christian homes be blessed by the Word of God and prayer. This is not a magic trick, but prayer to God asking for His blessing. Usually this happens when a family moves to a new home, following something destructive that happens in the home, or even after a renovation. It is especially appropriate in times of distress. Homes may also be blessed annually, especially in the season of Epiphany due to the connection of the visit of the Wise Men to the home of the infant Christ (Matt. 2:1-11). Can I (Pastor) come to your home this Epiphany season to bless it by the Word of God and prayer? Let me know by emailing me or calling at 608-405-9522.

## BIBLE READING PLANS

"A life goal for every mature Christian should be to read the entire Holy Bible," reads an introductory paragraph from the Lutheran Study Bible. The New Year is a great time to begin reading. A bookmark with a Bible reading plan taking the Lutheran Study Bible's suggestion is available in the back. If you would like a Lutheran Study Bible, they can be purchased from Concordia Publishing House at [CPH.org](http://CPH.org).

## INFORMATION CLASSES

Later this month, Pastor will be beginning information classes for those interested in learning about the basic teachings of the Bible/the Lutheran Church, or becoming members of our congregation. Do you have friends who might be interested? Please reach out to them and let them know. No pressure to join our church, just need a commitment to learn and study. Day and time TBD.

## BIBLE STUDY OPTIONS

Interested in a study group? Sign up in the back. Studies beginning later this month, meeting every other week. The women's and men's studies will likely be virtual. The others may or may not be in-person.

- **Sunday Bible Study:** "The Body of Christ" – A study of 1 Corinthians.
- **Men's Study Group:** "Christ Have Mercy: How to Put Your Faith Into Action"
- **Young Adults** (college-30's): "On the Road with St. Augustine: Real World Spirituality for Restless Hearts"
- **Women's Study Group** (led by Carla): "Enough for Now: Unpacking God's Sufficiency."
- **Anyone:** "Didache [The teaching]" (an adult instruction course centered around the liturgy)

## BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS

We would like to update our records to include Baptism anniversaries. Please look up your baptismal birthday and give the following information to Pastor: date, location, by whom.

## BLANKETS FOR THE NEEDY

Faith has approximately 100 heavy-duty blankets from a gracious donation. We intend to give these to people in need so if you know of someone who is in need, or if you would like to take some to have on hand to give to those in need, let Pastor know.