

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

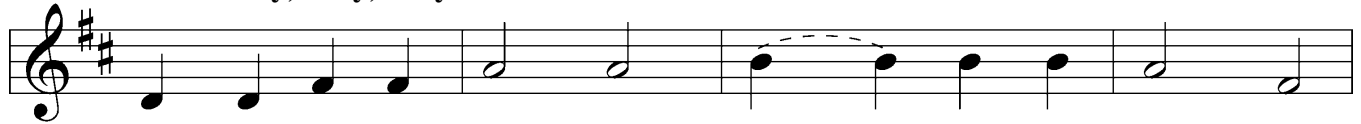
February 6, 2022 – 9:30 a.m.

Prelude “Holy, Holy, Holy” -Thomas Canning

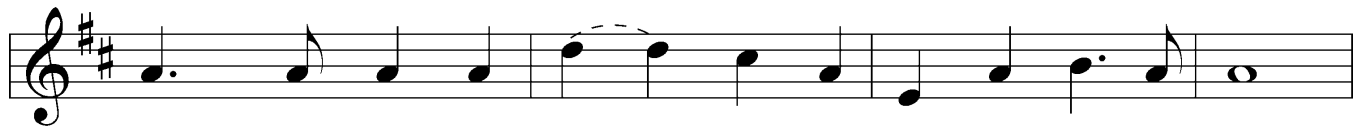
Confession and Absolution

Hymn of Invocation: “Holy, Holy, Holy”

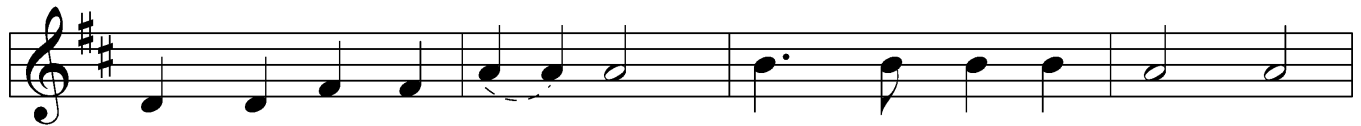
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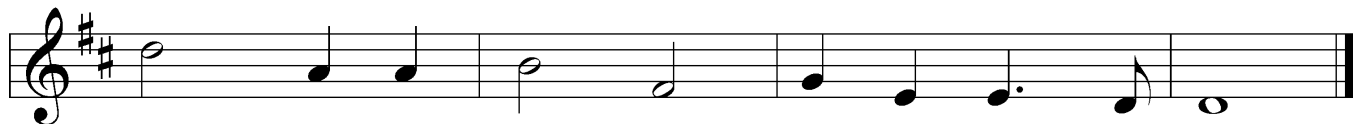
1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!
2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore Thee,
3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide Thee,
4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!



Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to Thee;
Cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
Though the eye of sin - ful man Thy glo - ry may not see,
All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea.



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!
Cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore Thee,
On - ly Thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side Thee,
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!



God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
Which wert and art and ev - er - more shalt be.
Per - fect in pow'r, in love, and pu - ri - ty.
God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

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P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

P Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 71:15–18; antiphon: v. 12

*(The congregation will chant the verses in **bold**.)*



O God, be not | far from me;*

O my God, make haste to | help me!

My mouth will tell of your righteous acts, of your deeds of salvation | all the day,*
for their number is past my | knowledge.

With the mighty deeds of the Lord GOD | I will come;*

I will remind them of your righteousness, | yours alone.

O God, from my youth you have | taught me,*
and I still proclaim your | wondrous deeds.

So even to old age and gray hairs, O God, do not for- | sake me,*

until I proclaim your might to another generation, your power to all | those to come.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

O God, be not | far from me;*

O my God, make haste to | help me!

Pew Edition

Kyrie

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C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

Gloria in Excelsis

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C 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
2 To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro - claimed at Je - sus' birth!
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor - shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n - ly King.
Where You in pow'r are seat - ed At God's right hand on high—
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

Epiphany 5

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray. O Lord, keep Your family the Church continually in the true faith that, relying on the hope of Your heavenly grace, we may ever be defended by Your mighty power; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

First Reading

Isaiah 6:1–8

In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple. Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered

his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. And one called to another and said: “Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory!” And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. And I said: “Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!” Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. And he touched my mouth and said: “Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for.” And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” Then I said, “Here am I! Send me.”

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Psalm 138; antiphon: v. 5

*(The congregation will chant the verses in **bold**.)*



And they shall sing of the ways | of the LORD,*
 for great is the glory | of the LORD.
I give you thanks, O LORD, with | my whole heart;*
before the gods I | sing your praise;
 I bow down toward your holy temple
 and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your | faithfulness,*
 for you have exalted above all things
 your name | and your word.
On the day I called, you | answered me;*
my strength of soul | you increased.

All the kings of the earth shall give you thanks, | O LORD,*
 for they have heard the words | of your mouth,
and they shall sing of the ways | of the LORD,*
for great is the glory | of the LORD.
 For though the LORD is high, he regards the | lowly,*
 but the haughty he knows | from afar.

Though I walk in the midst of trouble,
you pre- | serve my life;*
you stretch out your hand against the wrath of my enemies,
and your right hand de- | livers me.
 The LORD will fulfill his pur- | pose for me;*
 your steadfast love, O LORD, endures forever.
 Do not forsake the work | of your hands.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.
 and they shall sing of the ways | of the LORD,*
 for great is the glory | of the LORD.

Epistle

1 Corinthians 14:12b–20

Since you are eager for manifestations of the Spirit, strive to excel in building up the church. Therefore, one who speaks in a tongue should pray for the power to interpret. For if I pray in a tongue, my spirit prays but my mind is unfruitful. What am I to do? I will pray with my spirit, but I will pray with my mind also; I will sing praise with my spirit, but I will sing with my mind also. Otherwise, if you give thanks with your spirit, how can anyone in the position of an outsider say “Amen” to your thanksgiving when he does not know what you are saying? For you may be giving thanks well enough, but the other person is not being built up. I thank God that I speak in tongues more than all of you. Nevertheless, in church I would rather speak five words with my mind in order to instruct others, than ten thousand words in a tongue. Brothers, do not be children in your thinking. Be infants in evil, but in your thinking be mature.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse *Luke 5:10b (Choir)*

Alleluia. Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel

Luke 5:1–11

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fifth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

On one occasion, while the crowd was pressing in on [Jesus] to hear the word of God, he was standing by the lake of Gennesaret, and he saw two boats by the lake, but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. Getting into one of the boats, which was Simon's, he asked him to put out a little from the land. And he sat down and taught the people from the boat. And when he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, “Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch.” And Simon answered, “Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets.” And when they had done this, they enclosed a large number of fish, and their nets were breaking. They signaled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, “Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord.” For he and all who were with him were astonished at the catch of fish that they had taken, and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, “Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men.” And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven

and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

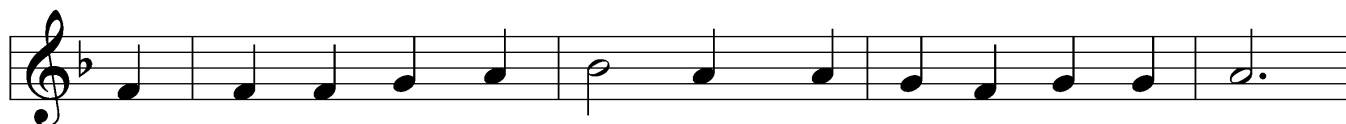
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life † everlasting. Amen.

Hymn of the Day: "Hail to the Lord's Anointed"

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1 Hail to the Lord's a - noint - ed, Great Da - vid's great - er Son!
2 He comes with res - cue speed - y To those who suf - fer wrong,
3 He shall come down like show - ers Up - on the fruit - ful earth;
4 Kings shall fall down be - fore Him And gold and in - cense bring;
5 O'er ev - 'ry foe vic - to - rious, He on His throne shall rest,



Hail, in the time ap - point - ed, His reign on earth be - gun!
To help the poor and need - y And bid the weak be strong;
Love, joy, and hope, like flow - ers, Spring in His path to birth.
All na - tions shall a - dore Him, His praise all peo - ple sing.
From age to age more glo - rious, All bless - ing and all - blest.



He comes to break op - pres - sion, To set the cap - tive free,
To give them songs for sigh - ing, Their dark - ness turn to light,
Be - fore Him on the moun - tains Shall peace, the her - ald, go;
To Him shall prayer un - ceas - ing And dai - ly vows as - cend;
The tide of time shall nev - er His cov - e - nant re - move;



To take a - way trans - gres - sion And rule in eq - ui - ty.
Whose souls, con - demned and dy - ing, Were pre - cious in His sight.
And righ - teous - ness in foun - tains From hill to val - ley flow.
His king - dom still in - creas - ing, A kingdom with - out end.
His name shall stand for - ev - er— That name to us is Love.

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Sermon “Twice, Not Thrice” Luke 5:1-11 and John 21:1-8

I. Types of Miracles

II. The First Catch of Fish (Luke 5:1-11)

- What is strange about the request?
- What does Peter realize? What does He request?

III. The Second Catch of Fish (John 21:1-8)

- What does Peter do differently once he realizes it is Jesus?
- What prompts the change?

A few years ago, I saw the movie *Miracles From Heaven* with my wife. It featured famous actors like Jennifer Garner, and Queen Latifah, and explored miracles and the Christian faith. The movie is about a little girl, named Anna Beam, who one day develops an incurable disease: intestinal pseudo-obstruction. It is a painful ailment where a person is unable to process food. One day, when she was playing with her older sister, Abbie, a tragedy happened. They climbed to the top of an old cotton tree outside their house. While they were sitting on the top branch, it began to break. Panicked, Anna goes into the trunk for safety, but as she stepped in it, the rotten wood collapsed, and she fell 30 feet to the base of the tree, and was trapped in the trunk for hours. As the fire department worked to get her out, they warned the family that it probably was not going to be good. No one could fall that far *without* breaking something, or sustaining a serious injury. Once they got her out, they airlifted her to a hospital to conduct some tests: and you know what, she was fine! More than that, she was no longer affected by her incurable illness. A miracle had occurred. The rest of the movie then explored various people’s interactions with that, and the witness of the family’s faith.

We often think of miracles as singular events, like in the movie. They only happen once. We also typically picture them as healings, too. In the Gospels, we see lots of examples of this. Jesus raises Lazarus from the dead. He heals blind Bartimaeus. He freed Mary Magdalene from seven demons. Many miracles in the Gospels are healings, and they were singular events for the people that received them.

But, not every miracle is a healing: Jesus walked on water, calmed a storm, and made water into wine. And, not every miracle is a onetime event: sometimes, miracles come in pairs. Examples of that would be the births of John the Baptist and Jesus from closed wombs, or how Jesus heals a woman that had been bleeding for 12 years on His way to heal Jairus’ daughter. And when miracles come in pairs, it can be helpful to see how they interact with each other. For example, the feeding of the 5,000 among the Jews is paralleled by the feeding of the 4,000 among the Gentiles. From this, we see how Jesus came to save not just Israel, but all nations.

In our Gospel text today, we have a miracle, that when read in the life of Peter, is part of a pair. The miraculous catch of fish happens not just once in the ministry of Jesus, but twice. And unlike the feeding miracles, this one happens twice to the same person: Peter. Today, we will compare and contrast the two miracles together, and see what it shows us about relationships with Jesus.

In Luke 5, we find Jesus on the shores of the Sea of Galilee. A crowd is gathering around Him to hear God’s Word, and they keep getting closer, and closer, and closer. As the crowd continues to gather, Jesus notices that Peter’s boat is currently unused as Peter is washing his nets. Stepping into it, Jesus asks if Peter can let the boat out a little bit so that He can teach from it. Sitting on the bench, Jesus begins to preach to the crowd standing on the shore. Children are playing in the water; adults are standing, focusing on every word. Once Jesus is done speaking, Jesus has one more request for Peter.

He says, “Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch.” He gives the professional fisherman some strange fishing advice. Even casual fishers know that you probably aren’t going to catch *anything* in the heat of the day at the deepest part of the lake. Isn’t that why people generally go early in the morning or later in the evening? Peter picks up on this, and says, “Master, we toiled all night and took nothing!” In other words, we caught nothing at the best time for fishing. Last night was a huge bust and failure!

Jesus’ request asks Peter to go against his heavy fishing experience. His request asks Peter to deny his fruitless night of fishing. His request challenges Peter to defy his lifetime of knowledge about his vocation, and

to simply trust in His Word. To Peter's credit, he does. He says, "But at your word I will let down the nets." Even though Jesus' suggestion is crazy and seems doomed to fail, Peter will do it.

As Peter casts the nets overboard, a large number of fish are caught, and the nets begin to break. Signaling to James and John to come out and help, they do, and now *both boats* begin to sink. As the boat begins to fill with water and sink, Peter is amazed. He realizes that he is not in the presence of a master, but the LORD Himself! Falling to Jesus' knees as the water pools about them, he says, "Depart from me, for I am sinful man, O Lord." He realizes his utter unworthiness to stand before God, and his sin is gravely apparent. But, instead of asking for mercy, He asks that Jesus would go away.

But Jesus says, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men." As the water continues in, and as fish flop around them, Jesus says, "Don't worry, I will not turn you away. I forgive you, and in fact, I want to use you! From now on, you will be catching *people for me instead of fish..*" As the situation calms, Peter, James and John are able to haul in the boats, and they leave *everything and follow Him*. Peter met the forgiving and gracious Lord out on the Sea of Galilee.

Now, remember, this miracle is a pair. We find the second occurrence at the end of John's Gospel. He writes, "Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in His name." As John pens these words, you expect the Gospel to end, but John stops the curtains and says, "Wait! I have one more thing I want to tell you." It is the pair to the miracle.

John tells us that Peter is with Doubting Thomas, Nathanael, *James, John*, and two other disciples at *the Sea of Galilee*. Peter decides to go fishing, and they all go with him. However, they catch nothing that night. It was a huge bust and failure. The group of professional fishermen catch *nothing*. As the day dawns, a shadowy figure is standing on the shore, and calls out, "Children, do you have any fish?" They yell back, "No!" and the figure says, "Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some." At this point, they figure "why not?" and cast the net to the right side.

Once the net hits the water and drops down, the nets begin to fill, and the seven adult men cannot haul it in. As John tugs on the net, he realizes who the shadowy figure must have been, and yells out to Peter, "It is the Lord!" Peter agrees. But, instead of falling on his knees and pleading for Jesus to leave, Peter puts on his outer garment to clothe himself, for his naked, and he jumps overboard into the water. He cannot get to Jesus fast enough. The catch can wait, or even escape, it doesn't matter. The one who had denied Jesus, who lived with the guilt of that sin, cannot get to Jesus fast enough.

And so, why the change? What happened to make such a difference? Between these two miracles is a long three years of following Jesus and watching the gracious Lord interact with His creation. Peter has seen how Jesus cares for the those in need: the widows, lepers, tax collectors, disabled, and lame. To the hungry, He provided food. To the sick, He provided healing. To the broken, He gave comfort. To the hopeless, He gave hope. To the outcasts, He gave open arms and a tender smile. To the unnoticed, He gave the time of day, and His undivided attention. To those who were hiding in shame, He said "Come out," and gave a place of honor. To those who had sinned, He promised forgiveness. Between these two miracles stands the death and resurrection of Jesus, which makes all the difference.

For Peter hasn't changed. He is still an impulsive man who wears his heart on his sleeve. He is still a sinner in need of forgiveness. What changed was Peter's knowledge of Jesus: Jesus is the forgiving and gracious Lord. When faced with the choice of living in his sin or entrusting his life to Jesus, Peter rushes to Jesus because He trusts, and knows, Jesus forgives. Because of His love and mercy, he can come into the presence of the all-powerful and just God, and not be afraid. Peter met the forgiving and gracious Lord out on the Sea of Galilee. It is where we meet Him, too.

Prayer of the Church

Offering "In Thee Is Gladness" -David Schack

We offer our gifts to the Lord as we use this time in our service for contemplation and preparation for the sacrament of communion. Offerings can be placed in the plates at the back entrance doors as you leave the sanctuary.

For meditation, from Luther's Small Catechism, The Lord's Prayer:

The First Petition, "Hallowed be Thy name." What does this mean? God's name is indeed holy in itself; but we pray in this petition that it may be holy among us also. How is this done? God's name is hallowed when the Word of God is taught in its truth and purity, and we, as children of God, also lead a holy life according to it. This grant us, dear Father in heaven. But he that teaches and lives otherwise than God's Word teaches, profanes the name of God among us. From this preserve us, Heavenly Father.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

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P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

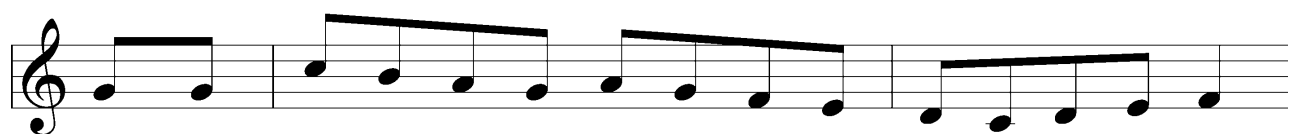
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C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.



Sing ho - san - na in the high-est, sing ho - san - na to the Lord;



Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. As the glory of Your presence once filled Your ancient temple, so in the incarnation of Your Son, Jesus Christ, You manifested the fullness of Your glory in human flesh. We give You thanks that in His most Holy Supper You reveal Your glory to us. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood so that we may one day behold Your glory face to face.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

Lord's Prayer

C 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 Words of Our Lord


P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "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, and when He had given thanks, He 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 for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini

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P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C Amen.



C 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;
O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,
Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Distribution

You are invited to receive the Lord's Supper if you believe and confess that Jesus Christ is your Savior from sin, you are a baptized child of the Triune God, and you believe that He gives you His body and blood in the bread and wine you receive. White grape juice can be found in the center of each tray for those who cannot receive alcohol. Children are welcome to come forward for a blessing. You may kneel, but it is not required.



1 I come, O Sav - ior, to Thy ta - ble, For weak and
 2 Thy heart is filled with fer - vent yearn - ing That sin - ners
 3 Un - wor - thy though I am, O Sav - ior, Be - cause I
 4 Wea - ry am I and heav - y lad - en; With sin my
 5 What high - er gift can we in - her - it? It is faith's



wea - ry is my soul; Thou, Bread of Life, a -
 may sal - va - tion see Who, Lord, to Thee in
 have a sin - ful heart, Yet Thou Thy lamb wilt
 soul is sore op - pressed; Re - ceive me gra - cious -
 bond and sol - id base; It is the strength of



lone art a - ble To sat - is - fy and make me whole:
 faith are turn - ing; So I, a sin - ner, come to Thee.
 ban - ish nev - er, For Thou my faith - ful shep - herd art:
 ly and glad - den My heart, for I am now Thy guest.
 heart and spir - it, The cov - e - nant of hope and grace.



Refrain

Lord, may Thy bod - y and Thy blood Be for my soul the high - est good!

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Nunc Dimittis



1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
 2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All



part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
 glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the



glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three in One;

A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is

to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -

peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

Post-Communion Collect

- A** Let us pray.
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

Benedicamus

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- A** Let us bless the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

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- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.
C Amen.



1 "Come, fol - low Me," the Sav - ior spake, "All in My
 2 "I am the light, I light the way, A god - ly
 3 "My heart a - bounds in low - li - ness, My soul with
 4 "I teach you how to shun and flee What harms your
 5 Then let us fol - low Christ, our Lord, And take the



way a - bid - ing; De - ny your-selves, the world for-sake,
 life dis - play - ing; I bid you walk as in the day;
 love is glow - ing; And gra - cious words My lips ex-press,
 soul's sal - va - tion, Your heart from ev - 'ry guile to free,
 cross ap - point - ed And, firm - ly cling - ing to His Word,



O - bey My call and guid - ing. O bear the cross, what -
 I keep your feet from stray - ing. I am the way, and
 With meek-ness o - ver - flow - ing. My heart, My mind, My
 From sin and its temp - ta - tion. I am the ref - uge
 In suf - f'ring be un - daunt - ed. For those who bear the



e'er be - tide, Take My ex - am - ple for your guide.
 well I show How you must so - journ here be - low.
 strength, My all, To God I yield, on Him I call.
 of the soul And lead you to your heav'n - ly goal."
 bat - tle's strain The crown of heav'n - ly life ob - tain.

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Postlude "Festive Trumpet" -Brian Glyncannon

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

GENEROSITY THOUGHTS: *Luke 5:5 – “And Simon answered, ‘Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets.’ ”* In Peter’s words there are both exasperation and trust. He’s tired. He tried his best and failed. But he is still ready to trust God’s Word – and act on it. Our stewardship is also a matter of trusting God’s Word and acting on it.

2021 GIVING STATEMENTS: You will receive your contribution statement in the mail if your total contribution amount for 2021 is \$250 or more. Statements will be mailed no later than January 31. If your contribution to Emmaus was less than \$250, you did not receive the statement by early February, or you need a replacement copy of your statement please either leave a message on the Emmaus church phone or call Nancy W. and I will get one sent to you as soon as possible.

EMMAUS GENERATIONS: The Fellowship Committee has decided not to host Emmaus Generations in February due to current rates of illness in our area. Please watch for future dates.

HEAR “THE LUTHERAN HOUR” on Sunday mornings at 6:05 a.m. on WCCO 830 AM radio. Next week’s broadcast: “The Unexpected” Guest Speaker: Rev. Roland Syens. Jesus said those who are poor in spirit are blessed. Pastor Roland Syens says poverty is not a problem in God’s economy. (Luke 6: 17-20)

CONCORDIA ACADEMY OPEN HOUSE: Concordia Academy’s open house on February 10, 6:00 - 8:00 PM, gives prospective students and families a great chance to see how CA honors God through excellence in academics, arts, athletics, and more! Meet teachers and students, take a tour, learn about programs, and see if CA is the right fit. Please RSVP at www.concordiaacademy.com/openhouse .