



HYMN SING

**St. Luke Lutheran Church • Pastor Eric Hanson
9:30AM • January 30, 2022 • Fourth Sunday after Epiphany**

Prelude: *Pianist/Organist, Debbi St. John*

Welcome and Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness:

P: We confess our sins together, in the name of the Father, and of the Son +, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: God of all Mercy, come to our aid. When we hide brokenness and only show you wholeness, forgive us. When we cover shame and guilt with pride and pretense, forgive us. When we point out the speck in our neighbor's eye but ignore the log in our own eye, forgive us. When we choose old, harmful ways of living over new, live-giving ways, forgive us. Transform us by the power of your Spirit, Lord God, & make us New.

P: Children of God, God loved us even when we were dead in sin, & makes us new through Jesus Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Live as people set free. **Amen.**

Opening Hymns: *"When He Cometh" led by Aleaha Hanson*

Vs 1: When He cometh, when He cometh To make up His jewels,
All His jewels, precious jewels, His loved and His own.

Refrain: Like the stars of the morning, His brightness adorning,
They shall shine in their beauty, Bright gems for His crown.

Vs 2: He will gather, He will gather The gems for His kingdom;
All the pure ones, all the bright ones, His loved and His own. [Refrain]

Vs 3: Little children, little children, Who love their Redeemer,
Are the jewels, precious jewels, His loved and His own. [Refrain]

"Amazing Grace" #779 led by Eve Stone and Sara Strusz

Vs 1: Amazing grace! How sweet the sound That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found; Was blind, but now I see.

Vs 2: 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear The hour I first believed!

Vs 3: Through many dangers, toils and snares, I have already come;
'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far, And grace will lead me home.

Vs 4: The Lord has promised good to me, His Word my hope secures;
He will my Shield and Portion be, As long as life endures.

Vs 5: When we've been there ten thousand years, Bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise Than when we'd first begun.

Greeting *(please stand as you are able)*

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

C: And also with you.

Hymn: *"Precious Lord" #773 led by St. Luke Choir*

Vs 1: Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand, I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.
Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light. Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

Vs 2: When my way grows drear, precious Lord, linger near, when my life is almost gone,
hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand lest I fall. Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

Vs 3: When the darkness appears and the night draws near, and the day is past and gone,
at the river I stand, guide my feet, hold my hand. Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

Hymn: *"What A Friend We Have In Jesus" #742 led by St. Luke Choir*

Vs 1: What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear! What a privilege to carry everything
to God in prayer! O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear,
all because we do not carry everything to God in prayer!

Vs 2: Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere? We should never be discouraged;
take it to the Lord in prayer! Can we find a friend so faithful who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness; take it to the Lord in prayer!

Vs 3: Are we weak and heavy laden, cumbered with a load of care? Precious Savior, still our refuge -
take it to the Lord in prayer! Do your friends despise, forsake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer!
In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a solace there.

Prayer of the Day: L: Let us pray together,

C: Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and love; and that we may obtain what
you promise, make us love what you command, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Reading - Psalm 96

¹Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth. ²Sing to the Lord, praise his name; proclaim his salvation
day after day. ³Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples. ⁴For great is the Lord and
most worthy of praise; he is to be feared above all gods. ⁵For all the gods of the nations are idols, but the Lord made the
heavens. ⁶Splendor and majesty are before him; strength and glory are in his sanctuary. ⁷Ascribe to the Lord, all you
families of nations, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength. ⁸Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; bring an offer-
ing and come into his courts. ⁹Worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness; tremble before him, all the earth. ¹⁰Say
among the nations, "The Lord reigns." The world is firmly established, it cannot be moved; he will judge the peoples
with equity. ¹¹Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad; let the sea resound, and all that is in it. ¹²Let the fields be
jubilant, and everything in them; let all the trees of the forest sing for joy. ¹³Let all creation rejoice before the Lord, for he
comes, he comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world in righteousness and the peoples in his faithfulness.

Children's Message: *Pastor Eric Hanson*

PreK-1st Graders Sing: *"I want to be a light for Jesus"*

Hymn of the Day: *"Bless the Lord, O My Soul" led by Ruby, Haley, Grace, Laura & Torrie*

Chorus: Bless the Lord, oh, my soul, oh, my soul. Worship his holy name.
Sing like never before, oh, my soul. I worship your holy name.

Vs 1. The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning, it's time to sing your song again.

Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me, let me be singing when the evening comes. [Chorus]

Vs 2. You're rich in love and you're slow to anger. Your name is great, and your heart is kind.

For all your goodness, I will keep on singing, ten thousand reasons for my heart to find. [Chorus]

Vs 3. And on that day when my strength is failing, the end draws near and my time has come;

Still, my soul will sing Your praise unending, ten thousand years and then forevermore.

Final Chorus: Bless the Lord, oh, my soul, oh, my soul. Worship his holy name. Sing like never before,
oh, my soul. I worship your holy name, worship your holy name

2nd-6th Graders Sing: *"Our God Is An Awesome God"*

Homily: *Debbi St. John*

The Prayers: The Spirit of the Lord is poured out upon us in abundance; so we are bold to pray for the
church, the world, and all that God has made. *A brief silence.* Guide your church in the ways of faith, hope,
and love. Cultivate ministries and communities of compassion that bear witness to your enduring presence
among us. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Teach us to live in humility on the earth. Curb arrogance that leads to destruction of natural resources and
disregard for future generations. Inspire the work of scientists who urge us to live in harmony with your crea-
tion. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

You are the refuge of all who seek hope and freedom. Accompany immigrants, refugees, and asylum seekers who cross borders to find safety and opportunity. Embolden leaders to draft compassionate policies on behalf of migrants and those who assist them. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Love bears, believes, hopes, and endures all things. Comfort with your love all who are lonely, fearful, or brokenhearted. Sustain the hope of all those who suffer in body or spirit especially: Keith Brown, Kathy Nardinger, Dolly Mensink, Dean Kirkland, Finley Budensiek, Sara Nolte, Deb Huneke, Roger Kurtti, Rich & Sue Majerus, Judy Carpenter, Donald & Nancy Nord, Ben Haenel, Larry Reese, Abby Tipton, Jan Benidt, Jim Wilcox, the family of Deb Conrad and the family of Norris Thomforde. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Your grace falls upon young and old alike. Bless the gifts of children in this congregation and in this community. Give us humble hearts to follow their leadership. Inspire us with their laughter, their insight, and their curiosity. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

We praise you for those who have gone before us and now see you face to face. Abide with us in this mortal life until we rest in the arms of your never ending love. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Since we have such great hope in your promises, O God, we lift these and all of our prayers to you in confidence and faith; through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

Hymn: "O Lord Hear My Prayer" #751 led by St. Luke Choir

O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: when I call, answer me.

O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: come and listen to me.

The Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise: all my hope comes from God.

The Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise: God, the well-spring of life.

Sharing the Peace: L: The peace of Christ be with you always. C: **And also with you.**

Offertory Prayer: P: Let us pray together,

C: Blessed are you, O God, Sovereign of the universe. You offer us new beginnings and guide us on our journey. Lead us to your table, nourish us with this heavenly food, and prepare us to carry your love to a hungry world, in the name of Christ our light. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving: 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 & praise.**

The Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer: 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 Meal & Hymns: "I am the Bread of Life" #485 led by St. Luke Choir

Vs. 1: I am the bread of life, You who come to me shall not hunger, & who believe in me shall not thirst. No one can come to me unless the father beckons.

Refrain: And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up, and I will raise you up on the last day.

Vs. 2: The bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world, and if you eat of this bread, you shall live forever, you shall live forever. [Refrain]

Vs. 3: Unless you eat of the flesh of the Son of Man and drink of his blood, and drink of his blood, you shall not have life within you. [Refrain]

Vs. 4: I am the resurrection, I am the life. If you believe in me, even though you die, you shall live forever. [Refrain]

Vs. 5: Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who have come into the world. [Refrain]

"In Christ Alone" led by Michelle Matthees & Susie Matthees

Vs 1: In Christ alone my hope is found; He is my light, my strength, my song; this Cornerstone, this solid ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm.

Vs 2: What heights of love, what depths of peace when fears are stilled, when strivings cease. My Comforter, my All in All; here in the love of Christ I stand.

Vs 3: No guilt in life, no fear in death; this is the power of Christ in me. From life's first cry to final breath Jesus commands my destiny.

**Vs. 4: No power of hell, no scheme of man can ever pluck me from His hand.
‘Til he returns or calls me home, here in the power of Christ I’ll stand!**

“Your Are My All In All” led by Katie Schafer & Jolene Mann

**Vs. 1: You are my strength when I am weak. You are the treasure that I seek. You are my all in all
Seeking You as a precious jew’l, Lord, to give up I’d be a fool. You are my all in all**

Chorus: Jesus Lamb of God, worthy is Your name! Jesus Lamb of God, worthy is Your name

**Vs. 2: Taking my sin, my cross, my shame, Rising again I bless your name; You are my all in all
When I fall down, you pick me up; When I am dry, You fill my cup; You are my all in all. [Chorus]**

Communion Prayer: P: Let us pray together,

**C: We give you thanks, gracious God, for we have feasted on the abundance of your house. Send us to bring
good news and to proclaim your favor to all, strengthened with the richness of your grace in your Son,
Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Blessing: *(Please stand as you are able.)* God, who leads you in pathways of righteousness, who rejoices over you,
and who calls you by name, bless your going out and your coming in, today and forever. **Amen.**

Sending Hymns: *“They’ll Know We Are Christians” led by Larry Miller, Dan Tipcke, Pastor Eric, Ron Horsman*

**Verse 1: We are one in the Spirit We are one in the Lord. We are one in the Spirit We are one in the Lord
And we pray that all unity May one day be restored**

**Chorus: And they’ll know we are Christians By our love by our love
Yes they’ll know we are Christians By our love**

**Verse 2: We will walk with each other We will walk hand in hand. We will walk with each other
We will walk hand in hand. And together we’ll spread the news That God is in our land [Chorus]**

**Verse 3: We will work with each other We will work side by side. We will work with each other
We will work side by side And we’ll guard each man’s dignity And save each man’s pride [Chorus]**

**Verse 4: All praise to the Father From whom all things come. And all praise to Christ Jesus His only Son
And all praise to the Spirit Who makes us one [Chorus]**

“How Great Thou Art” #856 led by St. Luke Choir

**Vs 1: O Lord my God, When I in awesome wonder Consider all the works Thy hands have made
I see the stars I hear the mighty thunder Thy pow’r thru’out The universe displayed**

**Chorus: Then sings my soul My Savior God to Thee How great Thou art How great Thou art
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**Vs 2: When through the woods & forest glades I wander I hear the birds Sing sweetly in the trees When
I look down From lofty mountain grandeur And hear the brook And feel the gentle breeze [chorus]**

**Vs 3: But when I think That God His Son not sparing Sent Him to die I scarce can take it in
That on the cross My burden gladly bearing He bled and died To take away my sin [chorus]**

**Vs 4: When Christ shall come With shout of acclamation And take me home What joy shall fill my heart
Then I shall bow In humble adoration And there proclaim My God how great Thou art [chorus]**

Dismissal: P: Go with Christ into a weary world. Share the good news. C: **Thanks be to God!**

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