

## *Second Sunday after Epiphany - January 17, 2021*

**Today's Theme for Worship:** God shows himself and calls us to serve him.

### **Order of Service: Service of Word and Sacrament**

#### **Opening Hymn: 486 Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us**

1 Lord of glory, you have bought us With your lifeblood as the price,  
Never grudging for the lost ones That tremendous sacrifice,  
And with that have freely given Blessings countless as the sand  
To th' unthankful and the evil With your own unsparing hand.

2 Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to give you Gladly, freely, of your own.  
With the sunshine of your goodness Melt our thankless hearts of stone  
Till our cold and selfish natures, Warmed by you, at length believe  
That more happy and more blessed 'Tis to give than to receive.

3 Wondrous honor you have given To our humblest charity  
In your own mysterious sentence, "You have done it unto me."  
Can it be, O gracious Master, That you need what we can do,  
Saying by your poor and needy, "Give as I have giv'n to you"?

4 Yes, the sorrow and the suff'rings Which on ev'ry hand we view  
Channels are for gifts and off'rings Due by solemn right to you,  
Right of which we may not rob you, Debt we may not choose but pay  
Lest that face of love and pity Turn from us another day.

5 Lord of glory, you have bought us With your lifeblood as the price,  
Never grudging for the lost ones That tremendous sacrifice.  
Give us faith to trust you boldly, Hope, to stay our souls on you;  
But, oh, best of all your graces, With your love our love renew.

Text: Eliza S. Alderson, 1818-89, alt.

### **Order of Service: Service of Word and Sacrament**

P: The grace of our Lord + Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit  
be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

#### **Confession of Sins**

P: God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts.  
Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

**C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed  
you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is**

**good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

P: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

### **Lord, Have Mercy**

P: For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.

**C: ♪ Lord, have mer-cy.**

P: For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.

**C: ♪ Christ, have mer-cy.**

P: For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.

**C: ♪ Lord, have mer-cy.**

P: Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:

**C: ♪ A-men.**

P: The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.

### **♪ O Lord, Our Lord**

O Lord, our Lord, how glo-rious is your name in all the earth.  
Al-might-y God, mer-ci-ful Father,  
you crown our life with your love.

You take a-way our sin; you com-fort our spir-it;  
you make us pure and ho-ly in your sight.  
You did not spare your on-ly Son, but gave him up for us all.  
O Lord, our Lord, how glo-rious is your name in all the earth.

O Son of God, e-ter-nal Word of the Fa-ther,  
you came to live with us;  
you made your Fa-ther known;  
you washed us from our sins in your own blood.

You are the King of glo-ry; you are the Lord!  
O Lord, our Lord, how glo-rious is your name in all the earth.

## Prayer of the Day

P: Let us Pray.

Almighty God, you gave your one and only Son to be the light of the world. Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and believed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, now and forever.

C:  A-men.

## First Lesson: 1 Samuel 3:1-10

*God calls the boy Samuel to the prophetic office.*

The boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD in the presence of Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days. Prophetic vision was not common.

<sup>2</sup>Now it happened that Eli's eyes had begun to grow dim, so that he could not see. Once when Eli was lying down in his place <sup>3</sup>and God's lamp had not yet gone out, Samuel was lying down in the LORD's temple, where God's ark was. <sup>4</sup>The LORD called Samuel, and Samuel said, "I am here." <sup>5</sup>He ran to Eli, and said, "I am here, since you called me."

Eli said, "I did not call. Lie down again." So he went and lay down.

<sup>6</sup>Then the LORD called once more, "Samuel!"

So Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, "I am here, since you called me."

He answered, "I did not call, my son. Lie down again."

<sup>7</sup>Now Samuel had not yet experienced the LORD's presence, that is, the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him.

<sup>8</sup>The LORD called Samuel for the third time. So he got up and went to Eli and said, "I am here, since you called me."

Then Eli realized that the LORD was calling the young man. <sup>9</sup>So Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down, and if he calls you, say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.'"

So Samuel went and once again lay down in his place. <sup>10</sup>The LORD came and stood there and called as he had the other times, "Samuel! Samuel!"

Then Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

## Psalm of the Day – Psalm 67

### *Refrain*

Let the people praise you, O God. Let all the people praise you.

May God be gracious to us and bless us\*

and make his face shine upon us;

may your ways be known on earth,\*

your salvation among all nations.

May the nations be glad and sing for joy,\*

for you rule the peoples justly  
and guide the nations of the earth.

### ***Refrain***

Then the land will yield its harvest,\*  
and God, our God, will bless us.

God will bless us,\*  
and all the ends of the earth will fear him.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son\*  
and to the Holy Spirit,  
as it was in the beginning,\*  
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

### ***Refrain***

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## **Second Lesson: John 1:43-51**

*The disciples respond to Christ's invitation by obeying his call and by sharing the news with others.*

<sup>43</sup>The next day, Jesus wanted to leave for Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." <sup>44</sup>Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the hometown of Andrew and Peter.

<sup>45</sup>Philip found Nathanael and told him, "We have found the one Moses wrote about in the Law, and about whom the prophets also wrote—Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph."

<sup>46</sup>Nathanael said to him, "Nazareth! Can anything good come from there?"

"Come and see!" Philip told him.

<sup>47</sup>Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him and said about him, "Truly, here is an Israelite in whom there is no deceit."

<sup>48</sup>Nathanael asked him, "How do you know me?"

Jesus answered, "Before Philip called you, while you were under the fig tree, I saw you."

<sup>49</sup>Nathanael answered him, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!"

<sup>50</sup>Jesus replied, "You believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree. You will see greater things than that!" <sup>51</sup>Then he added, "Amen, Amen, I tell you: You will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man."

## **Hymn of the Day: 86 The Only Son from Heaven**

1 The only Son from heaven, Foretold by ancient seers,  
By God the Father given, In human form appears.

No sphere his light confining, No star so brightly shining  
As he, our Morning Star.

2 Oh, time of God appointed, Oh, bright and holy morn!  
He comes, the King anointed, The Christ, the virgin-born,  
Grim death to conquer for us, To open heav'n before us  
And bring us life again.

3 Awaken, Lord, our spirit To know and love you more,  
In faith to stand unshaken, In spirit to adore,  
That we, through this world moving, Each glimpse of heaven proving,  
May reap its fullness there.

4 O Father, here before you With God the Holy Ghost  
And Jesus, we adore you, O Pride of angel host.  
Before you mortals lowly Cry "Holy, holy, holy,  
O blessed Trinity!"

Text: Elizabeth Cruciger, c. 1500-35, abr., st.1-3; *Lutheran Book of Worship*, Minneapolis, 1978, st. 4; tr. Arthur T. Russell, 1806-74, st. 1-3, alt.

### **Sermon: 1 Corinthians 6:12-20**

<sup>12</sup>"All things are permitted for me"—but not all things are beneficial. "All things are permitted for me"—but I will not allow anything to control me. <sup>13</sup>"Foods are for the belly, and the belly is for foods, but God will do away with both of them." However, the body is not for sexual immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord is for the body. <sup>14</sup>God raised up the Lord and will also raise us up by his power. <sup>15</sup>Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I then remove the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Certainly not! <sup>16</sup>Or do you not know that he who is joined to a prostitute is one body with her? For it says, "The two will become one flesh." <sup>17</sup>But he who is joined to the Lord is one spirit with him.

<sup>18</sup>Flee from sexual immorality! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body, but he who commits sexual immorality sins against his own body. <sup>19</sup>Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit, who is within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, <sup>20</sup>for you were bought at a price. Therefore glorify God with your body.

### **Nicene Creed**

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father.

Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he

was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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## **Prayer of the Church**

### **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 Sacrament**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: 🎵 **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: ♪ We lift them up to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: ♪ It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

P: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. In the past he spoke to us through the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, who is the radiance of his glory. Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever.

**♪ Holy, Holy, Holy**

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly is the Lord of hosts.  
The whole earth is full of your glo-ry.

You are my God, and I will ex-alt you.  
I will give you thanks, for you have be-come my sal-va-tion.  
Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly is the Lord of hosts.  
The whole earth is full of your glo-ry.

**Words of Institution**

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C: ♪ A-men.**

**♪ O Christ, Lamb Of God**

O Christ, Lamb of God,  
you take a-way the sin of the world;  
have mer-cy on us.

O Christ, Lamb of God,  
you take a-way the sin of the world;  
have mer-cy on us.

O Christ, Lamb of God,  
you take a-way the sin of the world;  
grant us your peace.  
A-men.

## **Thank the Lord**

Thank the Lord and sing his praise.  
Tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.

Let all who seek the Lord re-joyce  
And proud-ly bear his name.

He re-news his prom-is-es and leads his peo-ple forth  
in joy with shouts of thanks-giv-ing.

Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

## **Prayer**

P: Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: A-men.**

## **Blessing**

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

**C: (sing) Amen. Amen. Amen.**

## **Closing Hymn: 543 God of the Prophets**

1 God of the prophets, bless the prophets' sons;  
Elijah's mantle o'er Elisha cast.

Each age its solemn task may claim but once;  
Make each one better, nobler than the last.

2 Anoint them prophets, men who are intent  
To be your witnesses in word and deed,  
Their hearts aflame, their lips made eloquent,  
Their eyes awake to ev'ry human need.

3 Anoint them priests, strong intercessors they,  
For pardon and for love and hope and peace,  
That, through their pleading, guilty sinners may  
Find Jesus' mercy and from sin release.



4 Anoint them kings, yes, kingly kings, O Lord.  
Anoint them with the Spirit of your Son.  
Theirs not a jeweled crown, a blood-stained sword;  
Theirs, by sweet love, for Christ a kingdom won.

5 Make them apostles, heralds of your cross;  
Forth let them go to tell the world of grace.  
Inspired by you, may they count all but loss  
And stand at last with joy before your face.

Text: Denis Wortman, 1835-1922, abr., alt.