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Second Sunday of Epiphany
January 19, 2025

9:30am



† Celebrating God's grace through acts of love and service †

To Our Guests,

- *The type in bold is for the congregation to say.*
- *The * Indicates “Stand if you are able”.*
- *Gluten-free wafers and grape juice are available.*
- *Visitor sheets are located in the red folders in front of you.*

Introduction

The Sundays after Epiphany continue to celebrate the revelation of God’s glory to us as it was made known to the magi and to those on Jordan’s banks at Jesus’ baptism—today using wedding imagery. Our God rejoices over God’s people as those being married rejoice over one another. By the power of the Spirit there are gifts galore for everyone. In Christ Jesus the best wine is saved for last. Taste and see.

Welcome

Prelude

Meditation

Psalm 36:5-10

(We feast upon the abundance of your house, O LORD.)(Ps.36:8)

⁵Your love, O LORD, reaches to the heavens, and your faithfulness to the clouds.

⁶Your righteousness is like the strong mountains, your justice like the great deep; you save humankind and animals, O LORD.

⁷How priceless is your love, O God! All people take refuge under the shadow of your wings.

⁸They feast upon the abundance of your house; you give them drink from the river of your delights.

⁹For with you is the well of life, and in your light we see light.

¹⁰Continue your lovingkindness to those who know you, and your favor to those who are true of heart.

***Confession and Forgiveness**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, our creator, our protector, our wellspring of life.

Amen.

Trusting that God receives our words and the meditations of our hearts, let us confess our sin.

(Silence is kept for reflection.)

Merciful God, **you speak blessing and compassion into the world. Forgive us for the ways we act with judgment, cruelty, or indifference. We ignore the needs of our neighbors; we resist your call to oppose injustice; we give in to scarcity and fear; we assume the worst about one another. Cleanse us from our faults and release us from their grasp. Show us your lovingkindness. Restore our hearts and repair your world, that we may live in Christ's ways.**

Amen.

God proclaims these words of assurance: "Do not fear, for I have redeemed you. I have called you by name. You are mine." In † Christ, you are forgiven. In the Spirit, you are made free. Refreshed by the waters of mercy, live anew as beloved children of God.

Amen.

***Greeting**

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

And also with you.

***Prayer of the Day**

Lord God, source of every blessing, you showed forth your glory and led many to faith by the works of your Son, who brought gladness and salvation to his people. Transform us by the Spirit of his love, that we may find our life together in him, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

First Reading:

Isaiah 62:1-5

(The people's return to Judah after the exile was marred by economic and political troubles. Nevertheless, the prophet declares, Jerusalem and Judah will be restored. God will rejoice over Jerusalem as a bridegroom rejoices over the bride, and the people are called to the celebration.)

- ¹ For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch.
- ² The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give.
- ³ You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.
- ⁴ You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the LORD delights in you, and your land shall be married.

⁵ For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

Second Reading:

1 Corinthians 12:1-11

(The congregation at Corinth experienced division as people were comparing their spiritual gifts, thinking some to be superior to others. Paul invites this fractured community to trust that God's Holy Spirit has gifted them all perfectly for their mission together.)

¹ Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. ² You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. ³ Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.

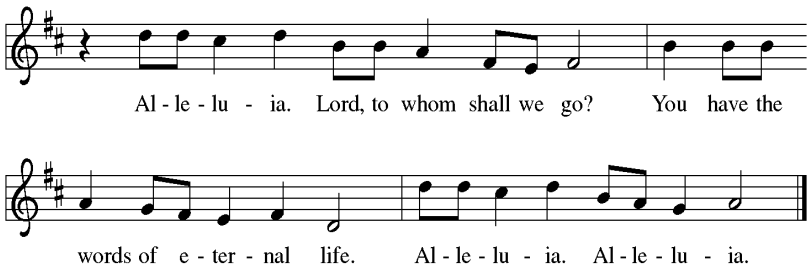
⁴ Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵ and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶ and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷ To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.

⁸ To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹ to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰ to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹ All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

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Thanks be to God.

*Gospel Acclamation



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

*Gospel The gospel according to John 2:1-11 **Glory to you, O Lord.**

(Turning water to wine at the wedding at Cana is described as the first of Jesus' signs. Through many such epiphanies, Jesus reveals that he bears God's creative power and joyful presence into the world.)

¹ On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ² Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³ When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." ⁴ And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." ⁵ His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." ⁶ Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷ Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸ He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. ⁹ When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom ¹⁰ and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the

guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.”¹¹ Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

The Good News of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ

Children's Song

Father I Adore You

Father, I adore You, lay my life before You.
How I love You.

Jesus, I adore You...
Spirit, I adore You...

Children's Message

Anna

Sermon

Anna Garcia-Lucas

***Hymn of the Day** Songs of Thankfulness & Praise **ELW 310**

***Apostles Creed**

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the
communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the**

**resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.**

Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

With the Spirit of Christ shining upon us, let us boldly pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

Giver of gifts, you form each member of the church to serve. Inspire us to boldly use gifts of welcome and healing, service and teaching, leading and preaching, for the sake of your work in the world.

God of grace, **hear our prayer**

We entrust our prayers to you, O God, in the sure and certain hope that your promise is revealed among the people.

Amen.

Peace

The Peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you

Offering Hymn

Christ Be Our Light

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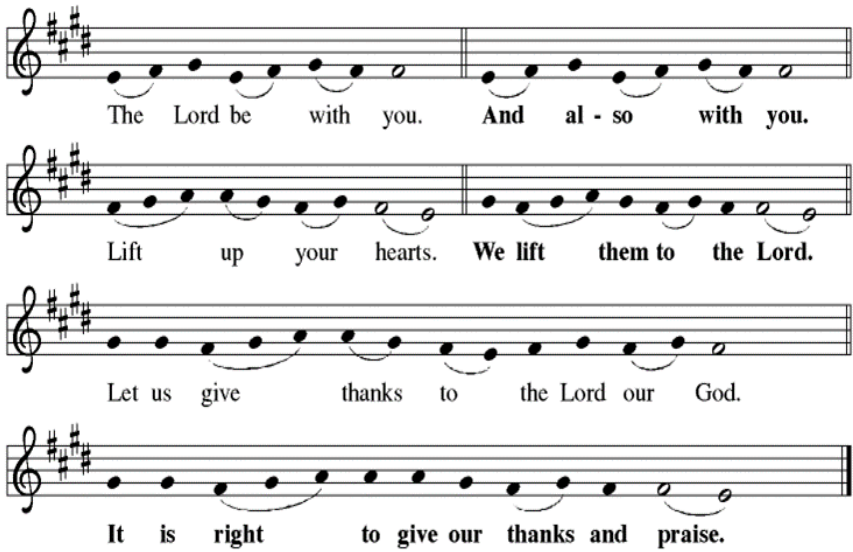
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***Offering Prayer**

God of grace, **your love reaches to the heavens, and your abundance to the depths of the seas. Bless what we offer to your service: our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts. Let us overflow with gratitude and generosity, now and always.**

Amen

*The Great Thanksgiving



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

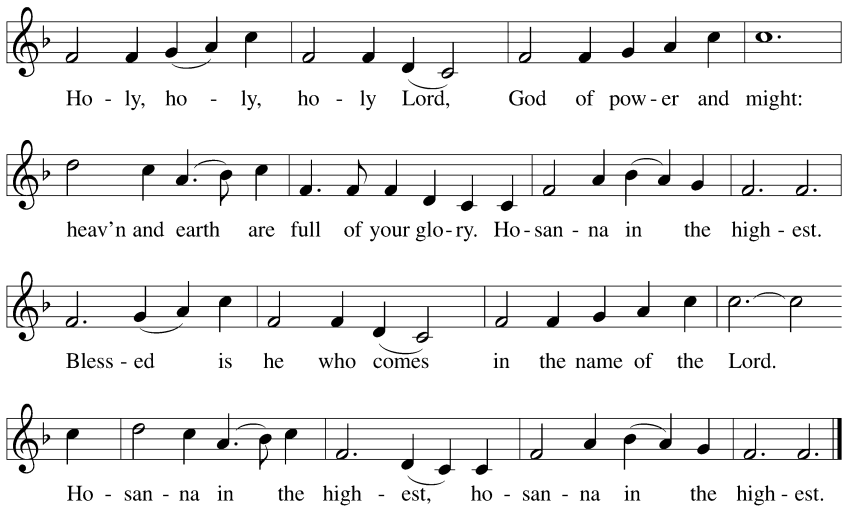
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*Preface: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy ... And so we praise your name and join in their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might:

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.

Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

*Words of Institution

*Lord's Prayer

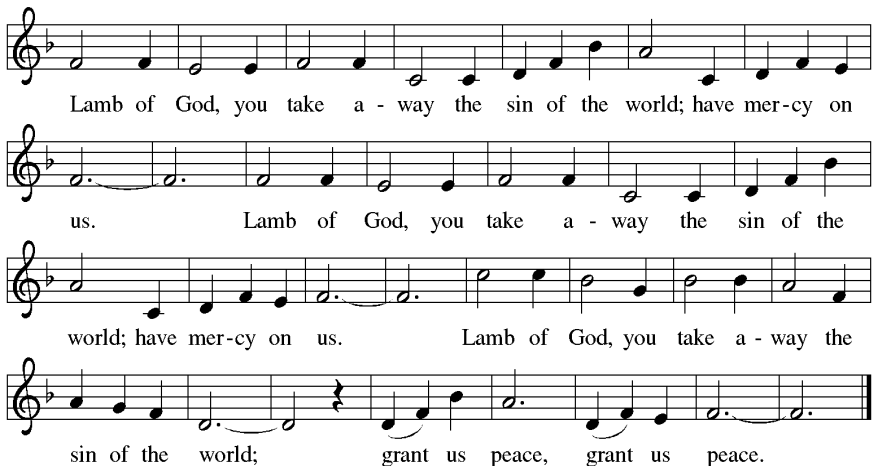
Gathered by the holy spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

**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**

Invitation to Communion

The joy of the Lord is our strength. Come, eat this meal of gladness.

Lamb of God



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

Communion Hymns

Come, Let Us Eat

ELW491

Taste and See

ELW493

***Table Blessing**

***Prayer after Communion**

Nourishing God, at this table you have refreshed us with holy gifts of food and drink. Strengthen us for service, and send us out to embody your good news of liberation and healing for the sake of the world. In the name of Christ we pray,

Amen

Announcements

***Blessing**

The Spirit of the triune God ✠ bless you with joy, anoint you with compassion, and send you in love.

Amen.

***Sending Hymn**

We Are All One in Mission

ELW 576

***Dismissal**

Go in peace. Live in hope.

Thanks be to God!



SUNDAY COFFEE TIME

January 19 Duffin January 26 - West & Magnuson

You will find the sign-up sheet on the kitchen door. We still need help in the kitchen on Sunday mornings.

UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, January 19, 9:30 am service – Anna Garcia-Lucas
Monday, January 20, 12:30 —Food donation drop-off WSC
Tuesday, January 21, 11:00 OWLS – Lunch at Cracker Barrel
Wednesday January 22, 12:30 – Westside Cares Pantry
Wednesday January 22, 6:30 am – Confirmation class at Ascension
Wednesday, January 22, 7:00 pm – Bible Study

RIC Forum #2 & Lunch: Immediately following service today, January 19th, we will hold Forum #2 (2/4) as part of Christ the King's process of becoming a Reconciling in Christ congregation. In this forum, we affirm those of any age, ability, and race. We are also including how we specifically affirm men and women in a general scope. Lunch will be provided. Questions? Please contact Anna Garcia-Lucas at aglucas66@gmail.com.

Council Highlights - Please see the CTK newsletter for the details for Fourth Quarter 2024 Financials. The Finance Team was pleased to announce they met their principal balance reduction goal for 2024, and would like to pass along their thanks in serving a congregation that is so very generous. Many thanks to this outstanding Finance Team: Laura Goins, Alan Goins, Kathy Blanchard, and Loren Anderson. To God be the glory!

OWLS – Older Wiser Lutherans: We'll meet for lunch Tuesday, January 21st 11:00am @ Cracker Barrel 8355 Razorback Rd. All are invited to participate. Please contact Pat Chaffin with questions or you need a ride: 719-313-0047. Let me know if you are coming so we can all sit together. New folks are always welcome. We look forward to seeing you! We meet the 3rd Tuesday of each month.

CTK Book Club We are now reading *Land of Shadows* by Rachel Howzell Hall. There are copies in the green book bag in the narthex to be checked out. Please join us for our discussion on February 3rd at 6:30pm. We are meeting at Marilyn Pilar's home.

New Years Resolution: Something New for Saints in Training Mem's Bible Study group has room around the table for a few more. And, good news - literally! - they are now breaking open the New Testament. Come, gain deeper understanding of the Word as we study Christ's life and times, all while having fun! (Wednesday evenings, 7 p.m.)

February 2nd & 9th, Christ the King's Souper Bowl!!

What's a Souper Bowl? The Souper Bowl is your opportunity to show team spirit, while helping out Westside Cares. Rooting for the AFC or the NFC? Bring cans of soup to "vote" for your division. The conference that has collected the most cans by February 9 wins!! Who are you rooting for?

Lifeline Screening: Wondering about your cholesterol? What about that nagging ache? Get some answers with a Lifeline Screening. Lifeline Screening comes to CTK on January 29th. We have two vouchers for a free screening! Contact Diane to get yours (or for more info) at 719-321-8904.

Westside Cares Pantry THANK YOU to those who brought food items already. It was great to begin the restocking of our shelves. Food items still needed are can vegetables but NOT corn. Pasta and rice sides, can fruit, can meats, cereal, jelly or jam. We can shop for you, mark your donations to "PANTRY". If you brought items in cloth bags and want them returned, they are in the back room with the pantry food shelves.

"Here I am, Lord!" Volunteers Needed! Christ the King is a small congregation, and as such, relies on many hands to answer God's call. ***No matter your talent, or time limits, CTK has just the right spot for you - and your family, too!*** Currently we are looking for a lead and co-lead to head up the **Kitchen** (a list of responsibilities, training, and support, of course, is provided). A variety of opportunities are also open in **Congregational Care**: Sunday coffee hour, book club, card-making, visitations, OWLS, meal train - something for everyone. And **CTK Choir** is always looking for folks of all ages who love to make a joyful noise! Come, join us, as our work for the Lord becomes fun with new and old friends. Please prayerfully consider our call out for help. The CTK Office (719-362-3483) and/or Diane Zand are happy to answer questions and provide more information.

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Warmth for Cool Mornings...

Fair Trade Coffee & Chocolate is back! Prices are \$8.00 for packages/cans and \$1.25 for Pillow Packs. Large chocolate bars are \$2.50 ,and the individual pieces are 25 cents or 5/\$1.00. Just place your money in the can on the top shelf of the display in the Narthex.

Thank you for helping small farmers all over the world!
Thanks, Kathy B. 719-360-3402.

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Christ the King is located on the original and ancestral homelands of the Cheyenne and Ute tribal nations. We give thanks for their presence here since time immemorial. We recognize and honor all our Indigenous siblings who have and continue to call this land their home.



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