

**SERVICE of WORSHIP**  
*Setting 2 from Lutheran Book of Worship*

**February 7, 2021**

*The Fifth Sunday  
After the Epiphany*



THE PRELUDE: *Listen, God Is Calling*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSiON and FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*(silence for reflection and self examination)*

Most merciful God,

We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen**

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HYMN: "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" vs 1,2,4  
**Praise to the Lord, the Almighty**

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1 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty -  
 2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is  
 3 Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and de -  
 4 Praise to the Lord! Oh, let that is in me a -

a - reign - ing you; him!  
 And, as on his good - ness and mer - cy shall  
 Sure - ly All that has life and breath, come now with

Health and sal - va - tion!  
 lift - ing, sus - tain - ing  
 dai - ly at - tend you.  
 prais - es be - fore him!

THE 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.**

THE KYRIE

A In peace, let us pray to the Lord.  
 C Lord, have mer - ey.

A For the peace from above, and for our sal-vation, let us pray to the Lord.  
 C Lord, have mer - ey.

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4

A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,  
C Lord, have mer - cy.

and for the uni-ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mer - cy.

A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,

let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mer - cy.

A Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord.

C A - men

#### THE HYMN OF PRAISE

A Glo-ry to God in thehigh-est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth.

Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al-might - y God and  
Fa - ther: We wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we  
praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly  
Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God: You  
take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on  
us. You are seat - ed at the right hand of the  
Fa - ther; re-ceive our prayer. For you a - lone are the  
Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, you a -  
lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,  
in the glo - ry of God the Fa-ther. A - men

#### THE SALUTATION



The Lord be with you.



**C And al - so with you.**

### THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray...

Almighty God, you sent your only Son as the Word of life for our eyes to see and our ears to hear. Help us to believe with joy what the Scriptures proclaim, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

### PIANO SOLO: Sunshine in My Soul

### THE FIRST LESSON

Lois Graff

Isaiah 40:21-31

**21** Have you not known? Have you not heard?

Has it not been told you from the beginning?

Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth?

**22** It is he who sits above the circle of the earth,  
and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers;  
who stretches out the heavens like a curtain,  
and spreads them like a tent to live in;

**23** who brings princes to naught,  
and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing.  
**24** Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown,  
scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth,  
when he blows upon them, and they wither,  
and the tempest carries them off like stubble.

**25** To whom then will you compare me,  
or who is my equal? says the Holy One.  
**26** Lift up your eyes on high and see:  
Who created these?

He who brings out their host and numbers them,  
calling them all by name;  
because he is great in strength,  
mighty in power,  
not one is missing.  
**27** Why do you say, O Jacob,  
and speak, O Israel,

"My way is hidden from the LORD,  
and my right is disregarded by my God?"  
**28** Have you not known? Have you not heard?  
The LORD is the everlasting God,  
the Creator of the ends of the earth.

He does not faint or grow weary;  
his understanding is unsearchable.  
**29** He gives power to the faint,  
and strengthens the powerless.

**30** Even youths will faint and be weary,  
and the young will fall exhausted;  
**31** but those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength,  
they shall mount up with wings like eagles,  
they shall run and not be weary,  
they shall walk and not faint.

### THE PSALM

*Psalm 147:1-12*

**1** Hallelujah! How good it is  
to sing praises to our God!  
How pleasant it is  
to honor him with praise!

**2 The LORD rebuilds Jerusalem;**  
he gathers the exiles of Israel.  
**3** He heals the brokenhearted  
and binds up their wounds.

**4 He counts the number of the stars**  
and calls them all by their names.  
**5** Great is our LORD and mighty in power;  
there is no limit to his wisdom.

**6 The LORD lifts up the lowly,**  
but casts the wicked to the ground.  
**7** Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving;  
make music to our God upon the harp.

**8 He covers the heavens with clouds**  
and prepares rain for the earth;  
**9** He makes grass to grow upon the mountains  
and green plants to serve mankind.

**10 He provides food for flocks and herds**  
and for the young ravens when they cry.

THE GOSPEL ANNOUNCEMENT

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 1<sup>st</sup> chapter.

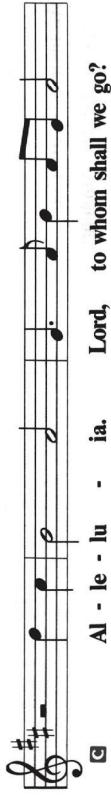
<sup>11</sup> He is not impressed by the might of a horse;  
he has no pleasure in the strength of a man;  
<sup>12</sup> But the LORD has pleasure in those who fear him,  
in those who await his gracious favor.  
Hallelujah!

THE SECOND LESSON

1 Corinthians 9:16-23

<sup>16</sup> If I proclaim the gospel, this gives me no ground for boasting, for an obligation is laid on me, and woe to me if I do not proclaim the gospel! <sup>17</sup> For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward; but if not of my own will, I am entrusted with a commission. <sup>18</sup> What then is my reward? Just this: that in my proclamation I may make the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my rights in the gospel. <sup>19</sup> For though I am free with respect to all, I have made myself a slave to all, so that I might win more of them. <sup>20</sup> To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though I myself am not under the law) so that I might win those under the law. <sup>21</sup> To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law) so that I might win those outside the law. <sup>22</sup> To the weak I became weak, so that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that I might by all means save some. <sup>23</sup> I do it all for the sake of the gospel, so that I may share in its blessings.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: "Alleluia, Lord to Whom Shall We Go?"



THE GOSPEL

Mark 1:29-39

<sup>29</sup> As soon as they left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. <sup>30</sup> Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. <sup>31</sup> He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

<sup>32</sup> That evening, at sunset, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. <sup>33</sup> And the whole city was gathered around the door. <sup>34</sup> And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him.

<sup>35</sup> In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. <sup>36</sup> And Simon and his companions hunted for him. <sup>37</sup> When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." <sup>38</sup> He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." <sup>39</sup> And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

The Gospel of the Lord.

## 390 I Love to Tell the Story

1 I love to tell the story  
2 I love to tell the story  
3 I love to tell the story

Of Je-sus and his glo-ry.  
What seems, each time I tell it,  
Seem hun-ger-ing and thirst-ing.

Be-cause I know it's true;  
For some have new-er heard  
I sing the new, new song.

It sat-is-fies my long-ings  
The mes-sage of sal-va-tion  
I'll sing the old, old sto-ry

Refrain

I love to tell the sto-ry; I'll sing this theme in glo-ry

And tell the old, old sto-ry Of Je-sus and his love.

## THE SERMON

## THE APOSTLES' CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit,  
and born of the virgin Mary,  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father,

He will come again 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

## THE OFFERTORY: “Create in Me”

For the kingdom, the power,

and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen

THE BENEDICTION

HYMN: "Lift Every Voice and Sing" vs 1,2,3

Lift Every Voice and Sing  
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C Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a  
 right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your  
 pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from  
 me. Re - store to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,  
 with your foots Soin -  
 and un - hold me.

THE GUARDIAN OF THE BEACH

THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

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**THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**  
Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all  
people according to their needs.

Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

*Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.*

in your

Amen

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come,  
in your name.

*Give us today our daily bread;  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.*

Give us today our daily bread,  
Forgive us our sins,  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us;  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.

1 Lift ev - ry voice and sing trod, years,  
 2 Sion - y the road we - ry  
 3 God of our wea - ry

ring, Ring with the har - mo - nies of hope un - far thus

rod, Felt in the days when thus

tears, Thou who hast brought us

ty. Let our re - joic - ing rise High as the lis - tning  
 died; Yet, with a stead - y beat Have not our wea - ry  
 way; Thou who hast by thy might Led us in - to the

skies; Let it re - sound loud as the roll - ing sea.  
 feet Come to the place for which our par - ents sighed?  
 light: Keep us for - ev - er in the path, we pray.

Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us;  
We have come o'er a way that with tears has been wa - tered;  
Lest our feet stray from the plac - es, our God, where we met thee;

Sing a song full of the hope that the pres-ent has brought  
We have come, tread-ing our path through the blood of the slaug -  
Lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we for - get

us; Fac - ing the ris - ing sun Of our new day  
Out from the gloom - y past, Till now we stand at  
Shad-owed be -neath thy hand May we for - ev - er

gun. Let us march on, till vic - to - ry is won.  
last Where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.  
stand, True to our God, true to our na - tive land.

### THE DISMISSAL

THE POSTLUDE: *Sonatina Opus 36 No. 3 - Spiritoso*