



# THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER

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February 23, 2025

Seventh Sunday After Epiphany  
Bold Women's Sunday

10:30am

..... ✚ GATHERING ✚ .....

## Voluntaries

*Be Thou My Vision*

Paul Manz

*Thee We Adore, O Blessed Savior*

Healey Willan

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

<We stand.>

## 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.

*The congregation kneels as 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.**

<We stand.>

... live anew as beloved children of God.

**Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN

O Word of God Incarnate


*ELW Hymn 514*

## 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.**

Assisting minister

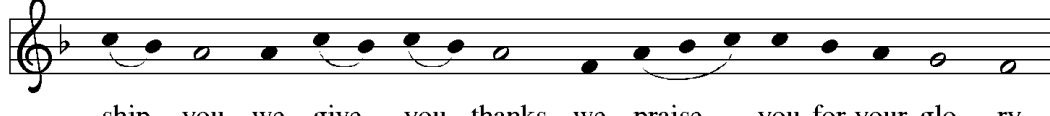


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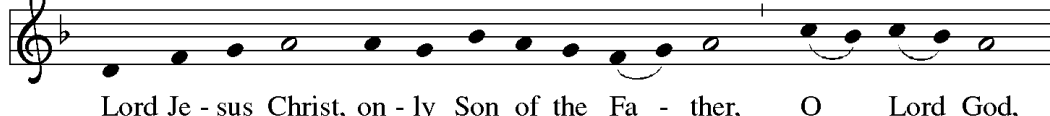
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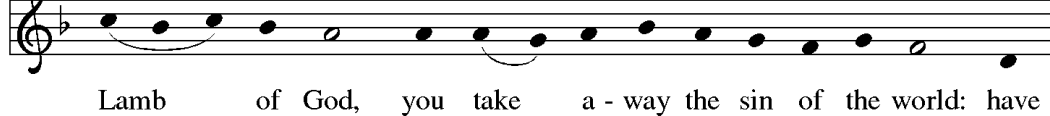
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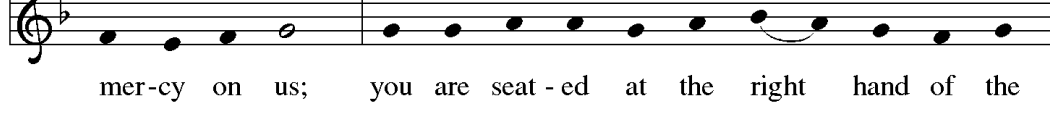
ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



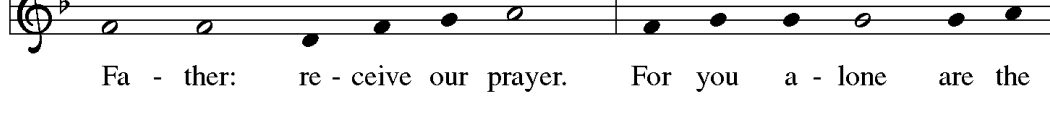
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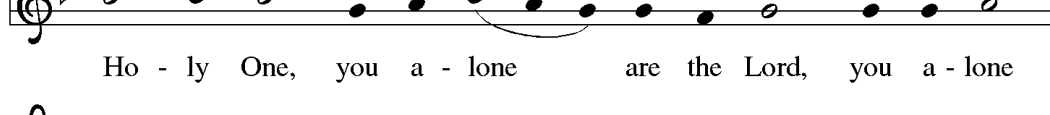
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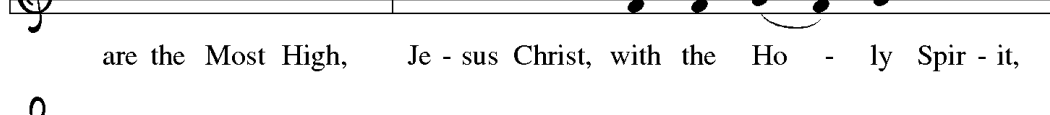
mer-cy on us; you are seat - ed at the right hand of the



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.

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray together. Forgive us, God, for too often we take your forgiveness for granted. Too often we cling to our sin, believing that it is our right to harbor resentments and hatred. Be merciful to us, and show us the depth of healing that is offered when you forgive, for the sake of the one who recognized total surrender to forgiveness and offered it willingly, Jesus Christ our healer. Amen.

<We sit.>

**READING**

**Psalm 103:3-6**

*Pew Bible page 482*

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**LIL' LUTHERAN TALK**

*<We stand.>*

The Gospel according to Luke.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

**Luke 7:36-50**

*Pew Bible page 840*

*<At the conclusion of the reading>*

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*<We sit.>*

**SERMON**

**WELCA**

*<We stand.>*

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

**Forgive Our Sins As We Forgive**

*ELW Hymn 605*

**APOSTLES' CREED**

**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.

<We kneel.>

Each prayer petition will end with "God of grace," and the response is "**Hear our prayer.**"

At the conclusion of the prayers, we respond with "**Amen.**"

<We stand.>

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

You are invited to share the peace however you and those around you are comfortable.

<We sit.>

..... ✚ MEAL ✚ .....

## RECEPTION OF THE OFFERING

### ANTHEM

### Spirit Open My Heart

Alfred V. Fedak

<We stand.>

### OFFERTORY HYMN

### Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow

The musical score is written for two staves, Treble and Bass clef, in the key of D major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is primarily in the treble clef, with a supporting bass line in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost." The score consists of two systems of music, each with a treble and bass staff. The first system covers the first two lines of lyrics, and the second system covers the last two lines.

### OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of grace, ... now and always. **Amen.**

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

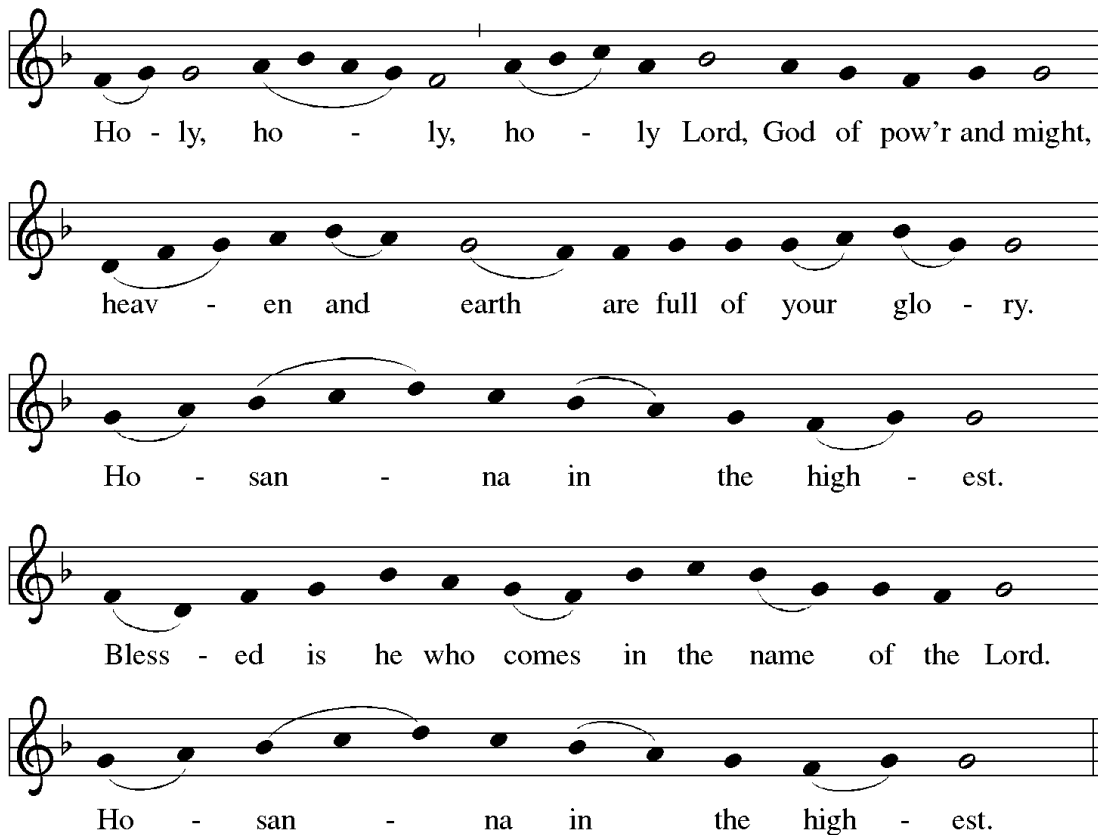
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty, and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise ... *here the minister continues with the preface for the day, concluding ...* we praise your name and join their unending hymn.

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

*ELW setting 5 page 162*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
heav - en 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.

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

We give you thanks, Father, ...

... in your holy church, both now and forever. **Amen.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray ...

**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 THE MEAL

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

<We sit.>

## COMMUNION

*Participation in Holy Communion is open to all the baptized of this and other Christian congregations. We come in faith that Christ is truly present in, with, and under the bread and the wine. We receive this gift knowing that we are forgiven and are nourished to be sent to proclaim God's love to the world. You are invited to come to the altar to receive the bread and wine. You may dip the bread into the chalice of wine. If you are not able, the meal will be brought to you in your pew. A gluten-free wafer is available, upon request for those who need it.*

<We stand.>

## THE TABLE BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**Amen.**

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Nourishing God, ... In the name of Christ we pray,

**Amen.**

..... ✠ **SENDING** ✠ .....

In the name of the Father.

**In the name of the Father.**

In the name of the Son.

**In the name of the Son.**

In the name of the Spirit.

**In the name of the Spirit.**

The Three-in-One.

**The Three-in-One.**

May the Lord bless you and keep you.

**May the Lord bless you and keep you.**

May God's face shine upon you.

**May God's face shine upon you.**

May God's blessings be with you.

**May God's blessings be with you.**

And give you peace.

**And give you peace.**

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

## SENDING HYMN

**Spread, Oh, Spread, Almighty Word**

*ELW Hymn 663*

<Please turn and face the rear of the nave.>

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Live in hope.

**Thanks be to God.**

## VOLUNTARY

*Finale from "The Royal Fireworks"*

George F. Handel

**ALTAR FLOWERS** are given to the Glory of God and in honor of the birthdays of Kristin (today), Dennis (February 8), Wayden (February 12), and Huger, Sr. (March 1) by Anne and Huger Caughman, Jr.

..... **ANNOUNCEMENTS** .....

**Youth Family Game Night** will be held Friday, February 28<sup>th</sup> 5:30-7pm in the FLC – bring your favorite appetizer to share.

**WELCA** – will meet next Sunday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> at 3:45pm in the church library for its business meeting. At 4pm, we will be studying the last chapter God’s Unconditional Love for Us in our Love Stories of the Bible Speak book. All women and friends of the congregation are invited to attend.

**Host a Choir Student for a Night** - March 9th we have the joy of welcoming the Otterbein University Choir (OH) for a special concert at Wiles Chapel (7 PM). We need host families to house two or more students for the night, providing transportation, light snacks, a place to sleep, and breakfast before returning them to campus the next morning (March 10). If you’re able to help, please sign up with the church office - more details will be shared soon!

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
23 Sun. School - 9:30am Worship - 10:30am  Confirmation Class @ - 4pm Youth Group - 5:15pm  FLC Reserved - Historical Soc.	24 Prayer & Care Card Making - 9:30am	25 Prayer Shawl Group - 10am    Library Reserved	26 Handbell Choir - 6pm  Senior Choir - 7pm	27	28 Youth Family Game Night - 5:30pm - FLC	1	2 Property Committee Mtg - 9am  Sun. School - 9:30am Sunday Worship - 10:30am  WELCA - 3:45pm  Youth - SC Faith - 5PM - FLC

**Worship Leadership - This Sunday**

**Worship Asst:** Eve Kneece  
**Acolyte:** Ashleigh Titus  
**Crucifer:** Miriam Titus  
**Comm Prep:** Erin Titus  
**Ushers:** WELCA  
**Altar Flowers:** Caughman Family

**Next Sunday, March 2nd**

**Worship Asst:** Nikki Chapman  
**Acolyte:** Zarek Reid  
**Crucifer:** McKenzie Garner  
**Comm Prep:**  
**Ushers:** Chad Cary, Norris Long,  
 Zeb Reid, Dennis Caughman  
**Altar Flowers:** Ernie Shealy

**Numbers for February 16, 2025:**

**Attendance:**

Sunday School: 16  
 In-Person: 63  
 Online: 158  
**Total: 221**

**Offering:**

Gen Operating Account: \$4,652.64  
 Maintenance: \$370.00  
 Worship & Music Programs: \$100.00

**The Rev. Matthew Titus, Pastor**  
**Dr. Huger Caughman, Jr., Organist · Nicholas Todd Shumate, Choir Director**  
**Aubrey Guyton, Youth Director**  
**Annette Belcher, Wayden Deen, or Nikki Chapman, Audio · Matt Bowers, Video**  
**Haley McBride-Stuhr, Office Assistant & Bookkeeper**

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\*Tear here and place in offering plate\*

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

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I feel called to serve on the following committee(s) (circle all that apply):

- Children & Youth Ministry Committee**
- Evangelism Ministry**
- Faith Formation Committee**
- Fellowship Committee**
- Finance Committee**
- Social Ministry**
- Property Committee**
- Stewardship Committee**
- Worship and Music Committee**

- Other ways to serve:
- Audio/Video Team**
- Worship Assistant**
- Acolyte**
- Crucifer**
- Communion Prep**
- Offering Teller**
- Usher**
- Pew Crew**

If you do not wish to serve on a committee but you are willing to help in a different capacity, comment your interests below:

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