

The Lutheran Church of The Redeemer

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The Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

February 8, 2026 - 10:30 am

A warm welcome to The Lutheran Church of The Redeemer!

The Feast of the Epiphany, and the season that follows, draws us into a new reality. In this season, we proclaim that the light revealed in Jesus Christ is the light that shines in the darkness—a light that gives life to all. We declare that this light is not meant for a single people or place, but for the whole world. The visit of the Magi—foreigners and seekers, guided by a star—signals that God’s self-giving love in Christ reaches beyond familiar boundaries and expectations. The gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh point to who this child truly is: king, priest, and suffering servant. Even at the manger, the shadow of the cross and the promise of resurrection are present.

For the Church, this season calls for our renewed faith in the light—so that our lives may be transformed and, through that transformation, increasingly become reflections of the light that shines upon us. We are invited to live as people shaped by that light: attentive to God’s presence and willing to follow Christ wherever he leads.

May this season of Epiphany renew our vision, steady our hope, and send us out rejoicing—to bear the light of Christ to a waiting world.

Whether you are a long-time member, a newcomer to our parish, or simply exploring your faith, we are delighted to have you join us. We are a family of faith dedicated to sharing God's love and grace through worship, fellowship, and service.

We invite you to join us for our worship services, participate in our ministries, and become a part of our vibrant parish. May you feel the presence of the Holy Spirit among us and find a spiritual home here at Redeemer.

The Lutheran Church of The Redeemer is a Christian community of diverse people called and guided by the Holy Spirit to nurture with God's love those within and beyond our congregation.

A place where God is at work!
All are welcome. No exceptions.

..... **† GATHERING †**

Voluntaries

Be Thou My Vision

Paul Manz

God Himself is Present

David Cherwien

Thee We Adore, O Blessed Savior

Healey Willan

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

<We stand.>

CONFESSiON AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, **†** one God, the Creator of heaven and earth, the Word who spoke life into being, the Wind stirring the waters. **Amen.**

Let us turn in confession to the one who knows us completely.

Silence is kept for reflection.

<We kneel.>

Mighty God, lover of justice,

you call us to life in community, but we have served our own interests at the expense of our neighbors. We have sown deceit where honesty was needed. We say the right words, but our hearts are far from you. Turn us to seek your face. Knit us together and give us the mind of Christ, that we may do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God.

Amen.

<We stand..>

The former things have passed away, and new things God now declares: Like a spring of water that never fails, God covers you in the righteousness of Christ, and forgives your sins in **†** Jesus's name. May the Spirit give you strength to live for others, and bless you with the gift of peace.

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.**

KYRIE

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal-va-tion, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,

and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

For this ho-ly house, and for all who of-fer here their wor-ship and praise,

let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

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

A - men.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Assisting minister

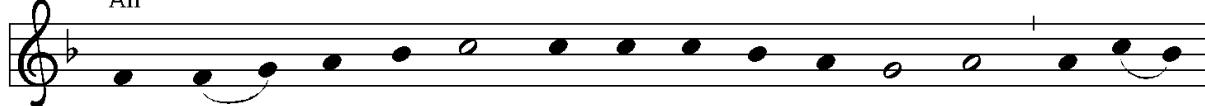
Glory to God

ELW page 148

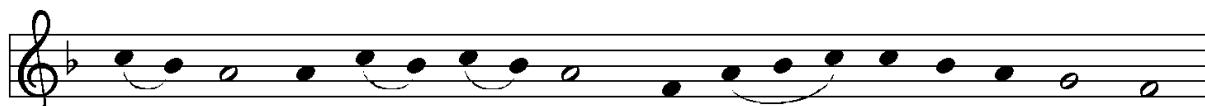


Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

All



Lord God, heav'n-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, O Lord God,



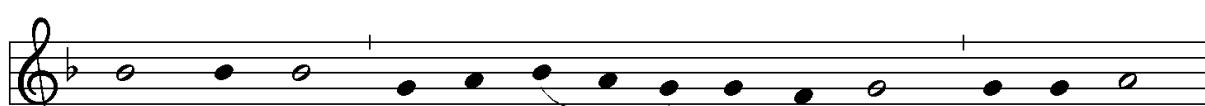
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have



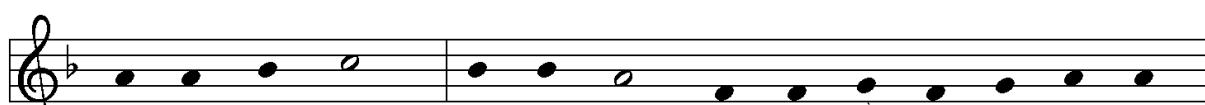
mer-cy on us; you are seat - ed at the right hand of the



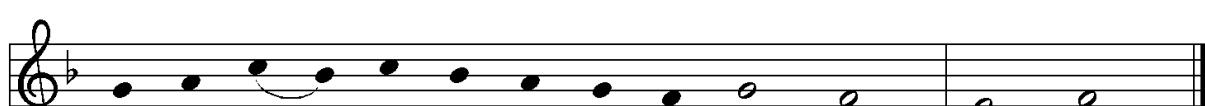
Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer. For you a - lone are the



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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray together. God of miracles, **Sometimes we are slow to believe in your power, even when your miracles occur all around us each and every day. Open our eyes to see and our hearts to believe. Amen.**

<We sit.>>

..... **WORD**

READING

Psalm 40:1-5

Pew Bible page 446

I waited patiently for the Lord; he inclined to me and heard my cry. He drew me up from the desolate pit, out of the miry bog, and set my feet upon a rock, making my steps secure. He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God. Many will see and fear and put their trust in the Lord. Happy are those who make the Lord their trust, who do not turn to the proud, to those who go astray after false gods. You have multiplied, O Lord my God, your wondrous deeds and your thoughts toward us; none can compare with you. Were I to proclaim and tell of them, they would be more than can be counted.

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

LIL' LUTHERAN TALK

<We stand.>>

GOSPEL

The Holy Gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

John 4:46-54

Pew Bible page 865

Then he came again to Cana in Galilee, where he had changed the water into wine. Now there was a royal official whose son lay ill in Capernaum. When he heard that Jesus had come from Judea to Galilee, he went and begged him to come down and heal his son, for he was at the point of death. Then Jesus said to him, "Unless you see signs and wonders you will not believe." The official said to him, "Sir, come down before my little boy dies." Jesus said to him, "Go; your son will live." The man believed the word that Jesus spoke to him and started on his way. As he was going down, his slaves met him and told him that his child was alive. So he asked them the hour when he began to recover, and they said to him, "Yesterday at one in the afternoon the fever left him." The father realized that this was the hour when Jesus had said to him, "Your son will live." So he himself believed, along with his whole household. Now this was the second sign that Jesus did after coming from Judea to Galilee.

<At the conclusion of the reading>

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

<We sit.>>

SERMON

Rev. Matthew Titus

<We stand.>

HYMN OF THE DAY

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

ELW Hymn 611

APOSTLE'S 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,
and 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

As God's beloved children united in Christ, let us pray for the church, the whole human community, and the well-being of the earth, our home.

<We kneel.>

Each prayer petition will end with "Merciful God," and the response is "receive our prayer."

Confident that the Holy Spirit receives our prayers and answers us, we commend all for whom we pray to God's loving-kindness made known to us in Christ Jesus our Savior.
Amen.

<We stand.>

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also, with you.**

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

<We sit.>

..... + MEAL +

RECEPTION OF THE OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

Richard Erikson

<We stand. >

OFFERTORY

Create in Me a Clean Heart

The musical score consists of two staves of music. The top staff is in G clef and the bottom staff is in F clef. The music is in 2/4 time. The lyrics are as follows:

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 un - to me the joy of your sal - va - - tion,
and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray. God of majesty, no eye has seen, no ear has heard what you have prepared for those who love you, yet in this meal you reveal the wideness of your mercy. Use what we have gathered to feed us with the reign of God come near, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

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.*

The musical notation is in common time with a treble clef. The lyrics are as follows:

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, through Jesus Christ, ...

... 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

Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!

Come to the table; taste and see.

<We sit.>

COMMUNION

Participation in Holy Communion is open to all the baptized. We come in faith, trusting Christ is truly present in the bread and wine – given for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen us for proclaiming God's love in the world. You are invited to come forward to receive the bread and wine. You may dip the bread into the chalice. If you are unable to come forward, communion will be brought to you. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Light of the World
Kevin Dove, flute

Karen Marrolli

<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

Radiant God, we have seen your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. In the sacrament of his body and blood you have drawn us to your heart. Send us from this table with delight, that our lives may reflect the beauty of your love, and bear witness to all we have seen and heard, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

..... **† SENDING †**

SUNG BLESSING

In the name of the Father.

May the Lord bless you and keep you.

In the name of the Father.

May the Lord bless you and keep you.

In the name of the Son.

May God's face shine upon you.

In the name of the Son.

May God's face shine upon you.

In the name of the Spirit.

May God's blessings be with you.

In the name of the Spirit.

May God's blessings be with you.

The Three-in-One.

And give you peace.

The Three-in-One.

And give you peace.

SENDING HYMN

Spread, Oh, Spread, Almighty Word

ELW Hymn 663

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Do justice. Love mercy. **Thanks be to God.**

VOLUNTARY

Finale from "The Royal Fireworks"

George F. Handel

ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the glory of God and in memory her parents Lottie and Aubrey Davis by Gayle Lindley.

..... ANNOUNCEMENTS

Children's Choir will begin rehearsals today immediately following the worship service in the choir room (Room 127). The Children's Choir is open to children in kindergarten through 3rd grade. For more information, please contact Huger Caughman, Jr.

Souper Bowl of Caring - we don't yet know who is going to win the Super Bowl on February 8, but we do know that we can Tackle Hunger together! Redeemer, Central, and Summer Memorial are teaming together for a small competition to donate food to GAAP! Join the fun! We will have a dedication of all food on Sunday February 8!

WELCA - will meet today at 3:45 PM, in the church library for its business meeting. During our business meeting we will continue to discuss our BOLD Women's Sunday. At 4:00, Anne Caughman will present the program on Fanny Crosby. All women and friends of the congregation are welcome to attend.

Bold Women's Sunday will be February 22nd; the service will be led by the women of Redeemer.

Annual Music Showcase & Banquet – the Music Showcase & Banquet has been rescheduled for March 1st. Tickets are still on sale until February 22nd.

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
8 Sunday School - 9:30am Worship - 10:30am WELCA - 3:45pm Youth - Confirmation Class - 4pm Super Bowl Party - 5pm	9 Prayer and Care Card Making - 10am Congregational Council Meeting - 6pm	10 Prayer Shawl Ministry - 10am Finance Committee Meeting - 6pm Library Reserved	11 Handbell Choir Rehearsal - 6pm Senior Choir Rehearsal - 7pm	12 Room 141 Reserved - Dale Brown	13	14 FLC Reserved - Senior Valentine Dance	15 Sunday School - 9:30am Worship - 10:30am FLC Reserved - Senior Fair

Worship Leadership - This Sunday

Worship Asst: Kristin Caughman

Acolyte: Zoe Reid

Crucifer: Miriam Titus

Comm Prep: Kathy Riggan

Altar Flowers: Gayle Lindley

Ushers: Susan Thomasson, Walter Jacobs,

Justin Guy, Dennis Caughman

Sunday, February 15, 2026

Worship Asst: George Franklin

Acolyte: Griffin Long

Crucifer: Levi Richardson

Comm Prep: available

Altar Flowers: Caughman Family

Ushers: Tommy Fellers, Joey Nicosia,

Tom Gilson, Dennis Caughman

Numbers for February 1, 2026:

Attendance:

Sunday School: --

In-Person: --

Online: 649

Total: 649

The Rev. Matthew Titus, Pastor · **Haley McBride-Stuhr, Office Assistant & Bookkeeper**

Dr. Huger Caughman, Jr., Organist · **Nicholas Todd Shumate, Choir Director**

A/V Team: Annette Belcher, Wayden Caughman, Nikki Chapman, and Matt Bowers

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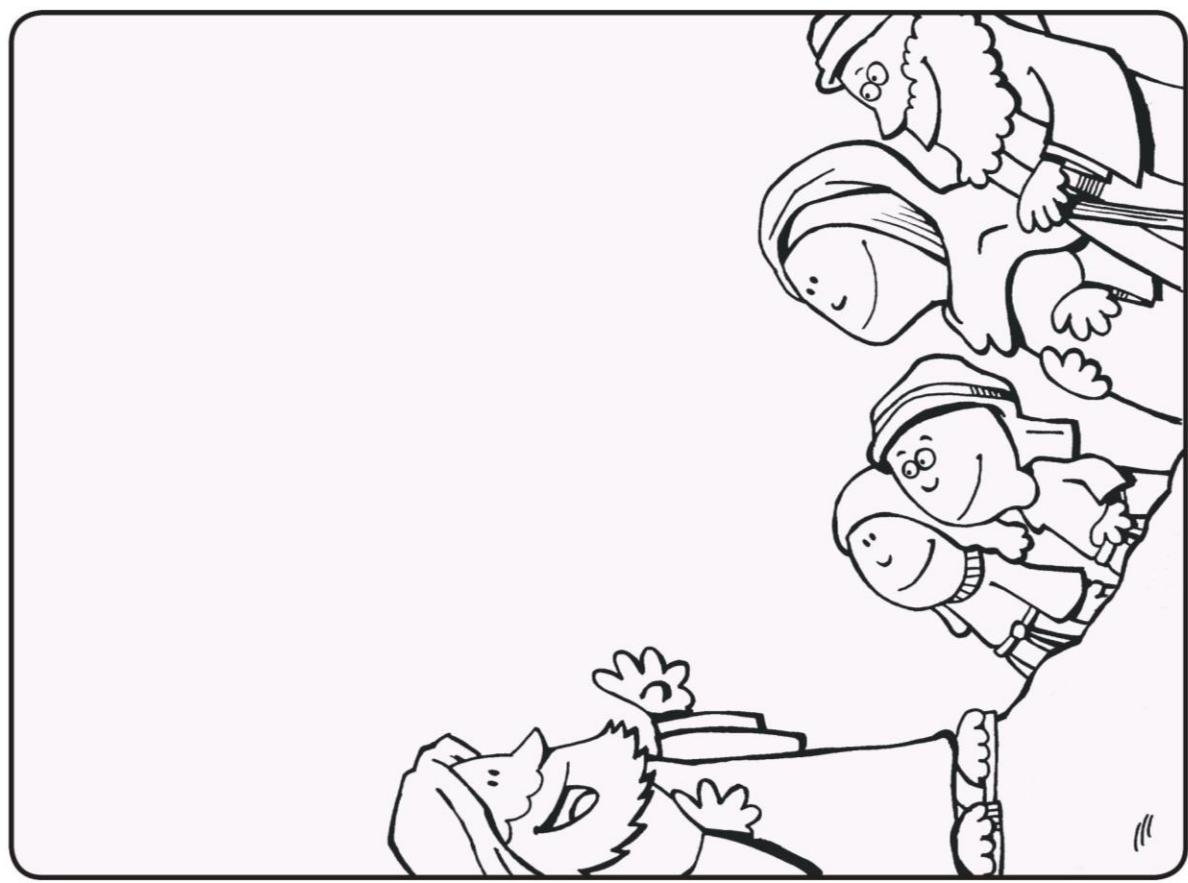
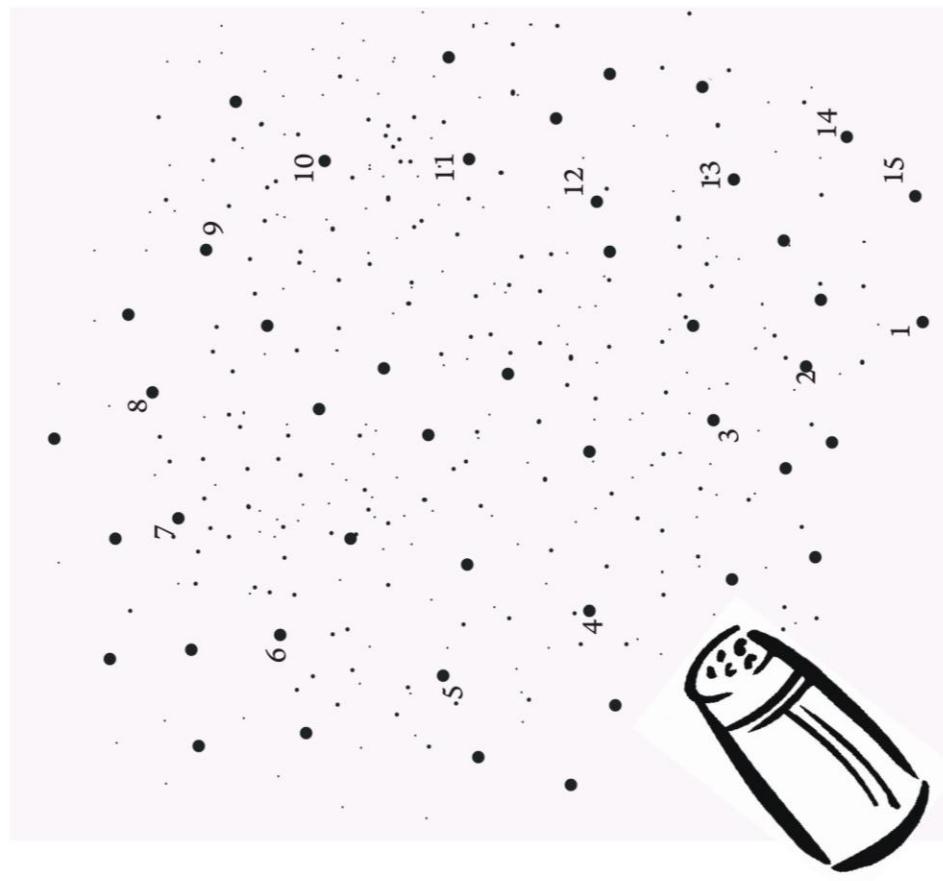
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Jesus tells us that we are like **salt**. We may be **small** but we are important.

Jesus tells us that we are like **light**. We can **shine** God's love in the world.



Connect the dots in this salt spill to reveal a hidden picture!



“You shouldn’t hide the bright light that you are!”