



**Seventh Sunday after Epiphany**

**February 20, 2022**

**SERVICE OF WORSHIP  
WITH HOLY COMMUNION  
AT 8:30 A.M. and 11 A.M.**

We are honored that you are joining our worship today. We hope to make you feel welcome whether you are visiting with us for the first time or have been worshipping with us for years.

**Welcome**

St. Thomas Lutheran Church is a Christ-centered community that lives, shares, and celebrates God's grace with all people!

As disciples of Christ who value the faith, gifts, and ministry of all God's people, and who seek justice and reconciliation, we welcome all God's children to an inclusive community. This welcome is extended without exception and regardless of sex, race, national origin, educational background, sexual orientation, gender identity, physical and mental ability, age, or economic condition.

## **Worship Aids**

In this worship bulletin, worshipers are invited to stand at the places marked with an \* and bold type denotes the congregation's response. Everything you need to participate in worship is found in this bulletin, except for the hymns which are found in the back third of the red Evangelical Lutheran Worship under your seat. You are encouraged to join us in praying, singing, sharing the peace, and receiving Holy Communion as you feel moved. Assisted hearing devices and large print bulletins are available from an usher.

## **Children in Worship**

We welcome all children to worship with us—including full participation in Holy Communion. Whether talking, crying, laughing, or singing, the sounds of children in worship are joyful sounds of praise. God put the wiggle in children, and we rejoice! Our Prayground in the sanctuary and our unstaffed nursery are open for quiet, supervised play. Activity bags are available in the narthex. Children's bulletins are also available.

## **A Note About Our Livestream Service**

Today's 8:30am service is livestreamed. Most rear-row seats are out of view of the camera, but we cannot guarantee that any seat is off camera. By attending this service, you are giving permission to be in the video we produce.

## **A Few Requests**

We ask that you silence your cell phone or electronic devices.

We would love to pray for the concerns of your heart during this service.

Prayer request slips are located on the table near the main doors.

## + GATHERING +

### PRELUDE

Word of God, Come Down on Earth

Max Reger

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### \*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, +one God, who creates us, redeems us, and calls us by name.

**C: Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: Most merciful God,

**C: we confess that we have sinned against you and your beloved children. We have turned our faces away from your glory when it did not appear as we expected. We have rejected your word when it made us confront ourselves. We have failed to show hospitality to those you called us to welcome. Accept our repentance for the things we have done and the things we have left undone. For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us and lead us, that we may bathe in the glory of your Son born among us, and reflect your love for all creation. Amen.**

P: Rejoice in this good news: In +Christ Jesus, your sins are forgiven. You are descendants of the Most High, adopted into the household of Christ, and inheritors of eternal life. Live as freed and forgiven children of God.

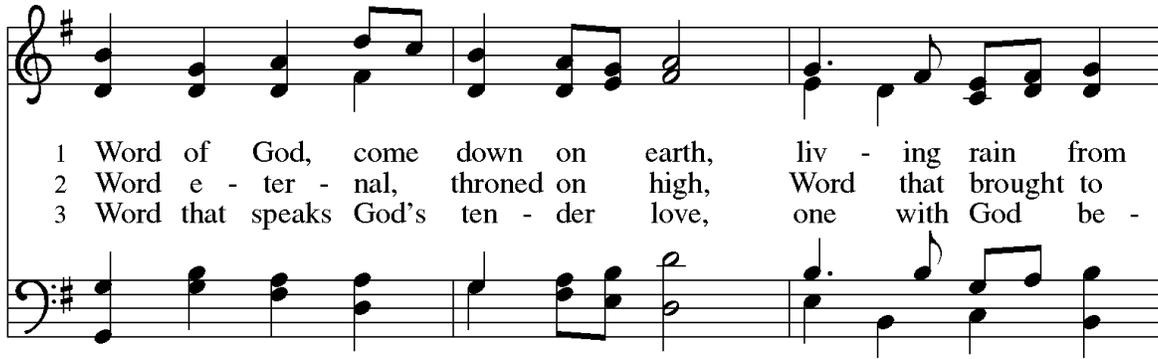
**C: Amen.**

\*ENTRANCE HYMN

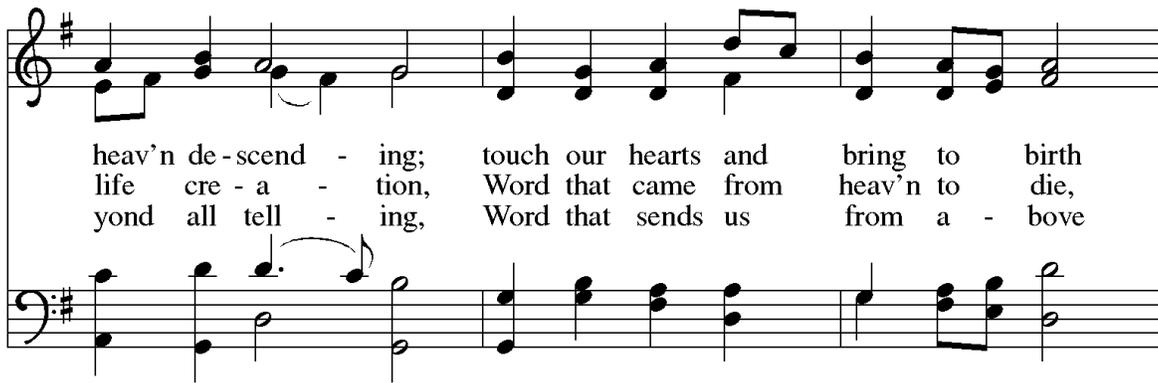
Word of God, Come Down on Earth

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# Word of God, Come Down on Earth



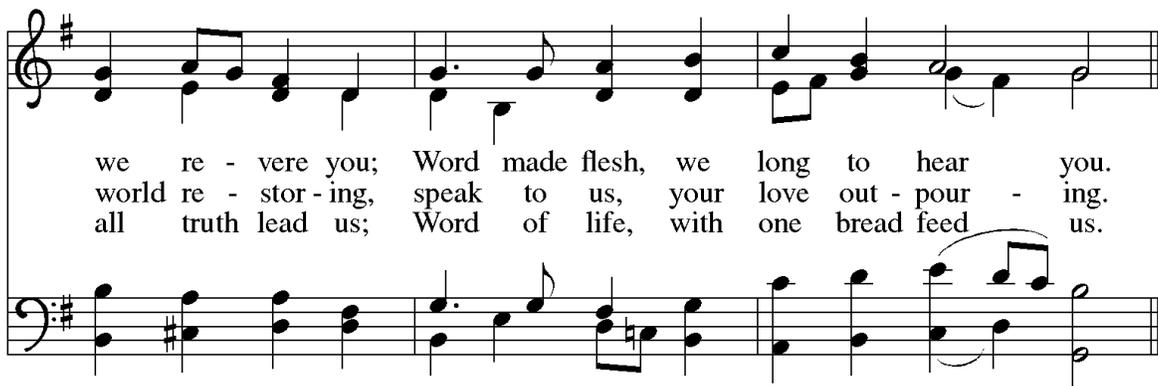
1 Word of God, come down on earth, liv - ing rain from  
2 Word e - ter - nal, throned on high, Word that brought to  
3 Word that speaks God's ten - der love, one with God be -



heav'n de - scend - ing; touch our hearts and bring to birth  
life cre - a - tion, Word that came from heav'n to die,  
yond all tell - ing, Word that sends us from a - bove



faith and hope and love un - end - ing. Word al - might - y,  
cru - ci - fied for our sal - va - tion, sav - ing Word, the  
God the Spir - it, with us dwell - ing, Word of truth, to



we re - vere you; Word made flesh, we long to hear you.  
world re - stor - ing, speak to us, your love out - pour - ing.  
all truth lead us; Word of life, with one bread feed us.

Text: James Quinn, sr, b. 1919

Music: LIEBSTER JESU, WIR SIND HIER, Johann R. Ahle, 1625-1673

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## \*GREETING

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

**C: And also with you.**

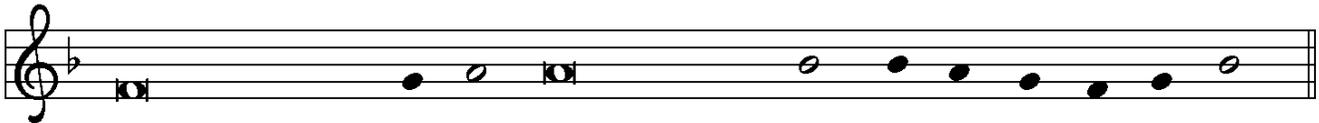
## \*KYRIE



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



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



Lord, have mer - cy.



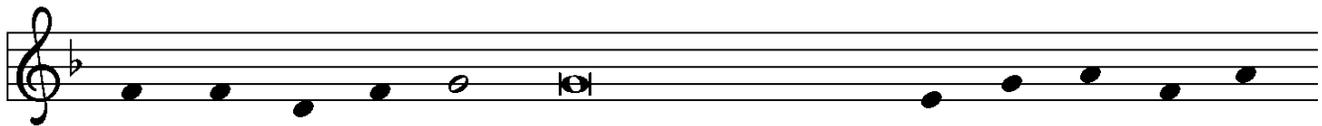
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of



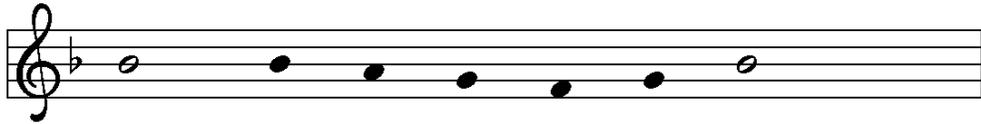
God, and for the uni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



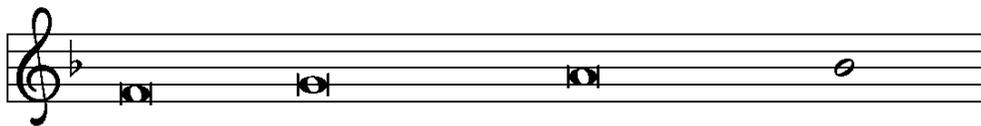
For this ho - ly house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and



praise, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gracious Lord.



A - men.

# \*HYMN OF PRAISE

*Refrain*



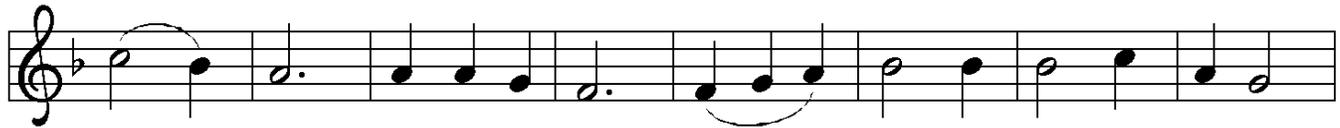
Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace



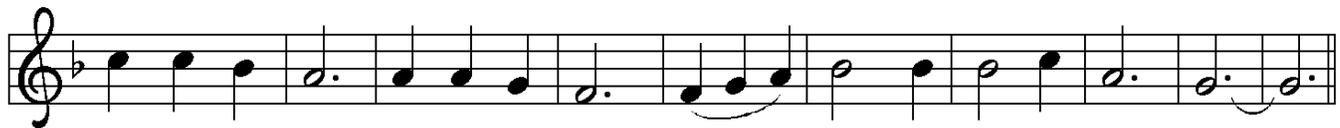
to God's peo-ple on earth. Glo-ry to God in the



high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



1 Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al - mighty God and Fa-ther,



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

*Refrain*



Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace



to God's peo-ple on earth. Glo-ry to God in the



high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



2 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.

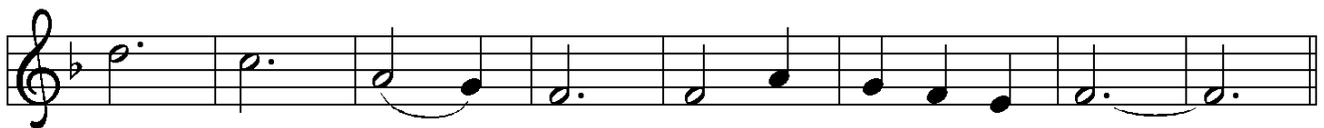


*Refrain*

Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace



to God's peo-ple on earth. Glo-ry to God in the



high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

3 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.

*Final refrain*

Glo - ry to God in the high - est.

A - men, a - men.

## \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray. O Lord Jesus, make us instruments of your peace, that where there is hatred, we may sow love, where there is injury, pardon, and where there is despair, hope. Grant, O divine master, that we may seek to console, to understand, and to love in your name, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## +WORD+

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pr. Lecia Beck

FIRST LESSON

Genesis 45:3-11, 15

Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence.

Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; God has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you

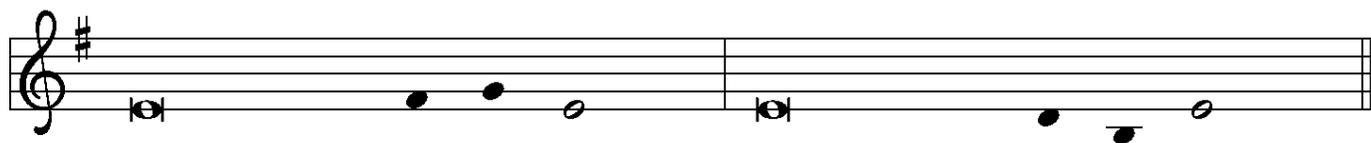
shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. I will provide for you there—since there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.' "

And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

L: Word of God. Word of life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 37:1-11, 39-40



<sup>1</sup>Do not be provoked by | evildoers;  
do not be jealous of those | who do wrong.

<sup>2</sup>**For they shall soon wither | like the grass,  
and like the green grass | fade away.**

<sup>3</sup>Put your trust in the LORD | and do good;  
dwell in the land and | find safe pasture.

<sup>4</sup>**Take delight | in the LORD,  
who shall give you your | heart's desire.**

<sup>5</sup>Commit your way to the LORD; put your trust | in  
the LORD,  
and see what | God will do.

<sup>6</sup>**The LORD will make your vindication as clear | as  
the light  
and the justice of your case like the | noonday  
sun.**

<sup>7</sup>Be still before the LORD and wait | patiently.  
Do not be provoked by the one who prospers,  
the one who succeeds in | evil schemes.

<sup>8</sup>**Refrain from anger, leave | rage alone;  
do not be provoked; it leads on- | ly to evil.**

<sup>9</sup>For evildoers shall | be cut off,  
but those who hope in the LORD shall pos- | sess  
the land.

<sup>10</sup>**In a little while the wicked shall | be no more;  
even if you search out their place, they will | not  
be there.**

<sup>11</sup>But the lowly shall pos- | sess the land;  
they will delight in abun- | dance of peace.

<sup>39</sup>**But the deliverance of the righteous comes from  
| you, O LORD;  
you are their stronghold in | time of trouble.**

<sup>40</sup>You, O LORD, will help them and I rescue them;  
you will rescue them from the wicked and deliver  
them,  
because in you I they seek refuge.

## SECOND LESSON

1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50, emended

But someone will ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?" Fool! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. And as for what you sow, you do not sow the body that is to be, but a bare seed, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body.

So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. It is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body. Thus it is written, "The first human, Adam, became a living being"; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. But it is not the spiritual that is first, but the physical, and then the spiritual. The first one was

from the earth, one of dust; the second human is from heaven. As was the one of dust, so are those who are of the dust; and as is the one of heaven, so are those who are of heaven. Just as we have borne the image of the one of dust, we will also bear the image of the one of heaven.

What I am saying, brothers and sisters, is this: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

L: Word of God. Word of life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

The first line of musical notation is written on a single staff in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It consists of 10 measures. The lyrics "Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?" are written below the staff, with hyphens under "Al - le - lu - ia" and "shall we go?".



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

The second line of musical notation is written on a single staff in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It consists of 10 measures. The lyrics "You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia." are written below the staff, with hyphens under "e - ter - nal life" and "Al - le - lu - ia".

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the sixth chapter.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Jesus is speaking:*

“I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also. And, do not withhold even your shirt from anyone who takes away your coat. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you; for even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners do the same. If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies; do good, and lend expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for God is kind to the

ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful—just as your Father is merciful.

"Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven. Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure—pressed down, shaken together, running over—will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back."

P: The Gospel of our Lord!

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

Pr. Adrienne Meier

\*HYMN OF THE DAY

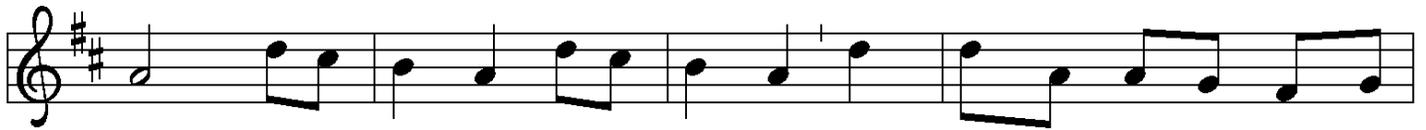
All Creatures Worship, God Most High

ELW#835

# All Creatures, Worship God Most High!



- 1 All crea-tures, wor-ship God most high! Sound ev - 'ry voice in earth and
- 2 Sing, broth - er wind; with clouds and rain you grow the gifts of fruit and
- 3 Sing, broth - er fire, so mirth - ful, strong; drive far the shad - ows, join the
- 4 All who for love of God for - give, all who in pain or sor - row



- sky: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Sing, broth - er sun, in splen-dor  
grain: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Dear sis - ter wa - ter, use - ful,  
throng: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Dear moth - er earth, so rich in  
grieve: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Christ bears your bur-dens and your



- bright; sing, sis - ter moon and stars of night:  
clear, make mu - sic for your Lord to hear: Al-le - lu - ia, al-le -  
care, praise God in col - ors bright and rare:  
fears; still make your song a - mid the tears:



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

- 5 And you, most gentle sister death,  
waiting to hush our final breath:  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Since Christ our light has pierced your gloom,  
fair is the night that leads us home.  
Alleluia.
- 6 O sisters, brothers, take your part,  
and worship God with humble heart:  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
All creatures, bless the Father, Son,  
and Holy Spirit, Three in One:  
Alleluia.

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## **\*APOSTLES' CREED**

**A: 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 THE CHURCH

A: The Spirit of the Lord is poured out upon us in abundance; so we are bold to pray for the church, the world, and all the God has made.

*Each petition ends:*

A: God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

*Concluding petition:*

A: Since we have such great hope in your promises, O God, we lift these and all of our prayers to you in confidence and faith, through Jesus Christ our Savior.

**C: Amen.**

## \*SHARING OF THE PEACE

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

**C: And also with you.**

*Share the peace with a wave, a bow, or maybe an elbow, checking in with your neighbor for whatever feels safe and conveys the spirit of peace and reconciliation this ritual intends.*

## OFFERING

*Please sign and pass the **Together In Community** pads. Make note of the names of your neighbors so you can introduce yourself after the service. These pads and pencils are sanitized at the end of each service.*

*During the Offertory Hymn, the offering is brought forward. St. Thomas collects gifts to support our mission of sharing, living, and celebrating God's grace with all people. We support Lutheran Campus Ministries at IU/Rose House and many local, national, and international ministry partners. Gifts may be placed in the offering plate by the door or you can also give on our website ([stlconline.org](http://stlconline.org)) or by using the Vanco mobile app (find it in the app store and use the code RTTMYX).*

8:30 a.m. CHOIR ANTHEM

In Thee Is Gladness

arr. Daniel Kallman

11 a.m. ORGAN IMPROVISATION

\*OFFERTORY HYMN

Let the Vineyards

ELW#184

# Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

## Offering Song



Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bles-sing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that



we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of



all; u-nite them with the prayers we of-fer. Grace our ta-ble



with your pres-ence, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

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## \*OFFERTORY PRAYER

A: Let us pray. Blessed are you, O God, Sovereign of the universe. You offer us new beginnings and guide us on our journey. Lead us to your table, nourish us with this heavenly food, and prepare us to carry your love to a hungry world, in the name of Christ our light.

**C: Amen.**

## + MEAL +

### \*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up you hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

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

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

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



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



heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -



san - na in the high - est. Blest is the one who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

**\*EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

*The thanksgiving may include this acclamation.*

**C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

**\*LORD'S PRAYER**

*Speak this prayer in your preferred language. The pastor will continue when all versions are complete.*

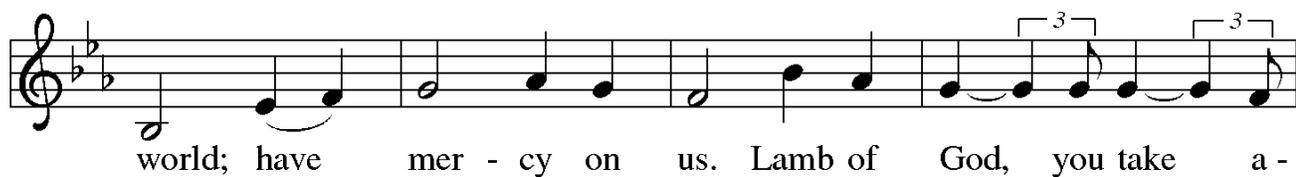
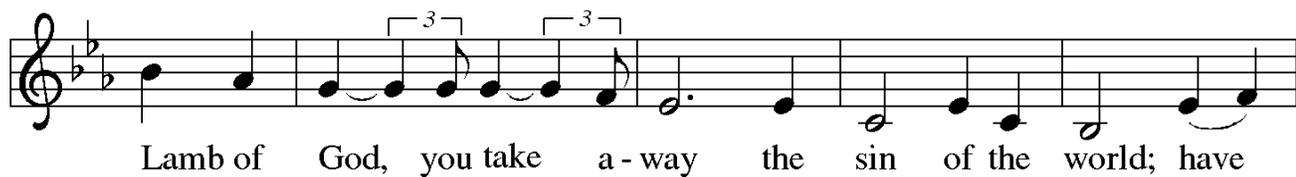
**C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on Earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

## \*INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: Come to God's table. There is a place for you and enough for all.

*We believe that God is our host and that all people are welcome to this feast of grace, community, and forgiveness. Come forward at the direction of the ushers. Hand-torn bread or gluten-free wafers are offered with pink wine or red grape juice in individual cups. If you wish to receive a blessing, cross your arms over your chest.*

## AGNUS DEI



# COMMUNION HYMN

## Forgive Our Sins As We Forgive

ELW#605



- 1 "For - give our sins as we for - give," you taught us, Lord, to pray;
- 2 How can your par - don reach and bless the un - for - giv - ing heart
- 3 In blaz - ing light your cross re - veals the truth we dim - ly knew:
- 4 Lord, cleanse the depths with - in our souls and bid re - sent - ment cease;



but you a - lone can grant us grace to live the words we say.  
that broods on wrongs and will not let old bit - ter - ness de - part?  
how tri - fling oth - ers' debts to us; how great our debt to you!  
then, by your mer - cy rec - on - ciled, our lives will spread your peace.

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## \*EUCHARISTIC BLESSING

**C: Amen.**

## \*POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE



1 In peace and joy I now de - part as God is will - ing,  
2 Christ Je - sus makes the way for me, my gra - cious Sav - ior;  
3 The Lord is health and sav - ing light for ev - 'ry na - tion,



and faith fills all my mind and heart, calm - ing, still - ing.  
with eyes of faith and trust I see God's great fa - vor.  
dis - pel - ling shad - ows of the night with sal - va - tion:



God the Lord has prom-ised me that death is but a slum - ber.  
When this life comes to an end, my hope is God's em - brac - ing.  
Is - rael's praise and hope's de-light, my trea - sure, joy, and glo - ry.

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## \*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**A:** Let us pray. We give you thanks, gracious God, for we have feasted on the abundance of your house. Send us to bring good news and to proclaim your favor to all, strengthened with the richness of your grace in your Son, Jesus Christ.

**C: Amen.**

# + SENDING +

## \*BENEDICTION

P: God, who leads you in pathways of righteousness, who rejoices over you, and who calls you by name, +bless your going out and your coming in, today and forever.

C: Amen.

## \*SENDING HYMN

### O Day Of Peace

ELW#711



1 O day of peace that dim-ly shines through all our hopes and prayers and dreams,  
2 Then shall the wolf dwell with the lamb, nor shall the fierce de - vour the small;



guide us to jus - tice, truth, and love, de - liv - ered from our self - ish schemes.  
as beasts and cat - tle calm - ly graze, a lit - tle child shall lead them all.



May swords of hate fall from our hands, our hearts from en - vy find re - lease,  
Then en - e - mies shall learn to love, all crea - tures find their true ac - cord;



till by God's grace our war - ring world shall see Christ's prom - ised reign of peace.  
the hope of peace shall be ful - filled, for all the earth shall know the Lord.

Text: Carl P. Daw Jr., b. 1944

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**\*DISMISSAL**

**A:** Go with Christ into a weary world. Share the good news.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Fugue

Felix Mendelssohn

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*We depart in peace to continue our worship  
in lives of witness to Christ's love  
in work, play, service, and care for creation.*

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## **At A Glance: This Week at St. Thomas**

### **Sunday February 20**

- 8:30 a.m.      Worship/Livestream Worship
- 9:45 a.m.      Faith Formation for All Ages
- 9:45 a.m.      Adult Forum
- 11 a.m.        Worship
- 1 p.m.         Council Meeting
- 3 p.m.         Word in the Woods
- 8:30 p.m.      Night Prayer Online Worship

### **Thursday February 24**

- 7 p.m.         Adult Choir Rehearsal

### **Sunday February 27**

- 8:30 a.m.      Worship/Livestream Worship
- 9:45 a.m.      Lent Mini-Retreat
- 11 a.m.        Worship
- 2:30 p.m.      Bach Cantata Concert
- 5:30 p.m.      High School Youth Group

## **Ash Wednesday**

Ash Wednesday is **March 2**. Join us for worship with the imposition of ashes at **7 p.m.** in the sanctuary. This service will also be livestreamed at 7 p.m. on our YouTube channel. For those unable to attend the in-person service, ashes will be available in the vestibule on Wednesday from 9:15 a.m. until 6 p.m.

## **Word in the Woods**

Welcome the winter as we experience God's presence in creation! Join us **today, Sunday, February 20 at 3 p.m.** as we gather at Griffy Lake Boathouse for a worshipful hike. We will contemplate scripture together, pray, and celebrate communion across the 1.5 mile trail. Please let Pastor Lecia know if you plan to attend.

## **Lent Mini-Retreat**

Lent isn't just a season, it is also a discipline. We're invited to examine ourselves, to repent, to pray, to fast, to give sacrificially, and love in deed as well as word. Next **Sunday, February 27, during the Sunday School hour, 9:45 a.m.**, you are invited to learn more about this season and receive encouragement as you grow in spiritual practices. This **self-guided retreat** is held in place of Sunday School and has activities for **folks of all ages**, individually or as households, for the whole hour or as much as you wish. Children will have a better experience if they participate with an adult.

## **High School Youth Group**

Next **Sunday, February 27**, high school youth will **gather at St. Thomas from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.** We are hosting the youth from Trinity Episcopal and First Presbyterian. Please let Pastor Lecia know if you plan to attend.

## **The Bloomington Bach Cantata Project**

Bloomington Bach Cantata Project invites you to join us in the St. Thomas worship space next **Sunday, February 27 at 2:30 p.m.** The Bloomington Bach Cantata Project brings together students and faculty from Indiana University, as well as professional artists from around the region, to present cantatas by J. S. Bach in performances modeled on his own.

## **Caregiver Circle**

Caregivers are invited to join our circle of supportive friendship on **Monday, February 28 at 7:30 p.m. on Zoom.** Whether you're caring for a parent, spouse, sibling, or child or supporting someone--like a spouse or sibling--who is a primary caregiver, you are welcome. Here is the zoom link:

<https://bit.ly/3px3T2j>

## **Mission Committee Underwear Drive**

The Mission Committee is partnering with Trinity Episcopal Church and the Monroe County Community School Corporation to fill a critical need for students: underwear. For the remainder of the month of February, we are accepting donations of new, unopened underwear in all sizes--child through adult--as well as sweatpants, tampons, and pads. You can place donations in the marked baskets in the narthex, or order online using our Target wishlist: <https://bit.ly/3t71e0b>, or Amazon wishlist: <https://amzn.to/3rVF4OK>.

## **Bloomington Refugee Resettlement**

St. Thomas is forming a volunteer team to welcome a refugee family to Bloomington. We are working with Bloomington Exodus Refugee Resettlement and its new director, Erin Aquino. Members of the team will help with tasks such as driving parents to enroll their children in school, giving a tour of Bloomington, helping them navigate our grocery stores, serving as a conversation partner for learning English, furnishing their new home, and helping find employment. All volunteers need to attend a two hour Zoom training session and complete a background check. The background check costs \$30; if you wish to volunteer but cannot afford the background check, financial assistance is available. If you are able to volunteer, contact Chris Ogan at [ogan@indiana.edu](mailto:ogan@indiana.edu) or Jan Sinn at [jems1949@gmail.com](mailto:jems1949@gmail.com).

## **Today's Worship Leaders**

Altar Care: Dawn Smith, Charlene Braun

Bread/Wine: Kaye Hill

### **8:30 a.m. service**

Assisting Minister: David Rohlfing

Lector: Karen Rohlfing

Ushers: Gene & Gayl Laughman

Greeters: Del & Letty Newkirk

Council Coordinator: Sarah Fogleman

### **11 a.m. service**

Assisting Minister: Ashley Ahlbrand

Lector: Sharon Fawbush

Ushers: Craig & Kathy McDonald

Greeters:

Council Coordinator: Ashley Ahlbrand

**The altar flowers this week** are given  
by Dan & Linda McNabb  
in honor of their wedding anniversary

## **Prayers for those with health and safety concerns**

Elif Ogan, Jan Ellis, Caretta Van Ruler, Anne Smith, Carole Kirsch, Tim Kirsch, Roger Sasse, Paula Ionescu, Audrey Alpers, Deborah O'Brien, Casey-Marie, Mike Ost, Seth Lahn, Erin Wyatt, Bob Osborn, Gwen Powell, Andrew Halvorson, Doug Bauder, Yvonne Leber, Penny Filiatrault, and Patty Pedersen.

Contact the church office for inclusion in this list of concerns and to be included in the Sunday prayers.

A separate, confidential prayer chain is also available. Contact **Susan Colston** at [skcolston@aol.com](mailto:skcolston@aol.com) to join the prayer chain or make a request for prayer.

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shares and celebrates God's grace with all people!**