



# Second Sunday after Epiphany

10:30 am - January 19, 2025

*Messiah Evangelical Lutheran Church*

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please stand as you are comfortable in body or spirit*

## Welcome to Messiah

We are a community of grace where we live out Jesus' commandment to love God with our whole heart and to love our neighbors as ourselves. We also seek to be a welcoming community for all people. This includes people of every race, ability, sexual orientation and gender identity, ethnic background, economic grouping, religious affiliation, and political persuasion. We do this simply because God created all people in God's own image and Christ Jesus came so all people might have abundant life. We may not always be perfect, but this is our intention--all are welcome!

## GATHERING HYMN

#1045 "Come, Share the Spirit"



1 Come, share the Spir - it, God has called us to ven - tures  
2 Come, drown your sins be - neath the wa - ters where life flows  
3 Come, God in - vites us to the ban - quet that ev - 'ry  
4 Come, let us tell the gos - pel sto - ry, how God has



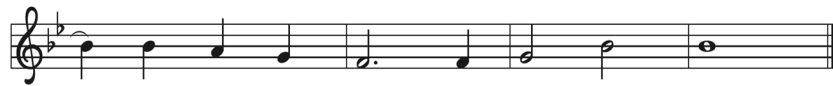
in the life of faith, to bring good tid - ings to the  
from the gran - ite rock, the stone from which our Lord has  
peo - ple soon will share, with shouts of joy and loud thanks -  
giv - en us new birth and rais - es us to live for



need - y, to tell of vic - t'ry o - ver death.  
ris - en, our cor - ner - stone and build - ing block.  
giv - ing be - fore God's throne we will ap - pear.  
oth - ers, to speak good news through - out the earth.



Christ speaks and all of life is new;  
Christ speaks and rais - es from the dead  
Christ speaks and bids us sit and dine;  
Christ speaks and life is come a - gain.



God's word is pure and it is true.  
all those who hear the liv - ing Word.  
his bod - y, bread, his blood, the wine.  
Good news, good news for ev - 'ry - one!



- cy up - on us.

Chri - ste e - lei - son. Christ, have mer -

- cy up - on us.

**Leader:** For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord. *(to Refrain)*

**Leader:** 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. *(to Refrain)*

**Leader:** For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord. *(to Refrain)*

**Leader:** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**ALL:**

A - men, A - - - - men.

## 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.**

Please  
be  
seated

## FIRST READING

Isaiah 62:1-5

- <sup>1</sup> 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.
- <sup>2</sup> 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.
- <sup>3</sup> You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD,  
and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.
- <sup>4</sup> 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.

<sup>5</sup> 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

1st Corinthians 12:1-11

<sup>1</sup> Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. <sup>2</sup> You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. <sup>3</sup> 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.

<sup>4</sup> Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; <sup>5</sup> and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; <sup>6</sup> and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. <sup>7</sup> To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. <sup>8</sup> To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, <sup>9</sup> to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, <sup>10</sup> 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. <sup>11</sup> All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

Word of God, Word of Life.

**Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Please  
stand as  
you are  
com-  
fortable  
in body  
or in  
spirit.

**Leader:** Alleluia, Lord to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. *(to Refrain)*

**REFRAIN: ALL**

Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia!

**GOSPEL**

John 2:1-11

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup> On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. <sup>2</sup> Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. <sup>3</sup> When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, “They have no wine.” <sup>4</sup> And Jesus said to her, “Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.” <sup>5</sup> His mother said to the servants, “Do whatever he tells you.” <sup>6</sup> Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. <sup>7</sup> Jesus said to them, “Fill the jars with water.” And they filled them up to the brim. <sup>8</sup> He said to them, “Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.” So they took it. <sup>9</sup> 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 <sup>10</sup> 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.” <sup>11</sup> Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

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

**SERMON****HYMN OF THE DAY**

#1040 “Love Has Brought Us Here Together”



1 Love has brought us here to - geth - er; love of fam - 'ly,  
 2 Love is gen - tle, love is pa - tient, soft in words and  
 3 Love does not re - joice at e - vil; love re - joic - es



love of friends; love, our vow till death should part us; love, God's  
 kind in deeds. Love is strong and nev - er pom - pous; love puts  
 in the right. Keen in giv - ing and for - giv - ing, spread - ing

Please  
 be  
 seated



gift, that nev - er ends. From our birth, through-out our life - time,  
 first the oth - er's needs. Not quick-tem - pered or re - sent - ful,  
 love is love's de - light. When two peo - ple pledge their u - nion,



love's in - sis - tence calls our name. Floods of wa - ters  
 prone to take of - fense or brood, love ex - cels in  
 all who wit - ness are re - newed, feast - ing at love's



can - not drown it or put out its danc - ing flame.  
 grace and mer - cy, nev - er jeal - ous, nev - er rude.  
 earth - ly ban - quet, tast - ing heav'n's be - at - i - tude.

Please  
 stand as  
 you are  
 comforta-  
 ble in  
 body or  
 spirit.

#### **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (*Brian E. Konkol from Sojourners*)

**We believe in God, our Creator,  
 maker of a universal community still in process;  
 God, who created precious resources to provide for all;  
 God, who created us to be connected as companions with God,  
 the Earth, and all people.  
 We believe in Jesus Christ, God's Son, our Savior,  
 who was ridiculed, tortured and executed for the sins of humankind.  
 He rose from the dead,  
 overthrew the dominance of evil and injustice for our sake,  
 and he continues to judge and liberate the hatred,  
 ignorance, and arrogance of all human beings.  
 We believe the way of Jesus is our way;  
 our way of light,  
 and our way of life.  
 We believe in the Spirit of God, our Advocate,  
 whose blaze comforts with divine presence  
 and challenges human hearts to burn for righteousness.  
 We see the power of God in our lives and throughout the world.  
 We trust that God's work, through our actions, can bring peace. 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.

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.**

Refuge of creatures, you place all the living under the shadow of your wings. Lead us in ways that tend to the needs of wild and domestic animals, creatures threatened by extinction, and the environment we share. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Voice of the oppressed, you call prophets throughout time. We remember the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., a voice for racial and economic justice and for peace. Guide our nation in continuing to heed your prophetic call. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

God of steadfast love, as Jesus celebrated at Cana, nurture marriages and relationships in mutual care; in times of separation or divorce hold tenderly broken hearts and broken dreams. Be present to all who are sick, grieving or in any need, especially... God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Spirit of peace, celebrating this Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, we pray for neighboring congregations and ministry sites. Nurture our shared commitment to embody Jesus' love, justice, and healing. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Wellspring of life, in living and dying we trust in you. We give thanks for the saints. Guide us in our living until, at last, we rest in you. 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.**

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

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

## SPECIAL MUSIC

Please be  
seated

Please stand  
as you are  
comfortable  
in body or  
spirit.

## 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 LORD'S SUPPER

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.**

we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

*(Song leader sings each petition and congregation repeats)*

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

2. Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry, Ho-san - na in the high - est.

3. Bless'd is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

... you deliver us from every sin that holds us captive.

**For this we are grateful.**

...and inviting us yet today to this meal of grace.

**For this we are grateful.**

...Every moment you guide us in your wisdom.

**For this we are grateful.**



As we are made into one Body by the Spirit  
and as we share this meal in this holy space,  
**May we go out and share this love with a world in need. Amen.**

**THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**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.**

Please be seated.

**COMMUNION HYMNS**

“Lamb of God”

Musical notation for the hymn "Lamb of God". It consists of six staves of music in 3/4 time. The lyrics are: "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." The melody is simple and repetitive, with a final cadence on the last staff.

- #798 “Will You Come and Follow Me”
- #677 “This Little Light of Mine”

Please stand as you are comfortable in body or spirit.

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER & BLESSING**

## BENEDICTION

**Benediction:**  
*God blesses us  
 and sends us in  
 mission to the  
 world.*

May God the Great Creator,  
 Go on creating within us,  
 Christ Jesus be our company  
 And the Holy Spirit  
 Surround us with eternal grace. Amen.

## SENDING HYMN

#827 "Arise, My Soul, Arise!"

*Nyt* y - lös, sie - lu - ni, nous' y - lös mul - last' täs - tä!  
 1 A - rise, my soul, a - rise! Stretch forth to things e - ter - nal  
 2 Now hear the harps of heav'n! Oh, hear the song vic - to - rious,

*Käy* jal - kain juu - reen Ju - ma - lan ja Ka - rit - san.  
 and has - ten to the feet of your re - deem - er God,  
 the nev - er - end - ing an - them sound - ing through the sky!

*Ja* vaikk' ei sil - mä - ni va - lo - a Her - ran kes - tä,  
 who, hid from mor - tal eyes, yet dwells in light su - per - nal;  
 To mor - tals is not giv'n to join in strains so glo - rious;

*niin* kui - ten - kin sä rie - mü - ten käy lau - la - maan.  
 so wor - ship God in hum - ble - ness, your sov - 'reign Lord.  
 yet here on earth we too can sing our prais - es high!

*I* - äi - seen i - loon ja juh - laan ja - loon  
 The ban - quet of love a - waits you a - bove;  
 Christ bought with his blood the ran - somed of God;

*oot* Ka - rit - san sä suu - riin häi - hin kut - sut - tu.  
 yet here you have a fore - taste of the feast to come!  
 to him be ev - er - last - ing pow'r and vic - to - ry.

*Tai - va - han kun - ni - a on Her - ran ar - mos - ta*  
 Re - joice, my soul, re - joice, to heav'n lift up your voice:  
 And let the great a - men re - sound through heav'n a - gain.

*sun o - sa - si, sun pe - rin - tös ja ta - va - ras.*  
*\*Siis rie - muut - se ja a - jat - te - le au - tuut - tas.*  
 1, 2 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

## SENDING

Go in peace. Live in hope.

**Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

## Welcome to Messiah Lutheran Church



**Children belong in worship!**  
Worship kits and a nursery space is available. God rejoices in the joyful noise of children and so do we!



**God calls us to welcome everyone!**  
Messiah seeks to be a welcoming community and to share the love of God with our neighbors. If you are new, please introduce yourself to our pastors.



**Worship should be accessible!**  
Hearing devices (and T-Coil) and large print bulletins are available. We invite you to sit or stand as you are comfortable. All gender and family restroom facilities are available on the first level, please see signs in the Narthex.



**All are welcome at Jesus' table!**  
During communion grape juice and gluten-free options are available. Those not wishing to commune may come forward for a blessing. Those not able to come forward may receive communion in their pew, please notify the usher.



**God calls us to pray!**  
Private prayer requests may be made by writing them on the back of the Welcome Card. If you would like to be added to the prayer list or receive a pastoral care visit, please contact the church office.

Preacher:	Pr. Andrew Plocher
Liturgist:	Pr. Molly Hunter
Assisting Minister:	Jeanne Groos
Reader:	Inga Banitt
Ushers:	Jill Luoma
Communion Assistants:	Kerry McGinley, Karen Burkman, Marina Shinkarenko
Greeter:	Linda Carlson, Nancy Raisanen
Songleader:	Sara Parks
Pianist:	Jacob Schmeltzer
Band Members:	Jason Parks, Darren Smith, Ross Larson
Audio Technician:	Traci Zini
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