

**So** they pulled their  
boats up on **shore,**  
left everything and  
**followed** him.



LUKE 5:11, NIV

**February 9, 2025**

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If you're looking for a community that seeks to follow God's star, there is a place for you here. Trust that the mystery of God has brought you this far on your journey and will guide your future steps. All of who you are is welcome here.

Our worship services are livestreamed on our YouTube channel and website. If you do not wish to be filmed, please do not sit in the first four pews or the last pew. Children's Time and communion distribution are not filmed.

All invitations to stand or kneel are for those who are able.

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*The fifth Sunday after Epiphany continues to highlight unlikely instruments and circumstances appointed to reveal God's glory. "Who will go for us?" God asks. A person of unclean lips, a former persecutor of the church of God, and three fishermen who couldn't catch a thing. More surprising still, perhaps, is that we are also called.*

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## **GATHERING**

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### **SINGING BOWL**

During the ringing of the bowl, you are encouraged to center your thoughts on God the Creator, Christ the Redeemer, and the Holy Spirit our Comforter.

**PRELUDE** – Bell Choir

### **WELCOME**

Please Stand

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

*P: Peace is a gift of God's love.*

**All: Let God bless us and give us strength, as we share signs of this peace!**

*P: The peace of Christ is with you.*

**All: And also with you.**

Please share the peace with each other.

## CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Great is the grace and glory of God.

**All: We give thanks with hearts of joy.**

L: Great is the strength and mercy of our Creator.

**All: We give thanks with hearts of hope.**

L: Great is the courage and hope of our Redeemer.

**All: We give thanks with hearts of faith.**

L: Great is the mercy and compassion of the Holy One.

**All: We give thanks with hearts of love.**

## THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

*P: In the name of the Creator, and of the Redeemer, and the Sanctifier, whose voice reverberated in blazing bush, and whose image reflects our sacred belonging and purpose.*

**All: Amen.**

*P: Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism; we are held so close by God's endless compassion and transformation, which flow like an unfailing stream.*

**All: God's generous gift of water is for all God's beloveds.**

*P: While remembering that water is restorative, that precious resource as it is, water is used for healing, washing, playing, nurturing, cleansing, and in many traditions and communities water is used in spiritual practices, let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.*

**All: We give thanks for the breath that hovered over resounding waters and spoke life into being.**

*P: For the great flood that proclaimed God's promise through rainbow-colored brilliance.*

**All: For the sea that split open our thirst for power, control, and dominance.**

*P: We give thanks for the One who transformed water into wine and then yearned to share it with the disenfranchised. We give thanks for the gift of baptism which proclaims that you, me, WE ALL are beloved children of God, and nothing can separate us from that love of God made known through Jesus.*

**All: Cleanse our fears. Drown our divisions. Let us die to a life that pulls us from your relentless love and let us rise to a life that says yes.**

*P: To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ, our living water, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. And may all God's people say,*

**All: Amen!**



# ENTRANCE HYMN: "We Are Called" vs. 1,3

1 Come! Live in the light! Shine with the joy and the love of the  
3 Sing! Sing a new song! Sing of that great day when all will be  
Lord! We are called to be light for the king-dom, to  
one! God will reign, and we'll walk with each oth-er as  
live in the free-dom of the cit-y of God.  
sis-ters and brothers . . . u-nit-ed in love.  
*Refrain*  
We are called to act with jus-tice, we are called to  
love ten-der-ly; we are called to serve one an-  
oth-er, to walk hum-bly with God.

## GREETING

*P:* O God, whose light dances across eternity, dazzle us into your presence.

**All:** Open our hearts to the mystery of your love.

*P:* Awaken us to your presence, knit to the ordinary.

**All:** Reveal to us what is possible, but not yet present.

*P:* Heal us, that we might be healers.

**All:** Reconcile us to you and to ourselves.

*P:* Stop us often, we pray,

**All:** with news that is good,

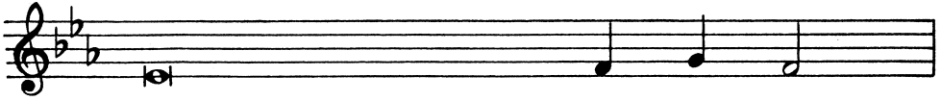
*P:* with hope that holds,

**All:** with truth that transforms.

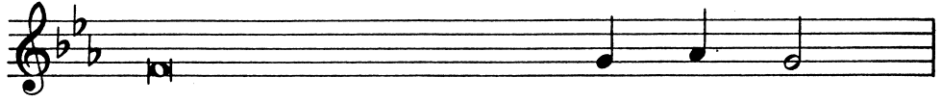
*P:* May the word of your grace guide our steps like the sun by day

**All:** and the north star by night. Amen.

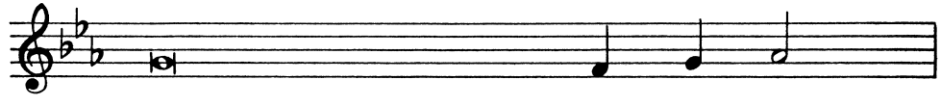
# SERVICE OF LIGHT



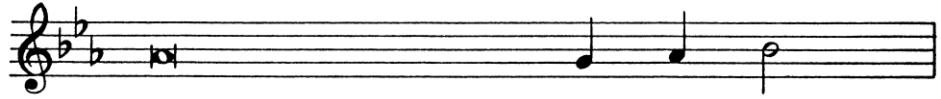
L: Jesus Christ, you are the light of the world;



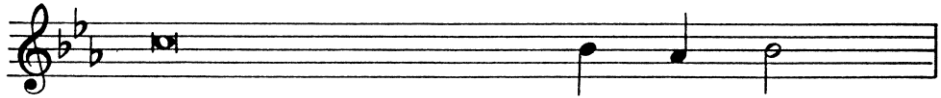
All: the light no darkness can o - ver - come;



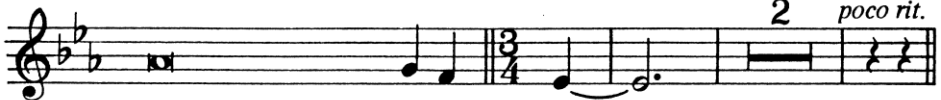
L: Abide with us, for it is morning;



All: This new day is your cre - ation;



L: Let your light scat - ter the darkness,

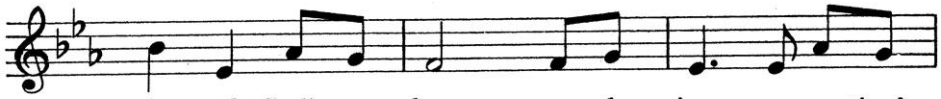


All: and shine within your people here. —

# HYMN OF MORNING PRAISE



All: 1. Joy-ous light of heav-'nly glo - ry, lov - ing  
2. In the stars that grace the dark - ness, in the



glow of God's own face, you who sing cre - a - tion's  
blaz - ing sun of dawn, in the light of peace and



sto - ry shine on ev 'ry land and race. Now as



we to - ge - ther wor - ship, we shall raise our songs to  
fills the day with won - der, love that warms the wea - ry

you, God of day - break, God of shad - ows, come and  
soul, Love that bursts all chains a - sun - der, set us

light our hearts a - new.  
free and make us whole.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**L:** Most holy God, the earth is filled with your glory, and before you angels and saints stand in awe.

**All:** **Enlarge our vision to see your power at work in the world, and by your grace make us heralds of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.**

**CHOIR ANTHEM:** *“Make Me a Channel of Your Peace”*

Be Seated

## WORD

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**R:** Holy God, you speak to us in Scripture and in prayers, in sunrises and sunsets, in friends and in strangers, in dreams and in songs.

**All:** **You are speaking all the time, and how often do we miss it?**

**R:** Still our minds so that we can listen with a depth that we have not heard before.

**All:** **Still our hearts so that we can receive with open arms what it is you are offering us today.**

R: We know you are speaking,

**All: so we are listening.**

R: The first reading is from First Corinthians, chapter fifteen, beginning with the first verse.

**FIRST READING:** *1 Corinthians 15:1-11*

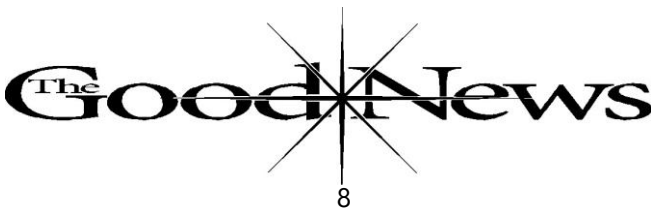
Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain.

For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

R: Word of God, word of light.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

Please Stand





# ALLELUIA VERSE

All: My — soul pro - claims your  
great - ness, O God, and my spir - it re - joic - es in  
you, You have looked with love on your  
ser - vant here, and blessed me all my life through. *fine last time*  
Great and might - y are you, O Faith - ful One,  
strong is your jus - tice strong your love,  
As you prom - ised to Sar - ah and A - bra - ham,  
kind - ness for - ev - er - more.

GREAT  
IS THE LORD AND  
*greatly*  
TO BE PRAISED. PSALM 48:1

*P: The holy Gospel according to Luke, chapter five, beginning with the first verse.*

**All: Glory to you, O God.**

**GOSPEL:** *Luke 5:1-11*

One day, Jesus was standing by Lake Gennesaret, and the crowd pressed in on him to hear the word of God. He saw two boats moored by the side of the lake; the fishers had disembarked and were washing their nets. Jesus stepped into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to pull out a short distance from the shore; then, remaining seated, he continued to teach the crowds from the boat.

When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, “Pull out into deep water and lower your nets for a catch.”

Simon answered, “Rabbi, we’ve been working hard all night long and have caught nothing; but if you say so, I’ll lower the nets.”

Upon doing so, they caught such a great number of fish that their nets were at the breaking point. They signaled to their mates in the other boat to come and help them, and together they filled the two boats until they both nearly sank.

After Simon saw what happened, he was filled with awe and fell down before Jesus, saying, “Leave me, Rabbi, for I’m a sinner.” For Simon and his shipmates were astonished at the size of the catch they had made, as were James and John, Zebedee’s sons, who were Simon’s partners.

Jesus said to Simon, “Don’t be afraid; from now on you’ll fish among humankind.” And when they brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

*P: The Gospel of the Lord.*

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

# HYMN: “You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore” vs. 1,4



1 You have come down to the lake - shore seek - ing  
4 You who have fished oth - er wa - ters; you, the



nei - ther the wise nor the wealth - y, but on - ly  
long - ing of souls that are yearn - ing: O lov - ing



ask - ing for me to fol - low.  
Friend, you have come to call me.



*Refrain*  
Sweet Lord, you have looked in - to my eyes; kind-ly smil - ing,



you've called out my name. . . . On the sand I have a-ban-doned my



small boat; now with you, I will seek oth - er seas.

## Be Seated

### MESSAGE – Pastor Tim

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### MEAL

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### INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

**L:** The Divine Deliverer of compassion and care is calling us to serve, and to share our talents and treasures for the good of God’s realm.

**All:** No matter how we have fallen short in the past, God’s grace assures us a variety of gifts to contribute.

# OFFERING

Please Stand

## OFFERTORY RESPONSE

All



Let my prayer rise up like in - cense be - fore you, the



lift - ing up of my hands as an of - fer - ing to you.

Leader or Group One



O God, I call to you, come to me now; oh, hear my

All or Group Two



O God, I call to you, come to me



voice when I cry to you. Let my prayer rise up like



now; oh, hear my voice when I cry to you. Let my prayer rise



in - cense be - fore you, the lift - ing up of my hands as an



up like in - cense be - fore you, the lift - ing up of my

of-fer-ing to you. Keep watch with - in me, God;

hands as an of-fer-ing to you. Keep

deep in my heart may the light of your love be burn - ing

watch with - in me, God; deep in my heart may the light of your

bright. Let my prayer rise up like in-cense be -

love be burn - ing bright. Let my prayer rise up like

fore you, the lift-ing up of my hands as an of-fer-ing to

in - cense be - fore you, the lift-ing up of my hands as an

you. All praise to the God of all— Cre - a - tor of

of-fer-ing to you. All praise to the

life; all praise be to Christ and the Spir - it of love.

God of all— Cre - a - tor of life; all praise be to Christ and the

Let my prayer rise up like in - cense be - fore you, the

Spir-it of love. Let my prayer rise up like in - cense be -

lift-ing up of my hands as an of-fer-ing to you.

fore you, the lift-ing up of my hands as an of-fer-ing to you.

## OFFERTORY PRAYER

**L:** Loving God, Deliverer of compassion, you call us to share our treasures and talents, and the work of our hands.

**All:** **With hearts filled with hope, we praise you for our bounty. Forever shall we sing of your generous ways, Holy One. Amen.**

## THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

**L:** With the Spirit of Christ shining upon us, let us boldly pray for the church, the world, and all of creation. God of surprising abundance, you call your people to enter deeply into the world. Equip us to respond to your call, gather up what we have, and offer it to all. God of grace,

**All:** **hear our prayer.**

**L:** Open the hearts of all leaders, especially those who serve in the armed forces, that they respond to their commission

with wisdom and patience. Ensure that all who serve are kept safe in body, mind, and spirit. We pray for an end to all war and armed conflict. God of grace,

**All: hear our prayer.**

L: Fill with your compassionate presence all who are suffering from addiction, mental illness, injury, or illness of any kind. Draw helpers to their side so that they find relief from their burdens. God of grace,

**All: hear our prayer.**

L: Call our faith communities to do marvelous things. Bless the labor and efforts of this congregation, that we may be a sign of your presence in the world. God of grace,

**All: hear our prayer.**

L: God of all, hear the prayers of our heart said silently or aloud.

Here other prayers may be offered.

L: God of grace,

**All: hear our prayer.**

L: We entrust our prayers to you, O God, in the sure and certain hope that your promise is revealed among the people.

**All: Amen.**

## **THE EUCHARIST**

L: God of wisdom, with gratitude and love

**All: we remember your mighty acts.**

L: You created a world that was good.

**All: You gave us this earth to enjoy.**

L: You trusted us to share with you in caring for it.

**All: And when we sinned, you still did not abandon us but made covenant with our ancestors.**

*P: Shame has chained us, holding us back from inclusive tables.*

**All: Shame has driven us from sanctuaries and gatherings.**

*P: No longer. Guilt will not prevent us from seeing God's grace.*

**All: In this space, all are welcome.**

*P: At this table, no lips are too unclean, no hearts are too tarnished, no past too corrupt to receive the gift of God's grace. Through this table of bread and cup, we look toward the future with hope. We are reminded that our past lies behind us, that the grace of God has overcome our fears and our indiscretions. Through Christ's great love, we are no longer afraid of the future. Through Christ's gracious meal, we are provided a second chance.*

*In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: "Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me." Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:*

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

*P: We recall the words and blessings of Jesus each time we unite at his table.*

**All: We remember the gifts of Jesus the Christ each time we wake to a new day and step into his renewed future.**

*P: May the Spirit of God bless the great table of Christ. May the Spirit of God help us recognize God's grace in the breaking of the bread and in the pouring of the cup.*

**All: May the Spirit of God encourage us to embrace our divine callings, as we all work to create God's realm here on earth.**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us, using the language or translation of our hearts.*



**All: 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.**

## **FRACTION RITE**

*P: We who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread. Come. Be filled with light and life.*

**All: For this meal we give thanks!**

Be Seated

The Ushers will invite you forward to communion  
after the Lamb of God is sung.

## **LAMB OF GOD**

All: Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world: have mer - cy on us, mer - cy on us,  
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you  
take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace,  
grant us peace, grant us peace.

Holy Communion is open to all.

Wine is red, grape juice is yellow, water is in the center of the tray.

Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

Let an usher know if you need communion brought to you.

### For communion at the altar rail:

When directed by the ushers, you may come up the center aisle to the altar rail, stand or kneel, and hold out your hand for the pastor to drop the host into. Eat. Then take a cup of wine (red), grape juice (light yellow), or water (clear) from the assistant. Drink. Then place your empty cup in the tray that follows. Rise and return to your seat via the side aisles.



### COMMUNION HYMN: "Here I Am, Lord"



1 "I, the Lord of sea and sky,	I have heard my peo - ple cry.
2 "I, the Lord of snow and rain,	I have borne my peo - ple's pain.
3 "I, the Lord of wind and flame,	I will tend the poor and lame.



All who dwell in dark and sin	my hand will save.
I have wept for love of them.	They turn a - way.
I will set a feast for them.	My hand will save.



I, who made the stars of night,	I will make their dark-ness bright.
I will break their hearts of stone,	give them hearts for love a - lone.
Fin-est bread I will pro-vide	till their hearts be sat - is - fied.



Who will bear my light to them?	Whom shall I send?"
I will speak my word to them.	Whom shall I send?"
I will give my life to them.	Whom shall I send?"

*Refrain*



Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you  
 call-ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you  
 lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

## COMMUNION HYMN: "Come, Let Us Eat"



1 Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread,  
 2 Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured,  
 3 In Je - sus' pres - ence now we meet and rest,  
 4 Rise, then, to spread a - broad God's might - y word,

All



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 in Je - sus' pres - ence now we meet and rest.  
 rise, then, to spread a - broad God's might - y word.



Our Lord's bod - y let us take to - geth - er,  
 Je - sus' blood poured let us drink to - geth - er,  
 In the pres - ence of our Lord we gath - er,  
 Je - sus ris - en will bring in the king - dom,

All



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 Je - sus' blood poured let us drink to - geth - er.  
 in the pres - ence of our Lord we gath - er.  
 Je - sus ris - en will bring in the king - dom.

## SINGING BOWL

Please Stand

## POST COMMUNION BLESSING

*P: May the body and blood of our Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you unto eternal life. Live in forgiveness. Claim your wholeness. Dwell in peace.*

**All: Amen.**

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

**L:** O Morning Star, fair and bright, you have refreshed us again with heavenly food. Go with us now—today, tomorrow, every day.

**All:** As we, like the shepherds, return on our way, may we proclaim all we have heard and seen, praising you in word and loving deed for the gift of Jesus, our Savior  
**Amen.**

Be Seated

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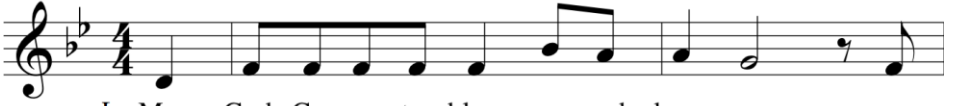


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# FINAL BLESSING



L: Let us bless our God: **All:** praise and thanks to you.



L: May God, Cre - a - tor bless us and keep us, may



Christ be ev - er light for our lives, may the



Spir - it of Love be our guide and path, for



all of our days. \_\_\_\_\_



**All:** A - men.



And Jesus said to them,  
"Follow me and I will make you  
fish for people."  
Mark 1:17

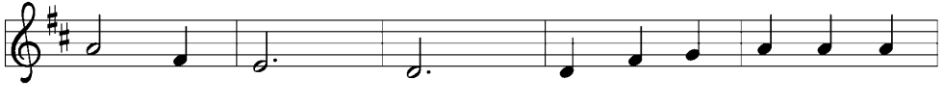


# SENDING HYMN: "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"

vs. 1,2



1 I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to  
2 I want to see . . . the bright-ness of God. I want to



fol - low Je - sus. God set the stars to give  
look at Je - sus. Clear Sun of righ - teous-ness,



light to the world. The star of my life is Je - sus.  
shine on my path, and show me the way to the Fa - ther.



*Refrain*  
In him there is no dark-ness at all. The night and the



day are both a - like. The Lamb is the light of the



cit - y of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

## SENDING

L: Go in peace. Be the light of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

## POSTLUDE



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Please Join us for a Soup Potluck  
and Bake Sale in Holland Hall

