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You are the salt of the earth!

You are the light of the world!

Sunday, February 9, 2020 The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

Service Notes:

- The following psalms in the front of the hymnal (page 64f) will aid you in your meditation before receiving the Lord's Supper: Psalms 34, 42-43, 51, 84, 116, 150. Prayers for preparation for worship are on pages 10 and 11 in the hymnal. A form for preparation for Communion is on page 156.

- Please sign the friendship registry in the pews before the service or during the offering. If you have a prayer request or would like Pastor Schaefer to visit or call you, please note your request.

Holy Communion will be celebrated today. Our guests are kindly asked to note that it is our practice to first become a member of our communion fellowship before communing with us. Please speak to our pastor about becoming a member of our communion fellowship.

THE COMMON SERVICE (page 15)

OPENING HYMN: #586 "O Splendor of God's Glory Bright"

STAND

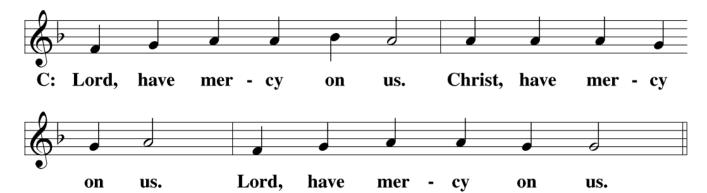
M: In the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit.



CONFESSION OF SINS

M: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

LORD, HAVE MERCY (Kyrie)



M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.



PRAYER AND PRAISE

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.



PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: The Lord be with you.



M: Let us pray.

Almighty God, you sent your one and only Son as the Word of life for our eyes to see and our ears to hear. Help us to believe what the Scriptures proclaim about him and do the things that are pleasing in your sight; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



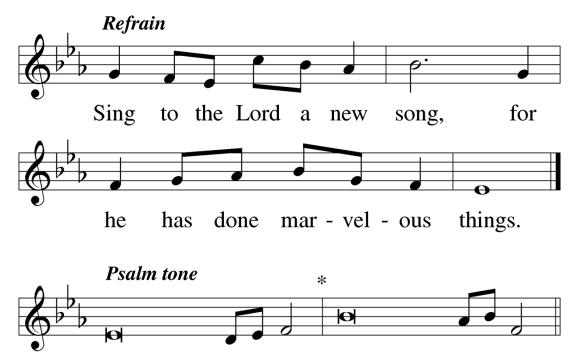


FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 58:5-9a

⁵ Is such the fast that I choose, a day for a person to humble himself? Is it to bow down his head like a reed, and to spread sackcloth and ashes under him? Will you call this a fast, and a day acceptable to the LORD? ⁶ "Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of wickedness, to undo the straps of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? ⁷ Is it not to share your bread with the hungry and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover him, and not to hide yourself from your own flesh? ⁸ Then shall your light break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up speedily; your righteousness shall go before you; the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard. ⁹ Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry, and he will say, 'Here I am.'

PSALM OF THE DAY: Psalm 111

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Great are the works of the LORD;*

they are pondered by all who delight in them.

- Glorious and majestic <u>are</u> his deeds,* and his righteousness endures for<u>ev</u>er.
- He has caused his wonders to be re<u>mem</u>bered;* the LORD is gracious and com<u>pas</u>sionate. *Refrain*

The works of his hands are faith<u>ful</u> and just;* all his precepts are trust<u>worthy</u>.

- He provided redemption for his <u>people</u>;* he ordained his covenant for<u>ev</u>er.
- The fear of the LORD is the beginning of <u>wis</u>dom;* all who follow his precepts have good under<u>stand</u>ing.

Glory be to the Father and <u>to</u> the Son* and to the Holy <u>Spir</u>it, as it was in the be<u>gin</u>ning,* is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Refrain: Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things.

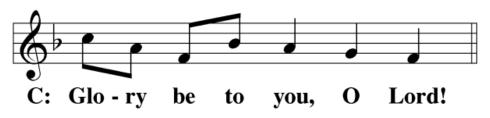
SECOND LESSON: 1 Corinthians 2:1-5

2 And I, when I came to you, brothers, did not come proclaiming to you the testimony of God with lofty speech or wisdom. ² For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. ³ And I was with you in weakness and in fear and much trembling, ⁴ and my speech and my message were not in plausible words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, ⁵ so that your faith might not rest in the wisdom of men but in the power of God.

VERSE OF THE DAY (sung by the choir)

Alleluia! Jesus said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." Alleluia! (John 8:12) *STAND*

After the announcement of the Gospel, the congregation sings:



GOSPEL: Matthew 5:13-20

¹³ "You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people's feet.

¹⁴ "You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden.¹⁵ Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. ¹⁶ In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

¹⁷ "Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. ¹⁸ For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law until all is accomplished. ¹⁹ Therefore whoever relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. ²⁰ For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.



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We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth,

of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,

eternally begotten of the Father,

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,

begotten, not made,

of one being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,

was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,

and became fully human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,

and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead and the (+)life of the world to come. Amen.

GOSPEL RESPONSE: – "Not to be Hidden"

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You are the salt of the earth; you are the light of the world, not to be hidden but to be seen by all the world.

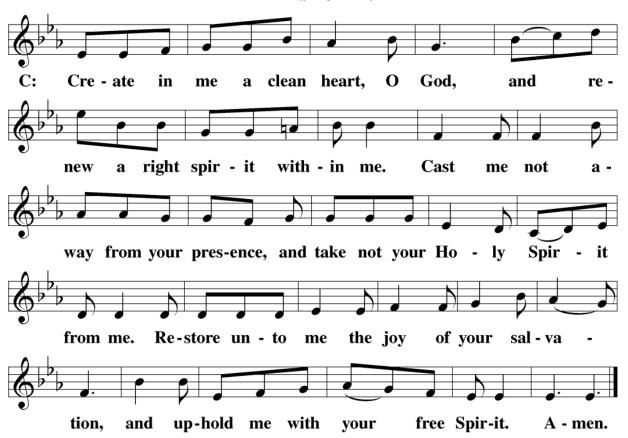
You are a lamp in the night, shining your light for all to see, not to be hidden but to be seen by all the world.

BE SEATED HYMN OF THE DAY: #280 "Thy Strong Word"

SERMON

STAND

PSALM 51 RESPONSE (page 20)



BE SEATED

OFFERING

STAND

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH FOR THE EPIPHANY SEASON

M: Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God and Mary's son, in the fullness of time you came into our world to save us from sin and death.

C: You ushered in the day of grace so long foretold.

- **M:** Beloved Son of the Father, revered by the Magi, baptized by John, you came preaching and teaching, healing and comforting, forgiving and encouraging:
- C: You brought the light of life to those walking in darkness, and the joy of salvation to those doomed to death.
- M: Prince of peace, shine like a beacon for us and the people of our world. Let the good news of salvation be heard in the remotest corners of the earth. Open our own lips to speak your name to those around us who still live without faith or hope:
- C: Arouse us and our missionaries to flood the world with the light of your gospel.
- M: Lord of the Church, let your peace rule our hearts that we may use our gifts to serve you and each other in willing gratitude and joy. Watch over our loved ones near and far, that they may remember your love and rejoice in your salvation. Strengthen the faith of the sick and the disheartened. Give hope to those in despair and comfort those who mourn:

C: Be gracious to all and lead us to reflect your love in everything we say and do.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

- **M:** Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions. *Silent prayer.*
- **M:** Finally, bring us and all your believers to the heavenly home where we will stand in the full light of your glory and with all your saints and angels sing the everlasting song of triumph.

C: Amen.

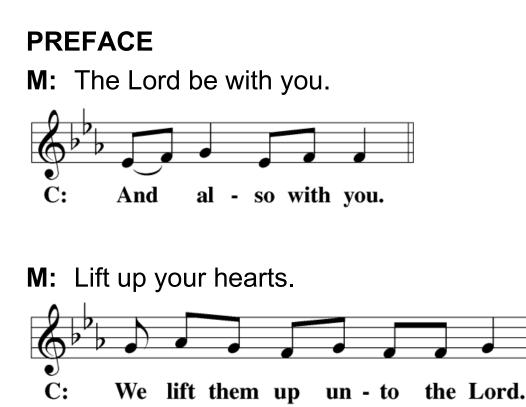
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LORD'S PRAYER

C: 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.



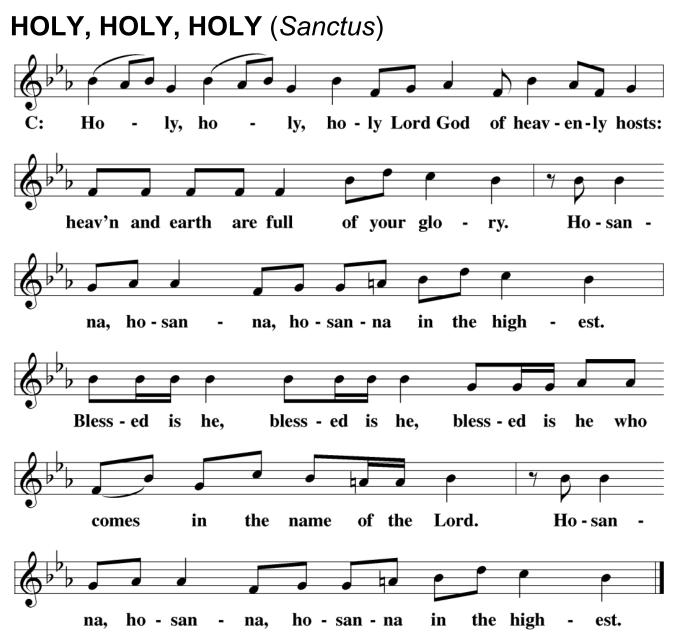
THE SACRAMENT



M: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lived among us as a human being and revealed his glory as your only Son, full of grace and truth. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:



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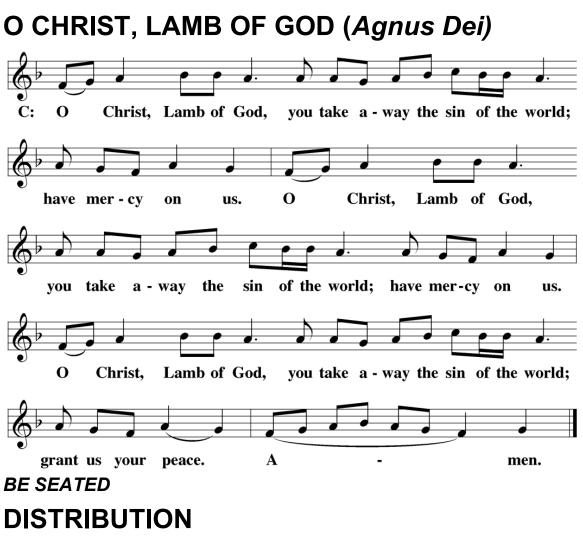
M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is the new

testament in my (+) blood, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

M: The peace (+) of the Lord be with you always.



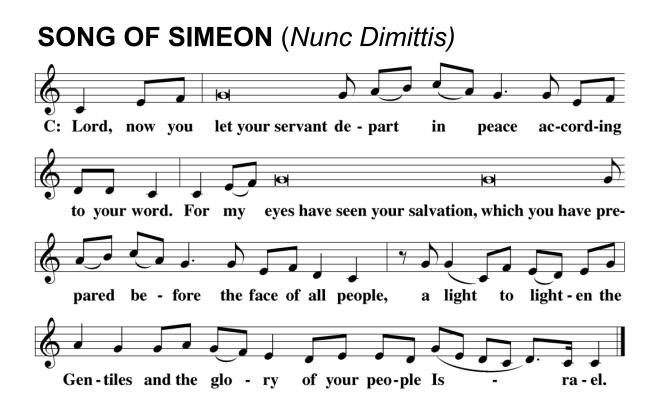


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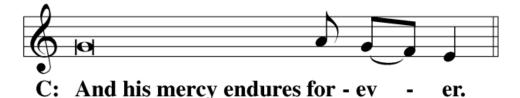
- **#394** "Blessed Are the Saints of God"
- #471 "Renew Me, O Eternal Light"

THANKSGIVING (page 24)

STAND



M: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.



O God the Father, source of all goodness, in your loving kindness you sent your Son to share our humanity. We thank you that through him you have given us pardon and peace in this sacrament. We also pray that you will not forsake us but will rule our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit so that we willingly serve you day after day, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



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THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER'S

Today	- 9:30 AM Divine Service
-	-10:45 AM Sunday School and Adult Bible Class
Wednesday	- NO Bible Class
	 7:00 PM HVL Conference of Congregations Meeting
Thursday	-7:00 PM Senior Choir rehearsal
Sunday	- 9:30 AM Divine Service
	-10:45 AM Sunday School and Adult Bible Class

Serving next week: Altar Guild – Barb Helmke; Ushering – Team 2

Altar Flowers were donated by Mr. and Mrs. Richard Cording to the glory of God and in honor of their 45th wedding anniversary.

Thank you to Pastor Doug Hartley, who is officiating at our Divine Service and conducting adult Bible class today.

Pastor Schaefer is on vacation from February 8 to 15. If you have a pastoral emergency, please call Rev. Tom Schroeder (Good Shepherd, Novi, 248-719-5218).

PASTORAL CARE & MERCY – Please remember with prayers, cards and visits those whose needs have been reported.

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