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*Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod*



*February 4, 2024*  
*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.
- Guests, please sign the guest registry in the narthex.
- If you have a prayer request or would like Pastor Schaefer to visit or call you, please talk to him (734-658-5735).
- 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)**

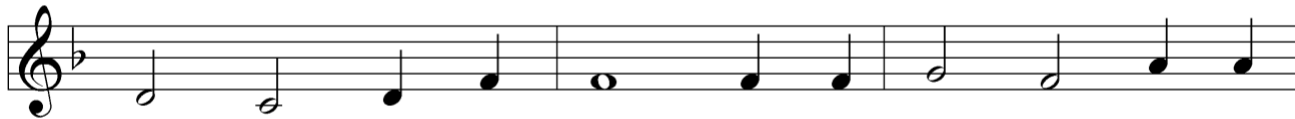
### **OPENING HYMN: #353 "Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"**

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# 353 Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness



1 Praise the one who breaks the dark - ness With a  
 2 Praise the one who blessed the chil - dren With a  
 3 Let us praise the Word in - car - nate, Christ, who



lib - er - a - ting light; Praise the one who frees the  
 strong, yet gen - tle, word; Praise the one who drove out  
 suf - fered in our place; Je - sus died and rose vic -



pris - 'ners, Turn - ing blind - ness in - to sight.  
 de - mons With the pierc - ing, two - edged sword.  
 to - rious That we may know God by grace.



Praise the one who preached the gos - pel, Heal - ing  
 Praise the one who brings cool wa - ter To the  
 Let us sing for joy and glad - ness, See - ing



ev - 'ry dread dis - ease, Calm - ing storms and feed - ing  
 des - ert's burn - ing sand; From this well comes liv - ing  
 what our God has done; Let us praise the true Re -



thou - sands With the Fa - ther's word of peace.  
 wa - ter, Quench - ing thirst in ev - 'ry land.  
 deem - er, Praise the one who makes us one.

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**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.



C: A - men.

## PRAYER AND PRAISE

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



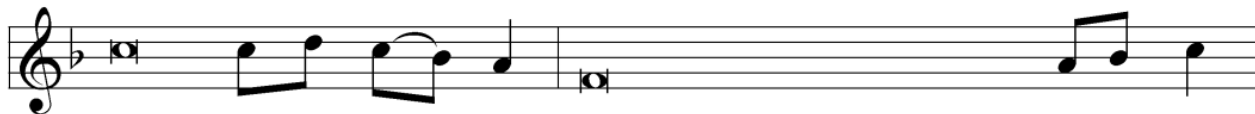
C: Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.



We praise you, we bless you, we wor-ship you, we glorify you,



we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,



God the Fa-ther al - mighty. O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the



sin of the world; have mercy on us. You take away the



sin of the world; re - ceive our prayer. You sit at the right hand of  
 God the Father; have mercy on us. For you on - ly are holy;  
 you on - ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Spirit,  
 are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**M:** The Lord be with you.



**C:** And al - so 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 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.



**C:** A - men.

**BE SEATED**



## THE WORD

### **FIRST LESSON:** Job 7:1-7

- 7 “Has not man a hard service on earth,  
and are not his days like the days of a hired hand?  
2 Like a slave who longs for the shadow,  
and like a hired hand who looks for his wages,  
3 so I am allotted months of emptiness,  
and nights of misery are apportioned to me.  
4 When I lie down I say, ‘When shall I arise?’  
But the night is long,  
and I am full of tossing till the dawn.  
5 My flesh is clothed with worms and dirt;  
my skin hardens, then breaks out afresh.  
6 My days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle  
and come to their end without hope.  
7 “Remember that my life is a breath;  
my eye will never again see good.

### **PSALM OF THE DAY: Psalm 103**

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Part 1: All within me bless the lord. All within me bless his holy name.

Part 2: Bless the Lord, O my soul, All within me, bless his holy name.

P1: Bless the Lord, O my soul, all within me, bless his holy name.

P2: O bless the Lord, O bless his holy name.

P1: O hear, your righteous, know that the Lord is

P1: good with truth, with hope, he crowns with hope, with hope and truth.

P2: We remember all his love, he crowns our lives, with hope and truth.

P1: God the Lord is gracious, the same forever, the Lord our God loves, he loves his own.

P2: God the Lord is gracious, his mercy is the same forever. As a father loves his children, so the Lord loves his own.

P1: Those who love the Lord shall claim, shall claim his ever present help.

P1: O bless the Lord, O all within me bless his holy name.

P2: O, my soul, bless his holy name

P1: O bless the Lord, my soul, O bless his holy name.

P2: O bless the Lord, O bless, O bless his holy name.

## **SECOND LESSON: 1 Corinthians 9:16-23**

<sup>16</sup> For if I preach the gospel, that gives me no ground for boasting. For necessity is laid upon me. Woe to me if I do not preach the gospel! <sup>17</sup> For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward, but if not of my own will, I am still entrusted with a stewardship. <sup>18</sup> What then is my reward? That in my preaching I may present the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my right in the gospel.

<sup>19</sup> For though I am free from all, I have made myself a servant to all, that I might win more of them. <sup>20</sup> To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the



law I became as one under the law (though not being myself under the law) that I might win those under the law. <sup>21</sup> To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (not being outside the law of God but under the law of Christ) that I might win those outside the law. <sup>22</sup> To the weak I became weak, that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that by all means I might save some. <sup>23</sup> I do it all for the sake of the gospel, that I may share with them in its blessings.

### **VERSE OF THE DAY** (sung by the cantors)

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: Mark 1:29-39**

<sup>29</sup> And immediately he left the synagogue and entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. <sup>30</sup> Now Simon's mother-in-law lay ill with a fever, and immediately they told him about her. <sup>31</sup> And he came and took her by the hand and lifted her up, and the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

<sup>32</sup> That evening at sundown they brought to him all who were sick or oppressed by demons. <sup>33</sup> And the whole city was gathered together at the door. <sup>34</sup> And he healed many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons. And he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him.

<sup>35</sup> And rising very early in the morning, while it was still dark, he departed and went out to a desolate place, and there he prayed. <sup>36</sup> And Simon and those who were with him searched for him, <sup>37</sup> and they found him and said to him, "Everyone is looking for you." <sup>38</sup> And he said to them, "Let us go on to the next towns, that I may preach there also, for that is why I came out." <sup>39</sup> And he went throughout all Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and casting out demons.



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

## **NICENE CREED**

**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.

*BE SEATED*

**HYMN OF THE DAY: #93 “Hail to the Lord’s Anointed”**

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## Hail to the Lord's Anointed



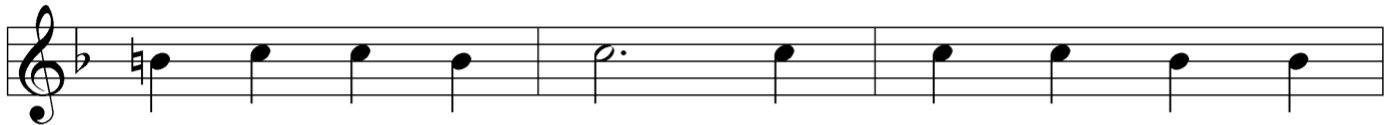
1 Hail to the Lord's A - noint - ed, Great Da - vid's great - er  
 2 He comes with res - cue speed - y To those who suf - fer  
 3 Kings shall bow down be - fore him And gold and in - cense  
 4 O'er ev - 'ry foe vic - to - rious, He on his throne shall



Son! Hail, in the time ap - point - ed, His reign on  
 wrong, To help the poor and need - y And bid the  
 bring; All na - tions shall a - dore him; His praise all  
 rest, From age to age more glo - rious, All bless - ing



earth be - gun! He comes to break op - pres - sion, To  
 weak be strong, To give them songs for sigh - ing, Their  
 peo - ple sing. To him shall prayer un - ceas - ing And  
 and all - blest. The tide of time shall nev - er His



set the cap - tive free, To take a - way trans -  
 dark - ness turn to light Whose souls, con - demned and  
 dai - ly vows as - cend, His king - dom still in -  
 cov - e - nant re - move; His name shall stand for -



gres - sion, And rule in eq - ui - ty.  
 dy - ing, Are pre - cious in his sight.  
 creas - ing, A king - dom with - out end.  
 ev - er— That name to us is Love.

# SERMON

STAND

## PSALM 51 RESPONSE (page 20)



C: 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. A - men.

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

### FOR THE EPIPHANY SEASON (page 124)

**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.**

## BE SEATED

*Please use this time for personal preparation or meditation before the Lord's Supper. A form to assist you is on page 156 in the front part of the hymnal.*



## THE SACRAMENT

### STAND

### PREFACE

**M:** The Lord be with you.



**C:** And al - so with you.

**M:** Lift up your hearts.



**C:** We lift them up un - to the Lord.

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



**C:** It is good and right so to do.

**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:

**HOLY, HOLY, HOLY** (*Sanctus*)






C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of heav - en - ly hosts:



heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san -



na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san -



na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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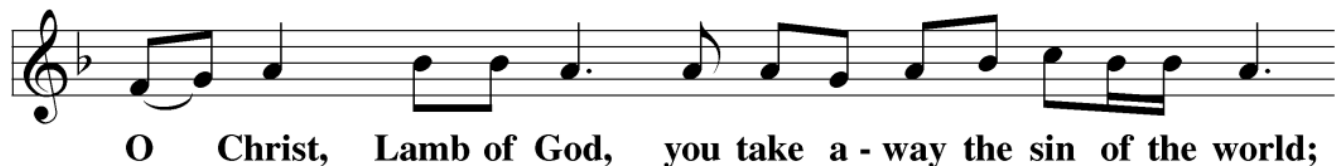
**M:** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my (+) body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

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.



## O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD (*Agnus Dei*)



**BE SEATED**

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### #520 "Your Hand, O Lord, in Days of Old"

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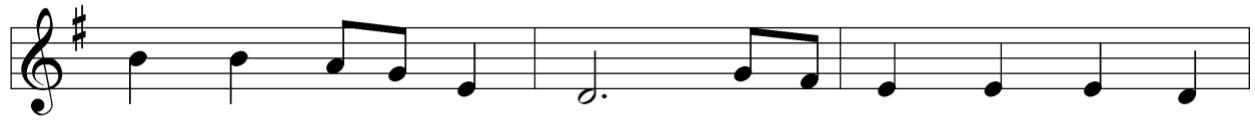
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Your Hand, O Lord, in Days of Old



1 Your hand, O Lord, in days of old Was  
 2 Your touch then, Lord, brought life and health, Gave  
 3 Oh, be our great de - liv - 'er still, The



strong to heal and save; It tri - umphed o'er dis -  
 speech and strength and sight; And youth re - newed and  
 Lord of life and death; Re - store and quick - en,



ease and death, All dark - ness and the grave. To  
 fren - zy calmed Re - vealed you, Lord of light. And  
 soothe and bless, With your life - giv - ing breath. To



you they came, the blind, the dumb, The par - a -  
 now, O Lord, be near to bless, Al - might - y  
 hands that work and eyes that see Give wis - dom's



lyzed and lame, The lep - ers in their  
 as be - fore, In crowd - ed street, by  
 heal - ing pow'r That whole and sick and



mis - er - y, The sick with fe - vered frame.  
 beds of pain, As by Gen - nes - 'ret's shore.  
 weak and strong May praise you ev - er - more.

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CLOSE OF SERVICE

## 326 May the Grace of Christ Our Savior



1 May the grace of Christ our Sav - ior And the  
2 So may we a - bide in un - ion With each  
3 Now with all the saints in heav - en Thanks and



Fa - ther's bound - less love With the Ho - ly Spir - it's  
oth - er and the Lord, Gath - ered here in blest com -  
praise to you we sing, Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly



fa - vor Rest up - on us from a - bove.  
mun - ion By the pow - er of his Word.  
Spir - it, Three in One, our tri - une King.

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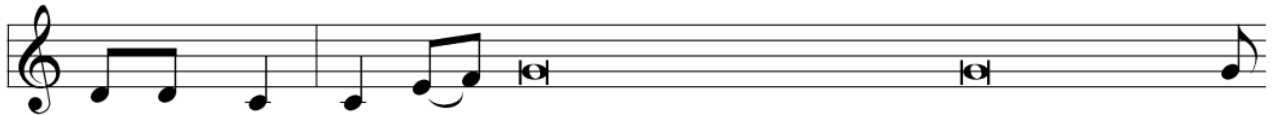
## THANKSGIVING (page 24)

**STAND**


**SONG OF SIMEON** (*Nunc Dimittis*)




C: Lord, now you let your servant de - part in peace ac-cord-ing



to your word. For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have pre-

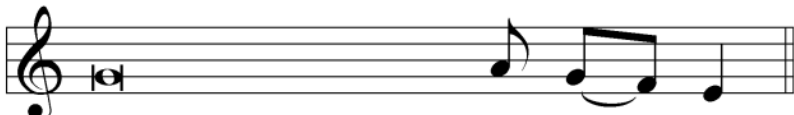


pared be - fore the face of all people, a light to light - en the



Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of your peo-ple Is - ra - el.

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



C: And his mercy endures for - ev - er.

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.



C: A - men.

**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.



C: A - men. A - men. A - men.

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Communion Assistants: Mark Castellese

Organist: Mrs. Jan Jacobi; Cantors: Mark Castellese, Kai Pearce

### **THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER'S**

- Today - 9:30 AM Divine Service
- 10:45 AM Sunday School and Adult Bible Class
- Tuesday – 7:00 PM All Boards except Elders
- 8:00 PM Church Council
- Wednesday- 9:30 AM Online Bible Class
- Thursday - 7:00 PM Senior Choir
- Sunday - 9:30 AM Divine Service
- 10:45 AM Sunday School and Adult Bible Class

**Serving February 11:** Altar Guild – Gretchen Castellese; Ushers - Team 2

**Altar Flowers** are funded by the Flower Fund to the glory of God.

**Registration for Preschool and Parent and Tot** is now open for our church members and returning families. Registration is open to everyone beginning February 15. There are packets in the narthex. Please feel free to share with friends and relatives with young children. There is an Early Bird Special for those who register by March 1st. Info is in packet. (See the back cover of this bulletin.)

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

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# PRESCHOOL/YOUNG 5s AND PARENT AND TOT REGISTRATION 2024 – 2025

Registration is now open for the 2024-2025 school year for our church members and returning families. It will open up to everyone on February 15.

We have a Parent and Tot program for Two year olds and their caregiver (parent, grandparent, nanny, etc). This program meets once a week for 1.5 hours and will begin in September. Please speak with Carol Schwartz if you have questions about this program.

Our Preschool is for ages 3, 4, and for those turning 5 in the fall. (All children in preschool must be potty trained.) We offer two-days (Tuesday/Thursday), three-days (Monday/Wednesday/Friday) and all five days as options. All classes run from 8:30 – 11:30 am. You may choose the number of days base don the needs of your child as well as availability. Please speak with Rebecca Lohrmann or Chris Abbott if you have questions regarding our preschool program. (Early Bird Special for all that register for Preschool/Young 5s by March 15<sup>th</sup>)

Our Young 5s program is for those children turning 5 in the summer. It is a 5 day program from 8:30 – 11:30 am.

We will not be having an Open House at this time, but will be happy to schedule a tour and answer any questions about our program.