

Thank you for your participation in today's worship service.
GreetersGerald & Sara Jane Crawford (8:00); Don & Mary Ann Howe (10:45)
AcolytesSteven Yovicich (8:00); Abby Yingling (10:45)
Assisting Ministers Judy Yovicich (8:00); Bob Threnhauser (10:45)
Communion Judy Yovicich(8:00); Steph Threnhauser (10:45)
Ushers... Oscar & Shirley Squire, Jim Fickel (8:00); Garth Yingling, Paul & Susan Schubert, Robert & Bobby Elliott, Sam Leach, Bob Threnhauser, Denise Null (10:45) *Please remember to record counts on the board.*

Thank you for enriching our worship with gifts to the glory of God.
The altar flowers are given by the following: Founders Class in loving memory of deceased members.
The bread was baked by Tom & Linda Dinsmore.
The wine is given as a gift to Trinity by Bob and Steph Threnhauser.

Thank you for blessing us with these special ministries.
A nursery is provided at 10:45 for children up to 5 years old. This week's nursery attendants are – Senior Youth Sunday School
Altar Guild this month – Connie Kirkley, Sherrin Gentzel, Colleen & Mary Karl and Nedra Schubert.
Busy Bags are constantly updated by the Adventurers Class. (Please return them after each worship service)
Stewardship Report: Church last Sunday - 114; last year – 114; Thursday evening – 12.
Finance Report: An offering of \$2662.00 was received during last week's worship services. These gifts will be utilized to cover budgeted church expenses and benevolence expenses. \$3830.39 is required each week to meet our budget.

Some helpful information for you as a worshiper today.
For those who use the elevette, bulletins are located in the wall rack as you get off the elevette on the nave level.
Please join us for fellowship and coffee in Fellowship Hall from 9:00 am to 9:20 am. Hosts this week are the Brenda Gasswint & Cindy Schmied.

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The Fourth Sunday of Epiphany

Rev. David Schreffler, Pastor
Carolyn Houck, Music Director

Holy Communion is celebrated every Sunday
and Thursday evening.

Sunday, January 29, 2012
Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

INTRODUCTION

In Deuteronomy God promises to raise up a prophet like Moses, who will speak for God; in Psalm 111 God shows the people the power of God's works. For the church these are ways of pointing to the unique authority people sensed in Jesus' actions and words. We encounter that authority in God's word, around which we gather, the word that trumps any lesser spirit that would claim power over us, freeing us to follow Jesus.

PRELUDE

"Come Just As You Are"

arr. Mark Hayes

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand as you are able.

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P God of all mercy and consolation, come to the aid of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone.

Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that, attentive to your Word, we may confess our sins, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

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

Silence for reflection and self-examination. Please kneel or be seated.

P Gracious God,

C have mercy on us.

**In your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown, things done and left undone.**

**Uphold us by your Spirit
so that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your holy name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

P Almighty God have mercy on you,
forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ,
strengthen you in all goodness,
and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

C Amen.

Please stand as you are able.

OPENING HYMN "Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

Azmon

ELW #886

Red Book

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



A Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **C** Lord, have mer - cy.
Lord, have mer - cy:



A Chri - ste e - le - i - son: **C** Christ, have mer - cy.
Christ, have mer - cy:



A Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **C** Lord, have mer - cy.
Lord, have mer - cy:

HYMN OF PRAISE



☐ Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;



glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



☐ Lord God, heav-en - ly king, al-might- y God and Fa-ther, we



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



☐ Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;



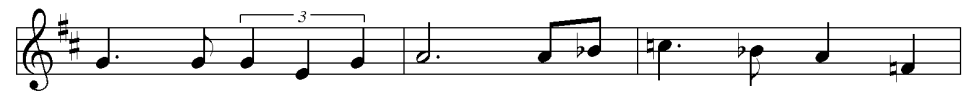
glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



☐ 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.



☐ Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;



glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



☐ 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, A - men.



☐ Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;



glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth,



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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.
O God, you know that we cannot withstand the dangers which surround us.
Strengthen us in body and spirit so that, with your help, we may be able to overcome
the weakness that our sin has brought upon us; through Jesus Christ, your Son our
Lord.
C Amen

Please be seated.

(10:45) Senior Choir

“If You Believe and I Believe”

Hal Hopson
Chris Sims, Flute

FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 18:15–20

*Today’s reading is part of a longer discourse in Deuteronomy, an updating of the law for
the Israelite community as the people wait to enter the promised land. Here Moses
assures the people that God will continue to guide them through prophets who will
proclaim the divine word.*

A A reading from Deuteronomy 18:15–20.

¹⁵The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own
people; you shall heed such a prophet. ¹⁶This is what you requested of the LORD your
God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said: "If I hear the voice of the LORD
my God any more, or ever again see this great fire, I will die." ¹⁷Then the LORD replied
to me: "They are right in what they have said. ¹⁸I will raise up for them a prophet like you
from among their own people; I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, who shall
speak to them everything that I command. ¹⁹Anyone who does not heed the words that
the prophet shall speak in my name, I myself will hold accountable. ²⁰But any prophet
who speaks in the name of other gods, or who presumes to speak in my name a word that
I have not commanded the prophet to speak — that prophet shall die."

A The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 111

Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the LORD with ¹ my whole heart,*
in the assembly of the upright, in the ¹ congregation.

²Great are the deeds ¹ of the LORD!*

They are studied by all who de- ¹ light in them.

³His work is full of majes- ¹ ty and splendor,*
and his righteousness en- ¹ dures forever.

⁴He makes his marvelous works to ¹ be remembered;*
the LORD is gracious and full ¹ of compassion. R

⁵He gives food to ¹ those who fear him;*
he is ever mindful ¹ of his covenant.

⁶He has shown his people the power ¹ of his works*
in giving them the lands ¹ of the nations.

⁷The works of his hands are faithful- ¹ ness and justice;*
all his command- ¹ ments are sure.

⁸They stand fast forev- ¹ er and ever,*

because they are done in ¹ truth and equity. R

⁹He sent redemption to his people; he commanded his cove- ¹ nant forever;*
holy and awesome ¹ is his name.

¹⁰The fear of the LORD is the begin- ¹ ning of wisdom;*
those who act accordingly have a good understanding.
His praise en- ¹ dures forever. R

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 8:1–13

*Paul is concerned about how some Corinthian Christians use their freedom in Christ as
license to engage in non-Christian behavior that sets a damaging example to other,
impressionable, believers. Christians have a responsibility to each other that their
behavior does not cause a sister or brother to sin.*

A A reading from 1 Corinthians 8:1–13.

Now concerning food sacrificed to idols: we know that "all of us possess knowledge."
Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up. ²Anyone who claims to know something does
not yet have the necessary knowledge; ³but anyone who loves God is known by him.

⁴Hence, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that "no idol in the world
really exists," and that "there is no God but one." ⁵Indeed, even though there may be so-
called gods in heaven or on earth — as in fact there are many gods and many lords —

⁶yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

⁷It is not everyone, however, who has this knowledge. Since some have become so accustomed to idols until now, they still think of the food they eat as food offered to an idol; and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. ⁸Food will not bring us close to God. We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. ⁹But take care that this liberty of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. ¹⁰For if others see you, who possess knowledge, eating in the temple of an idol, might they not, since their conscience is weak, be encouraged to the point of eating food sacrificed to idols? ¹¹So by your knowledge those weak believers for whom Christ died are destroyed. ¹²But when you thus sin against members of your family, and wound their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. ¹³Therefore, if food is a cause of their falling, I will never eat meat, so that I may not cause one of them to fall.

A The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: Mark 1:21–28

The story has barely begun, and already the battle is joined. Jesus sides with humanity against every force that would bring death and disease. These forces recognize Jesus and know what his power means for them. This, however, is only the first fight. The war will go on much longer.

P The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 1st chapter.

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

²¹They went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. ²²They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. ²³Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, ²⁴and he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God." ²⁵But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" ²⁶And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. ²⁷They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, "What is this? A new teaching — with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." ²⁸At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Please be seated.

(10:45) CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON

Please stand as you are able.

HYMN OF THE DAY "*Song of Thankfulness and Praise*"
Salzburg

ELW #310
Red Book

APOSTLES' CREED

C **I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended into hell.*
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again 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 INTERCESSION

A As God's beloved people made radiant by the light of Christ, let us pray for the church, the whole human family, and God's good creation.

A brief silence.

A Your word is truth and life, Holy One, Holy Three. Make your church bold in word and deed so the world will hear and believe the message of your redeeming love. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A You are gracious and full of compassion for all living things. Heal the soil, water, and air, so that all your creatures flourish. Hear us, O God.

**C
Your mercy is great.**

A Your works are faithfulness and justice. Guide those in authority to seek peaceful solutions to conflicts. Protect the innocent who are caught in the crossfire of ethnic and religious strife. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A Your care for the weak gives us strength. We lift to you those who struggle to provide for their families, the vulnerable young, the frail elderly, the homeless, and the sick (*especially*). Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A Your love builds up the community of believers. Deepen our care for one another as we reach out to those who are absent for any reason, new to this congregation, or experiencing difficult circumstances. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

A Holy One, Holy Three, the beloved dead are eternally in communion with you. Give us wisdom to live our days in praise, secure in the knowledge that your faithfulness endures forever. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

P Holy God, we lift our prayers to you in hope, entrusting all for whom we pray to your great goodness and mercy, made known to us in Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C Amen.

PEACE

P Having been made sisters and brothers in Christ through holy baptism, let us share with each other the peace of the Lord. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

The ministers and congregation may greet one another with a gesture of peace, using these or similar words: Peace be with you.

Please be seated.

OFFERING

"How Beautiful"

Twila Paris
Judy Yovicich, Piano

Please stand as you are able.

OFFERTORY



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



bles - ing. 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 now. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,



Lord, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

A Let us pray.

A Blessed are you,

C **O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

DIALOGUE

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

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

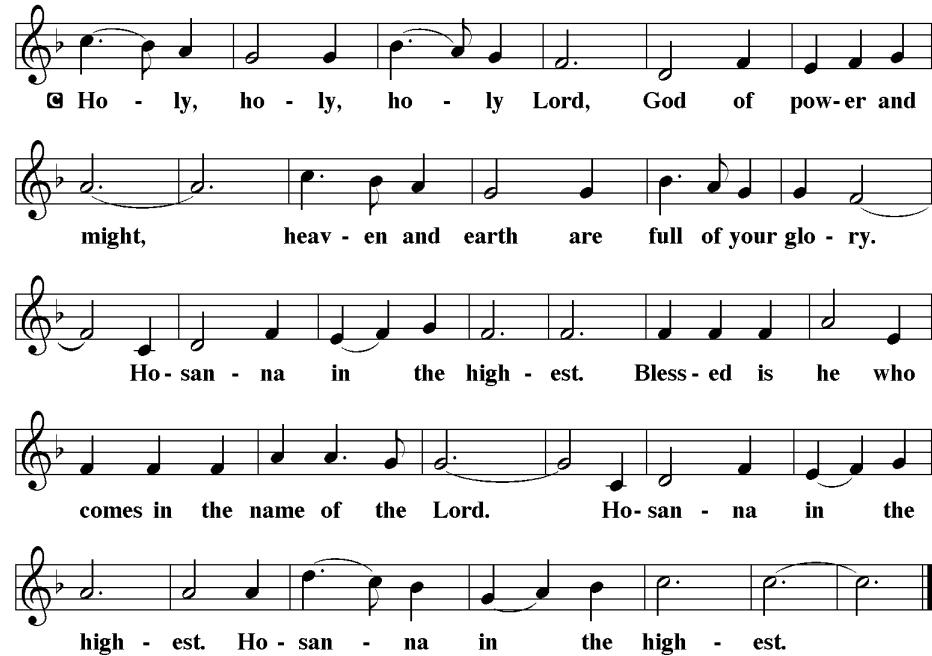
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

PREFACE

P It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord. Sharing our life, he lived among us to reveal your glory and love, that our darkness should give way to his own brilliant light. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and
might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING

P Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,
who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,
who preached good news to the poor,
and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.
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.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension,
we await his coming in glory.

Pour out your Holy Spirit,
that by this Holy Communion we may know
the unity we share with all your people
in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

C Amen

LORD'S PRAYER

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

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**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P The gifts of God for the people of God. Taste and see that the Lord is good. Come
to the banquet for all is now ready.

Please be seated.

COMMUNION

As the ministers give the bread and cup to each communicant, they say these words:

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

The communicant may say:

Amen

☩ 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, grant us peace.

- COMMUNION HYMNS** (Red Book)
 ELW #614 "There Is a Balm in Gilead"
 ELW #465 "As the Grains of Wheat"
 ELW #466 "In the Singing"
 ELW #467 "We Place upon Your Table, Lord"

Please stand as you are able.

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen

CANTICLE

☩ Thank - ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev - 'ry -
one what God has done. Let all who seek the
Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.
Send us with your prom - is - es, O God, and
lead us forth in joy with shouts of thanks -
giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER

A Let us pray.

A Almighty God, you provide the true bread from heaven, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant that we who have received the Sacrament of his body and blood may abide in him and he in us, that we may be filled with the power of his endless life, now and forever.

C Amen

BLESSING

P Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C Amen

SENDING HYMN

“You Are Holy”

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DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

“Praise the Name of Jesus”

arr. Mark Hayes

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