

Introduction

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.

Quiet Meditation: Prayerful Preparation

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

"Christ, Whose Glory fills the Skies" arr. by C. Berry

Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
our creator,
our protector,
our wellspring of life.

Amen.

Trusting that God receives our words and the meditations of our hearts, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God,
you speak blessing and compassion into the world.

**Forgive us for the ways we act
with judgment, cruelty, or indifference.**

**We ignore the needs of our neighbors;
we resist your call to oppose injustice;**

we give in to scarcity and fear;

we assume the worst about one another.

Cleanse us from our faults

and release us from their grasp.

Show us your lovingkindness.

Restore our hearts and repair your world,

that we may live in Christ's ways.

Amen.

God proclaims these words of assurance:

"Do not fear, for I have redeemed you.

I have called you by name. You are mine."

In † Christ, you are forgiven.

In the Spirit, you are made free.

Refreshed by the waters of mercy,

live anew as beloved children of God.

Amen.

Hymn # 413 ELW

"Holy! Holy! Holy!"

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God Al - might - y!
2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,
3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee,
4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.
cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
though the eye of sin - ful - ness thy glo - ry may not see,
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!
 cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
 on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!

God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
 which wert and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
 per - fect in pow'r, in love and pu - ri - ty.
 God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you

Hymn of Praise

☩ This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

☩ Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us
 free to be peo - ple of God. ☪ Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and
 strength, and hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.

☩ This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

☩ Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and join in the hymn of
 all cre - a - tion: ☪ Bless - ing and hon - or, glo - ry and
 might to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men

☩ This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

I For the Lamb, the Lamb who was slain has be -
II gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.
III This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le -
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. A - men

Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

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

Amen.

First Reading

Isaiah 6:1-8

Through a vision in the temple, the eighth-century prophet Isaiah is called by God to announce judgment against Israel. Aware of his sinfulness and shortcomings, Isaiah is initially hesitant. But when God calls, Isaiah responds, “Here am I; send me!”

¹ In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. ² Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. ³ And one called to another and said: “Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory.” ⁴ The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke.

⁵ And I said: “Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!”⁶ Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. ⁷ The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: “Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.” ⁸ Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” And I said, “Here am I; send me!”

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Psalm 138

¹ I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart; before the gods I will sing your praise.

² **I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name, because of your steadfast love and faithfulness; for you have glorified your name and your word above all things.**

³ When I called, you answered me; you increased my strength within me.

⁴ **All the rulers of the earth will praise you, O Lord, when they have heard the words of your mouth.**

⁵ They will sing of the ways of the Lord, that great is the glory of the Lord.

⁶ **The Lord is high, yet cares for the lowly, perceiving the haughty from afar.**

⁷ Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me.

⁸ **You will make good your purpose for me; O Lord, your steadfast love endures forever; do not abandon the works of your hands.**

Second Reading

1st Corinthians 15:1-11

Paul delivers in a nutshell the story of the gospel that was given to him. In the lineage of the Christian faith, we have received the good news of God’s love from generations of believers before us, and we continue to tell this story to the world.

¹ 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,

² 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. ³ 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, ⁴ and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, ⁵ and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶ Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. ⁷ Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. ⁸ Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. ⁹ For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰ 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. ¹¹ Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
 You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

Gospel

The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 5th chapter.
Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel

Luke 5:1-11

Jesus' teaching of God's word has begun to draw great crowds. For Simon, James, and John, Jesus' teaching inspires hospitality, then obedience, and then risk. After Jesus' creative power is revealed, fear and amazement leads these three fishermen to leave everything behind to become apostles.

¹ Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, ² he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets.

³ He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. ⁴ When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." ⁵ Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." ⁶ When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. ⁷ So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. ⁸ But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" ⁹ For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; ¹⁰ and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." ¹¹ When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

May the Light of Epiphany, the Light of the Nations, continue to rise and thaw the fear that has gripped us. May we be guided by light and the Light. May the warmth of both the sun and the Son be felt in our bones, and may we be strengthened to love our neighbors right now. Amen

Hymn # 574 ELW

"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.

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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; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. 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. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic 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.

Prayers

With the Spirit of Christ shining upon us, let us boldly pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

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,
hear our prayer.

God of creation, provide protection from the elements and other hazards to all whose work brings them outside: for fishers, ranchers, line workers, construction crews, and emergency rescuers and firefighters. Guide us to live carefully alongside the wonders of the land and waters. We continue to lift up to your mercy all who are dealing with devastating loss due to wildfires in the area of LA.

God of grace,
hear our prayer.

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,
hear our prayer.

God of grace and mercy, in the midst of turmoil and change, your steadfast love endures forever, and your strength does not fail. Where there is falsehood, bring truth. Where there is division, bring trust. Where there is harm, bring healing. Shape us to be faithful witnesses of your Gospel, standing firm in Christ's love and guided by your Spirit. May our words and actions reflect the grace we have first received, so that whoever our neighbor may be, they see Jesus in us.

God of grace,
hear our prayer.

God of hope, many long to see your presence revealed amid challenging circumstances. We hold in prayer all longing for sustainable housing, secure employment, access to medical care, and health and wellness, and all in need of safety, security, and genuine freedom.

God of grace,
hear our prayer.

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. We pray for all members of Faith Lutheran Church and Campus Ministry, especially Mary Muckler, Marc Dovenmuehle, Bob Baer, Carol Shrider, Deborah Lease, Pauly Zody, Sarah Driver, Jordan Seubert, Patrick Hellman, Mary Bausano, Kim, John, Sue, and Liam.

God of grace,
hear our prayer.

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,
hear our prayer.

We thank you for those who have courageously gone before us in the faith. May we too show a deep trust in you throughout our lives.

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.

Exchange of Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

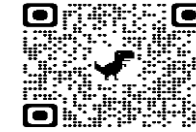
And also with you.

Please greet people near you with a sign of peace

Offering

Wishing to make a donation? This QR code will take you to tithe.ly where we can receive gifts. Please note: a tithe.ly account is required to give in this way but is quick to create!

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Choir Anthem

“This is my World” by Pepper Choplin

Offertory

Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, fill to the brim our
cup of bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown,
that we may be fed, we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gath-er the hopes and the dreams of all; u-nite them with the
prayers we of-fer now. Grace our ta-ble with your pres-ence,

The musical score is written on five staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It features a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are placed below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The music consists of eighth and quarter notes, with some rests and a final cadence.

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

Offertory Prayer

Let us pray. Merciful God, we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us--ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

P The Lord be with you. **G** And al - so with you.

P Lift up your hearts. **G** We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

G It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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:

G Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

Lord God of pow'r and might, heav - en and earth are

full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless - ed, bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the

Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence in the words our Savior gave us:

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.

We welcome all to join in the sacrament of Holy Communion as the Holy Spirit guides and directs.

People in worship will be invited to come forward to the altar by pew rows.

The pastor will distribute a wafer or gluten-free wafer, saying, "The body of Christ, given for you."

Each person will then move toward a volunteer holding a tray of disposable, plastic cups: the inner ring will be filled with grape juice, the other cups will be filled with wine.

As each person selects their cup, they will hear: "The blood of Christ, given for you."

Empty cups will be placed in a tray held by another volunteer after each person has communed.

Pre-sealed cups are available for anyone who chooses to communion in this form.

Communion



Musical notation for Communion, featuring three staves of music in G major. The lyrics are: "Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us, have mer-cy on us, have mer - cy. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;"



Musical notation for Communion, featuring two staves of music in G major. The lyrics are: "have mer-cy on us, have mer-cy on us, have mer - cy. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; grant us peace."

Hymn # 817 ELW

"You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore"



Musical notation for Hymn # 817 ELW, featuring a single staff of music in G major.

1	Tú	has ve - ni - do a la o - ri - lla,	no has bus -
1	You	have come down to the lake - shore	seek - ing
2	You	know full well what I have, Lord:	nei - ther
3	You	need my hands, my ex - haus - tion,	work - ing
4	You	who have fished oth - er wa - ters;	you, the



Musical notation for Hymn # 817 ELW, featuring a single staff of music in G major.

ca - do	ni a sa - bios ni a	ri - cos;	tan só - lo
nei - ther	the wise nor the	wealth - y,	but on - ly
trea - sure	nor wea - pons for	con - quest,	just these my
love for	the rest of the	wea - ry—	a love that's
long - ing	of souls that are	yearn - ing:	O lov - ing



Musical notation for Hymn # 817 ELW, featuring a single staff of music in G major.

quie - res	que yo	te si - ga.
ask - ing	for me	to fol - low.
fish nets	and will	for work - ing.
will - ing	to go	on lov - ing.
Friend, you	have come	to call me.

Refrain / Estribillo

Se - ñor, me has mi - ra - do a los o - jos; son - ri - en - do,
Sweet Lord, you have looked in - to my eyes; kind - ly smil - ing,
has di - cho mi nom - bre. En la a - re - na he de - ja - do mi
you've called out my name. . . . On the sand I have a - ban - doned my
bar - ca; jun - to a ti bus - ca - ré o - tro mar.
small boat; now with you, I will seek oth - er seas.

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Post-Communion Blessing

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

Post Communion Canticle

Thank - ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev - 'ry -
one what God has done. Let all who
seek the Lord re - joice, re - joice and

bear Christ's ho - ly name. Send us, O God, with your
prom - is - es, and lead us forth in joy
with shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Prayer

Let us pray. Pour out upon us the spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of those whom you have fed with one heavenly food; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Blessing

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

Hymn # 809 ELW

“Send Me Jesus”

Leader All
Thu - ma mi - na. Thu - ma mi - na, thu - ma mi - na. Thu - ma
Send me, Lord. 1 Send me, Je - sus, send me, Je - sus, send me,
(2) Je - sus, lead me, Je - sus, lead me,
(3) Je - sus, fill me, Je - sus, fill me,

Lutheran Disaster Response is coordinating with the **Southwest California Synod ELCA** and **Pacifica Synod ELCA** to assess the most urgent needs for the communities that are being devastated by wildfires.

To donate, you may:

1. Click here (<https://tinyurl.com/3hbrerd7>) to donate directly to Lutheran Disaster Response
2. Send donations to the Southern Ohio Synod, designated for U.S. Wildfires and we will forward them to Lutheran Disaster Response on your behalf.

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We continue to pray for the communities impacted.

Church Office This week, our church office is staffed Monday – Friday, 8:00 am – 12 noon. Email our office admin at FaithLutheranOxford@gmail.com or phone 513.523.3808 for any concerns. Please let our admin Kim know whenever you come into the building.