

2nd Sunday after Epiphany January 19, 2025

Grace Lutheran Church 40 N. Main St., Hatfield, PA 19440

Rev. Nancy M. Raabe, Pastor
Susanna Faust, Minister of Music
Annette Dittman, Director of Youth Ministries
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Prelude: Balm in Gilead Arr. Valerie Floeter (b. 1955)

Please stand.

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.

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 the Spirit, you are made free.

Refreshed by the waters of mercy,

live anew as beloved children of God. C. Amen.

GATHERING HYMN: The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing ELW 531

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.**

GLORY TO GOD

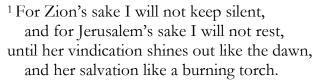


PRAYER OF THE DAY

P. Lord God, source of every blessing, you showed forth your glory and led many to faith by the works of your Son, who brought gladness and salvation to his people. Transform us by the Spirit of his love, that we may find our life together in him, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C. Amen**

WORD

First Reading: Isaiah 62:1-5



- ²The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give.
- ³ You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.
- ⁴ You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the LORD delights in you, and your land shall be married.
- ⁵ For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

Word of God, word of life.

C. Thanks be to God.



Psalm 36:5-10



We feast up - on the a-bun-dance of your house, O LORD.



- ⁵ Your love, O LORD, reaches | to the heavens, and your faithfulness | to the clouds.
- ⁶Your righteousness is like the strong mountains, your justice like | the great deep;

you save humankind and ani- | mals, O LORD. R

- ⁷ How priceless is your | love, O God! All people take refuge under the shadow | of your wings.
- ⁸They feast upon the abundance | of your house; you give them drink from the river of | your delights.
- ⁹ For with you is the | well of life, and in your light | we see light.
- ¹⁰ Continue your lovingkindness to | those who know you, and your favor to those who are | true of heart. R

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

¹ Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. ² You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. ³ Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.

⁴Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵ and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶ and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹ to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰ to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of

spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹ All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

Word of God, word of life. C. Thanks be to God.

Children's Message

Annette Dittman

Please stand.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Gospel: John 2:1-11

P. The Holy Gospel, according to John, the 2nd chapter.

C. Glory to you, O Lord.

¹ On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ² Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³ When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." ⁴ And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." ⁵ His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." ⁶ Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷ Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸ He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. ⁹ When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom ¹⁰ and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." ¹¹ Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

P. The gospel of the Lord. C. Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon: The Abundance of God's Grace Pastor Nancy Raabe

HYMN of the DAY: Precious Lord, Take My Hand ELW 773

WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS

P. Dear friends, we give thanks for the gift of baptism and for Mike, Becky and Zac Smith, and Ed Muntz, one with us in the body of Christ, whom we welcome as new members into the life and ministry of this congregation.

A representative of the congregation introduces the family:

R. Mike, Becky, Zac and Ed come to our congregation from Hosensack Evangelical Lutheran Church in Zionsville.

Apostles' Creed

P. Let us love one another, that with one mind we may confess the faith of the church, the faith in which we baptize.

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried;

he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again;

he ascended into heaven,

he is seated at the right hand of the Father,

and he will come 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.

Address and Questions

P. In baptism, we are welcomed into the body of Christ and sent to share in the mission of God. We are called to live among God's faithful people, to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper, to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed, to serve all people, following the example of Jesus, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth.

P. Sisters and brothers in Christ, do you intend to continue in the covenant of your baptism among God's people in this place?

Those being welcomed respond.

I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

The minister addresses the assembly.

People of God,

do you promise to support and pray for these new members in their life in Christ? C. We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

Welcome

Those being welcomed face the assembly. A representative of the congregation addresses the assembly.

R. Let us welcome these sisters and brothers in Christ to this community of faith.

C. We rejoice with you in the life of baptism. Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world.



Hymn: As With Gladness, stanzas 4 and 5 only (next page)

Stanzas 4 and 5 only



- 1 As with glad-ness men of old did the guid-ing star be hold;
- 2 As with joy ful steps they sped, Sav ior, to thy low ly bed,
- 3 As they of fered gifts most rare at thy cra dle, rude and bare,
- 4 Ho ly Je sus, ev 'ry day keep us in the nar-row way; 5 In the heav'n-ly coun-try bright need they no cre - a - ted light;



with joy they hailed its light, lead - ing on - ward, beam-ing bright; as there to bend the knee be - fore thee, whom heav'n and earth a - dore; we with ho - ly pure and free from sin's al - lov. joy, SO may when earth-ly things are past, bring our ran - somed souls at last thou its light, its joy, its crown, thou its sun which goes not down;



gra-cious Lord, may we ev - er - more be led thee. so. most we with will - ing feet so ev - er seek thy mer - cy seat. may all our cost-liest trea - sures bring, Christ, to thee, our heav'n-ly king. where they need no star guide, where no clouds thy glo - ry hide. to there for - ev - er may we sing al - le - lu - ias to king.

Text: William C. Dix, 1837–1898, alt. Music: DIX, Conrad Kocher, 1786–1872

PRAYERS

To the petition "God of grace," please respond, "Hear our prayer."



GREETING OF THE PEACE

P. The peace of Christ be with you always. **C. And also with you.** *Please be seated.*

OFFERING

The offering is collected at this time by the ushers, who will pass the offering plates. You may also use this QR code to give using your credit card, or text a gift to Grace at 844-613-0815. We rely on your gifts to sustain Grace and all its ministries. Forms for electronic giving are in the narthex or ask us for help.



Music at the Offering: I Dream a World Text by Langston Hughes (1901-1967)

Grace Choir Setting by Nancy Raabe (b. 1954)

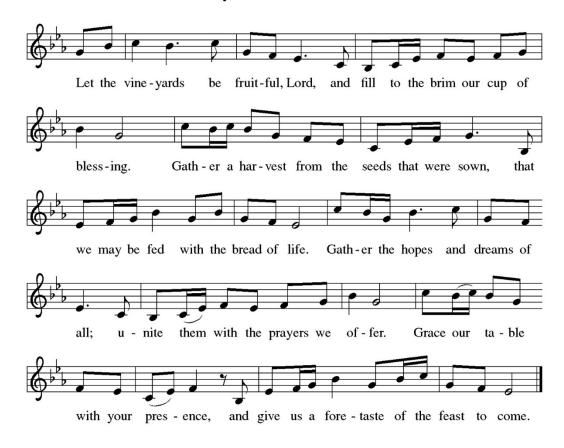
Wendy Provencher, violinist

I dream a world where man no other will scorn, Where love will bless the earth and peace its paths adorn. I dream a world where all will know sweet freedom's way, Where grief no longer saps the soul, nor avarice blights our day.

A world I dream where black or white, whatever race you be, Will share the bounties of the earth, and ev'ry man is free. Where wretchedness will hang its head, and joy, like a pearl, Attends the needs of all mankind. Of such I dream: Our world!



OFFERTORY: Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful



OFFERING PRAYER

A. Let us pray.

God of grace, your love reaches to the heavens, and your abundance to the depths of the seas.

Bless what we offer to your service: our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts.

Let us overflow with gratitude and generosity, now and always. C. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

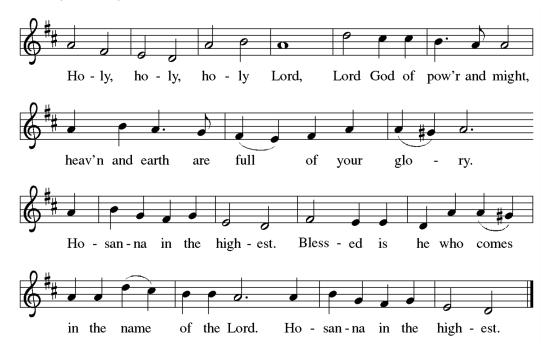
- P. The Lord be with you. C. And also with you.
- P. Lift up your hearts. C. We lift them to the Lord.
- P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C. It is right to give God thanks and praise.

P. It is indeed right, our duty and our joy....and join their unending hymn:



HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Holy one, the beginning and the end, the giver of life:...

In the night in which he was betrayed...

P. For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

C. Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

LORD'S PRAYER

P. Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

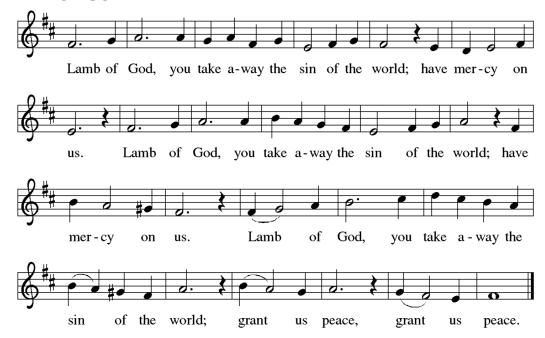
C. Our Father, who art in heaven....

Invitation to Communion

P. The joy of the Lord is our strength.

Come, eat this meal of gladness.

LAMB OF GOD



Communion Hymn: Let Us Break Bread Together

ELW 471

Please stand.

TABLE BLESSING

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

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

A. Nourishing God, at this table you have refreshed us with holy gifts of food and drink. Strengthen us for service, and send us out to embody your good news of love and healing for the sake of the world. In the name of Christ we pray, **C. Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand.

BENEDICTION

The Spirit of the triune God

→ bless you with joy,
anoint you with compassion,
and send you in love. **Amen.**



SENDING HYMN: Let Justice Flow Like Streams

ELW 717



- 1 Let jus tice flow like streams of spar-kling wa ter, pure,
- 2 Let righ-teous-ness roll on as oth-ers' cares we heed,
- 3 So may God's plumb line, straight, de fine our mea sure true,



en - a-bling growth, re - fresh-ing life, a - bun - dant, cleans-ing, sure. an ev - er - flow - ing stream of faith trans-lat - ed in - to deed. and jus-tice, right, and peace per-vade this world our whole life through.

Text: Jane Parker Huber, b. 1926

Music: ST. THOMAS, Aaron Williams, 1731-1776

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DISMISSAL

P. Go in peace. Live in hope. **C. Thanks be to God.**

Postlude: Precious LordArr. Marianne Kim (b.1972)

Word search: Grace members, selected surnames

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Serving today - Thank You!!

Preacher and Presider: Rev. Nancy Raabe

Minister of Music: Susanna Faust Violinist: Wendy Provencher

Lector: 8:00, W. Walter; 10:30, Slugg Family

Ushers: 8:00, Walter Family;

10:30, Slugg Family

Communion Asst: 8:00, K. Seiler;

10:30, J. Kaler

Altar Guild: 8:00, J. Swartz; 10:30, E. Woltmann & L. Boyer Acolyte: 8:00, Usher; 10:30, Usher

Coffee Hour: Wendy Walter Council Offering & Lockup: 8:00, D. Kunkel; 10:30, C. Farrell Video Team: Dan & Tami Sarm

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