

The Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit

An ELCA, Reconciling in Christ, Rejoicing Spirits, and handicap friendly Congregation

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Second Sunday after Epiphany
Sunday, January 19, 2025
8:30 am

The Holy Spirit Empowers Us for Ministry in Daily Life

Gathered by God's grace and empowered by the Holy Spirit,
we invite and welcome all people to join us on our journey
to become more faithful ministers of Jesus Christ
in our homes, our communities, and the world.

We welcome all who worship with us today.

Visitors are invited to sign the guest register located in the lobby.

If you are interested in joining our family of faith,
please talk with one of our Pastors or call the church office.

Children are welcome and celebrated!

The “Children’s Ministry” table and basket in the lobby
contains a variety of items for children’s use during worship.
Stop by to borrow a book or pick up some coloring sheets and crayons.

Please silence all communication devices.

Our services are live streamed and recorded. In-person attendance implies consent
to be included in the live streamed and recorded worship service.

HOLY COMMUNION

All who believe in the presence of Jesus Christ in Holy Communion are welcome to receive the Sacrament. To facilitate flow, the ushers invite people to come forward starting with the back rows and working forward. You should come forward using the center aisle to receive the elements in a continuous style from pastor and worship assistant. Afterward you may choose to kneel or stand at the altar rail for a brief moment of prayer or return to your seat up the side aisle, depositing your empty cup in the receptacle on your way. Gluten free wafers are available. Our wine is grape juice so that all may freely receive.

Children may receive the sacrament if they have completed instruction with a pastor.

Children who do not commune may come forward for a blessing. Communion kits are available at the usher stands for those who prefer to remain in their seats, and they will be communed along with our Zoom worshippers at the beginning of distribution.

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Gathering Music

The Feast Meant for Everyone
Jeff Gross, soloist
Megan McCormick flute; Frank Mattes percussionist

Booth / Hart

Welcome and Announcements

We rise in body or spirit.

Confession

The God of every blessing looks upon us with grace and favor,
even when we are captive to sin.
Trusting in our gracious God,
let us renounce all that is evil and seek the mercy of the Lord.

God of steadfast love,
we confess that we do not live according to your way. You bless those who are poor with the promise of your eternal realm, but we desire wealth and the consolation of earthly treasure. You bless those who are hungry with the promise of fullness of life, but we enjoy rich feasts and are never satisfied with enough. You bless those who are weeping with the promise of laughter, but we praise positivity and mock your suffering servants.

You bless those who are hated with the promise of great reward, but we seek approval and despise those who are different.

**Forgive us, God of grace.
Teach us to seek your blessing and to be a blessing for others;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Receive the blessing of the living God, whose steadfast love is everlasting.

Receive the good news: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.
Thanks be to God. Amen

Gathering Song

All Are Welcome

Words and Music by
Hans Peterson and Larry Olson

CHORUS

♩ = 120 D G A D F#m7 G A

All are wel - come, friend and stran - ger, at the ban - quet of the Sav - ior.

VERSE

D G A D F#m7 G A G

5 Last time to Coda ⊕

All are wel - come. All are wel - come here.

1. From the wo - man
2. From the ones who
3. Go in - to the

10 D/F# Em D G

who comes cry - ing, leav - ing tears at Je - sus' feet, to the man who
feel for - got - ten, those who sense their place is gone, to the ones who
streets and ci - ties, to the farms and fam - i - lies, tell a - bout the

14 F#m7 E G D.C. al Coda

knows the right way but can - not see.
live in hun - ger; here you be - long.
splen - did ta - ble, God's mer - cy.

17 ⊕ D Coda

Greeting and Prayer of the Day

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.

Let us pray.

Faithful God, we come to you from many walks of life. Some of us come after wandering off. Others come sensing that you are as close as their very breath. From our many journeys, welcome us with your love. Pour out your Holy Spirit on us, that we might sense your presence in our lives. In your name we pray.

Amen

The assembly is seated.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture readings, preaching and song.

Reading – 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Translation: CEV

A reading from First Corinthians.

My friends, you asked me about spiritual gifts. I want you to remember that before you became followers of the Lord, you were led in all the wrong ways by idols that cannot even talk. Now I want you to know that if you are led by God's Spirit, you will say that Jesus is Lord, and you will never curse Jesus.

There are different kinds of spiritual gifts, but they all come from the same Spirit. There are different ways to serve the same Lord, and we can each do different things. Yet the same God works in all of us and helps us in everything we do.

The Spirit has given each of us a special way of serving others. Some of us can speak with wisdom, while others can speak with knowledge, but these gifts come from the same Spirit. To others the Spirit has given great faith or the power to heal the sick or the power to work mighty miracles.

Some of us are prophets, and some of us recognize when God's Spirit is present. Others can speak different kinds of languages, and still others can tell what these languages mean. But it is the Spirit who does all this and decides which gifts to give to each of us.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God!

We rise in body or spirit to welcome the gospel.

Gospel – John 2:1-11

Translation: NIV

The Good News from John, the 2nd chapter.

Open our hearts, Lord.

On the third day a wedding took place at Cana in Galilee. Jesus' mother was there, and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine was gone, Jesus' mother said to him, "They have no more wine."

"Woman, why do you involve me?" Jesus replied. "My hour has not yet come."

His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you."

Nearby stood six stone water jars, the kind used by the Jews for ceremonial washing, each holding from twenty to thirty gallons.

Jesus said to the servants, "Fill the jars with water"; so they filled them to the brim.

Then he told them, "Now draw some out and take it to the master of the banquet."

They did so, and the master of the banquet tasted the water that had been turned into wine. He did not realize where it had come from, though the servants who had drawn the water knew. Then he called the bridegroom aside and said, "Everyone brings out the choice wine first and then the cheaper wine after the guests have had too much to drink; but you have saved the best till now."

What Jesus did here in Cana of Galilee was the first of the signs through which he revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

This is the Good News!

Thanks be to God!

The assembly is seated.

Sermon

Pastor Cindy Camp

We rise in body or spirit.

Word in Song

Come, Share the Spirit

ACS 1045



1 Come, share the Spir - it, God has called us to ven - tures
2 Come, drown your sins be - neath the wa - ters where life flows
3 Come, God in - vites us to the ban - quet that ev - 'ry
4 Come, let us tell the gos - pel sto - ry, how God has



in the life of faith, to bring good tid - ings to the
from the gran - ite rock, the stone from which our Lord has
peo - ple soon will share, with shouts of joy and loud thanks -
giv - en us new birth and rais - es us to live for



need - y, to tell of vic - t'ry o - ver death.
ris - en, our cor - ner - stone and build - ing block.
giv - ing be - fore God's throne we will ap - pear.
oth - ers, to speak good news through - out the earth.



Christ speaks and all of life is new;
Christ speaks and rais - es from the dead
Christ speaks and bids us sit and dine;
Christ speaks and life is come a - gain.



God's word is pure and it is true.
all those who hear the liv - ing Word.
his bod - y, bread, his blood, the wine.
Good news, good news for ev - 'ry - one!

Affirmation of Eucharistic and Stephen Ministers

Paul writes: There are different kinds of spiritual gifts, but the same Spirit gives them. There are different ways of serving, but the same Lord is served. There are different abilities to perform service, but the same God gives to everyone ability for particular service. The Spirit's presence is shown in some way in each person for the good of all. (1 Corinthians 12:4-7)

The following persons have been gifted and called in baptism and trained to serve as Eucharistic and Stephen Ministers for the Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit:

Our Eucharistic Ministers: Marlene Feulner, Louise Metka, Sheila Huff, Barb Roba, Marilee Oplinger, Dean Black

Our Stephen Ministry Leaders: Lynn Snyder, Kitti Berkheimer, Mike Berkheimer.

Our Stephen Ministers: Rob Smith, Dianna Olszewski, Kathy Soska, Lorie Stout, Bill Newill, Brenda Truhe, Kristen Newill, Carole Wetherhold, Leesa Wimmer, Irv Keister, Al Setzer

You have been trained and set apart to be Eucharistic and Stephen Ministers in this congregation.

On behalf of your siblings in Christ, I ask you to re-affirm this calling:

Are you willing to continue to faithfully serve to bring God's Word and Holy Communion?

Eucharistic and Stephen Ministers respond:

Yes, by the help of God.

Those being affirmed face the congregation.

People of God, I ask you: Will you support these, our Eucharistic and Stephen Ministers, and will you pray for them and support them in this grace-filled ministry of our Lord?

Yes, by the help of God.

We affirm you as Eucharistic and Stephen Ministers of the Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit. God bless you with the Holy Spirit, that you may be faithful servants of Christ.

Amen

Let us pray.

Eternal God, through your Son, Jesus Christ, pour out your Holy Spirit on our Eucharistic and Stephen Ministers. Guide, bless, and keep them in their serving, that they may faithfully carry out the ministry of grace that is entrusted to them. May this ministry so reflect your compassion and love that those to whom they minister may come to know your healing love through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen

Prayers of the People

Invitation to prayer:

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

After each petition:

As we are blessed by the gifts of your Spirit,
we lift our prayers to you.

Pastor's closing prayer:

We entrust our prayers to you, O God,
in the sure and certain hope that your promise is revealed among the people.

Amen

Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

*The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace by saying,
"Peace be with you."*

The assembly is seated.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

During the Offering Song, the gifts will be brought forward. You may remain seated. If you wish you may leave your offering in the additional offering plates located on the tables in the back of the sanctuary as you leave.

Offering Song


Born, Reborn

ACS 956

Refrain



Born, re - born! Born, re - born! Formed, re - formed!



Souls with glad - ness now a - dorned! Born, re - born! Born, re - born!



Formed, re - formed! Praise our God for - ev - er - more!



1 Drown us. Drown us. Raise us. Raise us.
2 Name us. Name us. Heal us. Heal us.



Mark us. Mark us. Claim us! Claim us!
Wash us. Wash us. Seal us! Seal us!

Refrain

Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

God of steadfast love and faithfulness, thank you for the gifts of your love and the gifts of your Holy Spirit. Thank you for the gifts we return to you, this day and every day. Help us share as generously with others as you have share with us, that your love and might be known throughout the world.

Amen

We rise in body or spirit.

Great Thanksgiving

May the God of all gifts be with you!

And also with you!

People of God, come to the Wedding Feast prepared for you!

We come to the table, our hearts dancing in delight.

God's beloved community, do not keep silent in this moment.

We will sing songs of wonder and praise to the One who rejoices over us.

Words of Institution

Word in Meal

Pour out your Spirit upon the gifts of remembrance and the people who come from the four corners of life. Every time we eat the bread, we are strengthened to take the gifts from your garden of plenty, to share with all who hunger. Every time we take a sip of the cup of hope, our eyes are opened and we see the marginalized in the shadows and go out to gather them up and bring them to your table.

And on the last day of time, when we gather our siblings around the feast which never ends, we lift our voices in praise and delight to you.

Amen

Lord's Prayer

God in Community, Holy in One, we give you praise for your presence even as we pray as we are taught:

**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**

Invitation to the table

The joy of the Lord is our strength.
Come, eat this meal of gladness.

The assembly is seated.

Distribution of communion



Täs - sä pöy - däs - sä, *täs - sä*
 1 In this feast of love, in this
 2 In this bread and wine, in this
 3 Grant us peace, O Lord, grant us



pöy - däs - sä *syn - ti - sil - le*
 feast of love, Lord, you share your
 bread and wine, you have prom - ised,
 peace, O Lord; fill us with the



it - se - si an - nat, *Ju - ma - lan Ka - rit - sa!*
 blood and your bod - y, Je - sus, Lamb of God.
 Lord, to be with us, Lamb . . of God div - ine.
 joy of your Spir - it, ev - er - liv - ing Word.

Refrain



Spir-it, o - pen my heart to the joy and pain of



liv-ing. As you love may I love, in re - ceiv - ing



and in giv - ing. Spir - it, o - pen my heart.



1 God, re - place my ston - y heart with a heart that's
 2 Write your love up - on my heart as my law, my
 3 May I weep with those who weep; share the joy of



kind and ten - der. All my cold - ness and
 goal, my sto - ry. In each thought, word, and
 friend and neigh - bor. As I live from day to

Refrain



fear to your grace I now sur - ren - der.
 deed, may my liv - ing bring you glo - ry.
 day, love will be my fin - est la - bor.

We rise in body or spirit.

Prayer after communion

Let us pray.
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 liberation and healing for the sake of the world.
In the name of Christ we pray,
Amen

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Blessing

The Spirit of the triune God ✠ bless you with joy,
anoint you with compassion, and send you in love.
Amen

Sending Song *Please see next page.*

Dismissal

As miracles of God, we go to be God's miracle for the world
We are blessed with God's gifts.
Let us share those gifts with the world.
Thanks be to God!



1 Build us up, Lord, build us up; set in
 2 Build us up, Lord, build us up; let our



us a strong foun - da - tion. Lead us to do your
 lives re - flect your glo - ry. Cast a - way all our



ho - ly will; form and shape your new cre - a - tion.
 doubts and fears; help us tell the world your sto - ry.



Build us up, Lord, build us up; as we
 Build us up, Lord, build us up; help us



guide and teach each oth - er, help us to share your love with the
 bear good fruit for you, Lord, give us vi - sion and keep us



world: ev - 'ry sis - ter, ev - 'ry broth - er.
 sure. Grant us faith that's stead - fast and true.

Refrain



Grow - ing in Christ, we plant seeds for the king - dom; we fol - low in



faith what's be - gun! Lord, set in our hearts the pow'r of your



word to spread the news of your Son!

Please join in supporting our church's ministries using your preferred method of giving:



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- Enroll in our on-line giving program, Simply Giving (recommended);
- Mail your offering check to the church;
- Text your offering to 610-981-1312;
- Download our mobile app for recurring or one-time gifts;
- Establish automatic contributions to the church using your bank's bill pay service.

Additional information is located in the Stewardship section of the church's website at: lchsemmaus.org.

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