

# The Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit

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Global Missions Sunday  
Fourth Sunday after Epiphany  
February 1, 2026  
8:30 and 10:45 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.

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**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 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.

## **LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

Today we acknowledge and honor the Lenni Lenape peoples upon whose ancestral homelands we gather for worship this morning, as well as all our Indigenous siblings who have and continue to care for this place – this land – and call it their home.

# **GATHERING**

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

## **Gathering Music**

Bwana Asifiwe

Moklebust

Spirit Ringers

Glenn Hinderliter, Chuck Coe, and Cindy Cicconi-Ernst, percussion

## **Welcome and Announcements**

*Please rise in body or spirit.*

## **Confession**

The prophet told us that what God expects of us is  
to do justice, love kindness and walk humbly with our God.

As we approach the mystery of God, let us come in confession,  
trusting the love of Christ crucified and risen.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

God who searches us and knows us,  
**you have shown us what is good,**  
**but we have looked to other lights to find our way.**  
**We have not been just in our dealings with others.**  
**We have promoted ourselves**  
**instead of walking humbly with you.**  
**With what shall we come before you?**  
**Forgive us our sin, and show us your salvation**  
**in the face of Jesus Christ our Savior.**  
**Amen**

Beloved of God,  
 you have not received the spirit of the world,  
 but the Spirit that is from God,  
 poured out for you in the faithfulness of Jesus Christ.  
 Receive the promise of baptism:  
 You are God's child; <sup>†</sup> your sins are forgiven.  
 Rejoice and be glad, for yours is the reign of heaven.  
**Amen**

**Gathering Song**

**Come All You People**

ELW 819



*U - ya - i - mo - se, ti - na - ma - te Mwa - ri;*  
 1 Come, all you peo - ple, come and praise the Most High;  
 2 Come, all you peo - ple, come and praise the Sav - ior;  
 3 Come, all you peo - ple, come and praise the Spir - it;



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*u - ya - i - mo - se Zvi - no.*  
 come now and wor - ship the Lord.  
 come now and wor - ship the Lord.  
 come now and wor - ship the Lord.

## **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.**

We pray. Holy God,  
**you gave the law to show your people the way of righteousness.**  
**By your Spirit show us the things we ought to do, and give us the grace and power**  
**to do them, that your goodness may shine through us, to the glory of your name.**  
**We pray in Jesus' name. Amen**

*The assembly is seated.*

## **WORD**

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

### **1<sup>st</sup> Reading – Micah 6:6-8**

Translation: NRSVue

A reading from Micah.

*In the verses preceding this lesson (1-5) God tells the people he is displeased and asks whether God has wearied the people with God's many acts of mercy. God accuses the people of forgetting the many times God has delivered them from their foes and of not acting as the people whom God has called them to be. The prophet continues:*

*“With what shall I come before the Lord and bow myself before God on high?  
Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old?  
Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil?  
Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?” He has told you, O mortal, what is good, and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice and to love kindness and to walk humbly with your God?*

Word of God, Word of Life.

**Thanks be to God!**

## A reading from Colossians.

Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity. Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts. And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

## Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God!

*Please rise in body or spirit to welcome the gospel.*

## Gospel Acclamation

## Listen, God is Calling Verse 1

FIW 513

*Refrain*  
Leader All

*Ne - no, ne - no la - ke Mu - ngu la - ku - i - ta we - we,  
Lis-ten, lis - ten, God is call- ing, through the Word in - vit - ing,*

*ne - no la wo - ko - vu, te - na je - ma. ma.  
of - fer - ing for - give-ness, com - fort, and joy. joy.*

*Ye - su a - li - se - ma, Mka - hu - bi - ri.  
1 Je - sus gave his man-date: share the good news  
2 Let none be for - got - ten through - out the world.  
3 Help us to be faith - ful, stand - ing stead - fast,*

*Ne - no la - ke Mu - ngu la wo - ko - vu.  
that he came to save us and set us free.  
In the tri - une name of God go and bap - tize.  
walk-ing in your pre - cepts, led by your Word.*

The holy gospel according to Matthew, the 5<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord**

*From Jesus' Sermon on the Mount*

[Jesus said:] “You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

“You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. People do not light a lamp and put it under the bushel basket; rather, they put it on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

“Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.”

The gospel of our Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Response to the Gospel****Listen, God is Calling**  
Verses 2 & 3

ELW 513

*Refrain*

Leader All

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*The assembly is seated.***Message**

Global Mission Team

*Please rise in body or spirit.*

**Word in Song****Christ, Be Our Light**  
(vs. 1, 2, & 5)

ELW 715



1 Long-ing for light, we wait in dark-ness. Long-ing for  
2 Long-ing for peace, our world is trou-bled. Long-ing for  
3 Long-ing for food, man-y are hun-gry. Long-ing for  
4 Long-ing for shel-ter, man-y are home-less. Long-ing for  
5 Man-y the gifts, man-y the peo-ple, man-y the



truth, we turn to you. Make us your own, lone  
hope, man-y de-spair. Your word a-lone  
wa-ter, man-y still thirst. Make us your bread,  
warmth, man-y are cold. Make us your build-ing,  
hearts that yearn to be-long. Let us be ser-vants



your ho-ly peo-ple, light for the world to see.  
has pow'r to save us. Make us your liv-ing voice.  
bro-ken for oth-ers, shared un-til all are fed.  
shel-ter-ing oth-ers, walls made of liv-ing stone.  
to one an-oth-er, signs of your king-dom come.



*Refrain*

Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the



dark-ness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your



church gath-ered to-day.

## **Apostles' Creed**

United with Christians around the world we profess our faith.

**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**

## **Prayers of the People**

**Invitation to prayer:**

As God's beloved children united in Christ, let us pray for the church, the whole human community, and the well-being of the earth, our home.

**After each petition:**

**Come, Holy Spirit,  
shine through us.**

**Pastor's closing prayer:**

Confident that the Holy Spirit receives our prayers and answers us, we commend all for whom we pray to God's loving-kindness made known to us in Christ Jesus our Savior.

**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 musical offerings, 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.

## 8:30 Offering Song

## What Have We to Offer

W&P 156

Verses 1, 2, 4



1 What have we to of - fer? What have we to share?  
2 What have we to of - fer? What have we to bring?  
3 What have we to of - fer? What have we to give?

Coins from the cof - fer, hearts filled with care.  
Love, ripe with laugh - ter; hope that we can sing;  
Eyes that are wide o - pen; lies that we won't live;

God will not fal - ter; so let us dare  
dreams of what we're af - ter; prom - is - es of when.  
truth that must be spo - ken; jus - tice some - how.

lay it at the al - tar there.  
Lay it at the al - tar then.  
Lay it at the al - tar now.

4 What have we to of - fer? What have we to  
give? Lives we will live.

**Offering Prayer**

We pray together.

**Loving God, we give thanks for all you have given us.**

**Receive the dedication of our lives for the ministry of your church.**

**Receive our offerings for work through our congregation**

**and our special gifts to support our sisters in Tanzania.**

**Bless these gifts for the work of your kingdom,**

**that the light of your love may shine. We pray in Jesus' name.**

**Amen**

*Please rise in body or spirit.*

**Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

God of justice and mercy,

you shaped your purposes for your chosen people and your church  
before the foundation of the world.

You have given your people ears to hear your word, eyes to see your works,  
faith to see your power, and tongues to speak your name;  
but most of all you have given us your Son, Jesus,  
to tell us and show us how very much you love not only us, but all people.

In great love your Son laid down his life for us on the cross,  
and through your powerful love you raised him to glorious life.

Faithful God, in Jesus you are the salt that preserves us forever,  
and you are the light that transforms the darkness of death.

## **Words of Institution**

### **Word in Meal**

Great is the mystery of our faith.

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

God of glory, you uphold the most vulnerable and hear the cries of the lost.  
Restore your people in the image of your Son,  
that they may be a community of compassion, forgiveness, and hope;

Raise up saints to embody your justice, love mercy and walk humbly with you.  
Send us to be beside those who struggle against oppression  
and lack opportunities to develop the talents you have given them.

Bless your church that the light of your love may shine through it  
until your kingdom comes among us in its fulness. Amen

### **Lord's Prayer**

We pray with confidence using 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**

## Invitation to the Table

In this meal God's love shines through bread and wine,  
and feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.  
Come. Taste and see that the Lord is good.

*The assembly is seated.*

## Distribution of Communion

### Communion Song

### Welcome Table

ACS 969



1 I'm a-goin'-a eat at the wel-come ta-ble,  
2 I'm a-goin'-a feast on milk . . . and hon-ey,  
3 I'm a-goin'-a wade'cross Jor - dan's riv-er,



I'm a-goin'-a eat at the wel-come ta-ble, some of these days.  
I'm a-goin'-a feast on milk . . . and hon-ey, some of these days.  
I'm a-goin'-a wade'cross Jor - dan's riv-er, some of these days.



I'm a-goin'-a eat at the wel-come ta-ble,  
I'm a-goin'-a feast on milk . . . and hon-ey,  
I'm a-goin'-a wade'cross Jor - dan's riv-er,



I'm goin'-a eat at the wel-come ta-ble, some of these days.  
I'm goin'-a feast on milk . . . and hon-ey, some of these days.  
I'm goin'-a wade'cross Jor - dan's riv-er, some of these days.

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**Communion Song****Jesus, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love**

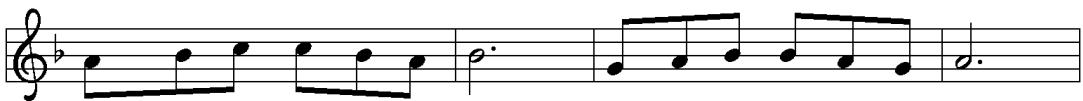
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*Refrain*

Je - su, Je - su, fill us with your love, show



us how to serve the neigh-bors we have from you.



1 Kneels at the feet of his friends, si - lent-ly wash-es their feet,  
2 Neigh-bors are wealth-y and poor, var - ied in col - or and race,  
3 These are the ones we will serve, these are the ones we will love;  
4 Kneel at the feet of our friends, si - lent-ly wash-ing their feet:

*Refrain*

mas - ter who acts as a slave to them,  
neigh-bors are near - by and far a - way.  
all these are neigh - bors to us and you.  
this is the way we will live with you.

*Please rise in body or spirit.*

### **Prayer after Communion**

We pray.

Radiant God,

we have seen your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. In the sacrament of his body and blood you have drawn us to your heart. Send us from this table with delight, that our lives may reflect the beauty of your love, and bear witness to all we have seen and heard, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen**

## **SENDING**

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

### **Blessing**

Go out into the world in peace. Have courage.

Hold onto what is good. Return no one evil for evil.

Strengthen the faint-hearted.

Support the weak. Help the suffering. Honor all persons.

Honor all creation.

Love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

And may the love of God, the Light of Christ, and the power and communion of that Spirit be with you all.

**Amen**

### **Sending Song** *Please see next page.*

### **Dismissal**

You are the light of the world.

Let your light so shine before others

that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

**Thanks be to God.**

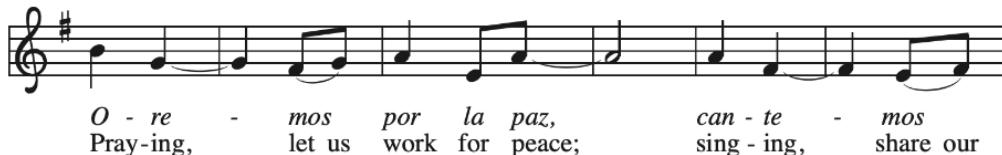
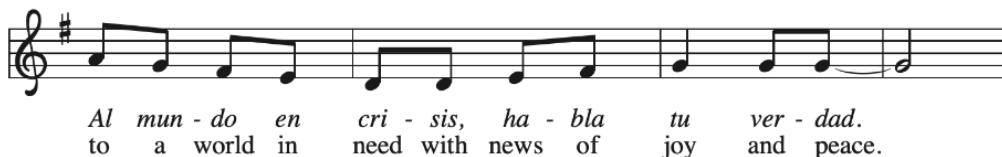
### **Sending Music**

Cantemos al Señor (Oh, Sing to God Above)

arr. Sedio

**Sending Song****May the God of Hope Go with Us**  
Sing 2 times

ACS 984



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### **Assisting Ministers**

8:30 am – Dean Black  
10:45 am – Rick Doty

### **Readers**

8:30 am – Charlotte Gross  
10:45 am – Deb Smith

### **Communion Assistants**

8:30 am – Sue Mathieu, Linda Devine  
10:45 am - Alice Mudge, Glynnis Rea

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8:30 am – Sue Smith  
10:45 am - Nancy Slimmer

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8:30 am – Rob Smith  
10:45 am - Rick Slimmer

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