



**Epiphany Lutheran Church**  
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The Holy Trinity

**WELCOME VISITORS!** We welcome all who believe in Jesus Christ to the Lord's Supper as we partake in the breaking of the bread and the sharing of the cup. For those who would prefer, grape juice is available in the center ring of each serving tray. If you do not wish to receive communion you are invited to come forward for a blessing. God's forgiveness and love is for everyone.

We are honored that you are with us today and we ask everyone to please sign the Friendship Register in each pew, and again -- **Welcome!**

**\*Invites the Congregation to stand.**

**HOLY COMMUNION**

**Prelude** "Saint Ann Fugue in E-flat" Johann Sebastian Bach

**Welcome and Announcements**

**\*Confession and Forgiveness**

[P] Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✚ one God, whose steadfast love endures forever.

[C] Amen.

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

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

[P] Merciful God,

[C] we confess that we have not followed your path but have chosen our own way. Instead of putting others before ourselves, we long to take the best seats at the table. When met by those in need, we have too often passed by on the other side. Set us again on the path of life. Save us from ourselves and free us to love our neighbors. Amen.

[P] Hear the good news! God does not deal with us according to our sins but delights in granting pardon and mercy. In the name of ✚ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are free to love as God loves.

[C] Amen.

**\*Gathering Hymn:** "Come, Thou Almighty King" ELW #408  
*As the hymn begins, the congregation turns toward the entrance to face the processional cross.*

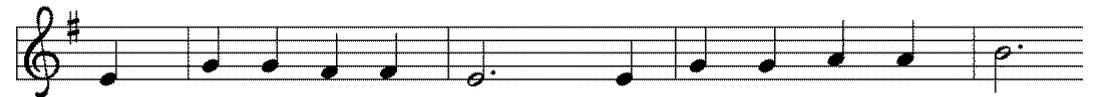
**\*Greeting**

[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.

**\*The Kyrie**

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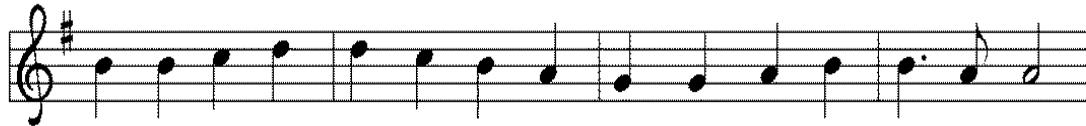


1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.  
 2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.  
 3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.

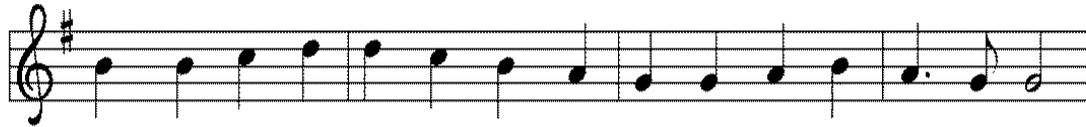


We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.  
 Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.  
 Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

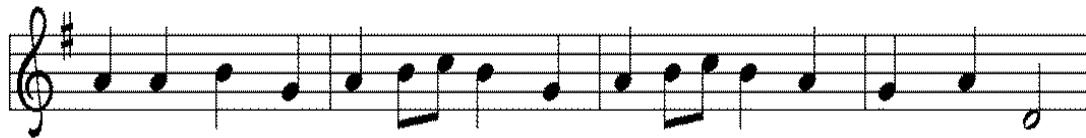
**\*Hymn of Praise**



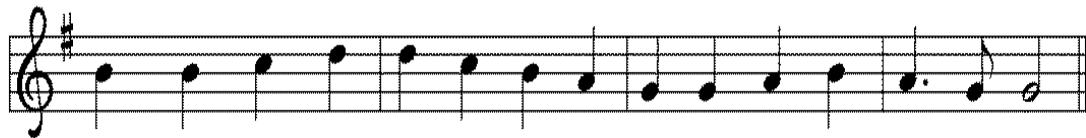
1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.  
2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.  
3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:  
Son of God and gra-cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;  
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.  
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.  
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.  
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.  
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

**\*The Prayer of the Day**

[P] The Lord be with you.

[C] **And also with you.**

[P] Let us pray...

[C] **Amen**

*Insert*

**The First Lesson: Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31**

[L] The Word of the Lord.

[C] **Thanks be to God.**

*Insert*

**Psalm: 8; refrain, Ps. 8:2**

(Congregation sings verses in **bold** print only.)

*Insert*

**The Second Lesson: Romans 5:1-5**

[L] The Word of the Lord.

[C] **Thanks be to God.**

*Insert*

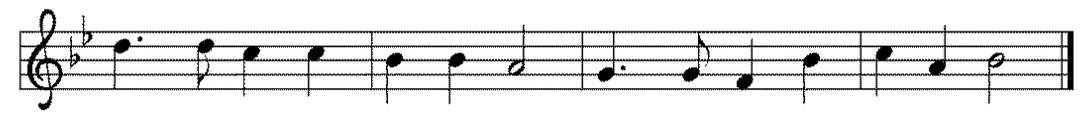
**\*The Verse:**



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

**\*The Gospel:** [P] The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 16<sup>th</sup> Chapter.  
 [C] **Glory to you, O Lord.**  
*John 16:12-15* *Insert*  
 [P] The Gospel of the Lord.  
 [C] **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**The Sermon** Pastor Nyahaley Labor

**\*Hymn of the Day:** *Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!* ELW #413

**\*The Nicene Creed** ELW, Page 104  
 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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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.

**\*The Prayers** *Insert*  
 After each portion of the prayers:  
 [A] God of grace,  
 [C] **hear our prayer.**

**The Offering**

**Offertory:** *"I Will Arise"* Robert Shaw & Alice Parker  
 The Chapel Choir

**\*The Offertory Hymn** *"Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful"* ELW #182

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and 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 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, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

**\*Offering Prayer**

[A] Let us pray together.

**[C] Living God, you gather the wolf and the lamb to feed together in your peaceable reign, and you welcome us all at your table. Reach out to us through this meal, and show us your wounded and risen body, that we may be nourished and believe in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**\*The Great Thanksgiving**

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[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.**

[P] It is indeed right, our duty and our joy... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,  
 heav'n 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.

[P] 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.

**[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.**

**The Communion** *(Please follow the instructions of the ushers in coming to receive communion.)*

*"Lamb of God"*

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1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;  
 2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;  
 3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;  
 you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.  
 you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.  
 e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

**Communion Hymn:**

*"One Bread, One Body"*

ELW #496

**\*Post-Communion Blessing**

**\*Post-Communion Prayer**

[A] Life-giving God, through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy. Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger, that all may come to know your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus.

[C] Amen.

**\*Benediction (Blessing)**

[P] God bless us with discomfort at easy answers, half-truths, and superficial relationships, so that we may live deep within our hearts.

God bless us with anger at injustice, oppression, and exploitation of people, so that we may work for justice, freedom and peace.

God bless us with tears to shed for those who suffer from pain, rejection, starvation and war, so that we may reach out our hands to comfort them and turn their pain into joy.

And God bless us with enough foolishness to believe that we can make a difference in this world, so that we can do what others claim cannot be done.

The God of all grace ✝ bless you now and forever.

[C] Amen.

**\*Recessional Hymn:**            *“Come, All You People”*            ELW #819

*As the cross is carried out during the singing of the hymn,  
the congregation turns to face the cross.*

**\*Dismissal**

**[All] Follow Christ, Live Faithfully, Serve All. Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude**

*“Chaconne”*

Francois Couperin

The Organ Prelude:

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750) composed the prelude for our service today. Bach is highly regarded as a preeminent composer of liturgical music for the Lutheran church. Having lived an entire century after Martin Luther, Bach's music works in lock-step to Luther's theology and practice. This fugue (*a composition in which a short melody or phrase [the subject] is introduced by one part and successively taken up by others and developed by interweaving the parts.*) contains many symbolic connections to the Holy Trinity in numerology. The composition is created in three large sections, each representing one part of the Holy Trinity, namely the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. The key signature contains three flats, which is the key of E-flat major, also representing the Trinity. The first section, which is very stately, is thought to represent the Father. The second section, which is quite active and busy, suggests the daily life of Jesus, running to and fro with his message. The third section combines elements of both the first and second fugues, which bring together all the themes of the first two into one great fugue. The second and third sections are composed in triple meters, which also bears a relationship to the Holy Trinity.

*Soli Deo Gloria*

The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit

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