

3rd Sunday after Epiphany

Sunday, Jan. 21st, 2018

Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW)
Setting 8, p. 184



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CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (ELW p. 94)

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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

Gracious God, **have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ✠ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.**

OPENING HYMN *We Are Called* (ELW 720)

GREETING (ELW p. 184)

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.**

KYRIE (ELW p. 184)

CANTICLE OF PRAISE *Glory to God* (ELW p. 185)

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Almighty God, by grace alone you call us and accept us in your service. Strengthen us by your Spirit, and make us worthy of your call, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

FIRST READING: Jonah 3:1-5, 10

A reading from Jonah.

¹The word of the LORD came to Jonah a second time, saying, ²“Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you.” ³So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days’ walk across. ⁴Jonah began to go into the city, going a day’s walk. And he cried out, “Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!” ⁵And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth.

¹⁰When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 62:5-12

**⁵For God alone I | wait in silence;
truly, my hope | is in God.**

**⁶God alone is my rock and | my salvation,
my stronghold, so that I shall nev- | er be shaken.**

**⁷In God is my deliverance | and my honor;
God is my strong rock | and my refuge.**

**⁸Put your trust in God al- | ways, O people,
pour out your hearts before the one who | is our refuge.**

**⁹Those of high degree are but a fleeting breath;
those of low estate can- | not be trusted.**

Placed on the scales together ...

... they weigh even less | than a breath.

**¹⁰Put no trust in extortion; in robbery take no | empty pride;
though wealth increase, set not your | heart upon it.**

**¹¹God has spoken once, twice | have I heard it,
that power be- | longs to God.**

**¹²Steadfast love belongs to | you, O Lord,
for you repay all according | to their deeds.**

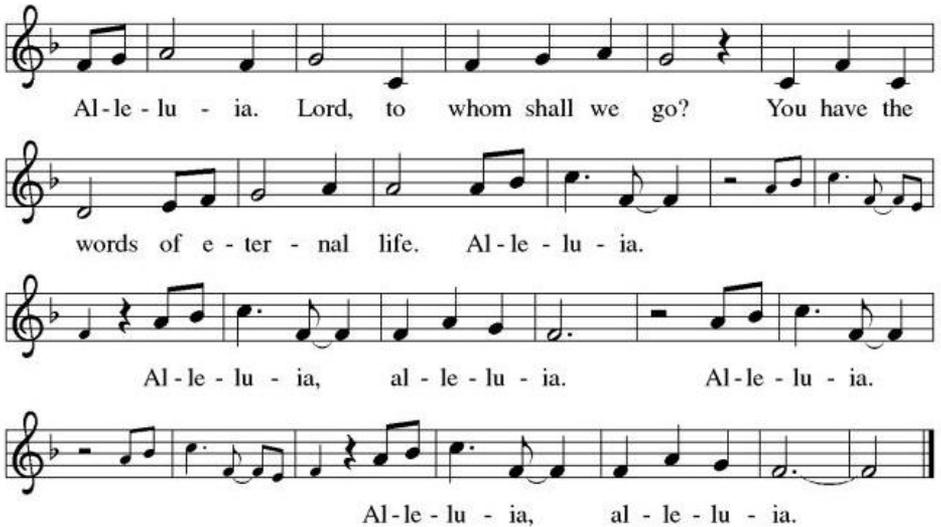
SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

A reading from 1 Corinthians.

²⁹Brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short; from now on, let even those who have wives be as though they had none, ³⁰and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no possessions, ³¹and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

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.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL: Mark 1:14-20

The holy gospel according to Mark. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹⁴Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, ¹⁵and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.”

¹⁶As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen.

¹⁷And Jesus said to them, “Follow me and I will make you fish for people.” ¹⁸And immediately they left their nets and followed him. ¹⁹As

he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. ²⁰Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

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

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY *I Want to Walk as a Child of Light* (ELW 815)

APOSTLE’S CREED (Back cover of hymn book or ELW p.105)

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Let us pray, **Have mercy, O God.**

SHARING THE PEACE

GIFT GATHERING AND SONG

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your
pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me.
Re - store to me the joy of your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me
with your free Spir - it. Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God,
and re - new a right spir - it with - in me.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

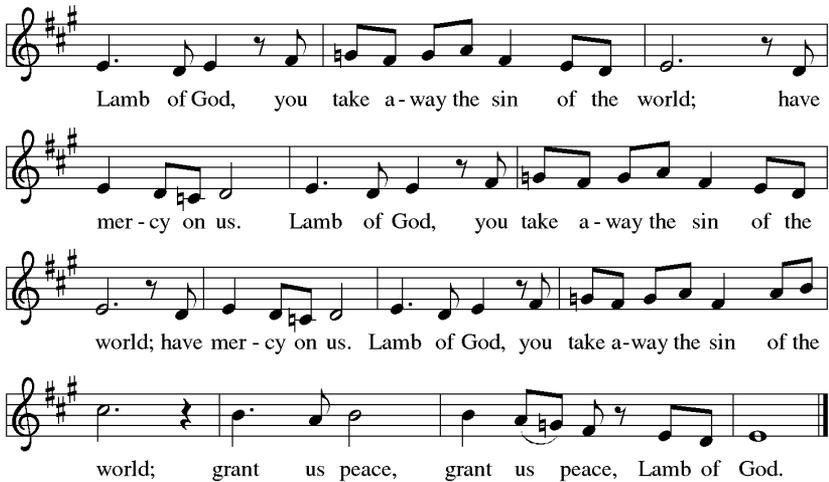
Merciful God, as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING (ELW p. 190)

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (ELW p. 190)

LORD'S PRAYER (ELW p. 191)

COMMUNION SONG (ELW p. 191)



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

COMMUNION HYMNS

I love to Tell the Story (ELW 661)

Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult (ELW 696)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Radiant God, with our eyes we have seen your salvation, and in this meal, we have feasted on your grace. May your Word take flesh in us, that we may be your holy people, revealing your glory made known to us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

BLESSING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING SONG *Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ* (ELW 674)

DISMISSAL

All who desire communion with Jesus and approach the sacrament with faith, are welcome at the Lord's Table. While both the common cup and individual glasses are offered, we encourage the use of the common cup to emphasize the unity we share in the Body of Christ, the church (please indicate your preference to the servers). A non-alcohol option is available in the tray. You may also partake of bread only, or come to the table for a blessing only



ANNOUNCEMENTS

The scripture for Monday's Lectio Divina is Mark 1:21-28.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY ecumenical prayer service is today at 4 pm, at Knox Presbyterian Church, 120 Lisgar Street. Reception to follow.

Faith's first **WOMEN'S LUNCH** is this Tuesday, January 23, 11am at the Four Seasons Cookhouse on Merivale Road across from Julian of Norwich. All interested ladies, please come out and enjoy the company of others. See you there.

Please send your **ANNUAL REPORT SUBMISSIONS** to the Church Secretary by Wednesday, Jan 24th at the latest! Thank you.

The **OTTAWA LUTHERAN REFUGEE SPONSORSHIP COMMITTEE'S** "World on a Plate" event is on Sunday, Jan 28th, at 3 pm, at Christ Risen Lutheran, 85 Leacock Drive, Kanata. You can meet our newest arrivals, Nathan and his family. \$20 per person or \$50 for a family. Please contact Gerda Kraft at 613-225-9324.

The **CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUP** meets weekly on Wednesdays at 5-6 pm.

The **EASTERN SYNOD'S MONTHLY ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER**, at www.easternsynod.org/content/tesl-january-2018, lets you know what's happening around the synod. This month, you can read about a new Eastern Synod Worship Blog Coordinator as well as the Murray Scholarship.

The **ELCIC's E-COMMUNIQUE** is full of timely information and resources from the National Office. See this electronic newsletter at: elcic.ca/Communique/default.cfm.

This month's highlights include:

- Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
- Diaconal Sunday (February 4)
- New Employment Agreements and Letters of Call
- Model Constitution
- Registration Information for CLAY 2018 (Threads), August 15-19, 2018
- Share Your Ideas with *Canada Lutheran*
- CWA 2018 and NWC 2018
- Help to Find a Congregation
- Healthy Church resources (CEP, Interfaith Relationships ...)
- Compassionate Justice updates (KAIROS, Greening Congregation, and more)
- Partnership news (JALC, WCC, etc.)
- Seminary and School Updates WLS and LTS
- How to share your story *In Mission for Others*

THANK YOU to our church council and committee volunteers and financial people who put in many hours of work during the week to keep the business of the church running smoothly and in accordance with the laws of our nation and province. What a blessing to have skilled members in our congregation who can do these things!