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Third Sunday after Epiphany - January 21, 2024





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January 21, 2024
8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
Lutheran Service Book – Page 219
Matins
* = All Stand

Prelude

“Jesus, Priceless Treasure”

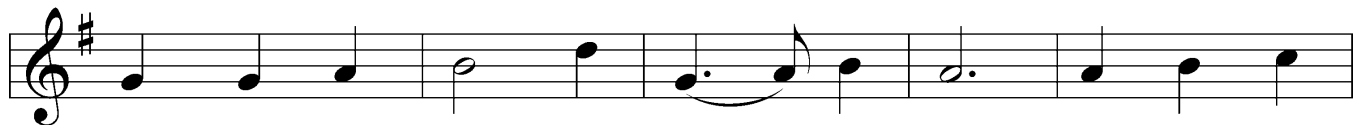
Paul Bouman

Share the Peace of the Lord

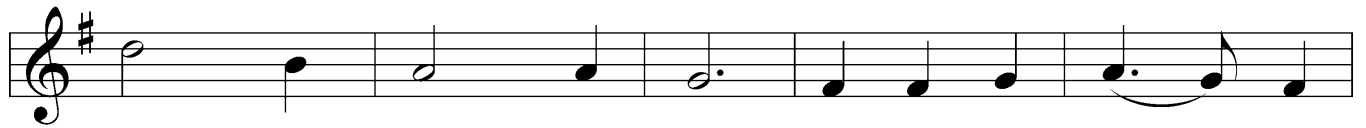
Announcements

Children’s Message (10:30 a.m.)

839 O Christ, Our True and Only Light



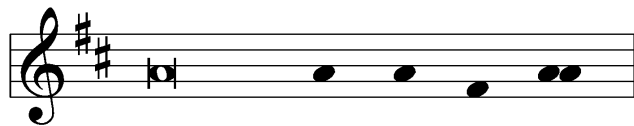
1 O Christ, our true and on - ly light, En - light - en
2 Fill with the ra - diance of Your grace The souls now
3 O gent - ly call those gone a - stray That they may
4 Shine on the dark - ened and the cold; Re - call the
5 That they with us may ev - er - more Such grace with



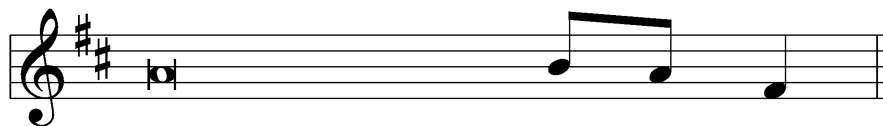
those who sit in night; Let those a - far now
lost in er - ror's maze; En - light - en those whose
find the sav - ing way! Let ev - 'ry con - science
wan - d'ers to Your fold. U - nite all those who
won - d'ring thanks a - dore And end - less praise to



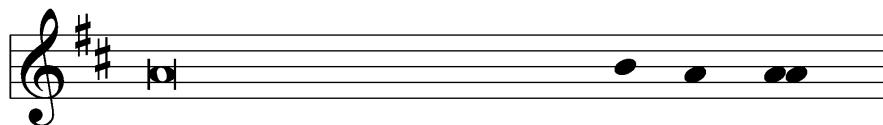
hear Your voice And in Your fold with us re - joice.
in - most minds Some dark de - lu - sion haunts and blinds.
sore op - pressed In You find peace and heav'n - ly rest.
walk a - part; Con - firm the weak and doubt - ing heart,
You be giv'n By all Your Church in earth and heav'n.



L O Lord, o - pen my lips,



C and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.



L Make haste, O God, to de - liv - er me;



C make haste to help me, O Lord.



C Glo - ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it;

as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.

Praise to You, O Christ. Al - le - lu - ia.

Psalmody

L Blessed be God, the Fa - ther, the Son, and the Ho - ly Spir - it.

C O come, let us wor - ship Him.

Venite

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C 1 O come, let us sing to the Lord,
 2 For the Lord is a great God
 3 The sea is His, for He made it,
 5 Glory be to the Father and to the Son

1 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal - va - tion.
 2 and a great king a - bove all gods.
 3 and His hand formed the dry — land.

5 and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;

1 Let us come into His presence with thanks - giv - ing,
 2 The deep places of the earth are in His hand;
 3 O come, let us worship and bow — down,
 4 For He is our God,
 5 as it was in the be - gin - ning,

1 let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise.
 2 the strength of the hills is His — al - so.
 3 let us kneel before the Lord, our mak - er.
 4 and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep — of His hand.
 5 is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.

L Blessed be God, the Fa - ther, the Son, and the Ho - ly Spir - it.

C O come, let us wor - ship Him.

Psalm 62 (chanted responsively by whole verse)

¹For God alone my soul waits in | silence; *
from him comes my sal- | vation.

²**He only is my rock and my salvation,
my | fortress; *
I shall not be greatly | shaken.**

³How long will all of you attack a man
to | batter him, *
like a leaning wall, a | tottering fence?

⁴**They only plan to thrust him down from his high position.
They take pleasure in | falsehood. *
They bless with their mouths,
but inwardly | they curse.**

⁵For God alone, O my soul, wait in | silence, *
for my hope is | from him.

⁶**He only is my rock and my salvation,
my | fortress; *
I shall not be | shaken.**

⁷On God rests my salvation and my | glory; *
my mighty rock, my refuge | is God.

⁸**Trust in him at all times, O people;
pour out your heart be- | fore him; *
God is a refuge | for us.**

⁹Those of low estate are but a breath;
those of high estate are a de- | lusion; *
in the balances they go up;
they are together lighter | than a breath.

¹⁰**Put no trust in extortion;
set no vain hopes on | robbery; *
if riches increase, set not your | heart on them.**

¹¹Once God has spoken;
twice have I | heard this: *

that power belongs to God,
¹²**and that to you, O Lord, belongs | steadfast love.**

**For you will render | to a man *
according | to his work.**

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

Sit

856 O Christ, Who Called the Twelve



1 O Christ, who called the Twelve To rise and fol - low You, For -
2 O Christ, who taught the Twelve The truth for a - ges sealed, Whose
3 O Christ, who led the Twelve A - mong the des - o - late And
4 O Christ, who sent the Twelve On roads they'd nev - er trod To
5 O Christ, th'a - pos-tles' Lord, The mar - tyrs' strength and song, The



sak - ing old, fa - mil - iar ways For ven - tures bold and new:
words and works a - wak - ened faith, The ways of God re - vealed:
broke as bread of life for all Your love com - pas - sion - ate:
serve, to suf - fer, teach, pro - claim The near - er reign of God:
cru - ci - fied and ris - en King To whom the saints be - long:



Grant us to hear Your call To risk se - cu - ri - ty And,
In - struct us now, we pray, By Your em - pow'r - ing Word. True
Lead us a - long the ways Where hope has near - ly died And
Send us on ways where faith Tran - scends ti - mid - i - ty, Where
Though gen - er - a - tions pass, Our trib - ute still we bring, Our



bound in heart and will to You, Find per - fect lib - er - ty.
teach - er, be for all who seek Their light, their life, their Lord.
help us climb the lone - ly hills Where love is cru - ci - fied.
love in - forms and hope sus - tains Both life and min - is - try.
hymns a sac - ri - fice of praise, Our lives an of - fer - ing.

Reading

Jonah 3:1–5, 10

L A reading from Jonah, chapter 3.

¹Then the word of the LORD came to Jonah the second time, saying, ²“Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and call out against it the message that I tell you.” ³So Jonah arose and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an

exceedingly great city, three days' journey in breadth. ⁴Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's journey. And he called out, "Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" ⁵And the people of Nineveh believed God. They called for a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them to the least of them. . . .

¹⁰When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil way, God relented of the disaster that he had said he would do to them, and he did not do it.

L O Lord, have mercy on us.

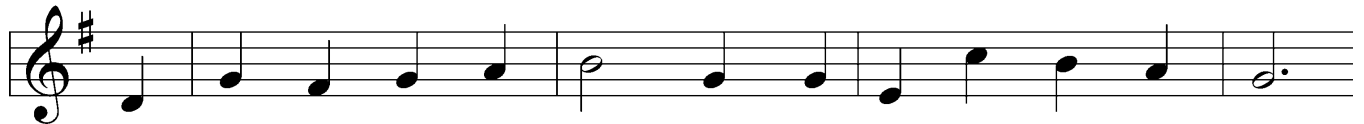
C Thanks be to God.

Choir (8:00 a.m.)

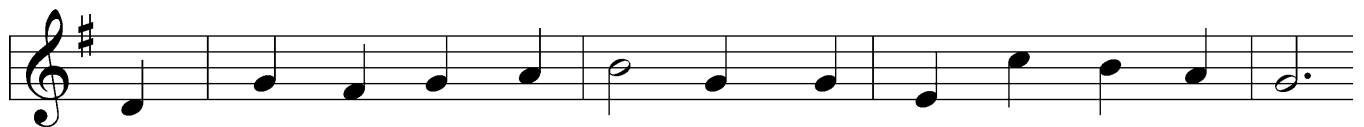
"Today Your Mercy Calls Us"
(meditation: LSB 915 s. 1, 4)

Timothy Schmidt

915 Today Your Mercy Calls Us



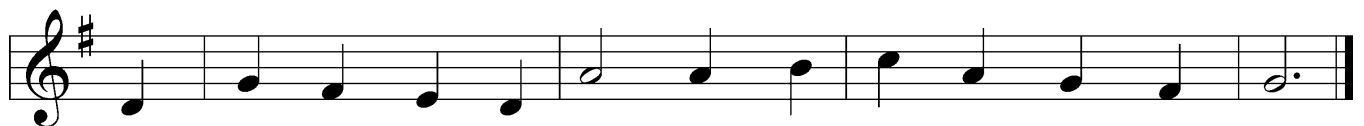
1 To - day Your mer - cy calls us To wash a - way our sin.
2 To - day Your gate is o - pen, And all who en - ter in
3 To - day our Fa - ther calls us; His Ho - ly Spir - it waits;
4 O all - em - brac - ing Mer - cy, O ev - er - o - pen Door,



How - ev - er great our tres - pass, What - ev - er we have been,
Shall find a Fa - ther's wel - come And par - don for their sin.
His bless - ed an - gels gath - er A - round the heav'n - ly gates.
What should we do with - out You When heart and eye run o'er?



How - ev - er long from mer - cy Our hearts have turned a - way,
The past shall be for - got - ten, A pres - ent joy be giv'n,
No ques - tion will be asked us How of - ten we have come;
When all things seem a - gainst us, To drive us to de - spair,



Your pre - cious blood can wash us And make us clean to - day.
A fu - ture grace be prom - ised, A glo - rious crown in heav'n.
Al - though we oft have wan - dered, It is our Fa - ther's home.
We know one gate is o - pen, One ear will hear our prayer.

“NEW LIFE IN JESUS”

1-21-24 TEXT: Mark 1:14-20

LITURGICAL DAY: Third Sunday after Epiphany / Life Sunday

*Theme: The appearance of our God in the flesh signals a new age of urgency for us.
We hold forth the gift of physical, spiritual and eternal life in Jesus Christ.*

I. THE URGENCY OF SECOND CHANCES.

II. THE URGENCY OF FORESHORTENED TIME.

III. THE URGENCY OF THE FULNESS OF TIME.

CONCLUSION: God spoke all life into existence.

Now Jesus calls us into a new life of repentance and faith.

“Life Issues” cover the whole range of respect for life, from conception in the womb until old age. Thus we honor God’s gift of life and oppose all attacks upon it by the devil, the world and our own sinful self.

“Life Issues” therefore means that we:

- SPEAK AGAINST: Abortion but STAND UP for Adoption
- SPEAK AGAINST: Infanticide but STAND UP for Mercy for the Disabled
- SPEAK AGAINST: Suicide but STAND UP for Godly Self-Identity
- SPEAK AGAINST: Genocide but STAND UP for All God’s Children
- SPEAK AGAINST: Euthanasia but STAND UP for Dignity for the Elderly

Stand
Te Deum

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1 We praise You, O God; we acknowledge You to be the Lord.
2 Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sab - a - oth;
3 The noble army of martyrs praise — You.

1 All the earth now worships You, the Fa-ther ev - er - last - ing.
 2 heaven and earth are full of the majes - ty of Your glo - ry.
 3 The holy Church throughout all the world does ac - knowl-edge You:

1 To You all angels cry aloud, the heavens and all the pow'rs there-in.
 2 The glorious company of the apostles praise— You.
 3 The Father of an infinite majesty; Your adorable, true, and on - ly Son;
 4 You are the king of glory, O— Christ;

1 To You cherubim and seraphim con - tin - ual - ly do cry:
 2 The goodly fellowship of the proph-ets praise— You.
 3 also the Holy Ghost, the Com-fort - er.
 4 You are the everlasting Son of the Fa - ther.

5 When You took upon Yourself to de - liv - er man,
 6 You sit at the right hand of God

5 You humbled Yourself to be born of a vir - gin.
 6 in the glory of the Fa - ther.

5 When You had overcome the sharpness of death,
 6 We believe that You will come

5 You opened the kingdom of heaven to all be - liev - ers.
 6 to be our judge.

7 We therefore pray You to help Your ser - vants,
 8 O Lord, save Your people and bless Your . . . her - i - tage.
 9 Grant, O Lord, to keep us this day with - out sin.

7 whom You have redeem - ed with Your pre - cious blood.
 8 Govern them and lift them up for - ev - er.
 9 O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy up - on us.

7 Make them to be numbered with Your saints
 8 Day by day we magni - fy You.
 9 O Lord, let Your mercy be upon us, as our trust is in You.

7 in glory ev - er - last - ing.
 8 And we worship Your name for - ever and ev - er.
 9 O Lord, in You have I trusted; let me never be con - found - ed.

Sit
Offering

*(Fill out the **Ritual of Friendship** sheet and place it in the baskets in the narthex as you leave.
 Place your offerings in the offering plates passed by the ushers.)*

We thank you for presenting your weekly offerings to the church in one of four ways:

1. Place your offerings in the offering plates
 2. Mail your offering envelopes to the Church Office
 3. Bring your Offerings to the Church Office
- You may place your offering in the wooden box on the bench by the glass doors.
4. Use the "Simply Giving" service to give your offerings digitally online.

Thank you to everyone for faithfully supporting our ministry here.

Prayer

Kneel/Stand

Life Sunday Litany

2024 Life Sunday Litany –“Just As I Am”

P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

P Our Father, who art in heaven, honor and glory, thanks and praise belong to You, for You have made human life in Your image. You adopt us for the sake of Your beloved Son Jesus Christ. Grant us grace also to receive every neighbor as a gift and consider it a privilege to serve them in your name, Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Hallowed be Thy name. Gladden and embolden us to proclaim Your goodness and put it into practice, speaking truth that advocates against violence and death and showing love that assists survival and welfare as agents of Your promised joy and hope. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Thy kingdom come. Graciously restrain the deception and selfishness that pressure many into viewing death as a solution to suffering. Bring an end to abortion, infanticide, euthanasia, assisted suicide, and all discrimination against the worth of any person. And enlighten our citizens and inspire our officials to enact policies and practices that protect and defend the vulnerable. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Bless the medical arts and their practitioners as ambassadors of Your healing always to care and never to kill. Keep their minds and hands free from every unholy cultural pressure. As it pleases You, move everyone involved in intentionally ending human life to abandon and oppose these evils. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Give us this day our daily bread. Surround each human being with a healthy home and settle them in happy families according to Your good and gracious will. Accept our gratitude for the birthdays and anniversaries we celebrate. Direct all hearts to wait upon Your abundance, assured that You will meet every bodily need. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Change the spirits of those who slander, persecute, and oppress, that they may experience Your loving-kindness alongside us. Absolve and relieve anyone broken by their sins against the sanctity of life. By Your mercy for our mistakes, bid us behold the sanctity of our own lives until we love one another as You have loved us. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Lead us not into temptation. Bring forth in us the life and Spirit of our Shepherd and Savior Jesus to put away the desires and priorities of the flesh. Intervene and undertake on behalf of those beset by the afflictions of our fallen race and the burdens of this broken world. And drive the devil far from everyone considering abortion or contemplating physician-assisted suicide. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Deliver us from evil. Give answer to the ones who cry out awaiting adoption, facing surprise pregnancy, experiencing infertility, or enduring terminal diagnosis. Form in us a patient faith that leans upon Your presence and power at the hour of our dying. With Your Son, the angels, and all the saints, welcome us into the everlasting communion of Your heavenly kingdom. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**



C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

Lord's Prayer

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.

Collects



L O Lord, hear my prayer.



C And let my cry come to You.

Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities and stretch forth the hand of Your majesty to heal and defend us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Prayers of the Church

In the Hospital OR Receiving Treatments OR Recuperating:

Madisen Lemke, Kandie Darmody, Lynlee Kocurek, Barbara Craun, Michael Meyer,
Larry Klumpp, Faith Jenkins, Doug Gransberg, Martha Bruss

Other Needs We Pray for

- * Trinity Lutheran Church, Early Childhood & Campus Ministries
- * Pray for Israel, Palestine, Ukraine, and Japan

Military Service Members & their Families

Mike Gobble, Emily Shelton, Alex Laffin,
Danny Greene, Courtney Tate, Eli Wiley

Police and Firefighters

Birthdays

Bobby Huntley	1/21	Robert Huntley	1/21
Timothy Schmidt	1/21	Kim Hager	1/22
Susan Hartman	1/23	Spencer Schweiger	1/23
Grayson Keister	1/23	Eleanor Peters	1/24
Annabelle Gransberg	1/24	Alice Lemke	1/25
Ellie Brown	1/25	Nell Stehr	1/26
Wesley Baughman			1/27

Anniversaries

None

Years

Missions

The Rev. Daniel and Kathy Conrad serve the Lord through The LCMS in the Dominican Republic. In this role, Daniel serves as a professor at Concordia the Reformer Seminary in Palmar Arriba, Dominican Republic. The seminary provides theological education to future pastors who come from 11 countries in Latin America. By the grace of God, Daniel helps prepare pastors who will serve throughout the region.

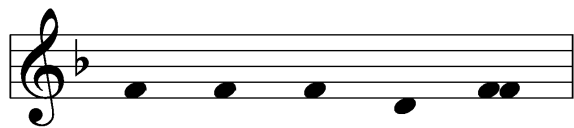
Collect for Grace

- L** O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, You have safely brought us to the beginning of this day. Defend us in the same with Your mighty power and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings, being ordered by Your governance, may be righteous in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



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L Let us bless the Lord.



C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

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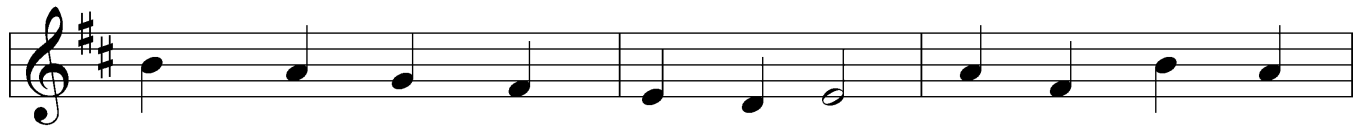




am - ple pure, Through a world that would de-ceive us And to
bear our cross. Joy will fol - low all our sad-ness; Where He
con - quered death, He will free us from de-struction, Give to
from the dead That to life we may a - wak - en. Je - sus,



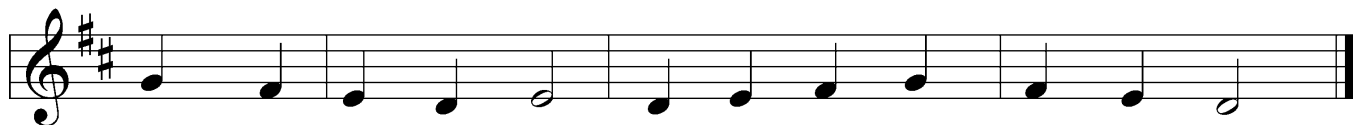
sin our spir - its lure. On - ward in His foot-steps tread - ing,
is, there is no loss. Though to - day we sow no laugh - ter,
us im - mor - tal breath. Let us mor - ti - fy all pas - sion
You are now our head. We are Your own liv - ing mem - bers;



Pil - grims here, our home a - bove, Full of faith and
We shall reap ce - les - tial joy; All dis - com - forts
That would lead us in - to sin; And the grave that
Where You live, there we shall be In Your pres - ence



hope and love, Let us do the Fa - ther's bid - ding. Faith - ful
that an - noy Shall give way to mirth here - af - ter. Je - sus,
shuts us in Shall but prove the gate to heav - en. Je - sus,
con - stant - ly, Liv - ing there with You for - ev - er. Je - sus,



Lord, with me a - bide; I shall fol - low where You guide.
here I share Your woe; Help me there Your joy to know.
here with You I die, There to live with You on high.
let me faith - ful be, Life e - ter - nal grant to me.

Postlude

“Built on the Rock”

Robert J. Powell