



**Come to Believe † Come to Belong**  
**SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY**  
January 19, 2025

**PRELUDE**

Rob Aaron

*“Come to believe, Come to belong, Come to receive, the promise of God”*

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**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**

If we say we have no sin we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sins with a time of silent self-reflection.

*(Time for silence)*

Most merciful God,

**We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your holy name.**

**Amen.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore declare unto you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

## GATHERING SONG

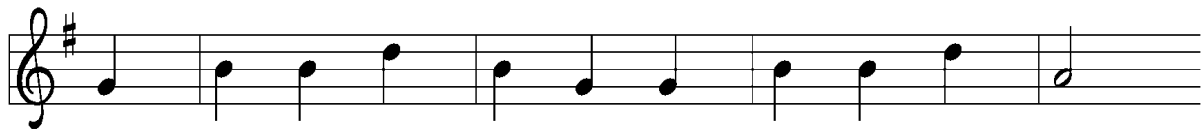
*"Immortal, Invisible"*



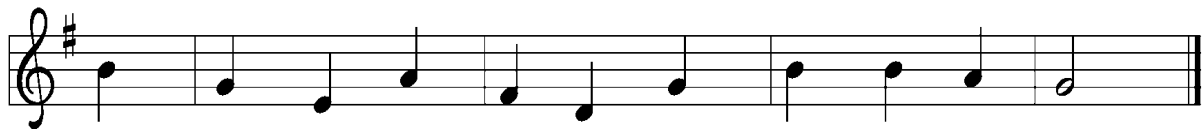
1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,  
2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,  
3 To all, life thou giv - est, to both great and small;  
4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry; thou dwell - est in light;



in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,  
nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might;  
in all life thou liv - est, the true life of all;  
thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;



most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,  
thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove  
we blos - som and flour - ish like leaves on the tree,  
all laud we would ren - der; oh, help us to see



al - might - y, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise!  
thy clouds which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.  
and with - er and per - ish, but naught chang - eth thee.  
'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee!

## GREETING

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

Leader

In peace, in peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Assembly

Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have

For the reign of God, and for

mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

peace through - out the world, for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the

Lord.

For your

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

peo - ple here who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your

word, let us pray to the Lord.

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

Help, save, and de-fend us, O God.

mer - cy. A - men.

*Refrain*

Now the feast and cel - e - bra-tion, all of cre - a - tion

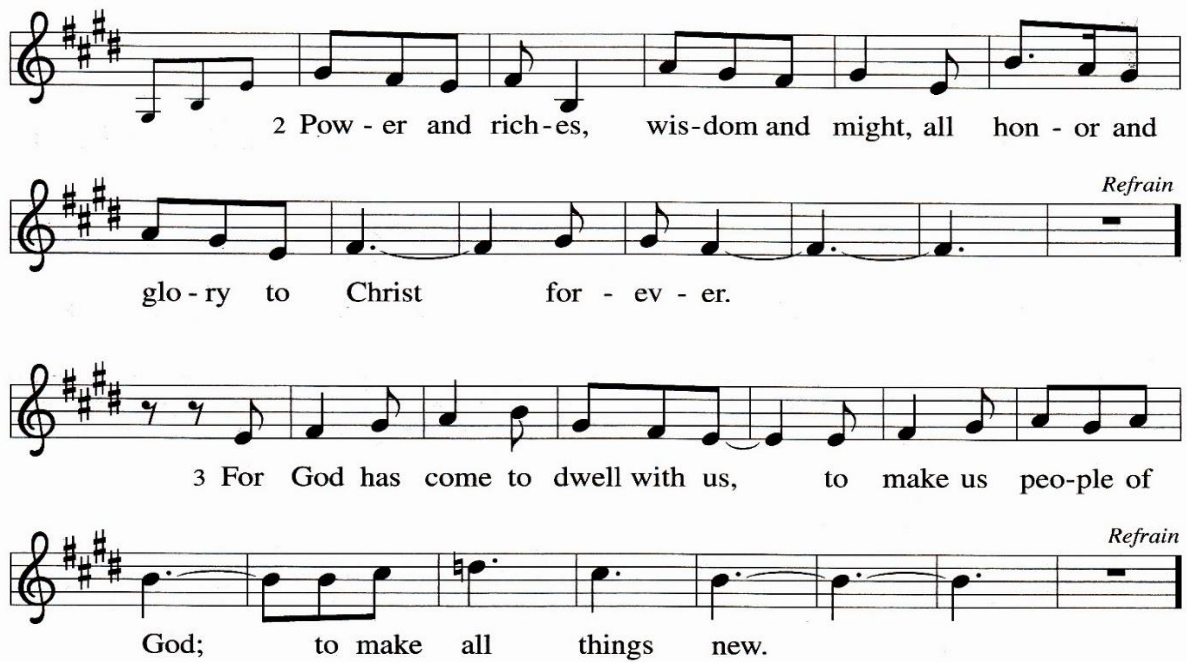
sings for joy to the God of life and love and free-dom;

praise and glo - ry for - ev - er - more!

1 Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, whose blood has

freed and u - nit-ed us to be one great peo-ple of God.

*Refrain*



## PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray: Lord God, source of every blessing, you showed forth your glory and led many to faith by the works of your Son, who brought gladness and salvation to his people. Transform us by the Spirit of his love, that we may find our life together in him, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. *Amen.*

## CHOIR ANTHEM

*"Beautiful Savior"*

## CHILDREN'S SERMON

### FIRST READING

Isaiah 62:1-5

<sup>1</sup> For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not be quiet, until her righteousness goes forth as brightness, and her salvation as a burning torch. <sup>2</sup> The nations shall see your righteousness, and all the kings your glory, and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give. <sup>3</sup> You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. <sup>4</sup> You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate, but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the LORD delights in you, and your land shall be married. <sup>5</sup> For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your sons marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**



## PSALM

Psalm 36:5-10

<sup>5</sup> Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens,  
**your faithfulness to the clouds.**

<sup>6</sup> Your righteousness is like the mountains of God;  
your judgments are like the great deep;  
**man and beast you save, O LORD.**

<sup>7</sup> How precious is your steadfast love, O God!  
**The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of your wings.**

<sup>8</sup> They feast on the abundance of your house,  
**and you give them drink from the river of your delights.**

<sup>9</sup> For with you is the fountain of life;  
**in your light do we see light.**

<sup>10</sup> Oh, continue your steadfast love to those who know you,  
**and your righteousness to the upright of heart!**

## SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 12:1-11

<sup>1</sup> Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers, I do not want you to be uninformed.

<sup>2</sup> You know that when you were pagans you were led astray to mute idols, however you were led. <sup>3</sup> Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking in the Spirit of God ever says "Jesus is accursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except in the Holy Spirit.

<sup>4</sup> Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; <sup>5</sup> and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; <sup>6</sup> and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone. <sup>7</sup> To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. <sup>8</sup> For to one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, <sup>9</sup> to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, <sup>10</sup> to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the ability to distinguish between spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. <sup>11</sup> All these are empowered by one and the same Spirit, who apportions to each one individually as he wills.

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

John 2:1-11

The holy gospel according to St. John, the 2<sup>nd</sup> chapter.

### Glory to You, O Lord!!

<sup>1</sup> On the third day there was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. <sup>2</sup> Jesus also was invited to the wedding with his disciples. <sup>3</sup> When the wine ran out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." <sup>4</sup> And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what does this have to do with me? My hour has not yet come." <sup>5</sup> His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you."

<sup>6</sup> Now there were six stone water jars there for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. <sup>7</sup> Jesus said to the servants, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. <sup>8</sup> And he said to them, "Now draw some out and take it to the master of the feast." So they took it. <sup>9</sup> When the master of the feast tasted the water now become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the master of the feast called the bridegroom <sup>10</sup> and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and when people have drunk freely, then the poor wine. But you have kept the good wine until now." <sup>11</sup> This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory. And his disciples believed in him.

The gospel of the Lord.

### Praise to You, O Christ!!

HYMN OF THE DAY

*"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"*

1 I want to walk as a child of the light.  
 2 I want to see . . . the bright - ness of God.  
 3 I'm look - ing for . . . the com - ing of Christ.

I want to fol - low Je - sus.  
 I want to look at Je - sus.  
 I want to be with Je - sus.

God set the stars to give light to the world.  
 Clear Sun of righ - teous - ness, shine on my path,  
 When we have run . . . with pa - tience the race,

The star of my life is Je - sus.  
 and show me the way to the Fa - ther.  
 we shall know the joy of Je - sus.

*Refrain*

In him there is no dark - ness at all. The night and the  
 day are both a - like. The Lamb is the light of the  
 cit - y of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

~ ~*INSTALLATION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS*~ ~



**APOSTLES’ CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended into hell.**

**On the third day he rose again.**

**He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again 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 INTERCESSION**

P) Let us draw near to the Throne of Grace, offering prayer and supplication on behalf of the Church, the world, and one another.

*A brief silence*

Lord, you manifested your glory in the sign at Cana. As you restored creation through the shedding of Christ’s blood, pour out your grace in abundance. Give us joy and gladness in the revelation of your truth in the person of your Son.

Lord, in your mercy, ***hear our prayer.***

O God, you gather your Church and bring her to your banquet, both now in your Word and Sacraments, and in the eternal wedding feast to come. Spread the banner of Christ’s steadfast love over the doors of every congregation, that the preaching of His righteousness may be constant and that patient love may mark our lives also.

Lord, in your mercy, ***hear our prayer.***

Lord of glory, you blessed the wedding at Cana with your presence and honored it with your first miracle. Strengthen and give your gladness to all married couples and their families. Be present in our homes and lives with your free and abundant forgiveness, and preserve us in the true faith from each generation to the next.

Lord, in your mercy, ***hear our prayer.***

Adorn your Church with faithful teaching and preaching, and with deeds of mercy and reconciliation. Grant that our worship reflects the adoration and delight of a bride for her beloved. Overshadow your persecuted servants with your Holy Spirit. Let them bless the Name of Jesus their Lord. Let their tormentors repent of cursing his Name.

Lord, in your mercy, ***hear our prayer.***

We plead on behalf of everyone who struggles with pain, grief, fear, shame, doubt, or despair. We especially lift before you the needs of those we name out loud or silently in our hearts (*allow time for silent or spoken prayers*). Give them courage to cling to you in times of trouble.

Lord, in your mercy, ***hear our prayer.***

Thank you, heavenly Father, for all our beloved dead who clung faithfully to your promise of salvation. Dry our tears and ease our sorrow. By your great mercy, gather us, with all whom your dear Son is pleased to call his bride and his beloved, at the table of that marriage feast which has no end.

Lord, in your mercy, ***hear our prayer.***

P) Graciously hear, and generously answer our prayers, dear Father, in accordance with your wisdom and mercy for us. We pray in the name of your dear Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. ***Amen.***

P) The peace of the Lord be with you all.

**C) And also with you.**

## **SHARING OF THE PEACE**

## **OFFERING**



### **OFFERTORY** *Doxology*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heav'nly host;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. A-men**

## OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together

**Loving God, we give you thanks for the generous gifts you have first given us. May that which we offer to you, come joyfully from our hearts and be pleasing in your sight. Amen.**

## DIALOGUE

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 Him thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right...(pastor continues, concluding with), we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho -  
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -  
est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION



## THE LORD'S PRAYER *(Sung)*

*Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name,*

*Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.*

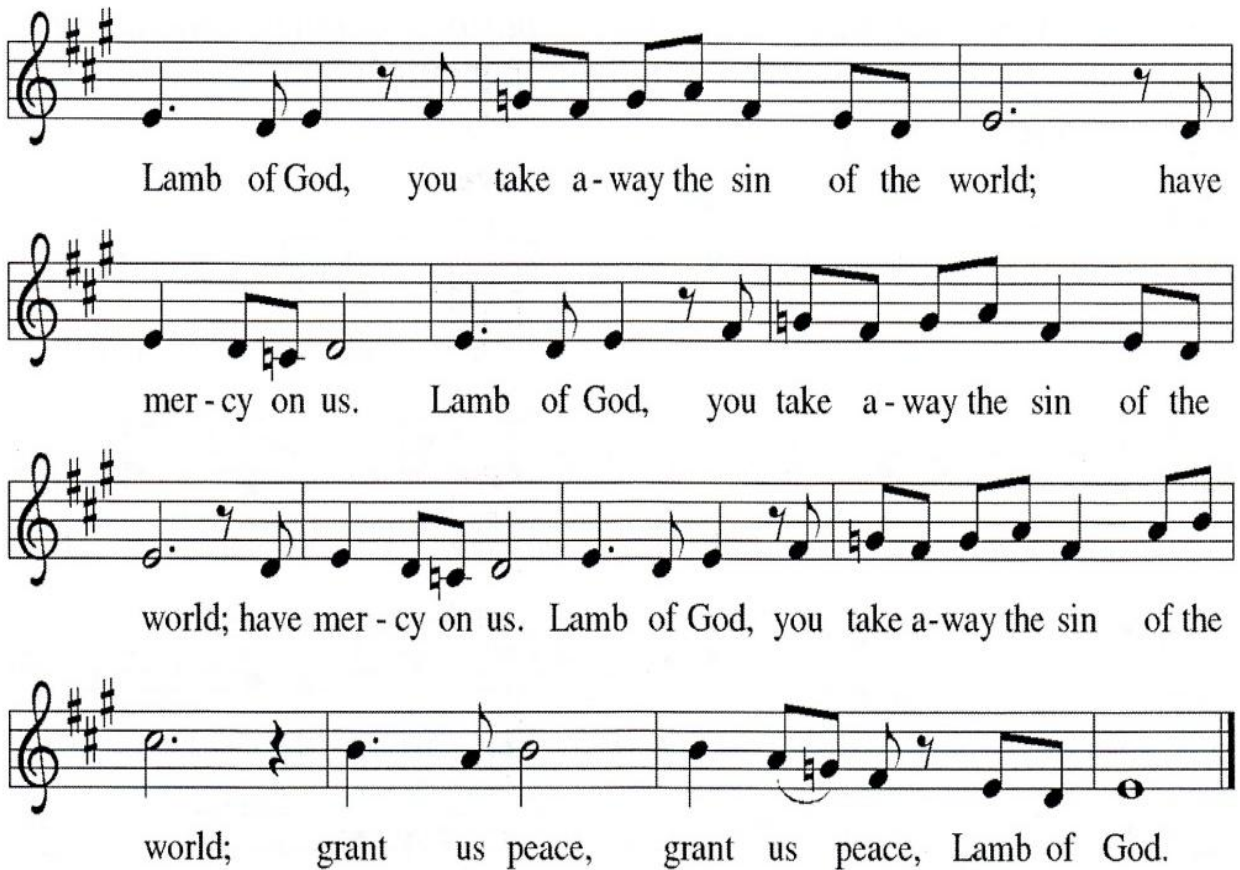
*Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.*

*For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen*



**INVITATION TO COMMUNION** – We believe and teach that Christ is truly present in the bread and wine/juice, which are his body and blood. All are welcome at the Lord's Table (*the red liquid is wine; the white liquid is grape juice*).

### *"Lamb of God"*



The musical notation for "Lamb of God" is written on four staves in G major (one sharp). The melody is simple and repetitive, with lyrics written below each staff. The lyrics are: "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."

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.

# **"One Bread, One Body"**

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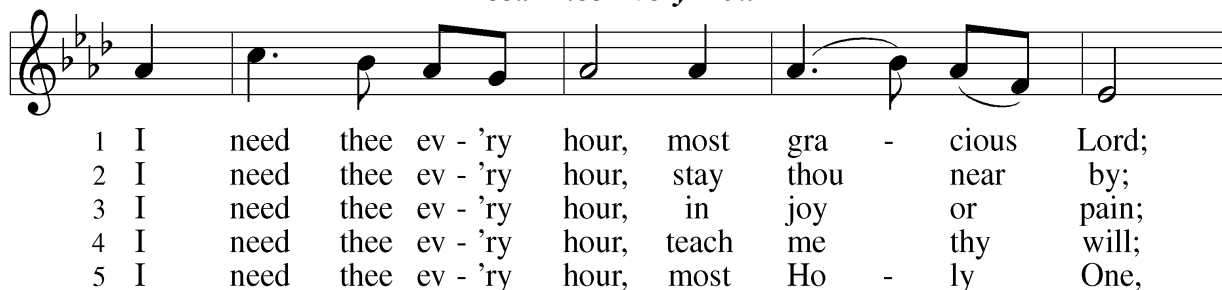
One bread, one bod-y, one Lord of all;  
one cup of bless-ing which we bless, and  
we, though man-y through-out the earth,  
we are one bod-y in this one Lord.

1 Gen - tile or Jew, ser - vant or free,  
2 Man - y the gifts, man - y the works,  
3 Grain for the fields, scat - tered and grown,

wom-an or man, no more.  
one in the Lord of all.  
gath-ered to one for all.

*Refrain*

# **"I Need Thee Every Hour"**



1 I need thee ev - 'ry hour, most gra - cious Lord;  
2 I need thee ev - 'ry hour, stay thou near by;  
3 I need thee ev - 'ry hour, in joy or pain;  
4 I need thee ev - 'ry hour, teach me thy will;  
5 I need thee ev - 'ry hour, most Ho - ly One,

no ten - der voice like thine can peace af - ford.  
temp - ta - tions lose their pow'r when thou art nigh.  
come quick - ly and a - bide, or life is vain.  
and thy rich prom - is - es in me ful - fill.  
oh, make me thine in - deed, thou bless - ed Son.

*Refrain*

I need thee, oh, I need thee, ev - 'ry hour I need thee;  
oh, bless me now, my Sav - ior, I come to thee.



***“Change My Heart, O God” (two times)***

Change my heart, O God. Make it ev - er true.  
Change my heart, O God. May I be like you.  
You are the pot - ter, I am the clay;  
mold me and make me, this is what I pray.  
Change my heart, O God. Make it ev - er true.  
Change my heart, O God. May I be like you.

*"Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart"*

The musical score is written on a single staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of 16 measures. The melody is simple and repetitive, with lyrics written below the notes. The lyrics are: "Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, give thanks to the Ho - ly One, give thanks be - cause he's giv - en Je - sus Christ, his Son. Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, give thanks to the Ho - ly One, give thanks be - cause he's giv - en Je - sus Christ, his Son. And now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am rich," be - cause of what the Lord has done for us. And now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am rich," be - cause of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks!"

Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, give thanks to the Ho - ly One,  
give thanks be - cause he's giv - en Je - sus Christ, his Son.  
Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, give thanks to the Ho - ly One,  
give thanks be - cause he's giv - en Je - sus Christ, his Son.  
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rich," be - cause of what the Lord has done for us. And  
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rich," be - cause of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks!

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER and BLESSING**

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you, and keep you in His grace. *Amen.*

Let us pray together...We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you, and in fervent love toward one another, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*



## SENDING SONG

*"Songs of Thankfulness and Praise"*



1 Songs of thank-ful - ness and praise, Je - sus, Lord, to thee we raise;  
2 Man - i - fest at Jor - dan's stream, Proph-et, Priest, and King su - preme;  
3 Man - i - fest in mak - ing whole Pal - sied limbs and faint - ing soul;  
4 Grant us grace to see thee, Lord, Pres - ent in thy ho - ly Word;



Man - i - fest - ed by the star To the sa - ges from a - far,  
And at Ca - na wed - ding guest In thy God - head man - i - fest;  
Man - i - fest in val - iant fight, Quell - ing all the dev - il's might;  
Grace to im - i - tate thee now And be pure, as pure art thou;



Branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem In thy birth at Beth - le - hem:  
Man - i - fest in pow'r di - vine, Chang - ing wa - ter in - to wine;  
Man - i - fest in gra - cious will, Ev - er bring - ing good from ill:  
That we might be - come like thee At thy great e - piph - a - ny,



An-thems be to thee ad-dressed,  
An-thems be to thee ad-dressed,  
An-thems be to thee ad-dressed, God in flesh made man - i - fest.  
And may praise thee, ev - er blest,

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace, serve the Lord!

**Thanks be to God!**

Rob Aaron – piano ~ Nancy Martin - choir ~ Pr. Gary Heltsley – presiding

### **TODAY'S WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**

**Greeters:** Dianne Baxter & Phyllis Merhaut

**Ushers:** Gary Lorenz & John Lorenz

**Reader:** Rob Aaron      **Barista:** Steve Dixon

**Sacristans:** Bonnie O'Hanlon & Rosemary Wheaton

**Communion Assistants:** Virginia Eastman & Sandi Fleury

**Close Up:** Council Member

**Altar Flowers:** Bonnie O'Hanlon

*(Dedicated to all who are suffering and fighting the Southern California fires)*

**Last Week's Attendance:** 85    **Last Week's Offering:** \$3,041.60

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Welcome to North Bay Lutheran Community Church!** We hope you are blessed today as we worship the Lord together. If you are a visitor, please feel free to fill out an attendance card located in the slot in front of you and drop it in the offering plate. We also invite you to stay for fellowship following our service. We are glad that you're here!

**Gideons International** – We are happy to have with us today, Lance Lindsley from Gideons International to give us an update on their Bible Ministry. There are offering plates in the back for you to give to this ministry as you feel led.

**Annual Donation Reports** - The North Bay Annual Donation Reports to the congregation are complete and ready to be picked up by each member. The box containing the reports are on the table in front of the church office. In February, any that have not been picked up will be delivered to you or mailed.

**Fellowship time** – Today – Grilled cheese and tomato soup. *January 26<sup>th</sup>* – International Dishes (back by popular demand...bring an international dish to share).

**Neighborhood Bible Study** – will meet on **Tuesday, January 21<sup>st</sup> at 12:45 pm.** For more information, please contact Sue Nichols or call the church office.

**Dementia Support Group** will meet on **Wednesday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> at 10:00 am.** For more information, please contact Patty or call the church office.

**The Chosen Viewing** - You are invited to join Pastor Gary to view Season 1 of *The Chosen* on **Wednesday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00 pm.** We will gather in the Fellowship Hall to watch Episode 3 and then have an informal discussion and time to share our thoughts. *All are welcome!*

**Lap Quilts** – All of you who may be interested in making lap quilts to distribute to people in hospitals and/or nursing homes please join us on **Thursday, January 23<sup>rd</sup> at 10:00 am**. For more information, please contact Dixie Carver or Rosemary Wheaton or call the church office.

**Men's Bible Study** - will meet this **Saturday, January 25<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 am** as we continue our study of the Book of Genesis.

**Women of North Bay**, please join us for our **February 7<sup>th</sup>** Women's Ministries Gathering at 10:00 am in the Fellowship Hall. Our theme is "*Sharing Christ's Love through Comfort, Care and Compassion*". Please bring an article or articles of new, warm, comfort clothing such as gloves, mittens, hats, or scarves that we can share with those in need in our community. As always, invite a friend to join you for fantastic fellowship, fun, friendship, and fine comfort food.

**Coming Soon:**

**New Member Sunday** – Have you have been thinking about becoming a member of NBLCC? We would love to have you join us! Contact the office or Pastor Gary for more details.

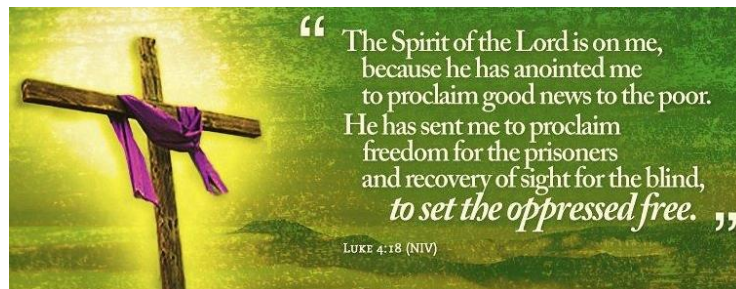
**Office Hours** this week are 9:00 am to 1:00 pm – Monday through Friday.

**Pastor Gary** is in the office Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 9:30 am to noon.

**Prayers** – Please call the church line with your prayer requests, or if you need pastoral care (360) 275-3390.

**READINGS FOR JANUARY 26, 2025**

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10 ~ Psalm 19 ~ 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a  
Luke 4:14-21



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