

# T. Lucas Evangelical Lutheran

# CHURCH AND SCHOOL

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## Second Sunday after the Epiphany

January 15, 2023

#### The Season

The word epiphany means "appearance." In the Season of Epiphany, we watch Jesus begin his public ministry. Jesus makes his first appearances. In those appearances, it quickly becomes clear that this is more than a random carpenter's son. As Jesus appears, we see exactly who he is and what he came to do.

#### The Series

January 7 & 8 Jesus Appears – As the Anointed One **January 14 & 15 Jesus Appears – As the Lamb of God** January 21 & 22 Jesus Appears – As the Light in the Darkness

## The Sunday

This week we see the Lamb that God himself provided to take away the sin of the world. This was the Lamb that God himself would sacrifice. In the great act that would remove our condemnation, the Messiah took our sins, stood in our place, and died as the substitute for sinful mankind. This was the fulfillment of the entire sacrificial system. Every lamb and goat and bird pointed to God's Lamb who takes away our sin.

## **Prayer before Worship**

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

I thank you, loving Lord, for cleansing me of my sins and adopting me into your family through the miracle of Holy Baptism. As I worship today, help me remember what my baptism means to me. Lead me to feel genuine sorrow for my sins and empower me to put down the sinful nature that still lives in me. Lift me up as I hear your promise of forgiveness and give me strength to live a life pleasing to you. Amen

## **Serving in Worship**

Presiding Minister: Pastor Timothy Henning

Organist: Coralee Henning Ushers: Kevin Kempf (8:00 am) Jonathan Koch (10:30 am) Praise Be to Christ CW 530



- 1 Praise be to Christ in whom we see the im-age of the
- 2 Praise be to him whose sov-'reign sway and will up-holds cre-
- 3 Praise be to him who, Lord Most High, the full-ness of th



Fa - ther shown, the first-born Son re - vealed and known, the truth and a - tion's plan; who is, be - fore all worlds be - gan and when our God-head shares; and yet our hu-man na - ture bears, who came as



grace of de - i - ty; through whom cre - a - tion came to birth, world has passed a - way: Lord of the Church, its life and head, man to bleed and die. And from his cross there flows our peace



whose fin - gers set the stars in place, the un - seen pow'rs, and re - demp-tion's price and source and theme, a - live, the first - born who chose for us the path he trod, that so might sins and



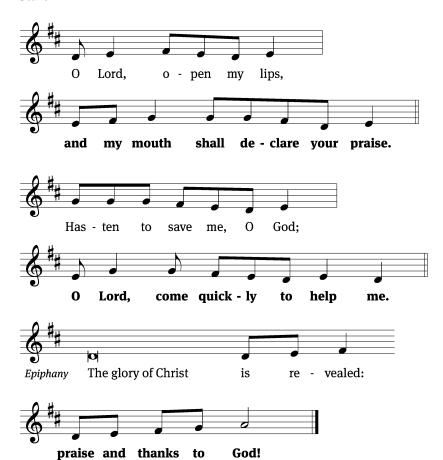
this small earth, the fur - thest bounds of time and space. the dead, reign all - in all su - preme. from to as sor - rows cease and all be rec - on - ciled God. to

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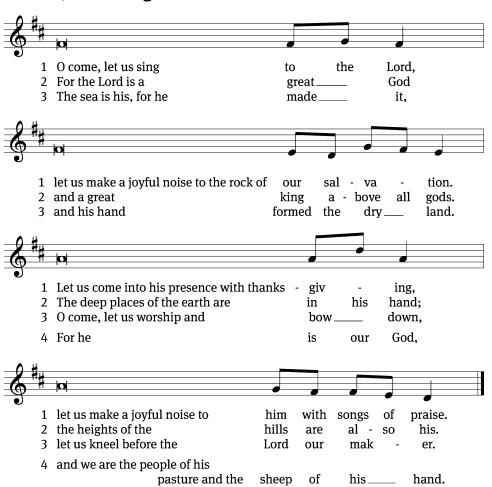
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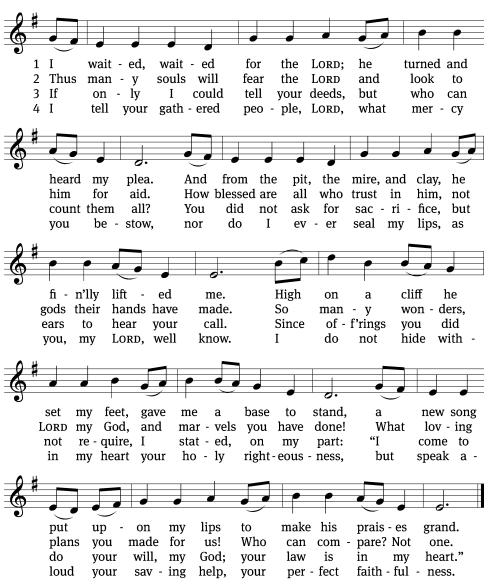
## O Come, Let Us Sing to the Lord

CW 208



Be seated

## Psalm of the Day



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First Reading Isaiah 49:1–6

<sup>1</sup>Listen to me, you islands; hear this, you distant nations: Before I was born the LORD called me; from my mother's womb he has spoken my name. <sup>2</sup>He made my mouth like a sharpened sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me into a polished arrow and concealed me in his quiver. <sup>3</sup>He said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will display my splendor." <sup>4</sup>But I said, "I have labored in vain; I have spent my strength for nothing at all. Yet what is due me is in the LORD's hand, and my reward is with my God." <sup>5</sup>And now the LORD says he who formed me in the womb to be his servant to bring Jacob back to him and gather Israel to himself, for I am honored in the eyes of the LORD and my God has been my strength— <sup>6</sup>he says: "It is too small a thing for you to be my servant to restore the tribes of Jacob and bring back those of Israel I have kept. I will also make you a light for the Gentiles, that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth."

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

<sup>6</sup>So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him, <sup>7</sup>rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness.

<sup>8</sup>See to it that no one takes you captive through hollow and deceptive philosophy, which depends on human tradition and the elemental spiritual forces of this world rather than on Christ.

<sup>9</sup>For in Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form, <sup>10</sup>and in Christ you have been brought to fullness. He is the head over every power and authority. <sup>11</sup>In him you were also circumcised with a circumcision not performed by human hands. Your whole self ruled by the flesh was put off when you were circumcised by Christ, <sup>12</sup>having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through your faith in the working of God, who raised him from the dead.

<sup>13</sup>When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, <sup>14</sup>having canceled the charge of our legal indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us; he has taken it away, nailing it to the cross. <sup>15</sup>And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

Gospel John 1:29–41

<sup>29</sup>The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! <sup>30</sup>This is the one I meant when I said, 'A man who comes after me has surpassed me because he was before me.' <sup>31</sup>I myself did not know him, but the reason I came baptizing with water was that he might be revealed to Israel."

<sup>32</sup>Then John gave this testimony: "I saw the Spirit come down from heaven as a dove and remain on him. <sup>33</sup>And I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water told me, 'The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and remain is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.' <sup>34</sup>I have seen and I testify that this is God's Chosen One."

<sup>35</sup>The next day John was there again with two of his disciples. <sup>36</sup>When he saw Jesus passing by, he said, "Look, the Lamb of God!"

<sup>37</sup>When the two disciples heard him say this, they followed Jesus. <sup>38</sup>Turning around, Jesus saw them following and asked, "What do you want?"

They said, "Rabbi" (which means "Teacher"), "where are you staying?"

<sup>39</sup>"Come," he replied, "and you will see."

So they went and saw where he was staying, and they spent that day with him. It was about four in the afternoon.

<sup>40</sup>Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, was one of the two who heard what John had said and who had followed Jesus. <sup>41</sup>The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon and tell him, "We have found the Messiah" (that is, the Christ).

The Gospel of the Lord.

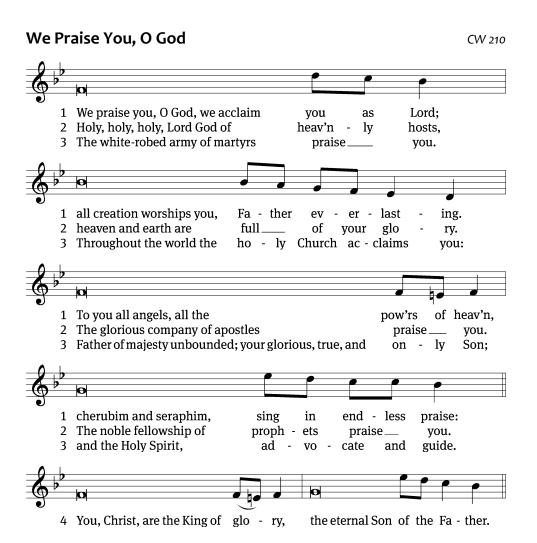
#### Praise be to you, O Christ!

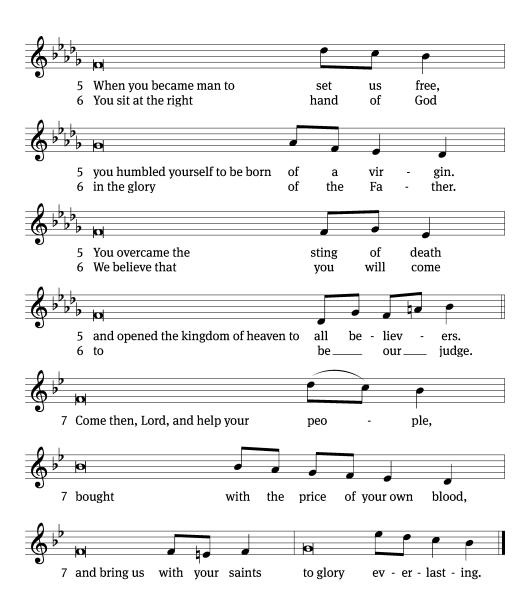
Be Seated



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Stand







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

# **Prayer of the Day**

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you gave your one and only Son to be the light of the world. Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and believed to the ends of the earth; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

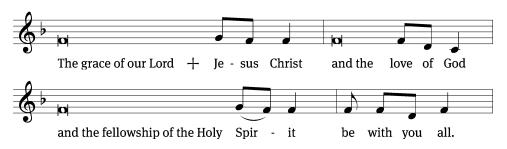
O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, you have brought us safely to this new day. Defend us with your mighty power, and grant that this day we neither fall into sin nor run into any kind of danger. And in all we do, direct us to what is right in your sight; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

Amen.

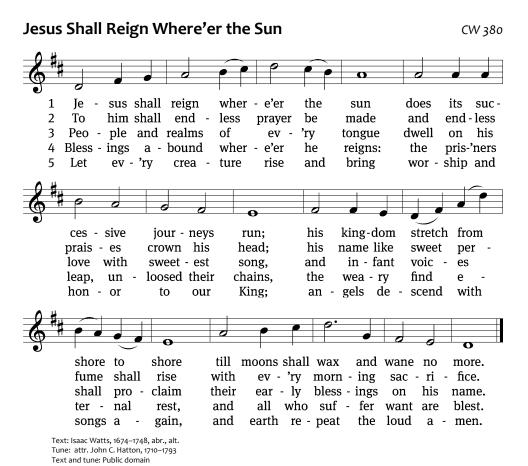
## **Lord's Prayer**

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.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.









Morning Prayer from Christian Worship

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#### **Announcements**

**Dear St. Lucas Family**, Thank you for your continual prayers as I deliberated my call to St. Matthew's in Winona. I always appreciate the love and support that the congregation and families of St. Lucas show me. While I can see why our Lord would lead St. Matthew's to call me, I recognize that God still has work for me to do at St. Lucas, and I have decided to decline my call to St. Matthews.

I look forward to the blessings God has in store for St. Lucas and the continued work we can do together. "Many are the plans in a person's heart, but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails," (Proverbs 19:21).

In Christ, Mark A. Hesse

January Calendar Corrections The WELS Leadership Conference in Chicago is January 16-18, not January 23-25. Pastor Henning will be attending. This means there will not be Bible Study on January 17, but there will be Bible Study on January 24. On Wednesday, January 18 there will not be Public School Catechism class, but there will be class on January 25.

### **Capital Campaign Kick-off Events**

Saturday, January 21 and Sunday, January 22 — Capital Campaign Public Phase kicks off with presentations at services. The public phase continues for five weekends, with information being shared weekly.

Sunday, January 29 - Presentation of building plans between services.

**A new round of midweek Bible study** Tuesday at 6:30 pm, and Thursday at 10:00 am - *Irreconcilable: A Study of the Pharisees and Their Conflict With Jesus* .

**Lutheran Memorial Park Annual Lot Holders Meeting** will be held on Monday, January 23, 2022, at 6:30pm in the St. Lucas School Meeting Room. Anyone interested in serving on the Cemetery Board, please contact Joyce Kral at 262-626-2725.

# Celebrating God's blessings this week

## **Birthdays**

Austin Ksioszk 14 Austin Nagel 14 Cassie Wolter 14 Audra Beyer 18 Gary Hostettler 18

#### Calendar

Readings for Jan. 16-22

Saturday: Ezekiel 36:33-37:14 Romans 5:1-21 Usher: Butzke

Capital Campaign Rollout 10 am

Worship 6 pm

Sunday: Ezekiel 37:15-28 Romans 6:1-23 Ushers: Kempf 8 am

Worship 8 or 10:30 am Koch 10:30 am

Bible Hour & Sunday School 9:15 am

Monday: Ezekiel 38:1-23 Romans 7:1-20

WELS Leadership Conference

Tuesday: Ezekiel 39:1-10,17-29 Romans 7:21-8:17

WELS Leadership Conference

No Bible Study 6:30 pm

Wednesday: Ezekiel 40:1-4; 43:1-12 Ezekiel 40:5-42:20; 43:13-27 Romans 8:18-39

**WELS Leadership Conference** 

No Public School Catechism class 3:30-5:00 pm

Thursday: Ezekiel 44:1-16, 23-29 Romans 9:1-18

Bible Study 10:00 am Ladies Guild 6:30 pm

Friday: *Ezekiel* 47:1-14,21-23 *Romans* 9:19-33

School Chapel Service 7:45 am

Saturday: Joel 1:1-20 Romans 10:1-21 Usher: Peters

Worship 6:00 pm w/Communion

Sunday: Joel 2:1-17 Romans 11:1-24 Ushers : Stoltz 8 am

Worship 8 or 10:30 am w/Communion Wolter 10:30 am

Bible Hour & Sunday School 9:15 am

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