

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany

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**P** In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen**

**P** 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.

**C Amen**

**P** 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.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

**P** Most merciful God,

**C 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**

**P** Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen**

**GATHERING HYMN:** [ELW#641 - "All Are Welcome"](#)

**P** The boundless grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the wisdom of God, and the light of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C** And also with you.

**HYMN OF PRAISE:** [This is the Feast](#)



**A** This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia.



**B** Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



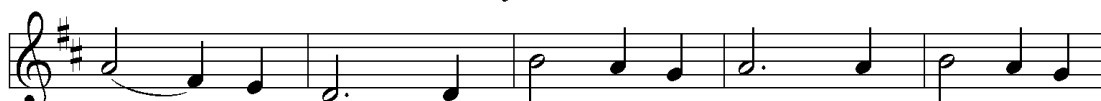
free to be peo-ple of God. Pow-er and rich-es and wis-dom and



strength, and hon-or and bless-ing and glo-ry are his.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia.



Sing with all the peo-ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing and hon-or and glo-ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men.

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain  
has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Let us pray. Blessed Lord God, you have caused the holy scriptures to be written for the nourishment of your people. Grant that we may hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that, comforted by your promises, we may embrace and forever hold fast to the hope of eternal life, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C** **Amen**

*Please be seated.*

## **PSALM 19**

**L** <sup>1</sup>The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky proclaims its maker's handiwork.

**C** <sup>2</sup>**One day tells its tale to another, and one night imparts knowledge to another.**

**L** <sup>3</sup>Although they have no words or language, and their voices are not heard,

**C** <sup>4</sup>**their sound has gone out into all lands, and their message to the ends of the world, where God has pitched a tent for the sun.**

**L** <sup>5</sup>It comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;  
it rejoices like a champion to run its course.

**C** <sup>6</sup>**It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of it again; nothing is hidden from its burning heat.**

**L** <sup>7</sup>The teaching of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul;  
the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom to the simple.

**C** <sup>8</sup>**The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart;**

**the commandment of the Lord is clear and gives light to the eyes.**

- L <sup>9</sup>The fear of the Lord is clean and endures forever;  
the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.
- C <sup>10</sup>**More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold,  
sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.**
- L <sup>11</sup>By them also is your servant enlightened,  
and in keeping them there is great reward.
- C <sup>12</sup>**Who can detect one's own offenses? Cleanse me from my secret faults.**
- L <sup>13</sup>Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion  
over me; then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.
- C <sup>14</sup>**Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in  
your sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.**

#### **LUKE 4:14-30**

- L A reading from the Gospel according to Luke: <sup>14</sup>Then Jesus, in the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding region. <sup>15</sup>He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.
- <sup>16</sup>When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, <sup>17</sup>and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: <sup>18</sup>"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set free those who are oppressed, <sup>19</sup>to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."
- <sup>20</sup>And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. <sup>21</sup>Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." <sup>22</sup>All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, "Is this not Joseph's son?" <sup>23</sup>He said to them, "Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb,

'Doctor, cure yourself!' And you will say, 'Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.'" <sup>24</sup>And he said, "Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in his hometown. <sup>25</sup>But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months and there was a severe famine over all the land, <sup>26</sup>yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. <sup>27</sup>There were also many with a skin disease in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian." <sup>28</sup>When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. <sup>29</sup>They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. <sup>30</sup>But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

- L The Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

**HYMN OF THE DAY:** [ELW#671 - "God, Whose Almighty Word"](#)

**SERMON:** [\(Sermon Audio Link\)](#)

**Pastor Greg's Context-O-Meter for the Gospel of Luke**

<b>WE ARE HERE</b>	The Prologue	1:1–4
	The Infancy Narratives	1:5–2:52
	Preparation for the Ministry of Jesus	3:1–4:15
	The Ministry of Jesus in Galilee	4:16–9:50
	The Journey to Jerusalem	9:51–19:27
	The Ministry of Jesus in Jerusalem	19:28–21:38
	The Suffering and Death of Jesus	22:1–23:56
	The Resurrection of Jesus	24:1–53

*Please stand, as you are able.*

- P Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.
- C 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**

- L** With the Spirit of Christ shining upon us, let us boldly pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

*A brief silence.*

- L** As your word is opened in our midst, we give thanks for all who share scripture: for parents, grandparents, and godparents; teachers and mentors; deacons, pastors, bishops, and scholars. Inspire passion for the stories of faith. God of grace,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

- L** As heavens declare your glory and the sky proclaims your work, we lift our voices in awe of quarks and atoms, vast stars and solar systems. Guide us to speak on behalf of your handiwork. God of grace,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

- L** As Jesus proclaimed life and freedom in his community, energize communities and nations to eliminate poverty, engage in prison ministry and transformative justice, and envision new ways of working together for your promised reign. God of grace,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

- L** As your word and presence revive the soul, accompany all experiencing depression, anxiety, or eating disorders; be a source of strength for all affected by memory loss and their caregivers; draw near to all undergoing medical treatment or surgery. We pray for Heidi Brackbill, Rebecca Brennan, Michelle Drayson, the Elshafei family, Jeff Fultz, Mark Hughes, Kaitlyn Leedy, Charlotte Leer, Wendy Neumann, Rick Newman,

Peter Olsen, Dottie Reitz, Claudia Schober, D. J. Singer, Jack Smith, the Spiegler family, Esther Trautwein, and Pastor Jack. God of grace,

**C hear our prayer.**

**L** As we are made one body in baptism, strengthen all who serve. Renew and inspire all who use their gifts in this congregation, community, and the world. God of grace,

**C hear our prayer.**

**L** As our faith is strengthened by saints who have gone before us, we remember leaders of the early church, and beloved friends and family who have died. God of grace,

**C hear our prayer.**

**L** We entrust our prayers to you, O God, in the sure and certain hope that your promise is revealed among the people.

**C Amen**

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C And also with you.**

**OFFERING\*:** ([On-Line giving Link](#))

*The Offering is received and is presented at the altar.*

**RESPONSE:** ["Create in Me"](#)

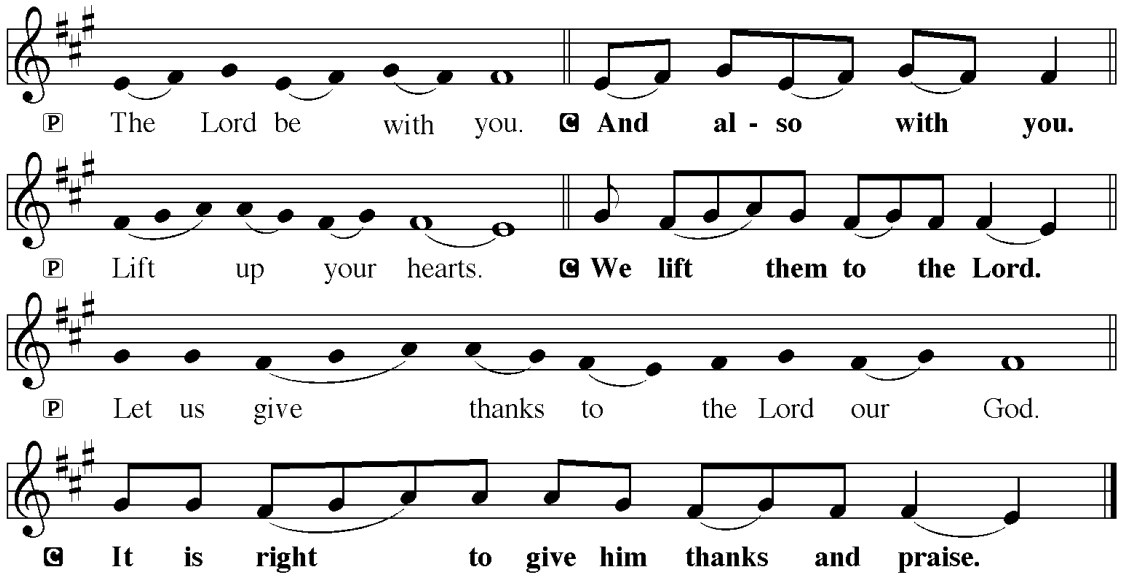
Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right spir -  
it with-in me. Cast me not a-way from your pres-ence, and take

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a 7-measure rest. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are written below the staff. The second staff continues the melody with similar note values and rests, also with lyrics written below.



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.

**P** Let us pray. Merciful Father,  
**C** we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us - ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen



**P** The Lord be with you. **C** And al - so 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 him thanks and praise.

*The thanksgiving continues with the preface; the congregation responds:*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r 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.

**P** Blessed are you, O holy God: you are the Life and Light of all. By your powerful word you created all things. Through the prophets you called your people to be a light to the nations. Blessed are you for Jesus, your Son. He is your Light, shining in our darkness and revealing to us your mercy and might.

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.

Remembering, therefore, his preaching and healing, his dying and rising, and his promise to come again, we await that day when all the universe will rejoice in your holy and life-giving light. By your Spirit bless us and this meal, that, refreshed with this heavenly food, we may be light for the world, revealing the brilliance of your Son. Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.


**C** Amen


P Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:  
 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**


P The gifts of God for the people of God. Come, for the table is now ready.  
 C **Thanks be to God.**

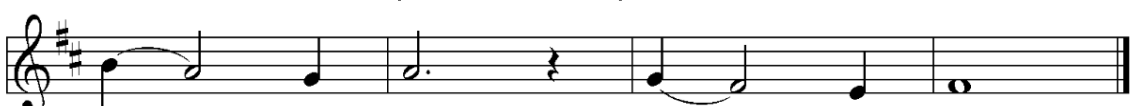
*After all have communed, the following is sung:*

**RESPONSE: ["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.**

*Please stand, as you are able.*

**P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**C** Amen



**☒** Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



Let ev-'ry-one who seeks the Lord re-joice and proud-ly bear his name.



He re-calls his prom-is-es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.

**P** Let us pray. Almighty God, you gave your Son both as a sacrifice for sin and a model of the godly life. Enable us to receive him always with thanksgiving, and to conform our lives to his; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C** Amen

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

**C** Amen

**SENDING HYMN:** [ELW#580 - "How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord"](#)

**P** Go in peace. Serve the risen Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

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### Calendar

- Sunday, Feb 2, 2025 – 1:00pm – Lady Terps Basketball

### Upcoming Worship

<b>Date</b>	<b>Liturgical Day</b>	<b>Preaching Text</b>	<b>Worship Leader(s)</b>
January 19	2 Epiphany	Luke 4:14-30	Ron
January 26	3 Epiphany	Luke 5:1-11	Monica
February 2	4 Epiphany	Luke 6:1-16	Heidi and Bob
February 9	5 Epiphany	Luke 7:1-17	Julie and Dave
February 16	6 Epiphany	Luke 7:18-35	Ron
February 23	7 Epiphany	Luke 7:36-50	Monica
March 2	Transfiguration	Luke 9:28-45	Heidi and Bob
March 5	Ash Wednesday	Luke 9:51-62	Pastor Greg

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