



## **Fourth Sunday of Epiphany**

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church  
500 South Wayne Avenue  
Waynesboro, VA 22980

**February 2, 2020**

**“ A Community of Servants Sharing in the  
Word and Work of Jesus”**

# Holy Communion

(Based on Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Setting Five)

**Congregational responses are in bold print**

*Welcome to Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church! There are four key parts to our Worship Service: we **GATHER** before our God to prepare to worship, and bring ourselves and all that we are before God. Then we hear the **WORD** of God; we share the four Bible Readings with at least one billion other Christians around the world each Sunday! And we hear that word proclaimed through the Sermon, confess our faith in the God whose Grace we hear about in the Word, and offer our prayers to God, for the sake of the Church, the World, and each other in our needs and joys. We then share in the **MEAL** of Holy Communion, offering ourselves and what we have to God, and then discovering God's love and forgiveness as we receive Christ's Body and Blood through the bread and wine. Finally we are **SENT**, the shortest but perhaps most important part of worship, because it is **THEN** that we live out our Faith and what we believe about God's Grace and Love, and how it makes us a blessing in this world as we share it.*

*During worship, you'll notice parts of the service in regular type, which are spoken/prayed by various worship leaders. Then there are parts the you and the rest of the congregation respond and/or pray in **bold type**. All of us are participants as we worship God! When asked to **stand**, please do so as you are able. As Jesus welcomed all in the crowds who gathered around him, so he welcomes us.*

## Gathering

### Gloria Patri

*Congregation and Choir Sing*

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. World without end. Amen.**

### Welcome and Announcements

*The congregation stands.*

### Prelude

*Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination.*

## **Confession and Forgiveness**

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, † one God,  
the eternal voice from heaven,  
the anointed and beloved one,  
the Spirit moving over the waters.

**Amen.**

As we approach the mystery of God, let us come in confession,  
trusting the love of Christ crucified and risen.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

God who searches us and knows us,  
**you have shown us what is good,  
but we have looked to other lights to find our way.  
We have not been just in our dealings with others.  
We have chosen revenge over mercy.  
We have promoted ourselves  
instead of walking humbly with you.  
With what shall we come before you?  
Forgive us our sin,  
and show us your salvation  
in the face of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

Beloved of God,  
you have not received the spirit of the world,  
but the Spirit that is from God,  
poured out for you in the faithfulness of Jesus Christ.  
Receive the promise of baptism:  
You are God's child; † your sins are forgiven.  
Rejoice and be glad, for yours is the reign of heaven.  
**Amen.**

**Gathering Song: "We Are Called"**

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# We Are Called



1 Come! Live in the light! Shine with the joy and the love of the  
2 Come! O - pen your heart! Show your . . mer - cy to all those in  
3 Sing! Sing a new song! Sing of that great day when all will be



Lord! We are called to be light for the king - dom, to  
fear! We are called to be hope for the hope - less so  
one! God will reign, and we'll walk with each oth - er as



live in the free - dom of the cit - y of God.  
ha - tred and blind - ness . . . will be . . . no more.  
sis - ters and broth - ers . . . u - nit - ed in love.



We are called to act with jus - tice, we are called to



love ten - der - ly; we are called to serve one an -



oth - er, to walk hum - bly with God.

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Music: WE ARE CALLED, David Haas

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## 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



**A** Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son:    **C** Lord, have mer - cy.  
*Lord, . . . . have mer - cy:*



**A** Chri - ste e - le - i - son:    **C** Christ, have mer - cy.  
*Christ, . . . . have mer - cy:*



**A** Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son:    **C** Lord, have mer - cy.  
*Lord, . . . . have mer - cy:*

## HYMN OF PRAISE

*The Hymn of Praise or another appropriate hymn may be sung.*



☐ Glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



① Lord God, heav-en - ly king, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



☐ Glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



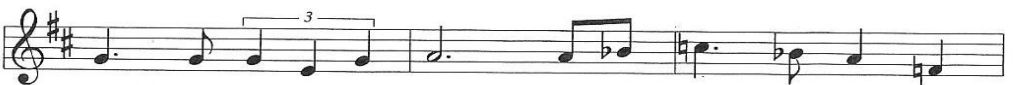
glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



② Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,



Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the



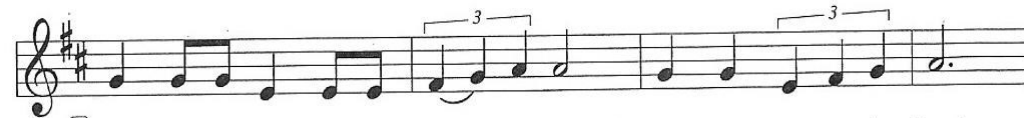
right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



☐ Glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



I For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,  
II



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.



☐ Glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth,



and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

## **Prayer of the Day**

*A brief silence is kept before the prayer.*

Let us pray.

Holy God, you confound the world's wisdom in giving your kingdom to the lowly and the pure in heart. Give us such a hunger and thirst for justice, and perseverance in striving for peace, that in our words and deeds the world may see the life of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen**

*The congregation is seated.*

## **Word**

### **First Reading: Micah 6:1-8**

A reading from Micah:

<sup>1</sup>Hear what the LORD says: Rise, plead your case before the mountains,  
and let the hills hear your voice.

<sup>2</sup>Hear, you mountains, the controversy of the LORD, and you enduring foundations of the earth;  
for the LORD has a controversy with his people, and he will contend with Israel.

<sup>3</sup>“O my people, what have I done to you? In what have I wearied you? Answer me!

<sup>4</sup>For I brought you up from the land of Egypt, and redeemed you from the house of slavery;  
and I sent before you Moses, Aaron, and Miriam.

<sup>5</sup>O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised,  
what Balaam son of Beor answered him, and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal,  
that you may know the saving acts of the LORD.”

<sup>6</sup>“With what shall I come before the LORD, and bow myself before God on high?

Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old?

<sup>7</sup>Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil?  
Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?”

<sup>8</sup>He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you  
but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**



### **Psalm: Psalm 15**

<sup>1</sup>LORD, who may dwell in your tabernacle?

Who may abide upon your holy hill?

<sup>2</sup>**Those who lead a blameless life and do what is right,  
who speak the truth from their heart;**

<sup>3</sup>they do not slander with the tongue, they do no evil to their friends;  
they do not cast discredit upon a neighbor.

<sup>4</sup>**In their sight the wicked are rejected, but they honor those who fear the LORD.  
They have sworn upon their health and do not take back their word.**

<sup>5</sup>They do not give their money in hope of gain, nor do they take bribes against the innocent.  
Those who do these things shall never be overthrown.

### **Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:18-31**

A reading from 1 Corinthians:

<sup>18</sup>The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. <sup>19</sup>For it is written,

“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.”

<sup>20</sup>Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? <sup>21</sup>For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. <sup>22</sup>For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, <sup>23</sup>but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, <sup>24</sup>but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. <sup>25</sup>For God’s foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God’s weakness is stronger than human strength.

<sup>26</sup>Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. <sup>27</sup>But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; <sup>28</sup>God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, <sup>29</sup>so that no one might boast in the presence of God. <sup>30</sup>He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, <sup>31</sup>in order that, as it is written, “Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.”

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation

*The congregation stands.*



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

Al - le - lu - ia. You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

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

## Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12

The holy gospel according to Matthew:

### **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. <sup>2</sup>Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

<sup>3</sup>"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>4</sup>"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

<sup>5</sup>"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

<sup>6</sup>"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

<sup>7</sup>"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

<sup>8</sup>"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

<sup>9</sup>"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

<sup>10</sup>"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>11</sup>"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. <sup>12</sup>Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

The gospel of the Lord.

### **Praise to you, O Christ.**

*The congregation is seated.*

### **Children's Sermon**

**Pastor Paul Pingel**

*Following the Children's Sermon, children ages 3-9 are invited to attend Children's Church, which is held on the same floor as this worship space in the Library, and Chapel. Here the children will learn more about the same Bible readings as were heard in worship, and will be taught songs and about the way we worship. Children's Church will return to worship around the time of the Sharing of the Peace, in order to take part in Holy Communion.*

*NOTE: The Nursery is available for children age 5 and under as the Worship Service begins. Children under 5 not attending Children's Church will have the Nursery available throughout the Worship Service. (As always, parents may choose to have their children remain with them in worship.) Children 10 and over will join in regular Worship.*

### **Sermon**

**Pastor Paul Pingel**

*Silence for reflection follows the sermon.*

**Hymn of the Day: "Blest Are They"**

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# Blest Are They

Leader or All

1 Blest are they, the poor in spir - it; theirs is the  
 2 Blest are they, the low - ly ones; . . . they shall in -  
 3 Blest are they . . . . . who show mer - cy; mer - cy  
 4 Blest are they . . . . . who seek peace; . . they are the  
 5 Blest are you who suf - fer hate, . . . all . . . be -

king - dom of God. Blest are they,  
 her - it the earth. Blest are they, who  
 shall . . . be theirs. Blest are they, the  
 chil - dren of God. Blest are they, who  
 cause . . . of me. Re - joice, be glad,

full of sor - row; they shall be con - soled.  
 hun - ger and thirst; they shall have their fill.  
 pure of heart; they . . . . . shall see God.  
 suf - fer in faith; the glo - ry of God is theirs.  
 yours is the king - dom; shine for all to see.

*Refrain*  
 All

Re - joice and be glad!

Bless - ed are you, ho - ly are you!

Re - joice and be glad!

Yours is the king - dom of God!

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### **Apostle's Creed**

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ,**

**God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come 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**

*A brief silence.*

Trusting that God hears us, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

*Each portion of the prayers end with these or similar words*

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

Confident that you are able to accomplish more than we even dare to ask, we bring these prayers before you, believing in your saving grace revealed in Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

*The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, saying, "Peace be with you"*

*The congregation is seated.*

## **Meal**

### Offering

*An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need.*

*Please place visitor cards and communion cards in the offering plate.*

### Anthem

*The congregation stands*

*The Ushers bring the offering to the Altar, as we sing*

### Offertory: "Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful"

Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of  
bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were  
sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.  
Gath - er the hopes and dreams of all; u - nite them with the prayers we  
of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,  
Lord, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

### Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

**God of wonder,  
you formed us in our mother's womb,  
and from mother earth you bring forth this bread and wine.  
We place them on your table,  
together with our lives and all that you have made.  
Open the heavens to us and pour out your Spirit.  
We wait for your mercy;  
we long for your peace;  
we hunger and thirst for Jesus Christ,  
our banquet of life.  
Amen.**

### Great Thanksgiving

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 our thanks and praise.**

### Preface

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

### Holy, Holy, Holy

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and  
might, heav - en 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. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The musical score is written on five staves in a single system. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The first staff contains the lyrics 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and'. The second staff continues with 'might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.'. The third staff starts with 'Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who'. The fourth staff continues with 'comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the'. The fifth and final staff concludes with 'high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.' and ends with a double bar line.

### Thanksgiving at the Table

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.



### **Lord's Prayer**

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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.**

### **Invitation to Communion**

Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!  
Come to the table of mercy and joy.

**Thanks Be To God.**

*The congregation may be seated.*

### **Holy Communion**

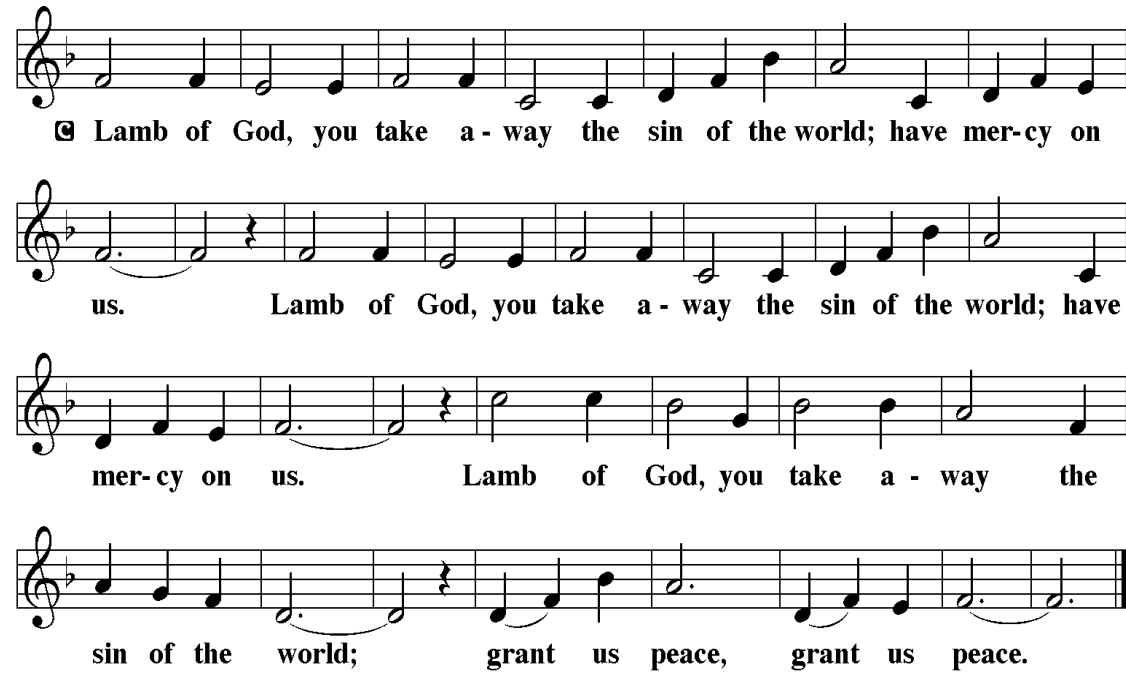
*OUR LORD BIDS YOU WELCOME TO THIS HOLY MEAL! At the table of our Lord Jesus Christ, God nourishes faith, forgives sin, and calls us to be witnesses to the Gospel. Here we receive Christ's body and blood and God's gifts of forgiveness of sin, life, and salvation to be received by faith for the strengthening of faith. In this sacrament the crucified and risen Christ is present, giving his true body and blood as food and drink. This real presence is a mystery. Admission to the Sacrament is by invitation of the Lord — regardless of Church denomination — to those who are baptized. (Taken from the ELCA statement on worship. The Use and Means of Grace ©1997)*

**Communion Distribution:** *One communion team will serve the left side of the nave; another team will serve those on the right. You are invited to come to the altar by the center aisle; take an empty individual glass (or filled grape juice glass) available at the railing, and proceed to the railing, filling in from the center out toward the side aisle. As you receive the bread and wine, the following is announced: :*

The body of Christ, given for you.  
The blood of Christ, shed for you.

**Amen.**

*As the ministers commune the congregation may sing the following:*



**☐** 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.

**Communion Hymns:**

*"In the Cross of Christ I Glory"*

**Hymn #324, Page 19**

*"Bread of Life From Heaven"*

**Hymn #474, Page 20**

*"Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether"*

**Hymn #470, Page 21**

*After all have returned to their places, the congregation stands.*

## In the Cross of Christ I Glory

1 In the cross of Christ I glo - ry, tow'r - ing  
 2 When the woes of life o'er - take me, hopes de -  
 3 When the sun of bliss is beam - ing light and  
 4 Bane and bless - ing, pain and plea - sure, by the

o'er the wrecks of time. All the light of  
 ceive, and fears an - noy, nev - er shall the  
 love up - on my way, from the cross the  
 cross are sanc - ti - fied; peace is there that

sa - cred sto - ry gath - ers round its head sub - lime.  
 cross for - sake me; lo, it glows with peace and joy.  
 ra - diance stream - ing adds more lus - ter to the day.  
 knows no mea - sure, joys that through all time a - bide.

Text: John Bowring, 1792-1872  
 Music: RATHBUN, Ithamar Conkey, 1815-1867

# Bread of Life from Heaven

*Refrain*

Bread of life from heav-en, your blood and bod - y giv - en,

we eat this bread and drink this cup un - til you come a - gain.

- 1 Break now the bread of Christ's sac - ri - fice; giv - ing
- 2 Seek not the food that will pass a - way; set your
- 3 Love as the one who, in love for you, gave him -
- 4 Dwell in the one who now dwells in you; make your -
- 5 Drink of this cup and de - clare his death; eat this

thanks, hun - gry ones, gath - er round. Eat, all of you, and be  
 hearts on the food that en - dures. Come, learn the true and the  
 self for the life of the world. Come to the one who is  
 home in the life - giv - ing Word. Know on - ly Christ, Ho - ly  
 bread and be - lieve Eas - ter morn; trust his re - turn and, with

sat - is - fied; in Christ's pres - ence the loaves will a - bound.  
 liv - ing way, that the full - ness of life may be yours.  
 food for you, that your hun - ger and thirst be no more.  
 One of God, and be - lieve in the truth you have heard.  
 ev - 'ry breath, praise the one in whom you are re - born.

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 Music: ARGENTINE SANTO | BREAK NOW THE BREAD, Argentine traditional, refrain; Marty Haugen, b. 1950, stanzas  
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## Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether

1 Draw us in the Spir-it's teth - er, for when hum - bly  
 2 As dis - ci - ples used to gath - er in the name of  
 3 All our meals and all our liv - ing make as sac - ra -

in your name two or three are met to - geth - er,  
 Christ to sup, then with thanks to God the giv - er  
 ments of you, that by car - ing, help-ing, giv - ing,

you are in the midst of them. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 break the bread and bless the cup, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 we may be dis - ci - ples true. Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia! Touch we now your gar - ment's hem.  
 Al - le - lu - ia! so now bind our friend - ship up.  
 Al - le - lu - ia! We will serve with faith a - new.

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### **The Communion Blessing**

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

### **Prayer after Communion**

Let us pray.

**Faithful God, you have kept your promise to us in this meal, nourishing us with the gift of salvation. Now send your servants forth in peace, that we may testify to your goodness and share the hope that is ours in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.  
Amen.**

### **Sending**

*Communion ministers may be sent to take the sacrament from this gathering to those who are absent. The presiding minister may say this or a similar prayer of sending.*

Gracious God, you took the form of a servant, offering yourself as food, comfort, and strength to a sick and hurting world. Anoint with a servant heart those who take your word and Sacrament to our sisters and brothers. Grant grace, mercy, healing, and hope to those who feast on your body and blood and receive your words of new life. May we all recognize that we have a place and a home in the body of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**Amen.**

### **Blessing**

May Christ, the wisdom and power of God, and the source of our life together, keep you united in mind and purpose. And the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the ✝ Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you always.

**Amen.**

**Sending Song:** “*Savior, Again to Your Dear Name*”

**Hymn #534, Page 23**

### **Dismissal**

Go in peace. Let your light shine!  
**Thanks be to God.**

### **Postlude**

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## Savior, Again to Your Dear Name

1 Sav - ior, a - gain to your dear name we raise  
 2 Grant us your peace up - on our home - ward way;  
 3 Grant us your peace, Lord, through the com - ing night;  
 4 Grant us your peace through - out our earth - ly life,

with one ac - cord our part - ing hymn of praise;  
 with you be - gan, with you shall end the day;  
 for us trans - form its dark - ness in - to light.  
 our balm in sor - row, and our stay in strife;

once more we bless you ere our wor - ship cease,  
 guard all the lips from sin, the hearts from shame,  
 Keep us from harm and dan - ger till the dawn;  
 then, when your voice shall bid our con - flict cease,

then, low - ly bend - ing, wait your word of peace.  
 that in this house have called up - on your name.  
 your eve - ning pres - ence prom - ise to your own.  
 call us, O Lord, to your e - ter - nal peace.

Text: John Ellerton, 1826–1893, alt.  
 Music: ELLERS, Edward J. Hopkins, 1818–1901; arr. Arthur S. Sullivan, 1842–1900

***Thanks to Our Worship Assistants Today***

<b><i>Assisting Minister:</i></b>	<i>Linda Meyer</i>
<b><i>Communion Assistants:</i></b>	<i>Jerry Kite, Brodie Franklin</i>
<b><i>Ushers:</i></b>	<i>Ron Almarode, Rick Bump, Lee Lynch</i>
<b><i>Offering Stewards:</i></b>	<i>Pat Brady and Sharon Lynch</i>
<b><i>Acolyte:</i></b>	<i>Karley Hull</i>
<b><i>Cup Gatherer:</i></b>	<i>Donna Marshall</i>
<b><i>Altar Guild:</i></b>	<i>Anne and Gordon Putnam</i>
<b><i>Nursery Caregivers:</i></b>	<i>Susie Driskill and Jean Morgan</i>
<b><i>Altar Flowers:</i></b>	<i>Open</i>
<b><i>Council Person of the Week:</i></b>	<i>Jerry Kite</i>

*The Chancel Flowers today are given to the  
glory of God*

**Next Sunday's Schedule and Lessons**

February 9, 2020

**Fifth Sunday After Epiphany**

Holy Communion

10:00 a.m.

**Pastor Paul Pingel, Preaching & Presiding**

Isaiah 58:1-9a

Psalms 112:1-9

1 Corinthians 2:1-12

Matthew 5:13-20



**Please print** your new prayer concerns before worship on the sheet in the white notebook located in the back of our Worship area. Please ask ushers if you need assistance. **Names on the prayer list will remain on for four weeks**, in an effort to keep the prayer list current to the life of Grace congregation and the community and world around us. If the need is longer term, please notify the church office, and the person in need will be transferred to the "Ongoing Need for Prayer" list.

**Prayer Request for Members** (Remain on List for 4 weeks\*)

Pete Giesen

Janet Parmer

**Prayer Request for Relatives/Friends** (Remain on List for 4 weeks\*)

Melissa Matherly Bowers, Friend of the Lynches  
Mary Grim, Sister of Ernestine Moomaw

Rev. C.D. Brown, Pastor of Christ Tabernacle  
Brian Goodrich, Grandson of Chuck Goodrich

**Members/Friends Celebrating** (Remain on List for 4 weeks\*)

Rev. Janice Marie Ely Lowden's installation at Trinity Lutheran

**Ongoing Need for Prayer for Members** (Please advise of status changes)

Mary Bertelsen  
Jean Brower  
Sandra R. Hoy  
Peggy Lucas

Liz Ann Binns  
Marie Brown  
Sandy Johnson  
Janet Lungert

Fred Brower  
Nancy Fitzgerald  
Bob and Carol Knemoller  
Glenn and Flossie Myers

**Ongoing Need for Prayer for Relatives/Friends** (Please advise of status changes)

Lisa Dofflemeyer, Daughter of Linda Tomey  
Kyle Getler, Member Relative  
Bruce Joleaud, Mike Trauscht's Brother-In-Law  
Katherine Lambertson, Daughter of Hal Aaslestad  
Maxine Pierce, Mother of Cindy Trauscht  
Barbara Shifflett and Family  
George Toop, Friend of Schwiesows  
Krista Traynor and Her Children, Daughter of the Proctors

**Members/Friends Grieving**

Family of Rev. Delmar Carlson, Brother-In-Law of Chuck Goodrich  
Family of Myrtle Kite, Member of Grace  
Family of Pauline (Polly) McKinley, Friend of Grace  
Family of Deanna Stumpf, Aunt of Susan Myers  
Family of Keith Thomas

**Prayer of Thanksgiving for Congregation Members Throughout the Year**

Becky Jones  
Jennifer Apesa

Janet Lungert  
Irma Graf

**The Needs of the World**

Coronavirus outbreak in China and elsewhere  
The Senate of our nation and Judiciary in the midst  
of impeachment hearings  
Our care of God's Creation  
Our military and first responders

**The Church**

Unity of Christ's Church in Jesus Christ alone  
Our friends in the United Methodist Church  
Grace, as it prepares for WARM Cold  
Weather Shelter

## Announcements



**Final Day for WARM fundraiser!** Today is the final day to take an envelope off the board in the Narthex, and support the Cold Weather Shelter and WARM House programs' operations with your generosity. Place your contribution in the envelope and drop it into the collection plate. Please be in prayerful consideration on lending your financial support and helping someone have a WARM and safe place to sleep. Grace's hosting of the Cold Weather Shelter starts THIS WEEK!



### *Installation*

**"Grace-raised" Pastor Installed in Virginia** - The Rev. Janice Marie Ely Lowden has been called to Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, Stephens City, VA, and will be installed at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 2nd. "Jme" Lowden is one of seven pastors that entered seminary from Grace (five of them women!). Please keep Pr. Lowden in your prayers as she begins her new call!



Education Outreach

The **Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI)** at UVA will be offering an interesting and stimulating assortment of member-directed short courses this spring. Registration begins on January 14th and classes begin on February 24th. OLLI courses range over topics from the arts and history to public affairs and lifestyle issues. Class meetings are during day time hours and take place in and around Charlottesville and Staunton. Generally classes meet six times during a semester for a period of 90 minutes. Catalogs are available at the back of the Church or online at [www.olliuva.org](http://www.olliuva.org). For additional information contact Hal Aaslestad at 946-2530.



CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

**Grace Annual Congregation Meeting scheduled in February**—The Annual Congregation meeting, in which we receive Grace's Annual Report of our ministry together, will be Sunday, February 16th immediately following Worship. In case of inclement weather, our "make-up date will be Sunday, February 23rd. Please mark your calendars for this important time in our life together.



**Souper Bowl of Caring!** Each year, our children collect for this nation-wide event, whose goal is to help local helping organizations during a time of year when normally charitable donations are down. The children will be at the back of the Church after worship with buckets or pots to collect for local food banks in our area. Please give as the Spirit leads you!



**The Season of Lent - Ash Wednesday** begins the Season of Lent, Wednesday, February 26th. There'll be many opportunities for worship, and gathering with others in our community for Worship, Soup Supper, and Study together. Look for the Full Calendar beginning next Sunday!



**New Council Member Installed, and Dedication of New Chalice next Sunday** - Karla Rankin is our newest Council Member filling a term for Zach Bandy, who resigned early this year. Karla will be installed this coming Sunday. We will also Dedicate a new Pouring Chalice this coming Sunday, given in honor of Jean Morgan and her service to Grace through her stewardship of the Altar Guild.



BOOK STUDY

**Grace Book Study** - This Monday group will continue its study of books related to racial reconciliation, in addition to monthly meetings of how we live out God's call for All to be one in Christ, and the Holy Spirit's vision (in the book of Acts, and in Paul's letters), that as we live out our Faith, "there are no distinctions...all are one in Christ." We will start our study of the book "How to be an Anti-Racist" by Ibram Kendi tomorrow! Come and be a part!

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**Grace Leaders attended EPIC:** Yesterday, Grace Council and other leaders attended "Effective Practices for Innovative Congregations" (EPIC) event hosted by the Virginia Synod at Muhlenberg Lutheran Church in Harrisonburg. In addition to conversation about the Church's "Vision, Mission and Values" were breakout workshops for Council Presidents and Vice-Presidents, Finance, Congregational Vitality, "Growing Young", Talking about Difficult Topics, and many more. Ask one of your Council members about it!



**Faith in Film Movie Series at The Wayne Theater** - Sunday, February 9th at 6:00 p.m., The Wayne Theater will be showing the movie "Harriet", about the life and determination of American historical figure Harriet Tubman, founder of the Underground Railroad before and during the Civil War. Members of Christ Tabernacle Church of God in Christ will be going to see the movie as well, and there's an opportunity for Grace members attending the event to sit with our friends from Christ Tabernacle and participate together in the Panel discussion that follows the film. Please let Nancy at the Church Office know by Wednesday, February 5th, in order to include you in the final details of how we'll meet, etc.

**Life of Grace Church  
February 2-9, 2020**

Day of Week	Date	Time	Meeting
TODAY— SUNDAY	02/02	9:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Sunday School Worship Choir <b>Fourth Sunday of Epiphany</b> Holy Communion Pastor Paul Pingel, Preaching and Presiding
Monday	02/03		<b>WARM Shelter</b>
Tuesday	02/04	9:30 a.m.	<b>WARM Shelter</b> Quilting Group (Fellowship Hall)
Wednesday	02/05	11:00 a.m. 5:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	<b>WARM Shelter</b> Bible Study (Conference Room) Office On Youth (Seminar Room) Handbell Choir Worship Choir
Thursday	02/06	8:30 a.m. 12:30-2:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	<b>WARM Shelter</b> Grace Walkers Bridge (Fellowship Hall) Bible Study
Friday	02/07		<b>WARM Shelter</b>
Saturday	02/08		<b>WARM Shelter</b>
Sunday	02/09	9:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	<b>WARM Shelter</b> Sunday School Worship Choir <b>Fifth Sunday of Epiphany</b> Holy Communion Pastor Paul Pingel, Preaching and Presiding

