



Third Sunday
after the Epiphany
January 23, 2022
Peace Lutheran Church
Hutchinson, Minnesota

INVOCATION and CALL TO WORSHIP, PSALM 19

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

¹ The heavens declare the glory of God;
the skies proclaim the work of his hands.

² **Day after day they pour forth speech;
night after night they reveal knowledge.**

³ They have no speech, they use no words;
no sound is heard from them.

⁴ **Yet their voice goes out into all the earth,
their words to the ends of the world.**

In the heavens God has pitched a tent for the sun.

⁵ It is like a bridegroom coming out of his chamber,
like a champion rejoicing to run his course.

⁶ **It rises at one end of the heavens
and makes its circuit to the other;
nothing is deprived of its warmth.**

⁷ The law of the LORD is perfect,
refreshing the soul.

The statutes of the LORD are trustworthy,
making wise the simple.

⁸ **The precepts of the LORD are right,
giving joy to the heart.**

**The commands of the LORD are radiant,
giving light to the eyes.**

⁹ The fear of the LORD is pure,
enduring forever.

The decrees of the LORD are firm,
and all of them are righteous.

¹⁰ **They are more precious than gold,
than much pure gold;
they are sweeter than honey,
than honey from the honeycomb.**

¹¹ By them your servant is warned;
in keeping them there is great reward.
¹² **But who can discern their own errors?**
Forgive my hidden faults.
¹³ Keep your servant also from willful sins;
may they not rule over me.
Then I will be blameless,
innocent of great transgression.
¹⁴ **May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart**
be pleasing in your sight,
LORD, my Rock and my Redeemer.
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

6:30pm, 8:00am, 10:30am HYMN 646 (Maroon): Church of God, Elect and Glorious

9:15am SONG: Creation Sings the Father's Song

CONFESSIOIN

Heavenly Father, we are drawn to your feet in worship—
creation facing its creator,
Hearts laid bare by your light,
Humbly asking for your mercy.
We come to you as a people in need
of assurance and forgiveness.
We come to you as a people in need
of healing and wholeness.
We come dependent upon your love.
Draw us close. Enfold us in your arms.
Fill us with your Spirit
that we might reflect your light
within this dark world,
speak your Word with boldness,
and draw others to your feet.

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.

Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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.
We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.

Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins.
As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins
in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

HYMN G640 (Green): Lord, Be Glorified

**In my life Lord, be glorified, be glorified!
In my life Lord, be glorified, be glorified today.**

**In my song Lord, be glorified, be glorified!
In my song Lord, be glorified, be glorified today.**

**In Your church Lord, be glorified, be glorified!
In Your church Lord, be glorified, be glorified today.**



9:15am Children are dismissed to Sunday School after the Children's Sermon.

Readers: 6:30pm Paul Otte; 8:00am Shirley Wurdell; 9:15am Shari Zieman (epistle reading); 10:30am Jim Warnke

OLD TESTAMENT: Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

¹All the people came together as one in the square before the Water Gate. They told Ezra the teacher of the Law to bring out the Book of the Law of Moses, which the LORD had commanded for Israel.

²So on the first day of the seventh month Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly, which was made up of men and women and all who were able to understand. ³He read it aloud from daybreak till noon as he faced the square before the Water Gate in the presence of the men, women and others who could understand. And all the people listened attentively to the Book of the Law.

⁵Ezra opened the book. All the people could see him because he was standing above them; and as he opened it, the people all stood up. ⁶Ezra praised the LORD, the great God; and all the people lifted their hands and responded, "Amen! Amen!" Then they bowed down and worshiped the LORD with their faces to the ground.

⁸They read from the Book of the Law of God, making it clear and giving the meaning so that the people understood what was being read.

⁹Then Nehemiah the governor, Ezra the priest and teacher of the Law, and the Levites who were instructing the people said to them all, "This day is holy to the LORD your God. Do not mourn or weep." For all the people had been weeping as they listened to the words of the Law.

¹⁰Nehemiah said, "Go and enjoy choice food and sweet drinks, and send some to those who have nothing prepared. This day is holy to our Lord. Do not grieve, for the joy of the LORD is your strength." (NIV)

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE READING: 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

¹² Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³ For we were all baptized by one Spirit so as to form one body—whether Jews or Gentiles, slave or free—and we were all given the one Spirit to drink. ¹⁴ Even so the body is not made up of one part but of many.

¹⁵ Now if the foot should say, “Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body,” it would not for that reason stop being part of the body. ¹⁶ And if the ear should say, “Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body,” it would not for that reason stop being part of the body.

¹⁷ If the whole body were an eye, where would the sense of hearing be? If the whole body were an ear, where would the sense of smell be? ¹⁸ But in fact God has placed the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be. ¹⁹ If they were all one part, where would the body be? ²⁰ As it is, there are many parts, but one body.

²¹ The eye cannot say to the hand, “I don’t need you!” And the head cannot say to the feet, “I don’t need you!” ²² On the contrary, those parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, ²³ and the parts that we think are less honorable we treat with special honor. And the parts that are unpresentable are treated with special modesty, ²⁴ while our presentable parts need no special treatment. But God has put the body together, giving greater honor to the parts that lacked it, ²⁵ so that there should be no division in the body, but that its parts should have equal concern for each other. ²⁶ If one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honored, every part rejoices with it.

²⁷ Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it. ²⁸ And God has placed in the church first of all apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healing, of helping, of guidance, and of different kinds of tongues. ²⁹ Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? ³⁰ Do all have gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? ³¹ Now eagerly desire the greater gifts. (NIV)

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HYMN 816 (Maroon): From All That Dwell Below the Skies

GOSPEL: LUKE 4:16-30

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 4th chapter. **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹⁶ Jesus went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue, as was his custom. He stood up to read, ¹⁷ and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him. Unrolling it, he found the place where it is written:

¹⁸ “The Spirit of the Lord is on me,
because he has anointed me
to proclaim good news to the poor.
He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners
and recovery of sight for the blind,
to set the oppressed free,

¹⁹ to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.”

²⁰ Then he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down. The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on him. ²¹ He began by saying to them, “Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing.”

²² All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his lips. “Isn’t this Joseph’s son?” they asked.

²³ Jesus said to them, “Surely you will quote this proverb to me: ‘Physician, heal yourself!’ And you will tell me, ‘Do here in your hometown what we have heard that you did in Capernaum.’”

²⁴ “Truly I tell you,” he continued, “no prophet is accepted in his hometown. ²⁵ I assure you that there were many widows in Israel in Elijah’s time, when the sky was shut for three and a half years and there was a severe

famine throughout the land. ²⁶Yet Elijah was not sent to any of them, but to a widow in Zarephath in the region of Sidon. ²⁷And there were many in Israel with leprosy in the time of Elisha the prophet, yet not one of them was cleansed—only Naaman the Syrian.”

²⁸All the people in the synagogue were furious when they heard this. ²⁹They got up, drove him out of the town, and took him to the brow of the hill on which the town was built, in order to throw him off the cliff.

³⁰But he walked right through the crowd and went on his way. (NIV)

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to You, O Christ.**

6:30pm, 8:00am, 10:30am HYMN 653 (Maroon): In Christ There is No East or West

9:15am This Is Amazing Grace

MESSAGE The Body of Christ Pastor Asher

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRESENTATION OF OFFERINGS

PRAYERS & THE LORD'S PRAYER

9:15am SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

SONGS: You Are Mine

BENEDICTION

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. **Amen.**

6:30pm, 8:00am, 10:30am HYMN 411 (Maroon): I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

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