Worship Preparation at Home

Communion at Home: Set a table for communion, including bread and wine or grape juice that you will share after we say together the Words of Institution and the Lord's Prayer.

For those Worshipping in the Sanctuary:

Masks: While mask wearing is currently optional, we are committed to protect personal choices,

and no "shaming" for either choice will be tolerated.

Offering: We have returned to passing the offering plates during the service.

Communion: Wine (red) or grape juice (white) is served in individual glasses. The pastor breaks bread from a communal loaf and gives it to each participant. Gluten-free wafers are also provided.

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2nd Sunday after Epiphany

January 14, 2024

† HOLY COMMUNION † Gathering at 10:00 am

All the baptized have a calling in God's world. God calls not just pastors and deacons but also the youngest child, like Samuel. The story of the calling of Nathanael plays with the idea of place. Nathanael initially dismisses Jesus because he comes from Nazareth. But where we come from isn't important; it's where—or rather whom—we come to. Jesus refers to Jacob, who had a vision in a place he called "the house of God, and . . . the gate of heaven" (Gen. 28:17). Jesus says he himself is the place where Nathanael will meet God.

Prelude

Welcome

Rev. Paul Sundberg

Please stand as you are able

Confession and Forgiveness

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism

- P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, creator of darkness and light, word of truth, wind sweeping over the waters.
- C: Amen
- P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
- P: God, our rock and refuge,
- C: we pour out our hearts before you. We have known you but have not always loved you. We have wounded one another and sinned against you. We have not always recognized the Holy Spirit dwelling in each of us. Remember your covenant. Renew your creation. Restore us, that we might proclaim your good news to all. Amen
- P: The voice of the Lord is upon the waters. God has spoken: The time of grace is now. In Jesus, the reign of God has come near. By the authority of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are God's beloved.
- C: Amen

Greeting

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Gathering Hymn Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart ELW #800



Prayer of the Day

A: Let us pray.

Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, most merciful redeemer, for the countless blessings and benefits you give. May we know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day praising you, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen

Please be seated

THE WORD

Reading

1 Corinthians 6:12-20

¹²"All things are lawful for me," but not all things are beneficial. "All things are lawful for me," but I will not be dominated by anything. ¹³"Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food," and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is meant not for fornication but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. ¹⁴And God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power. ¹⁵Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Should I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! ¹⁶Do you not know that whoever is united to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For it is said, "The two shall be one flesh." ¹⁷But anyone united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. ¹⁸Shun fornication! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body; but the fornicator sins against the body itself. ¹⁹Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own? ²⁰For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body.

A: Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm Psalm 139:1-6

A: ¹LORD, you have searched me out; O LORD, you have known me.

C: ²You know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.

A: ³You trace my journeys and my resting-places and are acquainted with all my ways.

C: ⁴Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, but you, O LORD, know it altogether.

A: ⁵You encompass me, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me.

C: 6Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain to it.

A: ¹³For you yourself created my inmost parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb.

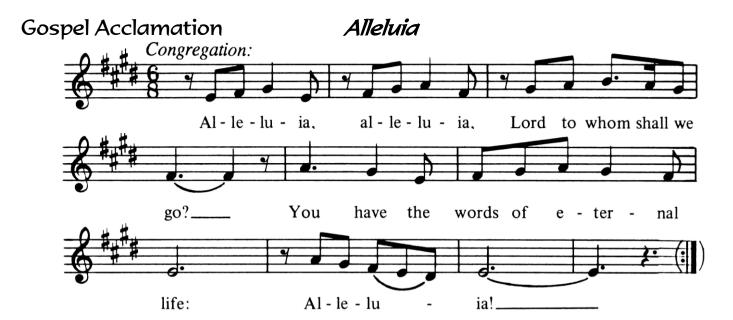
- C: ¹⁴I will thank you because I am marvelously made; your works are wonderful, and I know it well.
- A: ¹⁵My body was not hidden from you, while I was being made in secret and woven in the depths of the earth.
- C: ¹⁶Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb; all of them were written in your book; my days were fashioned before they came to be.
- A: ¹⁷How deep I find your thoughts, O God! How great is the sum of them!
 - ¹⁸If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand; to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.

Choir Anthem Christ Came to Live Here Among Us

Hal Hopson

Soloists: Shawn Erickson, Tomo Hellman, Cindy Kingsbury

Please stand as you are able



- P: The Gospel of the Lord according to St. John, the 1st chapter.
- C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel Reading John 1:43-51

⁴³The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." ⁴⁴Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. ⁴⁵Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." ⁴⁶Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." ⁴⁷When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" ⁴⁸Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." ⁴⁹Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" ⁵⁰Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." ⁵¹And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

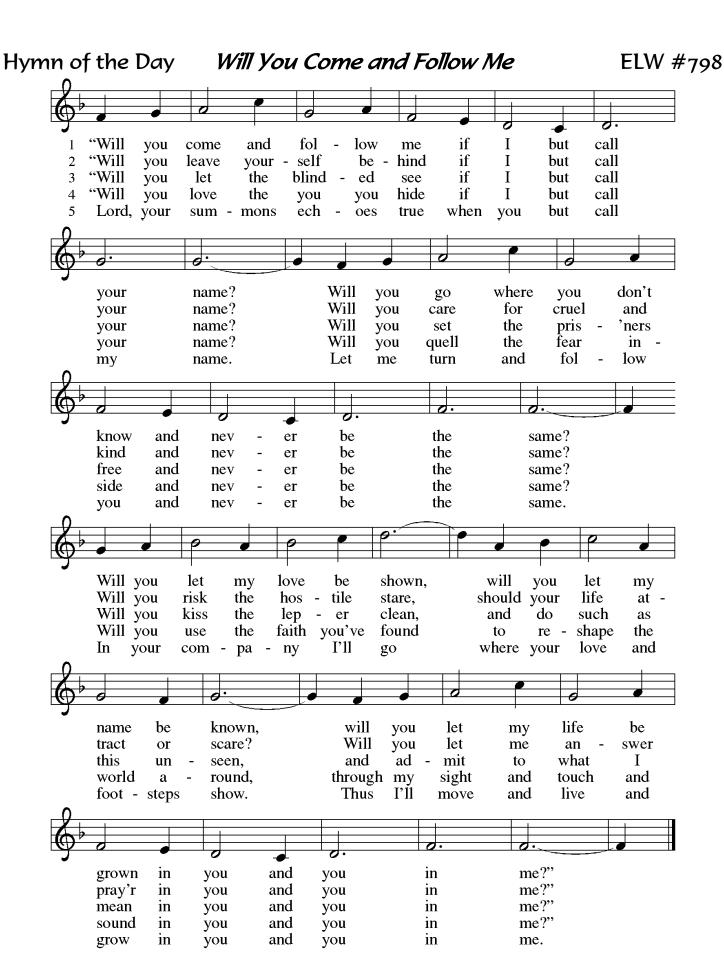
P: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

Sermon

Rev. Paul Sundberg

Please stand as you are able



Apostles' Creed

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

Prayers of the People

A: As we celebrate Christ embodied in human form, we pray for God's blessing on the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence

A: Encourage the ministry and mission of the church, God of truth. Let the leaders of your church be trustworthy and accountable stewards, that all its resources and outreach bring hope and healing to communities. God of grace,

C: receive our prayer.

A: Delight in the goodness of your creation, God of fig trees and fertile soil. Heal areas of the world harmed by human greed. Restore those recovering from natural disaster. Protect our forests and waterways and all the creatures that live in them. God of grace,

C: receive our prayer.

A: Call the leaders of every neighborhood and nation to serve faithfully, God of wisdom. Give them visions of justice and unity. Lead them to action that promotes equitable partnership and uplifts those on the margins of society. God of grace,

C: receive our prayer.

A: Hold in your care any who suffer and struggle, God of compassion. You who know our inner hearts, be present with any who are oppressed, victims of racism or cultural bias, and all who long for respite or restoration. Care for the sick and suffering, especially those we name now, aloud and in our hearts... (*long pause*). God of grace,

C: receive our prayer.

A: Give this congregation the anticipation and excitement of Samuel, so inspired and empowered to do your work in the world, God of unity. Make us faithful as we build communities of inclusion and mutual care. God of grace,

C: receive our prayer.

A: Trusting God who raised Jesus and will also raise us in spirit and truth, we remember all who have died and are at peace among the saints, especially **Leslie Erickson** and **Jean Larson**, and the **Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr**. whose faithful advocacy for peace and justice continues to embolden the church. God of grace,

C: receive our prayer.

A: For what else do the people of God pray?

Other prayers of intercession may be offered, ending with "God of grace,"

C: receive our prayer.

P: Knowing the Holy Spirit intercedes for us, we offer these prayers and the silent prayers of our hearts in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

C: Amen

Peace

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

C: And also with you.

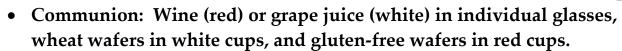
Please be seated

THE MEAL

Holy Communion is God's feast of life. In this meal, Jesus Christ gives his body and blood—that is, his real presence—in bread and wine for us, for the forgiveness of all our sins, so that we may be united with God and with one another as the community of the children of God.



- All are welcome at Christ's table.
- If you are worshiping from home, please have ready a small piece of bread or cracker and wine or grape juice.



• The ushers will direct you. Please maintain distance of 6 feet.



Please stand as you are able

Offertory Prayer

A: Let us pray.

Blessed are you, Holy One, for all good things come from you. In bread and cup you open heaven to us. Meet us at this table, that we receive what we seek and follow your Son, Jesus, in whose name we pray.

C: Amen

Great Thanksgiving

A: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

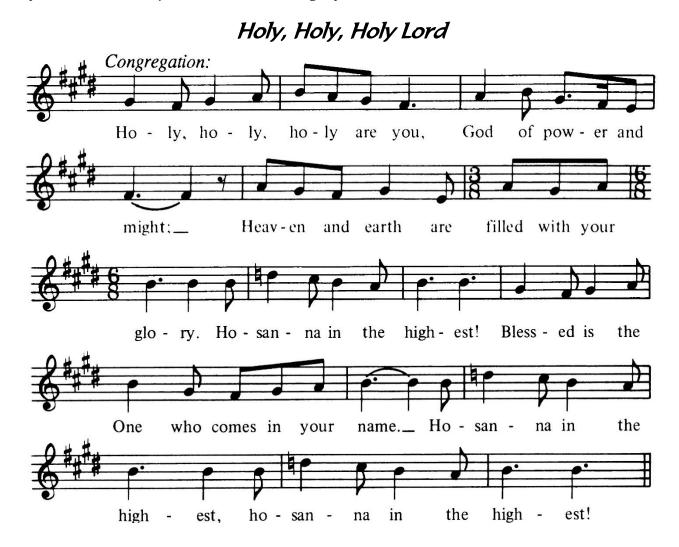
A: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

A: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

P: 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. By the leading of a star he was shown forth to all nations; in the waters of the Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son; and in the miracle of water turned to wine he revealed your glory. 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:



Words of Institution

C: 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.

The Lord's Prayer

You are invited to speak the Lord's Prayer in whatever language or translation speaks to you, or that the Spirit has placed in your heart.

P: Together, we pray the prayer the Lord Jesus taught us to pray:

C: 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. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen

or

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

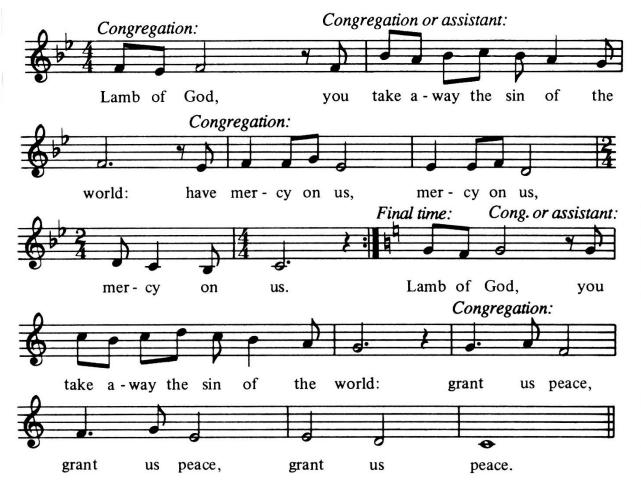
Invitation to Communion

P: At Jesus' table, heaven and earth are joined as one. Come and see.

Please be seated

Communion Hymn

Lamb of God



Additional invocations:

you break the chains of hatred and fear: you are the way of justice and peace: you are the way of mercy and love:



call-ing and free;

Spir - it, Spir-it of rest-less-ness,



stir me from plac-id-ness, wind, wind on the sea.



- 1 You moved on the wa ters, you called to the deep,
- 2 You swept through the des ert, you stung with the sand,
- 3 You sang in a sta ble, you cried from a hill,
- 4 You call from to mor row, you break an cient schemes.



then you coaxed up the moun - tains from the val - leys of sleep; and you goad - ed your peo - ple with a law and a land; then you whis-pered in si - lence when the whole world was still; From the bond - age of sor - row all the cap - tives dream dreams;

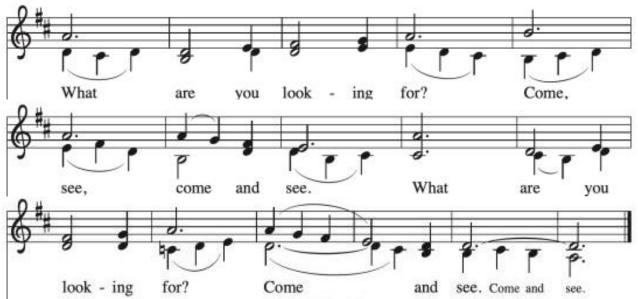


you called to and o - ver the e ons each thing: and when they were blind i - dols and lies, ed with you called once a and down in the cit gain, У our wom - en see vi sions, our men clear their eyes.



"A - wake from your slum - bers and rise on your wings." then you spoke through your proph - ets to o - pen their eyes. when you blew through your peo - ple on the rush of the wind. With . . . bold new de - ci - sions your peo-ple a - rise.

Communion Hymn Come and See ACS #976



Post-Communion Blessing

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

C: Amen

Prayer after Communion

A: Giver of every gift, Christ's body is our food, and we are Christ's body. Raise us to life by your power for the benefit of all and to your glory, now and forever.

C: Amen

SENDING

Announcements Shirlee Russo

Please stand as you are able



Blessing

P: God who names you, Christ who claims you, and the Holy Spirit who dwells in you, + bless you and remain with you always.

C: Amen

Dismissal

A: Go in peace. You are God's beloved.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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