



Holy Spirit Lutheran Church

Compassionate. Challenging. Inclusive.

Holy Spirit Lutheran Church is on the ancestral homelands of the Coast Salish peoples, and we give thanks for their presence here since time immemorial. We recognize and honor all our Indigenous siblings who have and continue to call this land their home.

Welcome to Holy Spirit Lutheran Church! Our mission is to proclaim and embody the compassionate, challenging, and inclusive love of God revealed in Jesus Christ. Your age, race, sexual orientation, gender identity, abilities, doubts and questions are all part of your story as a beloved child of God, and your whole self is welcome and affirmed here.

If you are a first-time visitor, welcome! We hope you will fill out a Welcome Card from your seat and drop it in the offering plate when it comes around - we'd love to get to know you! You are also welcome to communion today.

Live streaming and recording occur at our 9:30 am service. Those who worship online enjoy seeing people in the sanctuary, so if you are comfortable being on camera, please sit in the chairs to the right of the altar or close to the piano.

The assisted listening system in our sanctuary is compatible with personal hearing aids with the setting "T". Portable receivers and headsets are available from an usher.

Children are always welcome in worship. Activities for kids are located on the bookshelf located at the back of the sanctuary. Childcare is also available at the 9:30 am and 11:00 am services in our nursery. The nursery is designed for children ages 4 and younger – follow the overhead sign in the narthex that directs you to the hallway towards the nursery (on the right).

Sunday School for kids aged 3 through 6th grade occurs during our 9:30 am service, and all are welcome. As Sunday School takes place throughout the building, ask an usher or staff person where to find your child's class.

This worship bulletin is intended to be used at all three services today. Please leave it on your seat after the 8:00 and 9:30 worship. Large print bulletins are available from the ushers. Feel free to take home the announcement inserts for your personal use.

As we begin worship, we invite you to silence your cell phone.

Sunday, January 14, 2024

Second Sunday after Epiphany



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.

Throughout today's worship, you are invited to participate by joining in speaking the words in bold type.

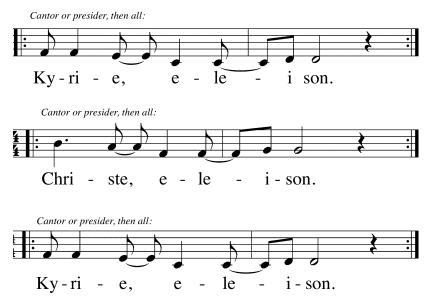
Prelude

All Are Welcome arranged by Mark Hayes Meg Morgan, piano

Welcome and Announcements

Please stand as you are able.

Kyrie



Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, creator of darkness and light, word of truth, wind sweeping over the waters.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God, our rock and refuge, 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 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.

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,

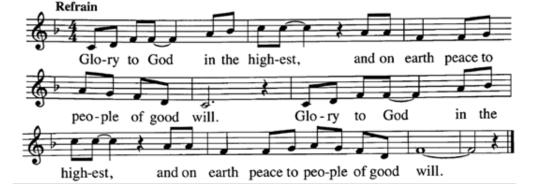
your sins are forgiven.

You are God's beloved.

Amen.

Hymn of Praise

Glory to God in the Highest





Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

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.

Amen.

Let's all be seated.



Musical Offering

9:30, 11:00

Cradle Me, Lord

Chancel Choir

music by Berta Poorman and Sonja Poorman

First Reading

1 Samuel 3:1-10 [11-20]

At a time when visions are rare and unexpected, the Lord comes to Samuel and calls him to speak the divine word. Though just a boy, Samuel responds to God obediently, as Eli the priest has taught him to respond. This marks the beginning of Samuel's prophetic ministry.

¹Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

²At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; ³the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. ⁴Then the LORD called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" ⁵and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. ⁶The LORD called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, ile down again." ⁷Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. ⁸The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. ⁹Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

¹⁰Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening." [¹¹Then the LORD said to Samuel, "See, I am about to do something in Israel that will make both ears of anyone who hears of it tingle. ¹²On that day I will fulfill against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end. ¹³For I have told him that I am about to punish his house forever, for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were blaspheming God, and he did not restrain them. ¹⁴Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli's house shall not be expiated by sacrifice or offering forever." ¹⁵Samuel lay there until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the LORD. Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. ¹⁶But Eli called Samuel and said, "Samuel, my son." He said, "Here I am." ¹⁷Eli said, "What was it that he told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also, if you hide anything from me of all that he told you." ¹⁸So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. Then he said, "It is the LORD; let him do what seems good to him."

¹ ⁹As Samuel grew up, the LORD was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. ²⁰And all Israel from Dan to Beer-sheba knew that Samuel was a trustworthy prophet of the LORD.].

Your Word is a lamp for my feet, and a light to my path.

Psalm

Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18

- ¹LORD, you have searched me out; O LORD, you have known me.
- ²You know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.
- ³You trace my journeys and my resting-places and are acquainted with all my ways.
- ⁴Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, but you, O LORD, know it altogether.

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

- ⁶Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain to it.
- ¹³For you yourself created my inmost parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb.
- ¹⁴I will thank you because I am marvelously made; your works are wonderful, and I know it well.

¹⁵My body was not hid- den from you, while I was being made in secret and woven in the depths of the earth.

- 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.
- 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.

Gospel Acclamation

Please stand as you are able to greet the reading of the Gospel. Please sing twice.



Gospel

John 1:43-51

In John's gospel, Jesus' ministry begins with the call of disciples, who then bring others to Jesus. Philip's friend Nathanael moves from skepticism to faith when he accepts the invitation to "Come and see."

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."

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

Let's all be seated.

Sermon

Pastor Gina Herman

Hymn of the Day



Apostles' Creed

Trusting in God's love wherever our journeys lead, 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.

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

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

God of grace, receive our prayer.

Our communal prayers begin with a short time of silence and then petitions for the world, the church, and people and places in particular need. You will also be invited to name, in speech or silence, the prayers you carry with you.

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.

Amen.



Sharing the Peace

The peace of God be always with you. And also with you.

Bearing in mind the personal comfort of those around you, please share a friendly sign of God's peace and reconciliation with others and then be seated.

Offering

We invite you to contribute to our shared mission and ministry. Scan the following QR code to reach the Giving page on our website.



Here I Am, Lord

arranged by Jack Schrader

Offertory

Praise, Praise, Praise the Lord!

Please stand as you are able.



Offertory Prayer

Holy God,

your beauty shines forth from the manger and your love flows from the cross. As you gather us around these signs of your love, warm us to extend your care among the hungry and all in need. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

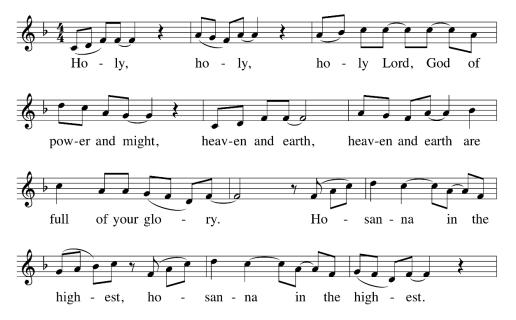
The Great Thanksgiving

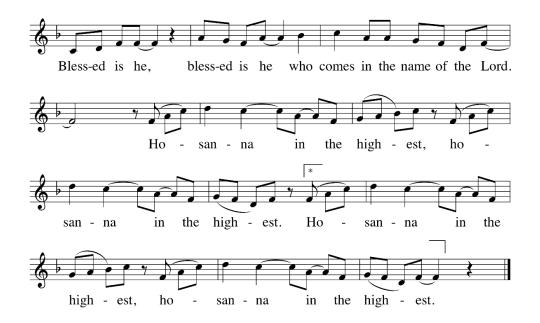
The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts! We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is our right, our duty and our joy.... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:





Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

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

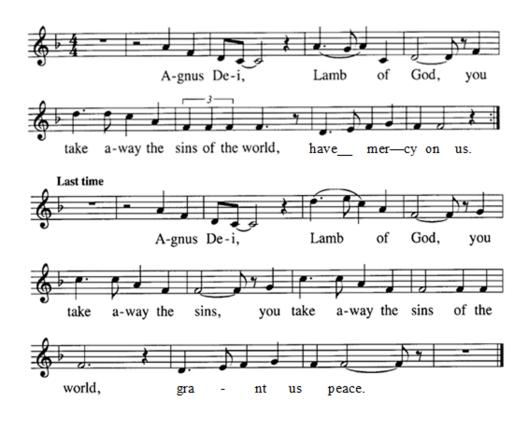
Let's all be seated.

Communion Distribution

All are welcome to God's meal, where ordinary bread and wine become extraordinary, filled with Christ's presence. Ushers will direct you to one of the stations in front. Communion will be by intinction. You will receive a wafer, which you may dip into the chalice with wine, or with juice, then eat. Wafers in the small bowl on the side of the plate are gluten free. If you avoid gluten, please take one for yourself. If you would prefer not to receive communion, please feel free to remain seated or come forward for a blessing. Please indicate your desire for a blessing by crossing your arms. Children are welcome to receive communion or a blessing.

Lamb of God

Congregation sings first stanza twice, then last stanza once.



Music During Communion

The Summons arranged by Mark Hayes

Meg Morgan, piano



Prayer after Communion

Please stand as you are able.

God of wonder, in Jesus we behold the light of the world come near.

As you have come among us now, send us out in joy, ready to share the good news of your love.

We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit dwelling with us now and forever. **Amen.**

Benediction

God the Creator who delights in you, Jesus the Savior who is born for you, and the lifegiving Spirit who shines on you, + bless you and keep you in hope and peace. **Amen.**



Dismissal

Go in peace. Like God, shine bright. **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Meg Morgan, piano

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SERVING TODAY – January 14				
	8:00	9:30	11:00	
ACOLYTES	n/a	Micah Herman	Louisa Higson	
ASSISTING MINISTER	Christina Brugman	Eric Henrikson	Jennifer Williams	
GREETERS	Dennis Pierce	Michael and Jennifer Lally	Maryrose Henebry Nancy Swanson	
USHERS	Bryan and Marsha Maxfield	Doug and Dana Jacobson	Rosemary Dunkle Cathy Dunlop	
A/V TECHNICIAN	Becky Cole	Danielle Dadashi		
COMMUNION SET UP/ CLEAN UP	llene Hamilton	n/a	Mary Bailey	

SERVING NEXT SUNDAY – January 21				
	8:00	9:30	11:00	
ACOLYTES	n/a	Sam Kostopoulos	Sophie Tiesel	
ASSISTING MINISTER	llene Hamilton	Veronica Knudson	Leah Wouters	
GREETERS	Nancy Swanson	Dan and Judy Selmann	Ron Nitz	
USHERS	Dennis Pierce	Kurt and Julie Billett	Phil Etheredge	
A/V TECHNICIAN		Kiyo Tachibana		
COMMUNION SET UP/ CLEAN UP	llene Hamilton	n/a	Diane Lynch	