

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

January 21, 2024

PRELUDE 8:15

Christe, Der Du Bist Tag Und Licht (Christ you are day and light)

G. Böhm

Gathering Song 10:45

Jesus Friend of Sinners

Hall, West

WELCOME

Pastor Patton

OPENING HYMN 8:15

O God of God, O Light of Light

LSB 810 (vv. 1-2, 4)

- 1 O God of God, O Light of Light, O Prince of Peace and King of Kings:
To You in heaven's glory bright The song of praise forever rings.
To Him who sits upon the throne, The Lamb once slain but raised again,
Be all the glory He has won, All thanks and praise! Amen, amen.
- 2 For deep in prophets' sacred page, And grand in poets' wingèd word,
Slowly in type, from age to age The nations saw their coming Lord;
Till through the deep Judean night Rang out the song, "Goodwill to men!"
Sung once by firstborn sons of light, It echoes now, "Goodwill!" Amen.
- 4 Then raise to Christ a mighty song, And shout His name, His mercies tell!
Sing, heav'nly host, your praise prolong, And all on earth, your anthem swell!
All hail, O Lamb for sinners slain! Forever let the song ascend!
Worthy the Lamb, enthroned to reign, All glory, pow'r! Amen, amen.

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10:45

*All Because of Jesus
Graves Into Gardens*

Fee
Lake, Brown, Furtick, Hammer

OPENING

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

CONFESSION AND GOD'S FORGIVENESS

Pastor: (Do not print or project) Hearing the Word of God, we are called to confess our sin, trusting in the one true God who is faithful and just and who will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for meditation.

Pastor: Though Jonah was reluctant when the Lord spoke to him the first time, He spoke to Jonah a second time and told him, "go to Nineveh, that great city, and call out against it the message that I tell you."

People: As You, O Lord, have given us the message of the Gospel, we have been reluctant to go bring Your truth and grace to all people. For this we seek Your forgiveness.

Pastor: Paul reminds the people of God, "The appointed time has grown very short...The present form of this world is passing away."

People: As You, O Lord, have given us each day and hold all time in Your hands, we have not used our time wisely. For this we seek Your forgiveness.

Pastor: In today's Gospel, Jesus called to Simon and Andrew, "Follow Me, and I will make you become fishers of men." Immediately they dropped their nets and followed Him.

People: As You, O Lord, have called us to follow You, we have instead sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. For this we seek Your forgiveness.

Pastor: Even to the evil Ninevites, God showed His mercy upon their repentance. "When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil way, God relented of the disaster that He had said He would do to them, and He did

not do it." And Jesus proclaimed to the people, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel."

Though we deserve His present and eternal punishment, God has relented by sending His Son to bear our sin and be our Savior. Christ took our punishment on the cross, paid the price of our sins through His perfect life and sacrificial death, and for His sake forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained servant of the Word, I announce the grace of God to all of you. In the stead and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

(Jonah 3:2, 10; 1 Corinthians 7:29, 31; Mark 1:15, 17)

People: Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE *This Is the Feast* *LSB 155*

Refrain: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

- 1 Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. ***Refrain***
- 2 Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are His. ***Refrain***
- 3 Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:
- 4 Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. ***Refrain***
- 5 For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia. ***Refrain***

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: **(do not print or project)** Gracious God, thank You for the mercy You have shown to Your people throughout the Bible, and that You still show to us, through repentance and faith. Continue to grant us the gift of a bold and confident faith in You, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN HIS WORD

Jonah 3:1–5, 10

Then the word of the LORD came to Jonah the second time, saying, ²"Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and call out against it the message that I tell you." ³So Jonah arose and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD.

Now Nineveh was an exceedingly great city, ^[a] three days' journey in breadth. ^[b] ⁴Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's journey. And he called out, "Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" ⁵And the people of Nineveh believed God. They called for a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them to the least of them...¹⁰When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil way, God relented of the disaster that he had said he would do to them, and he did not do it.

1 Corinthians 7:29–35

²⁹This is what I mean, brothers: the appointed time has grown very short. From now on, let those who have wives live as though they had none, ³⁰and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no goods, ³¹and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away. ³²I want you to be free from anxieties. The unmarried man is anxious about the things of the Lord, how to please the Lord. ³³But the married man is anxious about worldly things, how to please his wife, ³⁴and his interests are divided. And the unmarried or betrothed woman is anxious about the things of the Lord, how to be holy in body and spirit. But the married woman is anxious about worldly things, how to please her husband. ³⁵I say this for your own benefit, not to lay any restraint upon you, but to promote good order and to secure your undivided devotion to the Lord.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

MEMORY VERSE OF THE MONTH

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. (2 Corinthians 5:17)

8:15 - ALLELUIA

LSB 156

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, Alleluia.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to Mark the 1st chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

Mark 1:14–20

¹⁴ Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, ¹⁵ and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel." ¹⁶ Passing alongside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and Andrew the brother of Simon casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. ¹⁷ And Jesus said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you become fishers of men."^[b] ¹⁸ And immediately they left their nets and followed him. ¹⁹ And going on a little farther, he saw James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, who were in their boat mending the nets. ²⁰ And immediately he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired servants and followed him.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

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 where He shall 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.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Paula Weiss

GOD'S MESSAGE FOR YOU

Come and See the Kingdom

Pastor Penny

THE OFFERING OF GIFTS AND SIGNING OF FRIENDSHIP PADS

Everyone, please sign the friendship pad, then pass the pad from the outside aisle to the inside aisle.

MUSICAL OFFERING

Give Me Jesus

arr. D. Wagner

Sanctuary Choir

PRAISES AND PRAYERS**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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.

CHRIST COMES TO US IN HOLY COMMUNION

† **8:15** **THE PREFACE** (We **Begin** the Order of the Sacrament)

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

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

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Pastor: (do not print or project) It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, who since the beginning of time has been present and continues to bless us in this time. Prepare our hearts with true repentance as we receive Your gracious forgiveness of sins in this Holy Supper. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

THE SANCTUS (Our God is Holy)

LSB 161

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might:
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.
 Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
 Hosanna in the highest.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE PAX DOMINI (We extend the Lord's Peace to one another)

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

People: And also with you. Amen.

THE AGNUS DEI (The Lamb of God takes away our sin)

LSB 163

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

 **DISTRIBUTION** Holy Communion is offered in individual cup format. *The lighter colored individual cups are a non-alcoholic wine.*
 All who believe in the special meaning of Holy Communion are invited.

Your Table I Approach

LSB 628

- 1 Your table I approach; Dear Savior, hear my prayer.
 Let not an unrepentant heart Prove hurtful to me there.
- 2 Lord, I confess my sins And mourn their wretched bands;
 A contrite heart is sure to find Forgiveness at Your hands.
- 3 Your body and Your blood, Once slain and shed for me,
 Are taken at Your table, Lord, In blest reality.
- 4 Search not how this takes place, This wondrous mystery,
 God can accomplish vastly more than what we think could be.
- 5 O grant, most blessed Lord, That earth and hell combined
 May not about this sacrament Raise doubt within my mind.
- 6 Oh, may I never fail To thank You day and night
 For Your true body and true blood, O God, my peace and light.

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Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus

LSB 685

- 1 Let us ever walk with Jesus, Follow His example pure,
 Through a world that would deceive us And to sin our spirits lure.
 Onward in His footsteps treading, Pilgrims here, our home above,
 Full of faith and hope and love, Let us do the Father's bidding.
 Faithful Lord, with me abide; I shall follow where You guide.
- 2 Let us suffer here with Jesus And with patience bear our cross.
 Joy will follow all our sadness; Where He is, there is no loss.
 Though today we sow no laughter We shall reap celestial joy;
 All discomfort that annoy Shall give way to mirth hereafter.
 Jesus, here I share Your woe; Help me there Your joy to know.
- 3 Let us gladly die with Jesus. Since by death He conquered death,
 He will free us from destruction, Give to us immortal breath.
 Let us mortify all passion That would lead us into sin;
 And the grave that shuts us in Shall but prove the gate to heaven.
 Jesus, here with You I die, There to live with You on high.

- 4 Let us also live with Jesus. He has risen from the dead
That to life we may awaken. Jesus, You are now our head.
We are Your own living members; Where You live, there we shall be
In Your presence constantly, Living there with You forever.
Jesus, let me faithful be, Life eternal grant to me.

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O Christ, Our True and Only Light

LSB 685

- 1 O Christ, our true and only light, Enlighten those who sit in night;
Let those afar now hear Your voice And in Your fold with us rejoice.
- 2 Fill with the radiance of Your grace The souls now lost in error's maze;
Enlighten those whose inmost minds Some dark delusion haunts and blinds.
- 4 Shine on the darkened and the cold; Recall the wand'ers to Your fold.
Unite all those who walk apart; Confirm the weak and doubting heart.
- 5 That they with us may evermore Such grace with wond'ring thanks adore
And endless praise to You be giv'n By all Your Church in earth and heav'n.

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10:45

***Reason I Sing
Send Me***

*Wickham, Smith
Johnson, Lake, Jobe*

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE *Nunc Dimittis* (LSB 165)

Lord, now You let Your servant go in peace; Your word has been fulfilled.
My own eyes have seen the salvation which You have prepared in the sight of ev'ry people:
A light to reveal You to the nations and the glory of Your people Israel.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: We give thanks to You, gracious Father, that Your grace is timeless and Your mercy is for all people. As we heed
the call of Christ and follow, strengthen us in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through
Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

THE BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN 8:15

O Christ Who Called the Twelve

LSB 856 (vv. 1, 3-4)

- 1 O Christ, who called the Twelve To rise and follow You,
Forsaking old, familiar ways For ventures bold and new:
Grant us to hear Your call To risk security
And, bound in heart and will to You, Find perfect liberty.
- 3 O Christ, who led the Twelve Among the desolate
And broke as bred of life for all Your love compassionate:
Lead us along the ways Where hope has nearly died
And help us climb the lonely hills Where love is crucified.
- 4 O Christ, who sent the Twelve On roads they'd never trod
To serve, to suffer, teach, proclaim The nearer reign of God:
Send us on ways where faith Transcends timidity,
Where love informs and hope sustains Both life and ministry.

10:45

I Will Go

Neufeld, Neufeld, Salmon

POSTLUDE

Postlude on "Terra Beata"

E. Broughton