

## Third Sunday after Epiphany



Those Sitting in Darkness have Seen a Great Light



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# "I rejoiced with those who said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the LORD.'" Psalm 122:1



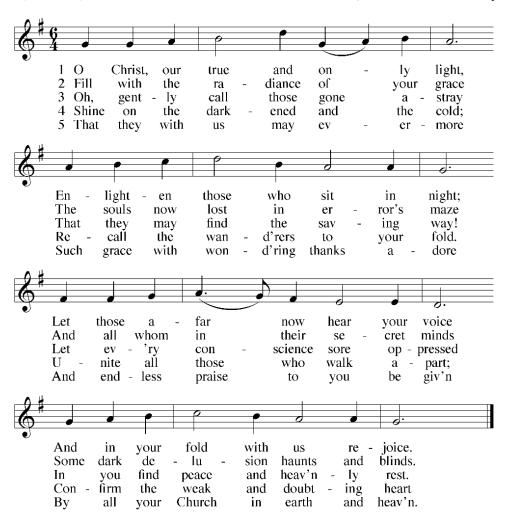
Today's 8:00 service will be recorded including the Service of the Sacrament. Individuals taking communion will not be visible in the recording.

# Lord of Love Lutheran Church January 22, 2023

### **DIVINE SERVICE II**

### HYMN (CW 569)

### O Christ, Our True and Only Light



Text: Johann Heermann, 1585–1647, abr.; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt. Tune: O JESU CHRIST, WAHRES LICHT (LM) Andächtige Haus-Kirche, Nürnberg, 1676, alt.



### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

STAND

### **INVOCATION**

**M:** In the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

#### **CONFESSION**

**M:** Dear friends, let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

C: Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin.
For faithless worrying and selfish pride,
For sins of habit and sins of choice,
For the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do,
You should cast me away from your presence forever.
O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me, for Jesus' sake.

#### **ABSOLUTION**

M: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. In his great mercy, God made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in our sins. Hear the word of Christ through his called servant:

I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

### LORD, HAVE MERCY

Mark 10:47

**Kyrie** 

**M:** In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

For the well-being of all people everywhere, that they may receive from you all they need to sustain body and life, hear our prayer, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

**M:** For the spread of your life-giving gospel throughout the world, that all who are lost in sin may be brought to faith in you, hear our prayer, O Christ.

C: Christ, have mercy.

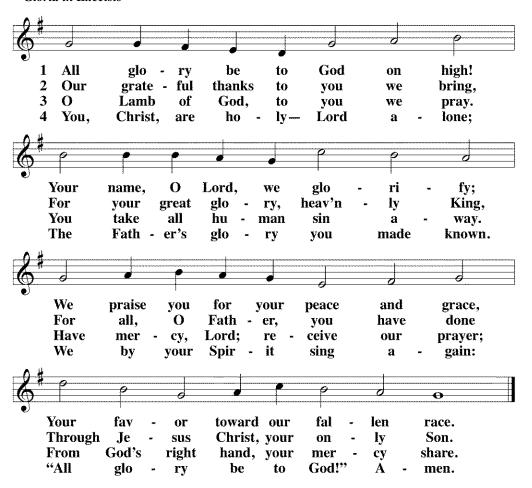
**M:** For patience and perseverance in this life, that we may not lose the hope of heaven as we await your return, hear our prayer, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

**M:** Lord of life, live in us that we may live for you.

C: Amen.

Gloria in Excelsis





### THE WORD

#### **SALUTATION**

**M:** The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

**M:** Let us pray.

Almighty God, you sent your Son to proclaim your kingdom and teach with authority. Anoint us with the power of your Spirit that we too may bring good news to the afflicted, bind up the brokenhearted, and proclaim liberty to the captive; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 8:19-9:4

<sup>19</sup> When they tell you, "Consult the mediums and the spiritists, who whisper and mutter," shouldn't a people consult their God? Should they consult the dead on behalf of the living? <sup>20</sup> To the law and to the testimony! If people do not speak according to this word, there will be no dawn for them. <sup>21</sup> They will pass through the land, distressed and starving, but when this takes place and they are starving, they will be frustrated, and they will curse their king and their God. They will turn their faces upward, <sup>22</sup> and then they will look down to the ground, but I tell you, they will see only distress, darkness, and the gloom that brings anguish. They will be banished into thick darkness.

Nevertheless, there will be no more gloom for the land that was in anguish. In former times, he humbled the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he

will cause it to be glorious, along the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan, in Galilee of the Gentiles.

They rejoice before you like the joy at harvest time,

like the celebration when people divide the plunder.

You have broken the bar on their shoulders and the rod of their oppressor, as you did in the day of Midian.

### **CHOIR ANTHEM**

Arise, Shine, for Your Light has Come

SECOND LESSON 1 John 2:3-11

<sup>3</sup> This is how we know that we have known him: if we keep his commands. <sup>4</sup> The one who says, "I know him," but does not keep his commands is a liar, and the truth is not in him. <sup>5</sup> If anyone keeps God's word, the love of God is truly made complete in him. This is how we know that we are in him: <sup>6</sup> The one who says he remains in him should walk as Jesus walked.

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**M:** Alleluia. The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of deep darkness a light has dawned. Alleluia.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The people walking in darkness have seen a great light. For those living in the land of the shadow of death, the light has dawned. <sup>3</sup> You have multiplied the nation. You have increased its ion.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> You have multiplied the nation. You have increased its joy.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> For you have shattered the yoke that burdened them.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Dear friends, I am not writing you a new command but an old one that you have had since the beginning. The old command is the message you heard. <sup>8</sup> At the same time, the command I am writing is new—it is true in Jesus and in you, because the darkness is passing away, and the true light is already shining. <sup>9</sup> The one who says he is in the light and yet hates his brother is still in the darkness. <sup>10</sup> The one who loves his brother remains in the light, and nothing causes him to stumble. <sup>11</sup> The one who hates his brother is in the darkness and walks in the darkness and does not know where he is going, because the darkness has blinded his eyes.

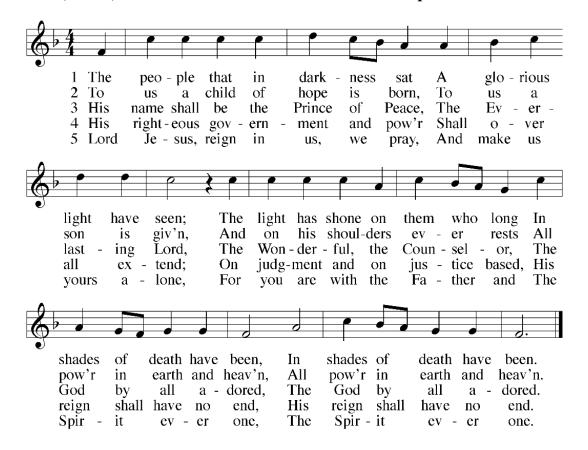
GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 4:12-23

<sup>12</sup> When Jesus heard that John was put in prison, he withdrew into Galilee. <sup>13</sup> He left Nazareth and went to live in Capernaum, which is by the sea, in the region of Zebulun and Naphtali. <sup>14</sup> He did this to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet Isaiah:

- <sup>15</sup> Land of Zebulun and land of Naphtali, along the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles,
- <sup>16</sup> the people dwelling in darkness have seen a great light, and on those dwelling in the region and the shadow of death a light has dawned.
- <sup>17</sup> From that time, Jesus began to preach: "Repent, because the kingdom of heaven is near."
- <sup>18</sup> As Jesus was walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and his brother Andrew. They were casting a net into the sea, since they were fishermen. <sup>19</sup> He said to them, "Come, follow me, and I will make you fishers of men."
- <sup>20</sup> They immediately left their nets and followed him. <sup>21</sup> Going on from there, he saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee and his brother John. They were in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets. Jesus called them. <sup>22</sup> Immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him.
- <sup>23</sup> Jesus traveled throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every disease and every sickness among the people.



### The People that in Darkness Sat



Text: John Morison, 1750-98, abr., alt.

Tune: LOBT GOTT, IHR CHRISTEN (86 866) Nikolaus Herman, c. 1480–1561.

SERMON Matthew 4:12-17

### **Light has Come to Those in Darkness**

### **APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth. I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From there 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.

#### GATHERING OF THE THANK-OFFERING

While the offering is being collected, please sign, pass, and return the Friendship Register. Thank you!

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH** (spoken by Pastor)



### THE SACRAMENT

### **PREFACE**

**M:** The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

**M:** Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

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

C: It is good and right so to do.

M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who came as the Light of the world so that the world may have light and life thought him.

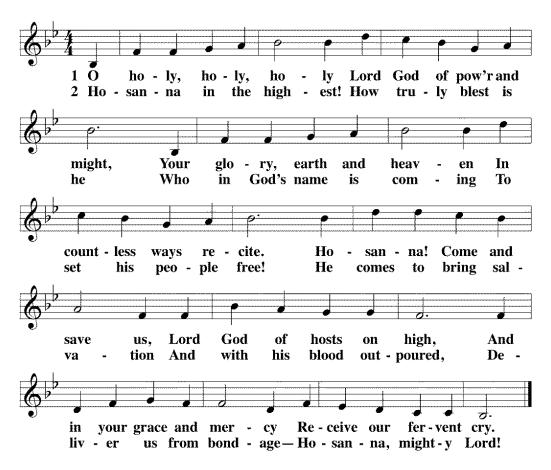
Therefore with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

### HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Sanctus

### Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9

Tune: VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBER



#### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

M: Blessed are you, O Lord of heaven and earth. We praise and thank you for sending your Son, Jesus Christ, and we remember the great acts of love through which he has ransomed us from sin, death, and the devil's power.

By his incarnation, he became one with us.

By his perfect life, he fulfilled your holy will.

By his innocent death, he overcame hell.

By his rising from the grave, he opened heaven.

Invited by your grace and instructed by your Word, we approach your table with repentant and joyful hearts. Strengthen us through Christ's body and blood, and preserve us in the true faith until we feast with him and all his ransomed people in glory everlasting.

C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER Matthew 6:9-13

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

#### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Matthew 26:26-28 1 Corinthians 11:24.25

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my (+) body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my (+) blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

**M:** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.



BE SEATED

### **DISTRIBUTION**

In accordance with the Scriptural practice of closed Communion, we invite to the Sacrament of Christ's body and blood the communicant members of this congregation. We invite also the communicant members of our sister congregations in our fellowship (the WELS and the ELS) who have made their intention known to one of our pastors. We ask other guests in attendance to refrain from taking the Sacrament with us today, and we invite you to speak with a pastor about how you may join our fellowship and commune with us in the future.

### **DISTRIBUTION HYMN** (CW 751)

### Word of God, When All Was Silent



The power and promise of God's almighty Word-first heard at creation, perfectly revealed in Jesus, and bestowed on us through the Spirit-builds the only foundation for our Christian faith and worship.

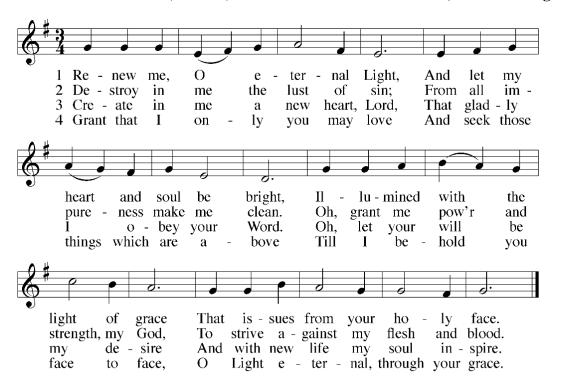
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Tune: WESTMINSTER ABBEY (87 87 87) Henry Purcell, 1659–1695, adapt.

### **DISTRIBUTION HYMN** (CW 471)

### Renew Me, O Eternal Light



Text: Johann F. Ruopp, 1672–1708, abr.; tr. August Crull, 1845–1923, alt. Tune: HERR JESU CHRIST, MEINS (LM) *As hymnodus sacer*, Leipzig, 1625, alt.



M: We give you thanks, O Lord, for the foretaste of the heavenly banquet that you have given us to eat and to drink in this sacrament. Through this gift you have fed our faith, nourished our hope, and strengthened our love. By your Spirit help us to live as your holy people until that day when you will receive us as your guests at the wedding supper of the Lamb, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

### C: Amen.

BLESSING Numbers 6:24-26

**M:** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.

C: Amen.

BE SEATED

**CLOSING HYMN** (CW 333 v. 1, 3, 6)

**Abide, O Dearest Jesus** 

Abide, O dearest Jesus, among us with your grace That Satan may not harm us, nor we to sin give place.

Abide with heav'nly brightness, among us, precious Light; Thy truth direct and keep us, from error's gloomy night.

Abide, O faithful Savior, among us with you love; Grant steadfastness and help us, to reach our home above.

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### **Personal Prayer Before Communion:**

Lord, I am not worthy to be a guest at your holy table. But you are the friend of sinners, and you will not cast me out. This bread is your body, which bore my sins upon the tree. This wine is your blood, which purifies me from all guilt. At your invitation, I come rejoicing. Receive me, my Savior.

### **Personal Prayer After Communion:**

Thank you, Lord Jesus Christ, for nourishing me in this sacrament with your body and blood. You have given me forgiveness, life, and salvation. Let me always remain in you as a branch remains in the vine. Send me out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

O living Bread from heaven, how richly you have fed your guest! The gifts you now have given have filled my heart with joy and rest. Lord, grant me that thus strengthened with heavenly food, while here my course on earth is lengthened, I serve with holy fear. And when you call my spirit to leave this world below, I enter through your merit where joys unmingled flow.

### **Looking Ahead:**

- **January 22:** Open Forum and Voter's Meeting, 9:15 am
- February 22: Ash Wednesday Worship, 12:30 & 6:30 pm

### Sunday January 22: Third Sunday after Epiphany Worship Services at 8:00 & 10:30 with Holy Communion

9:15 am: Teen Group and Sunday School

9:15 am: Quarterly Open Forum and Voter's Meeting

- Pastor Joel Jenswold
- Organist: Jennifer Boll
- Councilman: Joe Hornbeck (8:00) and Andy Holzman (10:30)
- Ushers 8:00 am: Lynn Biwer and Roger LaGrange
- Ushers 10:30 am: The Heath Family
- Counters: Gene Freund and additional counter needed
- Refreshments: Elaine Wilson
- Altar Guild: Sandy Heath/Sally Kaalberg
   A/V & Recording: Jen Olson

### Sunday January 29: Fourth Sunday after Epiphany Worship Services at 8:00 & 10:30 with Holy Communion 9:15 am: Adult Bible study, Teen Group and Sunday School

- Pastor Joel Jenswold
- Organist: Sharon Freund
- Councilman/Elder: Mike Wilson (8:00) and Steve Kalscheuer (10:30)
- Ushers 8:00 am: Ryan Jaeger and Aaron Oughton
- Ushers 10:30 am: Joshua Hodkiewicz and Greg Zeman
- Counters: Roger LaGrange and Greg Zeman
- Refreshments: Sue Jenswold
- Altar Guild: Sandy Heath/Sally Kaalberg A/V & Recording: Julie Doyle

**Happy Birthday:** We wish God's blessings to Amy Eckelberg (1/23), Blake Foley (1/23), Matthew Stibb (1/24), Kerri Mallien (1/25), Blake Bradley (1/27), Dieter Bradley (1/27), Steven Fox (1/28) and Reagan Oughton (1/28) as they celebrate their birthdays this week.

**In Our Prayers:** Fred Bakken, Joyce Hamburg (sister-in-law of Karen Tobison), Wyatt Kingsland, Roger LaGrange, Peter Leege, Marilyn Lund, Rose Lund and Peg Schroeder who are experiencing difficulties.

A special prayer for all our men & women who are serving in the Armed Forces. Among them are Shannon & Matthew Garrett, Sara Goss and John J. Schueman (son of Bonnie & John Schueman).

# Today: Quarterly Open Forum and Voter's Meeting January 22, 9:15 am in the sanctuary

### You can also join in online:

January 22 Quarterly Open Forum and Voter's Meeting Sun, Jan 22, 2023 9:15 AM - 10:15 AM (CST)

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### **Weekly Bible Studies**

Sunday 9:15 am: 1 Peter, No study Jan. 22

Tuesday 9:00 am: Judges, Upstairs

Wednesday 6:30 pm: Psalms, Downstairs

Friday 6:00 am (Breakfast 6:00, Bible study 6:45): Matthew

DeForest Family Restaurant (505 W. North Street, DeForest)

**Red Cross Blood Drive Update:** Thank you to our volunteers and blood donors this past Thursday. We had 41 people who came to donate blood. Eleven of those were our members. The Red Cross was able to collect 36 blood products for use in area hospitals. We are planning another blood drive this summer.

### Offerings December 25-31, 2022:

• General Fund: \$6,507

• Building Expansion Fund: \$5,200

### Offerings January 1-7, 2023:

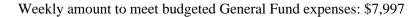
• General Fund: \$7,805.06

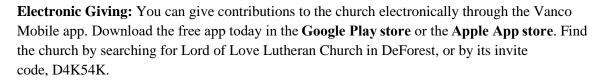
• Mortgage Reduction Fund: \$290

• Building Maintenance Fund: \$50

• Carpet Installation (Wish List): \$22.50

• AV Projectors - Sanctuary (Wish List): \$22.50





(December 25 – January 7: In the totals listed above, \$6,775 was given through Vanco to the general fund and \$50 to the building maintenance fund.)

