# Second Sunday after EPIPHANY



# Welcome to Cross of Christ Lutheran Church

By God's grace, through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, we are called to: Worship God, Grow in faith, Share the Gospel, Serve others, Welcome all



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.



WELCOME Pastor Judy Brennan

PRELUDE Dean Robinson, organ

In dich hab' ich gehoffet, Herr – Johann Christoph Bach

#### LITANY FOR EIPHANY

from "Godspace" an online resource created by Christine Sine

God who revealed yourself to wise men following a star, Guide all who search and journey towards your light today.

God who unveiled yourself in the gift of a Son, Show yourself to all who seek after justice and righteousness today.

God who was baptized with those who declared their repentance in the Jordan river, Manifest yourself to all who come with repentant hearts today.

God who fed the five thousand with a handful of fish and loaves, Satisfy our hunger with your word of truth and love.

God who changed water into wine at a wedding, Fill all who thirst with the free gift of the water of life.

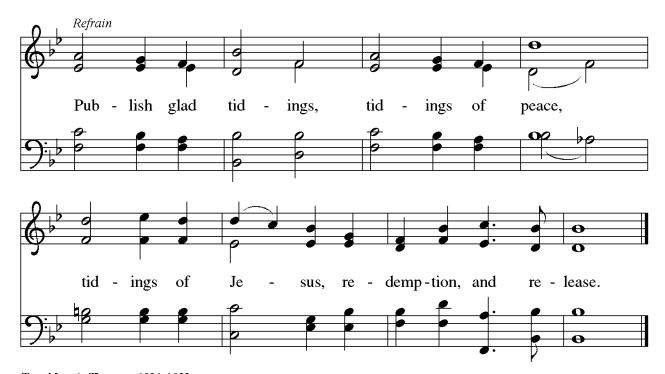
God whose light shines like a bright guiding star, open our eyes in this season of revelation, That we may see anew both your gentleness and your glory. Amen.

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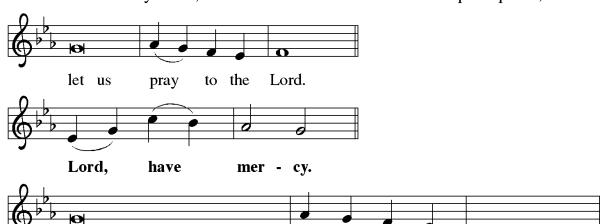
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# **KYRIE**





For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.



# This Is the Feast



# PRAYER OF THE DAY

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.



FIRST LESSON Colin Walker

# 1 Smauel 3:1-10 (NRSV)

A reading from First Samuel.

<sup>1</sup>Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

<sup>2</sup>At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; <sup>3</sup>the 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. <sup>4</sup>Then the Lord called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" <sup>5</sup>and 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. <sup>6</sup>The 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, my son; lie down again." <sup>7</sup>Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. <sup>8</sup>The 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. <sup>9</sup>Therefore 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.

<sup>10</sup>Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

PSALM Ben Fowler

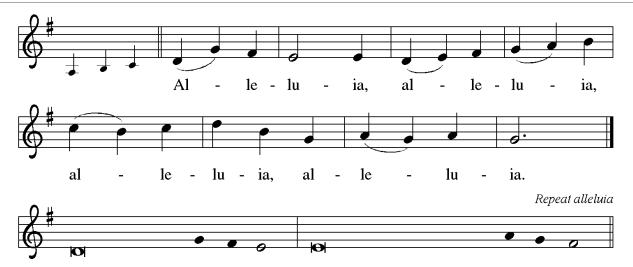
## Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18 (NRSV)

<sup>1</sup>Lord, you have searched me out; O Lord, you have known me. <sup>2</sup>You know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar. <sup>3</sup>You trace my journeys and my resting-places and are acquainted with all my ways. <sup>4</sup>Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, but you, O Lord, know it altogether. <sup>5</sup>You encompass me, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me. <sup>6</sup>Such knowledge is too wonder- ful for me; it is so high that I cannot at- tain to it. <sup>13</sup>For you yourself created my inmost parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb. <sup>14</sup>I will thank you because I am marvelously made; your works are wonderful, and I know it well. <sup>15</sup>My body was not hidden from you, while I was being made in secret and woven in the depths of the earth. <sup>16</sup>Your 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. <sup>17</sup>How deep I find your thoughts, O God! How great is the sum of them! <sup>18</sup>If 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**

# ELW Holy Communion: Setting One



Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e-ter-nal life.

#### THE GOSPEL

*John 1:43-51* (NRSV)

The gospel as recorded in the first chapter of John. Glory to you, O Lord.

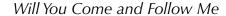
<sup>43</sup>The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." <sup>44</sup>Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. <sup>45</sup>Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote,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

The gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

**MESSAGE** 

Pastor Judy Brennan

HYMN OF THE DAY ELW #798





Text: John L. Bell, b. 1949

Music: KELVINGROVE, Scottish traditional

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#### **PEACE**

The peace of the Lord of Light be with you this day and always. Amen.

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Each petition ends, "Hear us, O Lord."
To which the congregation responds, "Your mercy is great."

## 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.

OFFERING Dean Robinson

Allein Gott in der Höh' sei Ehr – Friedrich Wilhelm Zachau

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# **BENEDICTION**

May the power of God the Father strengthen you; May the love of God the Son be your shining star; And may the wisdom of God the Spirit guide your thoughts, words, and deeds; Now and forevermore. Amen.



CLOSING HYMN ELW #310



Text: Christopher Wordsworth, 1807–1885, alt. Music: SALZBURG, Jakob Hintze, 1622–1702; arr. Johann Sebastian Bach, 1685–1750

# SENT TO SERVE

Jesus said, "As I have been sent, so also I send you."
By God's grace, through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, we are called to:
Worship God,
Grow in Faith,
Share the Gospel,
Serve Others,
Welcome All. — Thanks be to God!



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