

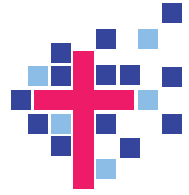
Third Sunday after EPIPHANY



Cross of Christ Lutheran Church
January 24, 2020

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*





WELCOME

Pastor Dave Thomas

PRELUDE

Dean Robinson, organ

Komm heiliger Geist, Herre Gott — Johann Pachelbel

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.

Dr. Christine Sine, M.D., is the co-founder of Mustard Seed Associates, a Christian non-profit that promote spirituality, creativity, and service. Prior to that, she studies medicine in Australia, practiced in New Zealand, then helped develop and direct healthcare ministries for Mercy Ships. In addition to her online writing, Dr. Sine is the author of several books, including her latest, “The Gift of Wonder.”

OPENING HYMN

ELW #799

Come Follow Me the Savior Spake


1 "Come, fol - low me," the Sav - ior spake, "all in my way a -
 2 "I am the light; I light the way, a god - ly life dis -
 3 "I teach you how to shun and flee what harms your soul's sal -
 4 Then let us fol - low Christ, our Lord, and take the cross ap -

bid - ing; de - ny your-selves, the world for-sake, o -
 play - ing; I bid you walk as in the day; I
 va - tion; from ev - 'ry guile your heart I free, from
 point - ed, and, firm - ly cling - ing to his word, in

bey my call and guid - ing. Oh, bear the cross, what -
 keep your feet from stray - ing. I am the way, and
 sin and its temp - ta - tion. I am the ref - uge
 suf - f'ring be un - daunt - ed. For those who bear the

e'er be - tide; take my ex - am - ple for your guide."
 well I show how you should so - journ here be - low."
 of the soul and lead you to your heav'n - ly goal."
 bat - tle's strain the crown of heav'n - ly life ob - tain.

Text: Johann Scheffler, 1624–1677; tr. Charles W. Shaeffer, 1813–1896, alt.

Music: MACHS MIT MIR, GOTT, Bartholomäus Gesius, 1555–1613; adapt. Johann Herman Schein, 1586–1630

FOOTPRINTS IN THE SAND

authorship unclear

One night I dreamed a dream.
As I was walking along the beach with my Lord.
Across the dark sky flashed scenes from my life.
For each scene, I noticed two sets of footprints in the sand,
One belonging to me and one to my Lord.

After the last scene of my life flashed before me,
I looked back at the footprints in the sand.
I noticed that at many times along the path of my life,
especially at the very lowest and saddest times,
there was only one set of footprints.

This really troubled me, so I asked the Lord about it.
"Lord, you said once I decided to follow you,
You'd walk with me all the way.

But I noticed that during the saddest and most troublesome times of my life,
there was only one set of footprints.
I don't understand why, when I needed You the most, You would leave me."

He whispered, "My precious child, I love you and will never leave you
Never, ever, during your trials and testings.
When you saw only one set of footprints,
It was then that I carried you."

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray: Loving Lord, grow our faith in you as we walk our life's pathway, trusting your promise to be with us always, especially in our times of greatest need. This we pray to you, our faithful guide, who with the Father and the Spirit we worship and glorify, one God, now and forever. Amen.



LESSONS

FIRST LESSON

Asher Walker

Genesis 1:9-10 (NRSV)

A reading from Genesis.

⁹And God said, "Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so. ¹⁰God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Psalms 93 (NRSV)

¹The LORD is king, he is robed in majesty;
the LORD is robed, he is girded with strength.
He has established the world; it shall never be moved;
²your throne is established from of old;
you are from everlasting.
³The floods have lifted up, O LORD,
the floods have lifted up their voice;
the floods lift up their roaring.
⁴More majestic than the thunders of mighty waters,
more majestic than the waves of the sea,
majestic on high is the LORD!
⁵Your decrees are very sure;
holiness befits your house,
O LORD, forevermore.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Laurie Beck

1 Peter 1:18-21 (NRSV)

A reading from First Peter.

¹⁸You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, ¹⁹but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. ²⁰He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. ²¹Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ELW Holy Communion: Setting One

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Repeat alleluia

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

THE GOSPEL

Mark 4:35-41 (NRSV)

The gospel as recorded in the fourth chapter of Mark. Glory to you, O Lord.

³⁵On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, "Let us go across to the other side." ³⁶And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. ³⁷A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. ³⁸But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" ³⁹He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. ⁴⁰He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" ⁴¹And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

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

MESSAGE

Pastor Dave Thomas

HYMN OF THE DAY

ELW #696

Jesus Calls O'er the Tumult

1 Je - sus calls us; o'er the tu - mult of our
 2 As of old Saint An - drew heard it by the
 3 Je - sus calls us from the wor - ship of the
 4 In our joys and in our sor - rows, days of
 5 Je - sus calls us! By your mer - cy, Sav - ior,

life's wild, rest - less sea, day by day his clear voice
 Gal - i - le - an lake, turned from home and toil and
 vain world's gold - en store, from each i - dol that would
 toil and hours of ease, still he calls, in cares and
 may we hear your call, give our hearts to your o -

sound - ing, say - ing, "Chris - tian, fol - low me":
 kin - dred, leav - ing all for Je - sus' sake.
 keep us, say - ing, "Chris - tian, love me more."
 plea - sures, "Chris - tian, love me more than these."
 be - dience, serve and love you best of all.

Text: Cecil Frances Alexander, 1818–1895
 Music: GALILEE, William H. Jude, 1851–1922

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 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.**

OFFERING

Oceans – Joel Houston, Matt Crocker, Salomon Ligthelm

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.



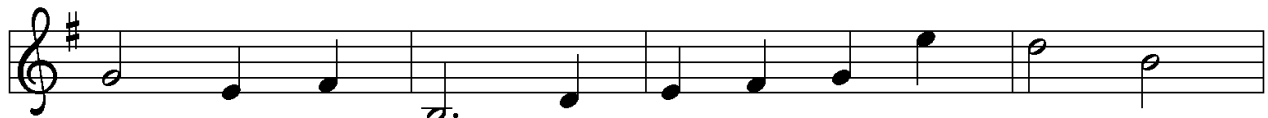
O God of Light



1 O God of light, your word, a lamp un - fail - ing,
2 From days of old, through blind and will - ful a - ges,
3 Un - dimmed by time, those words are still re - veal - ing,
4 To all the world your sum - mons you are send - ing,



shall pierce the dark - ness of our earth - bound way
though we re - belled, you gent - ly sought a - gain,
to sin - ful hearts your jus - tice and your grace;
through all the earth, to ev - 'ry land and race,



and show your grace, your plan for us un - veil - ing,
and spoke through saints, a - pos - tles, proph - ets, sa - ges,
and quest - ing spir - its, long - ing for your heal - ing,
that myr - iad tongues, in one great an - them blend - ing,



and guide our foot - steps to the per - fect day.
who wrote with ea - ger or re - luc - tant pen.
see your com - pas - sion in the Sav - ior's face.
may praise and cel - e - brate your gift of grace.

Text: Sarah E. Taylor, 1883–1954, alt.

Music: ATKINSON, H. Barrie Cabena, b. 1933

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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!
