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## Church Service Sundays at 9:00 a.m.

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### WELCOME GUESTS

We invite you to sign our guest book and/or complete a visitor card to help us remember you. Please let us know if we can serve you in any way. Everyone is welcome to Holy Communion at Shepherd of the Lakes. Come forward as ushers direct, receive the wafer in your hand and move to the wine which is served in the chalice or individual portions as you prefer. We offer grape juice as an alternative to wine. Gluten-free wafers are also available at your request from communion servers when you partake.

### OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Empowered by the power of the Holy Spirit and rooted in the Good News of Jesus Christ, we are a loving community that follows Jesus & seeks to hear the Word of God and practice it in our daily lives.

### Recorded Services:

All Sunday services at Shepherd of the Lakes are recorded and put on You Tube.

Go to the Church website at

[www.shepherdofthelakeschurch.org](http://www.shepherdofthelakeschurch.org)

and look for the  symbol.

Click on this symbol to take you to the Church's YouTube site.

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You can donate through our PayPal account.  
“Thank you for your continued support of our ministry together.”*

## **Readings for February 11, 2024 :**

**First Reading**            2 Kings 2: 1-12  
**Psalm**                     50: 1-6  
**Second Reading**       2 Corinthians 4: 3-6  
**Holy Gospel**             Mark 9: 2-9

## **Transfiguration: Amazing Then and Now**

Imagine what would happen if someone from the days of Jesus were suddenly transported to our present. How would someone accustomed to walking everywhere respond to driving in a car at top speed, let alone flying in a jet? How would someone who spends their life depending on—at best—oil lamps for light respond to electric lights? It is fun to muse at how people might respond, as we reflect on how sophisticated we are.

Now imagine if the scene were reversed. How would someone accustomed to understanding much in the world around them respond to an event as otherworldly as the transfiguration? We understand volcanoes and the northern lights. We can explain lightning and thunder. We know about germs and disease transmission. So what would we do when confronted with something so amazing, awesome, and unexplainable?

The transfiguration is one of those ancient events that still puzzle us. What really happened to Jesus that day? Since we cannot go back to that time, we are left to speculate. We take stabs in the dark and make educated guesses, but at the end of the day we are left with a holy mystery to ponder.

Whatever happened that day, there is a timeless spiritual reality behind the physical details Mark gives us. God sometimes uses extreme and amazing methods to transform us when we open ourselves to the Holy Spirit. God’s spirit transfigured Jesus then. That same Spirit is still transforming people today. We don’t have to explain first-century miracles to trust that God’s transforming Spirit is timeless and at work within each of us today. We do not have to understand everything to see the beauty of God at work in the world, continually transfiguring us into the people we were created to be.

## **CHURCH SERVICES:**

Regular Sunday morning services at 9:00 a.m. Holy Communion is offered at every service. All are welcome. The Sunday service will be live-streamed and recorded and available for viewing on YouTube later on Sundays.

## **CHURCH SCHOOL**

Church School every Wednesday begins at 3:45 pm for ages 4 – Grade 7 (unless Northland Pines School District is out). For more information, please call (715) 542-4049.

## **TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY**

Tuesday Bible Study will be every other Tuesday at 3 p.m. at Shepherd of the Lakes. We will have two studies each month, on the second and fourth Tuesdays at 3 pm, unless they occur during a holiday. We will again be continuing with the Ray Vanderlaan video series. Next scheduled studies are on Tuesday, February 13<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday, February 27<sup>th</sup> at 3 pm.

## **ROCK MINISTRIES**

From Jack Carlson:

As Treasurer of Northwoods Share in Eagle River, I work at community dinners at The Rock ministry in Eagle River every 1st and 3rd Tuesday evening at 4:30. SOTL members are welcome to volunteer and attend as we support this mission as part of our benevolence funding at SOTL.

## **NEXT COUNCIL MEETING:**

Sunday, February 25<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 am

## **WEDNESDAY EVENING SERVICES**

Wednesday evening services will begin again starting with Ash Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup>. (There will be no Soup Supper for Ash Wednesday.) All other Lenten services will be held after Soup Supper, at 6 pm. Please join us for the Soup Supper at 5:15 pm and then join us for the Lenten Service.

After Easter, Wednesday evening services will continue to be held at 6 pm until Thanksgiving Eve. Communion is offered at all Wednesday services. We look forward to seeing you there!

## **CHILI LUNCH**

Please help support the Vilas County Humane Society! Shepherd of the Lakes will be holding a Chili Lunch from 11 am to 3 pm on Saturday, February 24<sup>th</sup>. Chili and other soups will be available for a free-will donation to the Humane Society. Please contact Karen Carter if you have any questions (715) 542-4049.

## **DEFIBRILLATOR**

Reminder: The defibrillator is located in the Coat Room Area for emergencies.

## CONTACT INFO FOR SECRETARY

In case you want/need to contact the Church Secretary, you are welcome to email me (Sharon) at: [secretary@shepherdofthelakeschurch.org](mailto:secretary@shepherdofthelakeschurch.org) or [plclerk@gmail.com](mailto:plclerk@gmail.com). You can also call me at (715) 892-7049.



## PRAYER REQUESTS

*(Please note: "Current Issue" listings remain in the bulletin for three weeks and then are removed unless instructions are received to move that listing to the "ongoing health issues" list)*

### **Pray for those dealing with current issues:**

Deb, Brian, Jeanne, Ray and Lynn and Barb.

### **Pray for those with ongoing health issues:**

Larry, Mary Lou, Brian, Melody, Bob B., Graham, Ericka, and Shelle.

### **Pray for those serving in the Armed Forces:**

Brian, Adam & Brittany, Brooks, Will, Sgt. Keara, Alex, Jared, Noah, and Dylan.

### **Pray for those in nursing homes or homebound:**

Elisabeth

### **Pray for the families of those who have passed:**

Betsy Tarkowski; Karen Nijzink, (sister of Charlie S.)

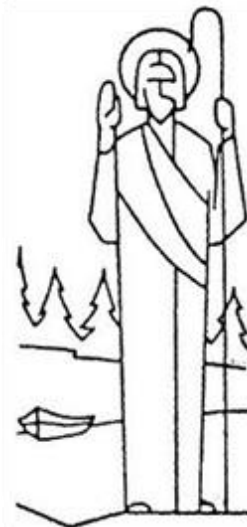
*Please email Bill Wendorf at [pastor@SOTLsayner.com](mailto:pastor@SOTLsayner.com) or text to 715-617-6477 or email Jean Maines at [treasurer@SOTLsayner.com](mailto:treasurer@SOTLsayner.com) if you would like to be included on the prayer chain list.  
Prayer requests are sent out via email.*

# Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church

Sayner, Wisconsin

Fifth Sunday After Epiphany, February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024

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## Welcome and Announcements

### Invocation

*(Please remain seated)*

In the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

## Confession and Forgiveness

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*(Silence for reflection and self-examination.)*

Most merciful God,

**we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.**

**Amen**

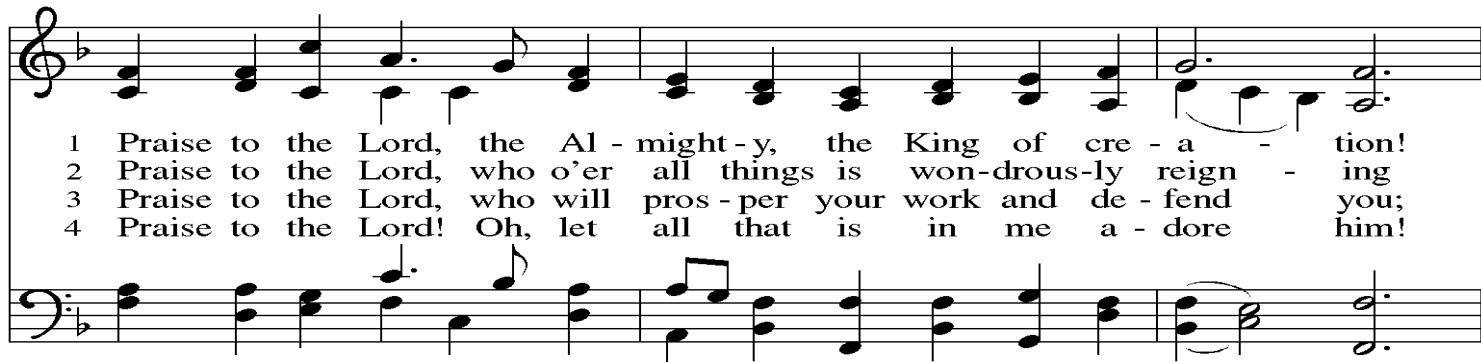
Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen**

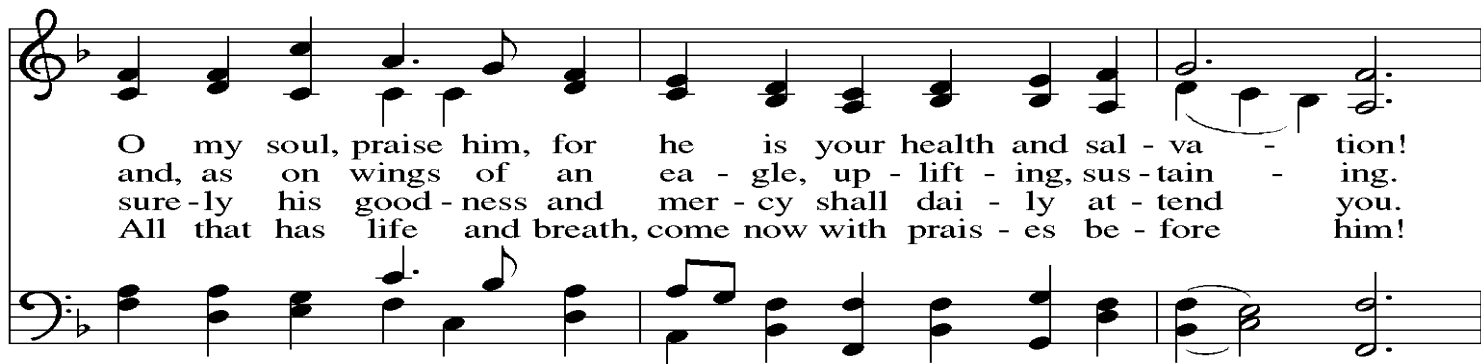
Gathering Hymn "Praise To The Lord, The Almighty" LBW 543

(Please Stand as you are Comfortable)

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty



1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre - a - tion!  
2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is won - drous - ly reign - ing  
3 Praise to the Lord, who will pros - per your work and de - fend you;  
4 Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me a - dore him!



O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and sal - va - tion!  
and, as on wings of an ea - gle, up - lift - ing, sus - tain - ing.  
sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall dai - ly at - tend you.  
All that has life and breath, come now with prais - es be - fore him!



Let all who hear now to his tem - ple draw near,  
Have you not seen all that is need - ful has been  
Pon - der a - new what the Al - might - y can do  
Let the a - men sound from his peo - ple a - gain.



join - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion!  
sent by his gra - cious or - dain - ing?  
if with his love he be - friend you.  
Glad - ly for - ev - er a - dore him!

Text: Joachim Neander, 1650–1680; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt.  
Music: LOBE DEN HERREN, *Ernewerten Gesangbuch*, Part II, Stralsund, 1665

## Opening Dialogue

God spoke through the prophet, “Do not fear, for I have redeemed you.”

**God calls us by name, we belong to God.**

“When you pass through the waters...”

**God will be with us.**

“When you pass through the rivers...”

**God will be with us.**

“When you walk through the fire...”

**God will be with us.**

God is our Savior, we are precious in God’s sight.

**Come let us worship our Savior, who leads us into life.**

## Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with your all.

**And also with you.**

## Hymn of Praise

### Arise, Your Light Has Come!

1 A - rise, your light has come! The Spir - it's call o - bey;  
2 A - rise, your light has come! Fling wide the pris - on door;  
3 A - rise, your light has come! All you in sor - row born,  
4 A - rise, your light has come! The moun - tains burst in song!

show forth the glo - ry of your God which shines on you to - day.  
pro - claim the cap - tive's lib - er - ty, good tid - ings to the poor.  
bind up the bro - ken - heart - ed ones and com - fort those who mourn.  
Rise up like ea - gles on the wing, God's pow'r will make us strong.



## Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

Almighty God,

**you sent your only Son as the Word of life for our eyes to see and our ears to hear.  
Help us to believe with joy what the Scriptures proclaim, through Jesus Christ our  
Lord.**

**Amen.**

*(Please be seated)*

## First Lesson    Isaiah 40:21-31

<sup>21</sup>Have you not known? Have you not heard?  
Has it not been told you from the beginning?  
Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth?

<sup>22</sup>It is he who sits above the circle of the earth,  
and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers;  
who stretches out the heavens like a curtain,  
and spreads them like a tent to live in;

<sup>23</sup>who brings princes to naught,  
and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing.

<sup>24</sup>Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown,  
scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth,  
when he blows upon them, and they wither,  
and the tempest carries them off like stubble.

<sup>25</sup>To whom then will you compare me,  
or who is my equal? says the Holy One.

<sup>26</sup>Lift up your eyes on high and see:  
Who created these?  
He who brings out their host and numbers them,  
calling them all by name;  
because he is great in strength,  
mighty in power,  
not one is missing.

<sup>27</sup>Why do you say, O Jacob,  
and speak, O Israel,  
“My way is hidden from the LORD,  
and my right is disregarded by my God”?  
<sup>28</sup>Have you not known? Have you not heard?  
The LORD is the everlasting God,  
the Creator of the ends of the earth.  
He does not faint or grow weary;  
his understanding is unsearchable.  
<sup>29</sup>He gives power to the faint,  
and strengthens the powerless.  
<sup>30</sup>Even youths will faint and be weary,  
and the young will fall exhausted;  
<sup>31</sup>but those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength,  
they shall mount up with wings like eagles,  
they shall run and not be weary,  
they shall walk and not faint.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm 147:1-11, 20c**

<sup>1</sup>Hallelujah! How good it is to sing praises to our God!  
How pleasant it is to honor God with praise!  
<sup>2</sup>**The LORD rebuilds Jerusalem,  
and gathers the exiles of Israel.**  
<sup>3</sup>The LORD heals the brokenhearted  
and binds up their wounds.  
<sup>4</sup>**The LORD counts the number of the stars  
and calls them all by their names.**  
<sup>5</sup>Great is our LORD and mighty in power;  
there is no limit to God’s wisdom.  
<sup>6</sup>**The LORD lifts up the lowly,  
but casts the wicked to the ground.**  
<sup>7</sup>Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving;  
make music upon the harp to our God,  
<sup>8</sup>**who covers the heavens with clouds  
and prepares rain for the earth, making grass to grow upon the mountains.**  
<sup>9</sup>God provides food for the cattle  
and for the young ravens when they cry.  
<sup>10</sup>**God is not impressed by the might of a horse,  
and has no pleasure in the speed of a runner,**  
<sup>11</sup>but finds pleasure in those who fear the LORD,  
in those who await God’s steadfast love. Hallelujah!

## Second Lesson 1 Corinthians 9:16-23

<sup>16</sup>If I proclaim the gospel, this gives me no ground for boasting, for an obligation is laid on me, and woe to me if I do not proclaim the gospel! <sup>17</sup>For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward; but if not of my own will, I am entrusted with a commission. <sup>18</sup>What then is my reward? Just this: that in my proclamation I may make the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my rights in the gospel.

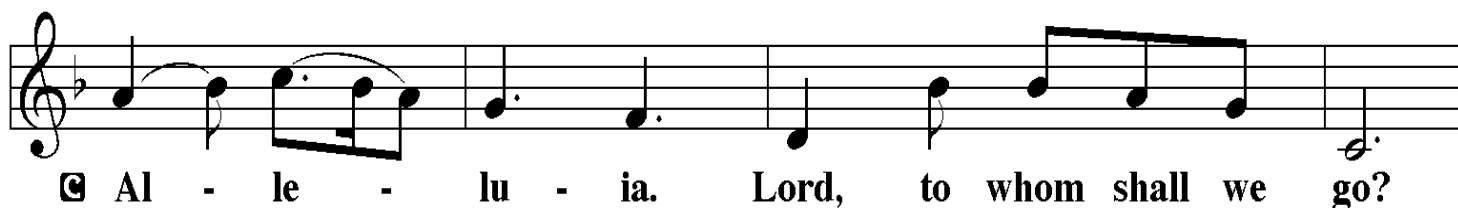
<sup>19</sup>For though I am free with respect to all, I have made myself a slave to all, so that I might win more of them. <sup>20</sup>To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though I myself am not under the law) so that I might win those under the law. <sup>21</sup>To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law) so that I might win those outside the law. <sup>22</sup>To the weak I became weak, so that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that I might by all means save some. <sup>23</sup>I do it all for the sake of the gospel, so that I may share in its blessings.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### Gospel Alleluia

*(Please Stand as You are Comfortable)*



## **Gospel Reading**

The Holy Gospel According to.....

**Glory to You, O Lord.**

### **Mark 1:29-39**

<sup>29</sup>As soon as [Jesus and the disciples] left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. <sup>30</sup>Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. <sup>31</sup>He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

<sup>32</sup>That evening, at sunset, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. <sup>33</sup>And the whole city was gathered around the door. <sup>34</sup>And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him.

<sup>35</sup>In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. <sup>36</sup>And Simon and his companions hunted for him. <sup>37</sup>When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." <sup>38</sup>He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." <sup>39</sup>And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

The Gospel of the Lord,

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **Sermon**

*(Please be Seated)*

# Hymn of the Day

## “God, Whose Almighty Word” LBW 400

(Please Stand as you are Comfortable)

### God, Whose Almighty Word



1 God, whose al - might - y word cha - os and dark - ness heard  
2 Lord, who once came to bring, on your re - deem - ing wing,  
3 Spir - it of truth and love, life - giv - ing, ho - ly dove,  
4 Ho - ly and bless - ed three, glo - ri - ous Trin - i - ty,



and took their flight: hear us, we hum - bly pray, and where the  
heal - ing and sight, health to the sick in mind, sight to the  
speed forth your flight; move on the wa - ter's face bear - ing the  
wis - dom, love, might! Bound - less as o - cean's tide, roll - ing in



gos - pel day sheds not its glo - rious ray,  
in - ly blind: oh, now to hu - man - kind let there be light!  
lamp of grace, and in earth's dark - est place  
full - est pride, through the earth, far and wide,

Text: John Marriott, 1780–1825, alt.

Music: ITALIAN HYMN, Felice de Giardini, 1716–1796

## **Apostles Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.\*  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come 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 Intercession**

### **The Peace**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

*(Please greet your neighbor as you and your neighbor are comfortable)*

## **Great Thanksgiving**

**As the Lord's Table is prepared and our offering is received:**  
Please join in singing "*Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer*" ELW 618

# Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer

1 Guide me ev - er, great Re - deem - er, pil - grim through this  
 2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain where the heal - ing  
 3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious

bar - ren land. I am weak, but you are might - y; hold me  
 wa - ters flow; let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar lead me  
 fears sub - side; death of death and hell's de - struc - tion, land me

with your pow'r - ful hand. Bread of heav - en, bread of heav - en,  
 all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - 'er, strong de - liv - 'er,  
 safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs and prais - es, songs and prais - es

feed me now and ev - er - more, ev - er - more, feed me now and ev - er - more.  
 shield me with your might - y arm, might - y arm, shield me with your might - y arm.  
 I will raise for - ev - er - more, ev - er - more, I will raise for - ev - er - more.

Text: William Williams, 1717–1791; tr. William Williams and Peter Williams, 1722–1796, alt.  
 Music: CWM RHONDDA, John Hughes, 1873–1932

## Offertory Hymn *(Please stand as you are comfortable as the offering is presented)*



Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bles - sing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were



sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.



Gath - er the hopes and dreams of all; u - nite them with the prayers we



of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,



Lord, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

## Offertory Prayer

Blessed are you,

**O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**Amen**



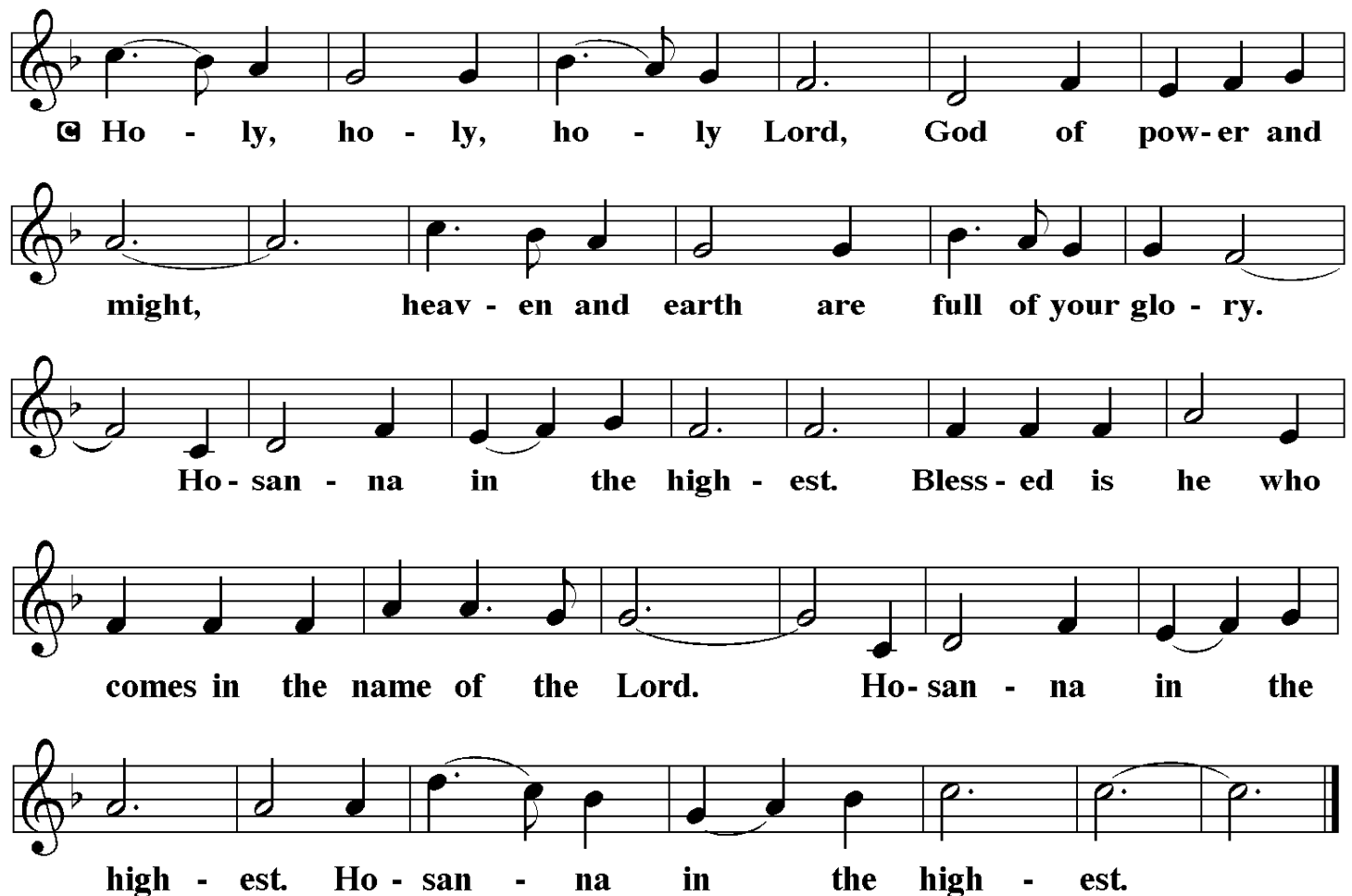
## Holy Communion

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 him thanks and Praise.**

It is indeed right and salutary . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and  
might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.  
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the  
high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## Words of Institution

## The Lord's Prayer

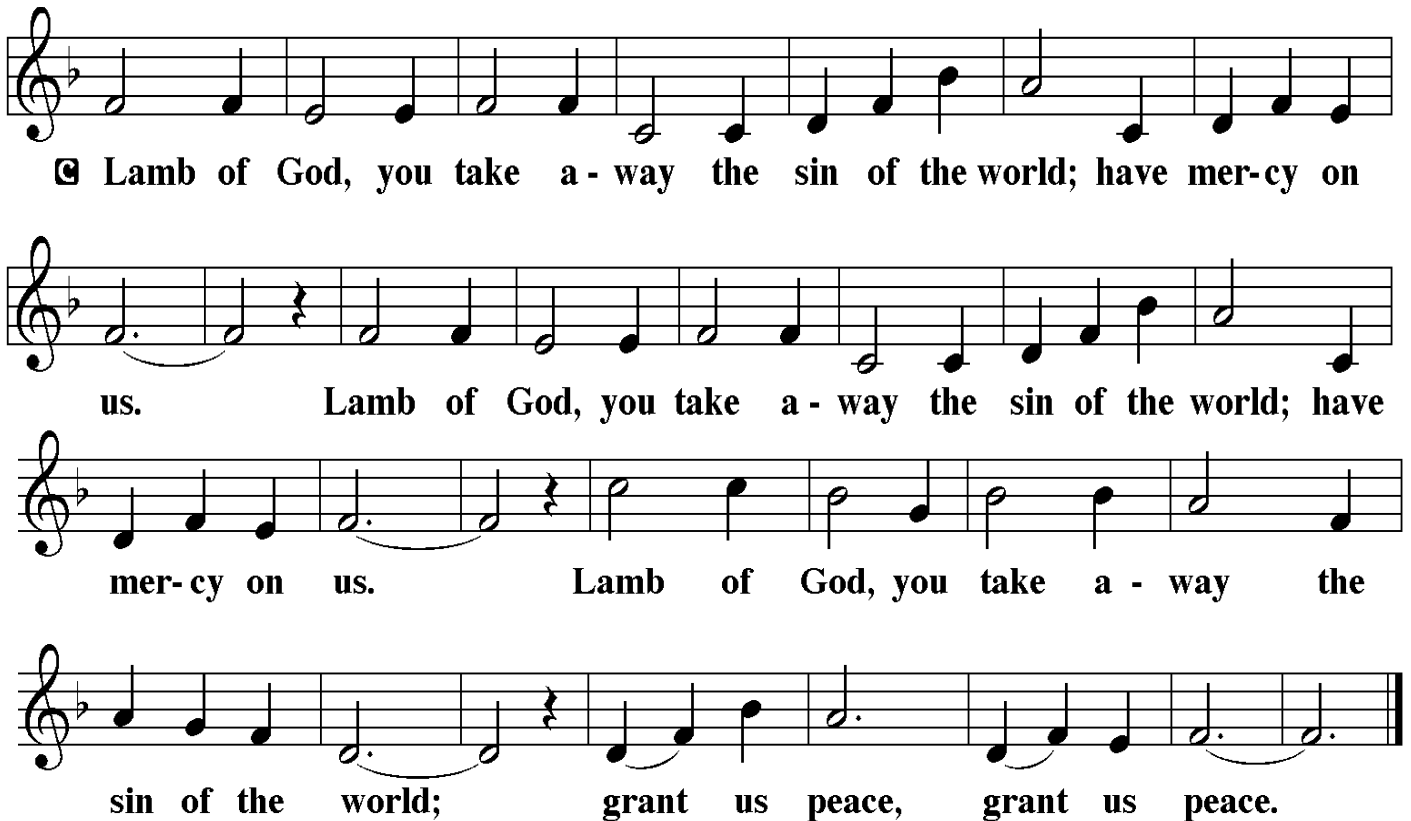
**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever.**

**Amen.**

## Invitation

## Communion Distribution

*Please be seated and come forward as the ushers direct.  
All those who wish to commune are welcomed to the Lord's table.*



☩ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on  
us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

## Just As I Am, without One Plea

1 Just as I am, with - out one plea, but that thy blood was  
 2 Just as I am, though tossed a - bout with man - y\_a con - flict,  
 3 Just as I am, thou wilt re - ceive, wilt wel - come, par - don,  
 4 Just as I am; thy love un - known has bro - ken ev - 'ry

shed for me, and that thou bidd'st me come to thee,  
 man - y\_a doubt, fight - ings and fears with - in, with - out,  
 cleanse, re - lieve; be - cause thy prom - ise I be - lieve,  
 bar - rier down; now to be thine, yea, thine a - lone,

O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Text: Charlotte Elliott, 1789–1871

Music: WOODWORTH, William B. Bradbury, 1816–1868

*“My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less” ELW 597*

## My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

1 My hope is built on noth - ing less than  
2 When dark - ness veils his love - ly face, I  
3 His oath, his cov - e - nant, his blood, sus -  
4 When he shall come with trum - pet sound, oh,

Je - sus' blood and righ - teous - ness; no mer - it of my  
rest on his un - chang - ing grace; in ev - 'ry high and  
tain me in the rag - ing flood; when all sup - ports are  
may I then in him be found, clothed in his righ - teous -

own I claim, but whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.  
storm - y gale my an - chor holds with - in the veil.  
washed a - way, he then is all my hope and stay.  
ness a - lone, re - deemed to stand be - fore the throne!

*Refrain*

On Christ, the sol - id rock, I stand; all oth - er ground is sink - ing sand.

Text: Edward Mote, 1797–1874, alt.  
Music: MELITA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

“All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly” ELW 461

All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly



1 All who hun-ger, gath-er glad-ly; ho-ly man-na is our bread.  
2 All who hun-ger, nev-er strang-ers; seek-er, be a wel-come guest.  
3 All who hun-ger, sing to- geth-er, Je- sus Christ is liv- ing bread.



Come from wil-der-ness and wan-d'ring. Here in truth we will be fed.  
Come from rest-less-ness and roam-ing. Here in joy we keep the feast.  
Come from lone-li-ness and long-ing. Here in peace we have been fed.



You that yearn for days of full-ness, all a-round us is our food.  
We that once were lost and scat-tered in com-mu-nion's love have stood.  
Blest are those who from this ta-ble live their days in grat-i-tude.



Taste and see the grace e-ter-nal. Taste and see that God is good.  
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Text: Sylvia G. Dunstan, 1955–1993  
Music: HOLY MANNA, W. Moore, *Columbian Harmony*, 1825; arr. hymnal version  
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**Communion Blessing**      *(Please Stand as You are Comfortable)*

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**Amen.**

**Communion Prayer**

Gracious God,

**in this meal you have drawn us to your heart, and nourished us at your table with food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Now send us forth to be your people in the world, and to proclaim your truth this day and evermore, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

**Amen.**

**Benediction**

The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

**Amen**

Closing Hymn "Praise The One Who Breaks The Darkness" ELW 843

Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness

1 Praise the One who breaks the dark-ness with a lib - er - at - ing light;  
2 Praise the One who blessed the chil - dren with a strong yet gen - tle word;  
3 Praise the one true love in - car - nate: Christ, who suf - fered in our place;

praise the One who frees the pris - 'ners, turn - ing blind - ness in - to sight.  
praise the One who drove out de - mons with a pierc - ing, two - edged sword.  
Je - sus died and rose for man - y that we may know God by grace.

Praise the One who preached the gos - pel, heal - ing ev - 'ry dread dis - ease,  
Praise the One who brings cool wa - ter to the des - ert's burn - ing sand;  
Let us sing for joy and glad - ness, see - ing what our God has done.

calm - ing storms and feed - ing thou - sands with the ver - y bread of peace.  
from this well comes liv - ing wa - ter quench - ing thirst in ev - 'ry land.  
Praise the one re - deem - ing glo - ry; praise the One who makes us one.

Text: Rusty Edwards, b. 1955

Music: NETTLETON, J. Wyeth, *Repository of Sacred Music*, Part II, 1813

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## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Please join us for coffee and fellowship after the service.  
Second Sunday of each month join us for brunch after the service.**

### **Calendar for Week of February 5 to February 11, 2024**

Wednesday	February 7, 2024	Quilting	9:00 a.m.
Wednesday	February 7, 2024	Church School	3:45 p.m.
Thursday	February 8, 2024	Text Study	9:00 a.m.
Sunday	February 11, 2024	Worship Service/Brunch	9:00 a.m.

#### **Next Council Meeting:**

Sunday, February 25, 2024 at 10:30 am

#### **Upcoming Events:**

Chili Lunch on February 24<sup>th</sup>

*Check our calendar of events on the church website for  
times and dates of events and worship services.*

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