

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2026 - 5:00 PM
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2026 - 10:45 AM

*(The * indicates when the congregation is to stand.)*

PRELUDE

WELCOME

*INVOCATION, CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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

People: **Amen.**

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

People: **who made heaven and earth.**

Pastor: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

People: **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

Pastor: Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

People: **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

(Please turn and face the cross as it enters the sanctuary.)

(vv. 1-3, & 5)



1 Christ the e - ter - nal Lord, Whose prom - ise here we claim,
 2 Christ the un - chang - ing Word To ev - 'ry pass - ing age,
 3 Christ the re - deem - ing Son, Who shares our hu - man birth,
 5 Christ the as - cend - ed King Ex - alt - ed high a - bove,



Whose gifts of grace are free-ly poured On all who name Your name;
 Whose time-less teach-ings still are heard Set forth on Scrip-ture's page;
 And by His death sal - va - tion won For ev - 'ry child of earth;
 Whose praise un - end - ing a - ges sing, Whom yet un - seen we love;



With thank - ful - ness and praise We stand be - fore Your throne,
 Trans - form our thought and mind, En - light - en all who read,
 In - spire our hearts, we pray, To tell Your love a - broad,
 When mor - tal life is past Your voice from heav-en's throne



In - tent to serve You all our days And make Your glo - ry known.
 With - in Your Word by faith to find The bread of life in - deed.
 That all may hon - or Christ to - day And fol - low Him as Lord.
 Shall call Your chil - dren home at last To know as we are known.

THE SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray. Almighty God, You called us out of darkness into light so that we will show forth Your praise in all the world. Direct the discipline of our devotion to Jesus, our radiant King, as we live out our lives day by day to reflect Your glory through the working of the Holy Spirit in us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 25:4-10

⁴ Make me to know your ways, O LORD; teach me your paths. ⁵ Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all the day long. ⁶ Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your steadfast love, for they have been from of old. ⁷ Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for the sake of your goodness, O LORD! ⁸ Good and upright is the LORD; therefore he instructs sinners in the way. ⁹ He leads the humble in what is right, and teaches the humble his way. ¹⁰ All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

[10:45] CHOIR ANTHEM

“By Faith”
(*Grace Chorale*)

arr. Lloyd Larson

EPISTLE READING

Acts 16:1-5

¹ Paul came also to Derbe and to Lystra. A disciple was there, named Timothy, the son of a Jewish woman who was a believer, but his father was a Greek. ² He was well spoken of by the brothers at Lystra and Iconium. ³ Paul wanted Timothy to accompany him, and he took him and circumcised him because of the Jews who were in those places, for they all knew that his father was a Greek. ⁴ As they went on their way through the cities, they delivered to them for observance the decisions that had been reached by the apostles and elders who were in Jerusalem. ⁵ So the churches were strengthened in the faith, and they increased in numbers daily.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

*HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 20:20-28

Pastor: The Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twentieth chapter.

People: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

²⁰ Then the mother of the sons of Zebedee came up to him with her sons, and kneeling before him she asked him for something. ²¹ And he said to her, “What do you want?” She said to him, “Say that these two sons of mine are to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your kingdom.” ²² Jesus answered, “You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I am to drink?” They said to

him, "We are able." ²³ He said to them, "You will drink my cup, but to sit at my right hand and at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared by my Father." ²⁴ And when the ten heard it, they were indignant at the two brothers. ²⁵ But Jesus called them to him and said, "You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. ²⁶ It shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, ²⁷ and whoever would be first among you must be your slave," ²⁸ even as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

[10:45] CHILDREN'S MESSAGE AND DISMISSAL TO CHILDREN'S CHURCH

*SERMON HYMN

"On Galilee's High Mountain"

Hymn 835

(vv. 1, 2, 4 & 6)



1 On Gal - i - lee's high moun-tain Christ gave the great com - mand
2 The Lord who, born of Mar - y, Came down as man and died,
4 And not a - lone to na - tions In far - a - way re - treats,
△ 6 Lord, gath - er all Your chil-dren, Wher - ev - er they may be,



In words of strength and prom - ise Which all can un - der-stand:
Who preached to all who lis-tened, For us was cru - ci - fied—
But ev - 'ry - where I broad-cast His love through crowd-ed streets:
And lead them on to heav - en To live e - ter - nal - ly



"All pow'r to Me is giv - en To do what I shall choose;
This Lord, our liv - ing broth - er, In pow'r at God's right hand,
The lives that my life touch - es, How - ev - er great or small—
With You, our lov - ing Fa - ther, And Christ, our broth - er dear,



There - fore I send My chil-dren, Their wit - ness I will use."
Has cho - sen us to car - ry His truth to ev - 'ry land.
Let them through me see Je - sus, Who served and saved us all.
Whose Spir - it guards and gives us The joy to per - se - vere.

***PROFESSION OF FAITH - 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 thence 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.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Lord, in Your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

HOLY COMMUNION***PREFACE**

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Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

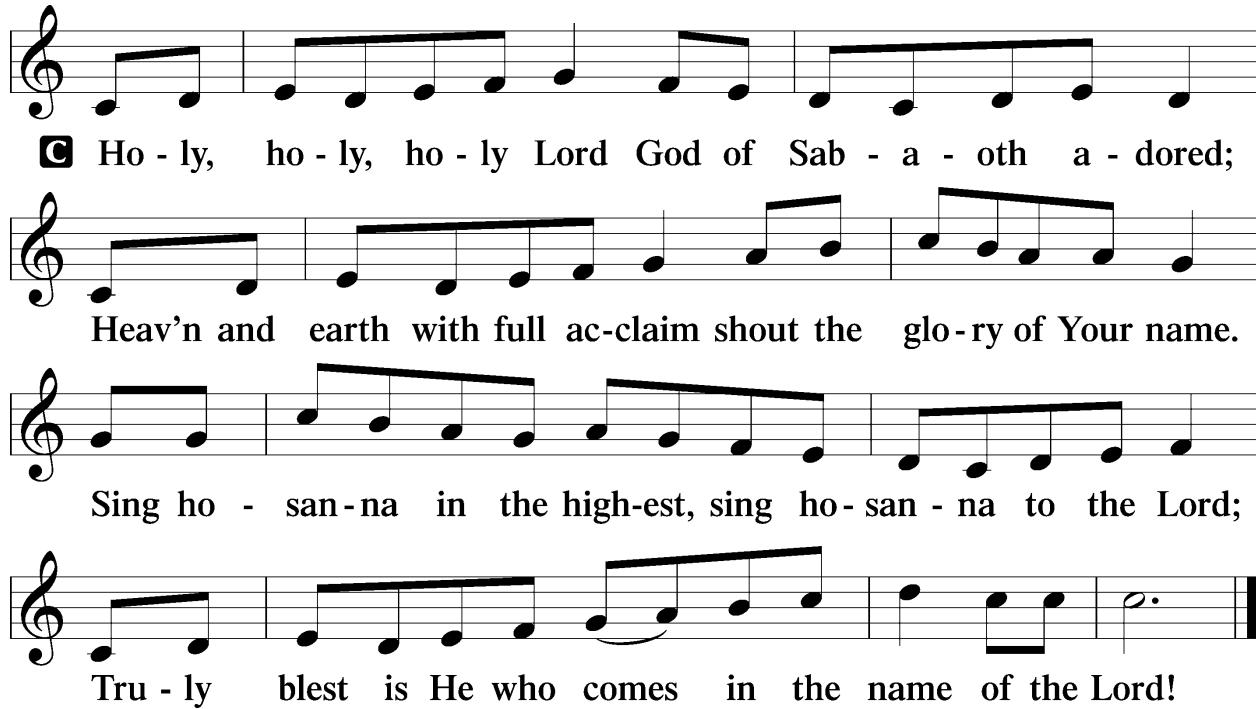
Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

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: It is truly meet, right, and salutary...evermore praising You and singing:



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;
Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.
Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho - san - na to the Lord;
Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

WORDS OF INSTITUTION**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.

C 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
 2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
 You take the sin of the world away;
 You take the sin of the world away;
 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
 Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,
 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
 And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

MUSIC DURING THE DISTRIBUTION

"I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table"

Hymn 618

1 I come, O Savior, to Thy table, For weak and
 2 Thy heart is filled with fervent yearning, That sin - ners
 3 Un - wor - thy though I am, O Sav - ior, Be - cause I
 4 Wea - ry am I and heav - y lad - en; With sin my
 5 What high - er gift can we in - her - it? It is faith's
 wea - ry is my soul; Thou, Bread of Life, a -
 may sal - va - tion see Who, Lord, to Thee in
 have a sin - ful heart, Yet Thou Thy lamb wilt
 soul is sore op - pressed; Re - ceive me gra - cious -
 bond and sol - id base; It is the strength of -'

lone art a - ble To sat - is - fy and make me whole;
 faith are turn - ing; So I, a sin - ner, come to Thee.
 ban - ish nev - er, For Thou my faith - ful shep - herd art:
 ly and glad - den My heart, for I am now Thy guest.
 heart and spir - it, The cov - e - nant of hope and grace.

Refrain

Lord, may Thy bod - y and Thy blood Be for my soul the high-est good!

“Christ Be My Leader”

Hymn 861

1 Christ be my Lead - er by night as by day; Safe through the
 2 Christ be my Teach - er in age as in youth, Drift - ing or
 3 Christ be my Sav - ior in calm as in strife; Death can - not

dark - ness, for He is the way. Glad - ly I fol - low, my
 doubt - ing, for He is the truth. Grant me to trust Him; though
 hold me, for He is the life. Nor dark - ness nor doubt - ing nor

fu - ture His care, Dark - ness is day - light when Je-sus is there.
 shift - ing as sand, Doubt can-not daunt me; in Je-sus I stand.
 sin and its stain Can touch my sal - va - tion: with Je-sus I reign.

"Children of the Heavenly Father"

Hymn 725

1 Chil - dren of the heav'n - ly Fa - ther Safe - ly
 2 God His own doth tend and nour - ish; In His
 3 Nei - ther life nor death shall ev - er From the
 4 Though He giv - eth or He tak - eth, God His

in His bos - om gath - er; Nest - ling bird nor star in
 ho - ly courts they flour - ish. From all e - vil things He
 Lord His chil - dren sev - er; Un - to them His grace He
 chil - dren ne'er for - sak - eth; His the lov - ing pur - pose

heav - en Such a ref - uge e'er was giv - en.
 spares them; In His might - y arms He bears them.
 show - eth, And their sor - rows all He know - eth.
 sole - ly To pre - serve them pure and ho - ly.

*POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

*PRESENTATION OF OFFERINGS AND CONSECRATION FOR THE LORD'S WORK

*BENEDICTION (*Numbers 6:24-26*)

Pastor: 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.

People: Amen.

*SENDING HYMN

"Sent Forth by God's Blessing"

Hymn 643

1 Sent forth by God's bless-ing, Our true faith con - fess-ing,
 2 With praise and thanks - giv - ing To God ev - er - liv - ing,

The peo - ple of God from His dwell - ing take leave.
 The tasks of our ev - 'ry - day life we will leave face.

The Sup - per is end - ed. O now be ex - tend - ed
 Our faith ev - er shar - ing, In love ev - er car - ing,

The fruits of this ser - vice in all who be - lieve.
 Em - brac - ing His chil - dren of each tribe and race.

The seed of His teach - ing, Re - cep - tive souls reach - ing,
 With Your feast You feed us, With Your light now lead us;

Shall blos - som in ac - tion for God and for all.
 U - nite us as one in this life that we share.

His grace did in - vite us, His love shall u - nite us
 Then may all the liv - ing With praise and thanks - giv - ing

To work for God's king - dom and an - swer His call.
 Give hon - or to Christ and His name that we bear.

*DISMISSAL

Pastor: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE

"Prelude in G Major, BWV 541"

J.S. Bach

WORSHIP SERVICE LEADERS

SATURDAY, 5:00 PM

Pastor	The Rev. Steven M. Braun
Organist	Thomas Schulteis
Communion Deacons	Rodney Petersen, Jane Petersen
Lector	Roger Walker
Usher/Greeter Team	Don & Connie March

SUNDAY, 10:45 AM

Preacher	The Rev. Steven M. Braun
Celebrant/Liturgist	The Rev. Charles T. Reich
Organist/Choir Director	Thomas Schulteis
Sound Technician	Mark Bryan
Communion Deacons	Ron Booth, Janet Hostler, Dr. Terry Hostler
Elder on Duty	Martha Walker
Lectors	Ted Broer, Krista Bernthal
Greeters	Matthew & Holly Terry with Vera & Lucy
Crucifer	Charlee LeFan
Acolytes	John Locke, Annie Witcher
Ushers	Janice Graydon, Douglas Hall, Ernie Harben, Bonnie Petersilge, Rob Petersilge, Carl Rod, Larry Walker

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