

# **The Third Sunday after Epiphany**

Saturday – January 23, 2021 – 5:30 pm. Worship

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# † Call to Worship †

Hymn # 810 “O God of God, O Light of Light”



1 O God of God, O Light of Light, O Prince of Peace and  
 2 For deep in proph-ets' sa - cred page, And grand in po - ets'  
 3 That life of truth, those deeds of love, That death so steeped in  
 4 Then raise to Christ a might - y song, And shout His name, His



King of kings: To You in heav-en's glo - ry bright The song of  
 wing-ed word, Slow - ly in type, from age to age The na - tions  
 hate and scorn— These all are past, and now a - bove He reigns, our  
 mer-cies tell! Sing, heav'n-ly host, your praise pro-long, And all on



praise for - ev - er rings. To Him who sits up - on the throne,  
 saw their com - ing Lord; Till through the deep Ju - de - an night  
 King once crowned with thorn. Lift up your heads, O might - y gates!  
 earth, your an - them swell! All hail, O Lamb for sin - ners slain!



The Lamb once slain but raised a - gain, Be all the glo - ry  
 Rang out the song, “Good-will to men!” Sung once by first - born  
 So sang that host be - yond our ken. Lift up your heads, your  
 For - ev - er let the song as - cend! Wor - thy the Lamb, en -



He has won, All thanks and praise! A - men, a - men.  
 sons of light, It ech - oes now, “Good - will!” A - men.  
 King a - waits. We lift them up. A - men, a - men.  
 throned to reign, All glo - ry, pow'r! A - men, a - men.

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*Stand*

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

**Invocation**

*LSB 151 Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**Exhortation**

*LSB 151 1 John 1:8–9*

**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C** 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 on God's Word and for self-examination.*

**Confession of Sins**

*LSB 151*

**P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C** Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.

## Absolution

LSB 151 [John 20:19–23]

- P** 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  $\dagger$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

## $\dagger$ Service of the Word $\dagger$

### Psalm 39:1-13

- P** <sup>1</sup>I said, “I will guard my ways,  
**C** **that I may not sin with my tongue;**  
**P** I will guard my mouth with a muzzle,  
**C** **so long as the wicked are in my presence.”**  
**P** <sup>2</sup>I was mute and silent;  
**C** **I held my peace to no avail,**  
**P** and my distress grew worse.  
**C** <sup>3</sup>**My heart became hot within me.**  
**P** As I mused, the fire burned;  
**C** **then I spoke with my tongue:**  
**P** <sup>4</sup>“O LORD, make me know my end  
and what is the measure of my days;  
**C** **let me know how fleeting I am!**  
**P** <sup>5</sup>Behold, you have made my days a few handbreadths,  
**C** **and my lifetime is as nothing before you.**  
**P** Surely all mankind stands as a mere breath!  
**C** <sup>6</sup>**Surely a man goes about as a shadow!**  
**P** Surely for nothing they are in turmoil;  
**C** **man heaps up wealth and does not know who will gather!**  
**P** <sup>7</sup>“And now, O Lord, for what do I wait?  
**C** **My hope is in you.**  
**P** <sup>8</sup>Deliver me from all my transgressions.  
**C** **Do not make me the scorn of the fool!**  
**P** <sup>9</sup>I am mute; I do not open my mouth,  
**C** **for it is you who have done it.**  
**P** <sup>10</sup>Remove your stroke from me;  
**C** **I am spent by the hostility of your hand.**  
**P** <sup>11</sup>When you discipline a man  
**C** **with rebukes for sin,**  
**P** you consume like a moth what is dear to him;  
**C** **surely all mankind is a mere breath!**  
**P** <sup>12</sup>“Hear my prayer, O LORD,  
and give ear to my cry;  
**C** **hold not your peace at my tears!**  
**P** For I am a sojourner with you,  
**C** **a guest, like all my fathers.**  
**P** <sup>13</sup>Look away from me, that I may smile again,  
**C** **before I depart and am no more!”**  
**ALL** **Glory be to the Father and to the Son**  
**and to the Holy Spirit;**  
**as it was in the beginning,**  
**is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

# This Is the Feast

Revelation 5:12–13; 19:5–9 LSB 155

*Refrain*

**C** This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

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

1 — Wor-ty is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose  
 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and  
 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and  
 4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to  
 5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -

blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*  
 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*  
 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*  
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*  
 gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*

*Final Refrain*

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

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

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities and stretch forth the hand of Your majesty to heal and defend us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading: Jonah 3:1-5, 10

<sup>1</sup>Then the word of the LORD came to Jonah the second time, saying, <sup>2</sup>*“Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and call out against it the message that I tell you.”*

<sup>3</sup>So Jonah arose and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly great city, three days’ journey in breadth. <sup>4</sup>Jonah began to go into the city, going a day’s journey. And he called out, *“Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!”*

<sup>5</sup>And the people of Nineveh believed God. They called for a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them to the least of them. <sup>10</sup>When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil way, God relented of the disaster that he had said he would do to them, and he did not do it.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Epistle: 2 Corinthians 2:14–3:3

<sup>14</sup>But thanks be to God, who in Christ always leads us in triumphal procession, and through us spreads the fragrance of the knowledge of him everywhere.

<sup>15</sup>For we are the aroma of Christ to God among those who are being saved and among those who are perishing, <sup>16</sup>to one a fragrance from death to death, to the other a fragrance from life to life. Who is sufficient for these things? <sup>17</sup>For we are not, like so many, peddlers of God's word, but as men of sincerity, as commissioned by God, in the sight of God we speak in Christ.

<sup>1</sup>Are we beginning to commend ourselves again? Or do we need, as some do, letters of recommendation to you, or from you? <sup>2</sup>You yourselves are our letter of recommendation, written on our hearts, to be known and read by all. <sup>3</sup>And you show that you are a letter from Christ delivered by us, written not with ink but with the Spirit of the living God, not on tablets of stone but on tablets of human hearts.


**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

### Alleluia and Verse

LSB 156



The musical notation is for a two-staff piece in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a common time signature (C). The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the' are written below the first staff. The second staff continues the melody with quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics 'words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.' are written below the second staff. A common time signature (C) is placed at the beginning of the first staff.

**C** Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## Holy Gospel: Mark 1:14-20

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.

**C** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>14</sup>Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, <sup>15</sup>and saying, ***"The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel."***

<sup>16</sup>Passing alongside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and Andrew the brother of Simon casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. <sup>17</sup>And Jesus said to them, ***"Follow me, and I will make you become fishers of men."*** <sup>18</sup>And immediately they left their nets and followed him.

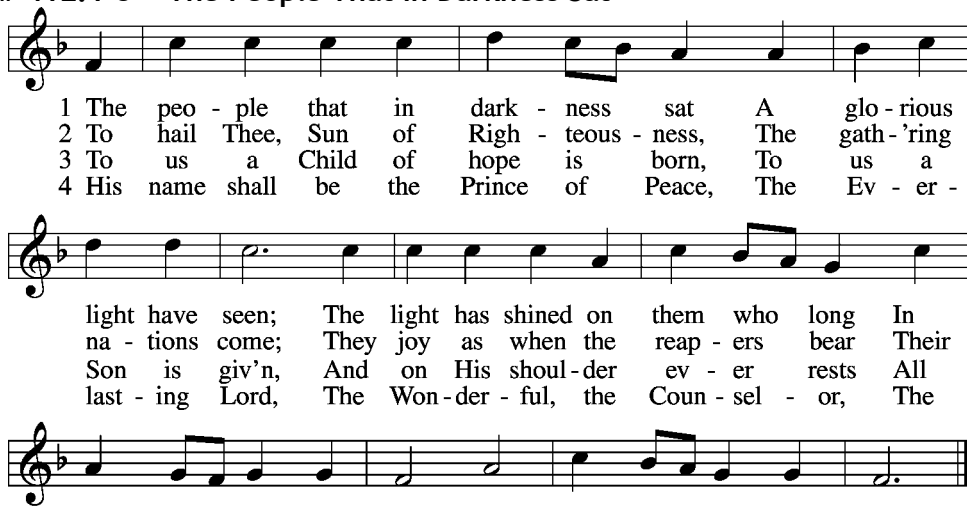
<sup>19</sup>And going on a little farther, he saw James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, who were in their boat mending the nets. <sup>20</sup>And immediately he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired servants and followed him.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

*Sit*

## Hymn # 412:1-5 "The People That in Darkness Sat"



1 The peo - ple that in dark - ness sat A glo - rious  
 2 To hail Thee, Sun of Righ - teous - ness, The gath - 'ring  
 3 To us a Child of hope is born, To us a  
 4 His name shall be the Prince of Peace, The Ev - er -

light have seen; The light has shined on them who long In  
 na - tions come; They joy as when the reap - ers bear Their  
 Son is giv'n, And on His shoul - der ev - er rests All  
 last - ing Lord, The Won - der - ful, the Coun - sel - or, The

shades of death have been, In shades of death have been.  
 har - vest trea - sures home, Their har - vest trea - sures home.  
 pow'r in earth and heav'n, All pow'r in earth and heav'n.  
 God by all a - dored, The God by all a - dored.

- 5 His righteous government and pow'r  
 Shall over all extend;  
 On judgment and on justice based,  
 His reign shall have no end,  
 His reign shall have no end.

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Sermon "For We Are The Aroma of Christ ... From Life to Life" Jonah 3:5, etc.

## Apostles' Creed

- C** 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  $\rightarrow$  everlasting. Amen.

## Hymn # 412:6 "The People That in Darkness Sat"

- $\Delta$  6 Lord Jesus, reign in us, we pray,  
 And make us Thine alone,  
 Who with the Father ever art  
 And Holy Spirit, one,  
 And Holy Spirit, one.

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## Prayer of the Church

### Responses:

- P** Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** hear our prayer.

### Final Petition:

- P** Hear us Father for we pray in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, born for us, risen for us, and returning for us, who has taught us to pray,

## Lord's Prayer

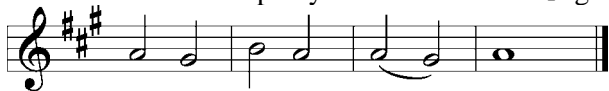
LSB 162 Matthew 6:9-13

- C** 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.

## Benediction

LSB 166 Numbers 6:24-26

- P** 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  $\text{✠}$  give you peace.



**C** A-men, a-men, a - men.

## Hymn # 379 "O Come, All Ye Faithful"



- 1 O come, all ye faith - ful, Joy - ful and tri - um - phant! O  
2 High - est, most ho - ly, Light of Light e - ter - nal,  
3 Sing, choirs of an - gels, Sing in ex - ul - ta - tion,  
4 Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, Born this hap - py morn - ing;



- come ye, O come ye to Beth - le - hem;  
Born of a vir - gin, a mor - tal He comes;  
Sing, all ye cit - i - zens of heav - en a - bove!  
Je - sus, to Thee be glo - ry giv'n!



- Come and be - hold Him Born the king of an - gels:  
Son of the Fa - ther Now in flesh ap - pear - ing!  
Glo - ry to God In the high - est:  
Word of the Fa - ther Now in flesh ap - pear - ing!

### Refrain



- O come, let us a - dore Him, O come, let us a - dore Him,



- O come, let us a - dore Him, Christ the Lord!

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