Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

Worship...Serve...Grow...Connect



Third Sunday after the Epiphany January 22, 2023 - 8:30AM

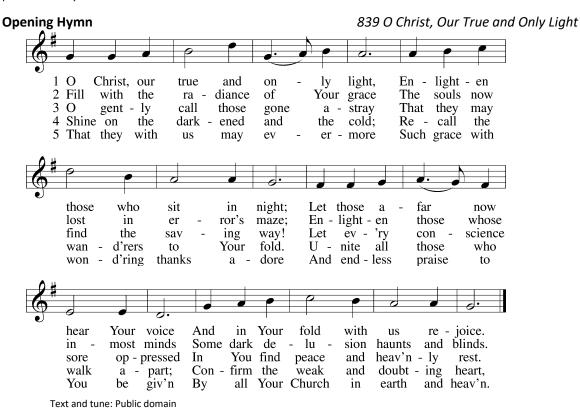
(Please note this service is being livestreamed.)

The Holy Lord's Supper: We will celebrate Holy Communion today during worship. In this meal God promises to give us his true body and blood together with the bread and wine. Through his body and blood he forgives our sins and strengthens our relationship with him and with one another. Jesus invites those who trust in his Word, repent of all sins, and set aside any refusal to forgive others. Because participation in this meal is a confession of the faith of this congregation (1 Corinthians 11:26), and because those who eat and drink Christ's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm (1 Corinthians 11:27), it is important that all Christians examine themselves before communing (1 Corinthians 11:28). We invite you to speak with the pastor after the service if you have any questions or concerns.

Gluten Free Communion Wafers available: For those with sensitivity to gluten, we offer gluten free communion wafers. They come from a reliable, commercially available source and care is taken to prevent any contamination with the other communion hosts. When approached by the pastor, just say "gluten free" and he will provide a host from a protected container.

Welcome & Announcements

(Please stand)



Invocation

- \blacksquare In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Opening Sentences

- The word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing,
- **©** but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.
- Wait for the LORD; be strong, and let your heart take courage;
- wait for the LORD!

Confession and Absolution

Confession and Absolution

- P St. Matthew writes that Jesus began to preach, saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." Let us respond by confessing our sins and asking our Lord's forgiveness.
- Heavenly Father, we confess our sins to You. We are too much a part of this fallen world. Because our citizenship is in heaven, invade our thoughts, words, and deeds by Your gracious power. Help us to live each day as pilgrims heading to the eternal promised land. Turn us from our sinful direction to follow our Savior's gracious lead, walking in ways pleasing to You for Jesus' sake. Amen.

- P "For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God."

 Be assured that through Jesus' blood-bought rescue, you are already citizens in the Kingdom of heaven. In the stead and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the

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 Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Service of the Word



Salutation

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

- Let us pray.

 Lord Jesus, who came from heaven to earth,
- heal us in body, soul, and spirit that we may serve You in joy, now and always;
- **P** for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

(You may be seated)

First Reading Isaiah 9:1–4

There will be no gloom for her who was in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he has made glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shined. You have multiplied the nation; you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as they are glad when they divide the spoil. For the yoke of his burden, and the staff for his shoulder, the rod of his oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

A This is the Word of the Lord. C Thanks be to God.

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 1:10–18

I appeal to you, brothers, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same judgment. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there is quarreling among you, my brothers. What I mean is that each one of you says, "I follow Paul," or "I follow Apollos," or "I follow Cephas," or "I follow Christ." Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one may say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas. Beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to preach the gospel, and not with words of eloquent wisdom, lest the cross of Christ be emptied of its power.

For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

Children's Message

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Holy Gospel Matthew 4:12–25

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fourth chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

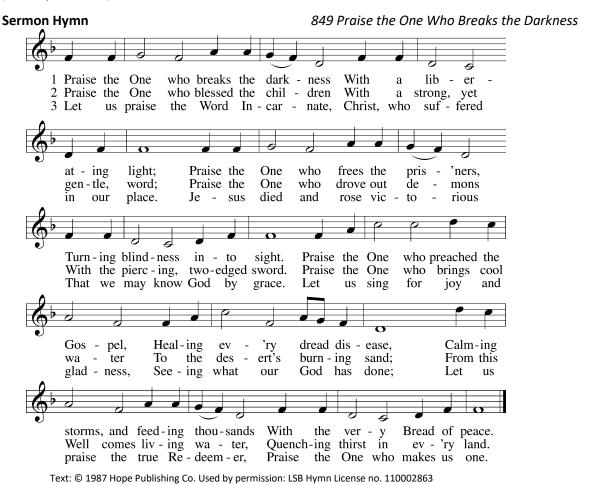
When [Jesus] heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew into Galilee. And leaving Nazareth he went and lived in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

"The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali,
the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—
the people dwelling in darkness
have seen a great light,
and for those dwelling in the region and shadow of death,
on them a light has dawned."

From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

While walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon (who is called Peter) and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." Immediately they left their nets and followed him. And going on from there he saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him.

And he went throughout all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affliction among the people. So his fame spread throughout all Syria, and they brought him all the sick, those afflicted with various diseases and pains, those oppressed by demons, epileptics, and paralytics, and he healed them. And great crowds followed him from Galilee and the Decapolis, and from Jerusalem and Judea, and from beyond the Jordan.



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Sermon Pastor Ted Diedrick

(Please stand)

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

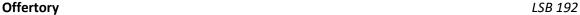
→ everlasting. Amen.

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Offering

Ushers will collect offerings and prayer cards

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Prayer Response

Response after each petition

A Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

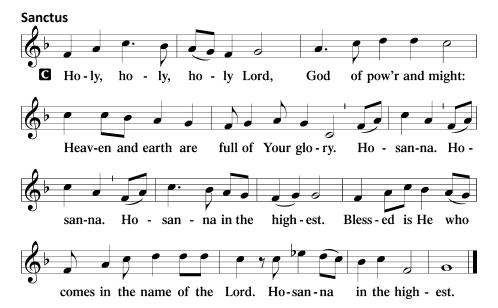
Service of the Sacrament

Preface LSB 160

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **C** We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Proper Preface

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who by His resurrection from the grave guards us from the evil one, winning for us eternal life, and who continues to direct our hearts to the love of God and to His steadfastness. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:



Prayer of Thanksgiving

- P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.
 - Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we ask that You keep us strong in faith for the days ahead. Grant that we follow Your Lamb through death to eternal life, when faith turns to sight and we celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in Your eternal banquet hall. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

- Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

 In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."
- As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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.
- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.



C 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





(You may be seated)

Distribution of the Holy Lord's Supper



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Thank the Lord LSB 164



Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benediction

- 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 → give you peace.
- C Amen.



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