# Service of Holy Communion for February 5, 2023 Fifth Sunday after Epiphany 8:30am

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- P God loves you all the time.
- C All the time God loves you.

Please stand as you are able.

PRELUDE Come Let Us Return Redman

Pr. Tara Magoon and Victoria Dalton

### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

- P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who makes all things new, whose mercy endures forever.
- C Amen.
- P Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

- P Holy One, source of our renewal,
- C we confess that we are wrapped up in sin, and cannot free ourselves. We have not practiced your righteousness. Our hearts have turned away from you.

For the sake of the world you so love, forgive us, that we may be reconciled to one another for the glory of your holy name. Amen.

- P Thus says our God:
  - "The former things have come to pass and new things I now declare."
    God's mercy makes us new.
    We are forgiven in the name of + Christ our Savior.
- C Amen.



### **GREETING**

- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.

## **KYRIE**

- A In peace, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- A For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- C Amen.

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P Lord God, with endless mercy you receive the prayers of all who call upon you. By your Spirit show us the things we ought to do, and give us the grace and power to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C Amen

Please be seated.

## FIRST READING: Isaiah 58:1-9a [9b-12]

<sup>1</sup>Shout out, do not hold back! Lift up your voice like a trumpet! Announce to my people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins. <sup>2</sup>Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways, as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God; they ask of me righteous judgments, they delight to draw near to God. <sup>3</sup>"Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?" Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day, and oppress all your workers. <sup>4</sup>Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist. Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high. <sup>5</sup>Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush, and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the LORD?

of Is not this the fast that I choose:
to loose the bonds of injustice,
to undo the thongs of the yoke,
to let the oppressed go free,
and to break every yoke?

This it not to share your bread with the hungry,
and bring the homeless poor into your house;
when you see the naked, to cover them,
and not to hide yourself from your own kin?

Then your light shall break forth like the dawn,
and your healing shall spring up quickly;

your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard. <sup>9a</sup>Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.

<sup>9b</sup>If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, <sup>10</sup>if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. <sup>11</sup>The Lord will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. <sup>12</sup>Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** 

## PSALM 112:1-9 [10]

<sup>1</sup>Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the Lord and have great delight in God's commandments!

<sup>2</sup>Their descendants will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed.

<sup>3</sup>Wealth and riches will be in their house, and their righteousness will last forever.

<sup>4</sup>Light shines in the darkness for the upright; the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.

<sup>5</sup>It is good for them to be generous in lending and to manage their affairs with justice.

<sup>6</sup>For they will never be shaken;

## the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.

<sup>7</sup>They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; their heart is steadfast, trusting in the LORD.

<sup>8</sup>Their heart is established and will not shrink, until they see their desire upon their enemies.

<sup>9</sup>They have given freely to the poor, and their righteousness stands fast forever; they will hold up their head with honor.

<sup>10</sup>The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth and pine away; the desires of the wicked will perish.

## SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 2:1-12 [13-16]

<sup>1</sup>When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. <sup>2</sup>For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. <sup>3</sup>And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. <sup>4</sup>My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, <sup>5</sup>so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God.

<sup>6</sup>Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. <sup>7</sup>But we speak God's wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. <sup>8</sup>None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. <sup>9</sup>But, as it is written,

"What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him" —

<sup>10</sup>these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. <sup>11</sup>For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. <sup>12</sup>Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God. [<sup>13</sup>And we speak of these things in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual things to those who are spiritual.

<sup>14</sup>Those who are unspiritual do not receive the gifts of God's Spirit, for they are

foolishness to them, and they are unable to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. <sup>15</sup>Those who are spiritual discern all things, and they are themselves subject to no one else's scrutiny.

<sup>16</sup>"For who has known the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?"

But we have the mind of Christ.

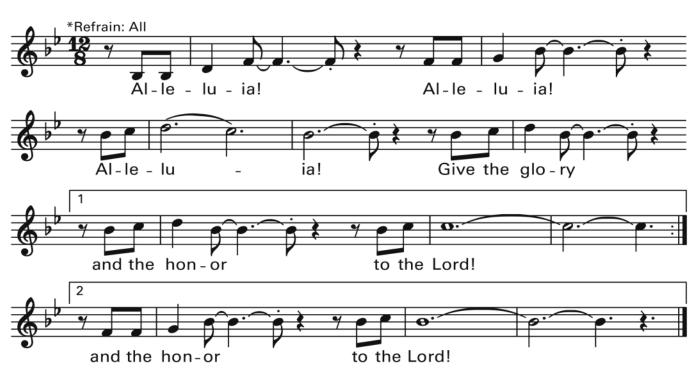
The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

## Mass of Glory



### GOSPEL: Matthew 5:13-20

The holy gospel of Matthew the fifth chapter.

# Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] <sup>13</sup>"You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

<sup>14</sup>"You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. <sup>15</sup>No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives

light to all in the house. <sup>16</sup>In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

<sup>17</sup>"Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. <sup>18</sup>For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. <sup>19</sup>Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. <sup>20</sup>For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven."

The Gospel of the Lord **Praise to you, O Christ.** 

Please be seated.

CHILDRENS MESSAGE

**MESSAGE** 

Pastor Tara Magoon

Please stand at the last verse.



### **APOSTLES' CREED**

A Let us profess our faith with the words of the Apostles' Creed.

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen

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 into hell.
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,

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Called together to follow Jesus, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need. *A brief silence*.

Call your people to seek your wisdom in difficult conversations and action. Give the church everywhere courage to repent for the ways we have tolerated and practiced injustice (*injustice such as systemic racism, church sanction of colonialism, church protection of sexual abusers may be named*). Merciful God,

## receive our prayer.

Inspire our wonder at creation, from the light of dawn to the beauty of the dark night. Sustain the unseen depths of the ocean to the plants and animals we know well. Bring healing to lands and communities experiencing natural disasters (especially). Merciful God,

## receive our prayer.

Instruct the powerful in your ways. Provide upright leadership in business and industry, that workers are not oppressed. Throughout the world, inspire voters and raise up politicians to heed your call for nations to practice righteousness. Merciful God,

## receive our prayer.

Loosen the bonds of injustice in our midst. Grant peace to endless quarrels, put an end to hunger, and break every yoke of oppression. Shelter all who flee abuse in their homes or violence in their communities. Satisfy those afflicted in any way (especially). Merciful God,

## receive our prayer.

Shape our congregation to be salt for the earth. Give us delight in your commandments, that we are generous with those in need. Make us steadfast in our trust in you, ready with tangible mercy and compassion for our neighbors. Merciful God, receive our prayer.

## Here other intercessions may be offered.

The cross and resurrection bring redemption from sin and death. We praise you for (*the Martyrs of Japan and*) all whose unshaken faith in Christ shines forth in their witness. Keep them in our remembrance and bring us with them into the kingdom of heaven. Merciful God,

## receive our prayer.

We bring to you our needs and hopes, O God, trusting your wisdom and power revealed in Christ crucified.

#### Amen.

#### **PEACE**

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C And also with you.

Please be seated.

### **OFFERING**

Thank you so much for your support of Grace ministry through your worship.

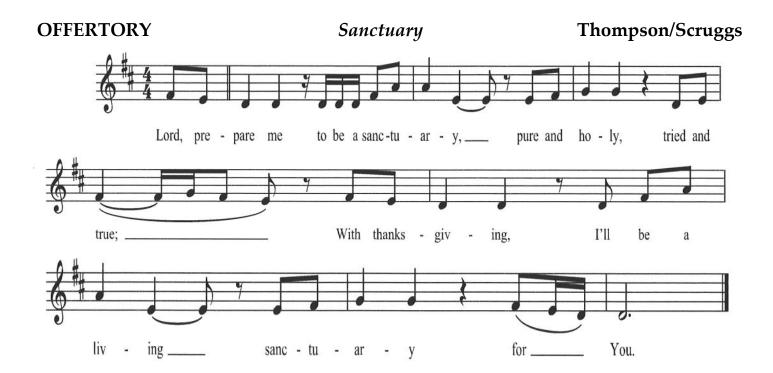
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### **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

- A Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C Amen.

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

- 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.
- C It is right to give our thanks and praise.
- P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. By the leading of a star he was shown forth to all nations; in the waters of the Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son; and in the miracle of water turned to wine he revealed your glory. In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit let us pray as Jesus taught us.

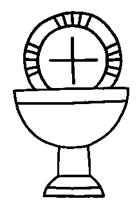
Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

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

### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P Come and taste the joy of God!
All are welcome at the table of the Lord.

Please be seated



#### **COMMUNION**

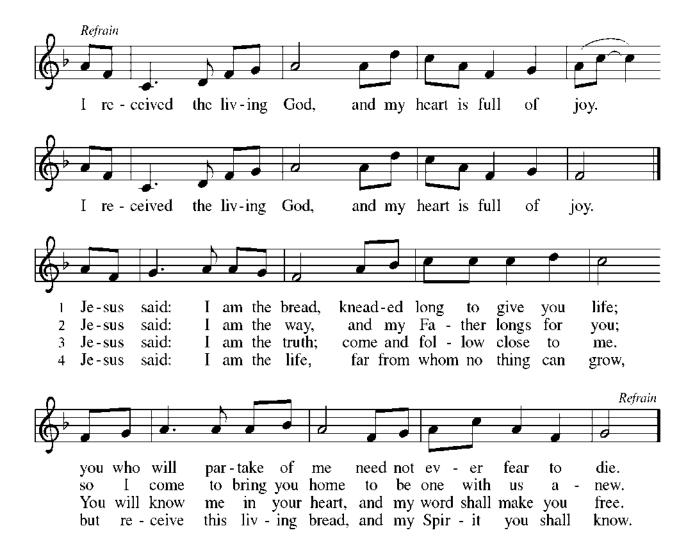
Communion will be received at the head of the Sanctuary. Starting with the section closest to the sound room and worshippers may make their way to Pastor at the head of the Sanctuary and receive the communion elements. Elements at in-person worship are red wine and white grape juice.

Please let Pastor know if you require gluten-free bread.

### **HYMN DURING COMMUNION**

# I Received the Living God

**ELW 477** 



## **HYMN DURING COMMUNION**

## Messiah Dakota Road



# **HYMN DURING COMMUNION**



### Please stand as you are able.

### **COMMUNION BLESSING**

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

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- A We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C Amen.

### **BLESSING**

- P God bless you and keep you,
  The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.
  The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.
- C Amen.



### **DISMISSAL**

- P Go in peace. Follow the way of Jesus.
- C Thanks be to God.



### **Sunday Worship & Education**

8:30am Service of Holy Communion 9:45am Sunday School for all ages! 11:00am Service of Holy Communion

## **WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**

# <u>8:30am</u>

Assisting Minister: Elinor Knodel Greeter/Usher: Julie Auger Usher: John Auger

**Reader**: Jean Warren **Sound**: Kris McMahan **Streamer**: Paul Warren

Nursery: Lucie Gonneville, Kaitlyn Dunfee Counters: Gerry Teig, Jane Foskett Refreshments: Jane Foskett, Merrily Schiavone

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