

*Welcome to Worship at
Lutheran Church of the Resurrection*

3RD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY—JANUARY 24, 2021

11:00 A.M.

INTRODUCTION

As we continue through the time after Epiphany, stories of the call to discipleship show us the implications of our baptismal calling to show Christ to the world. Jesus begins proclaiming the good news and calling people to repentance right after John the Baptist is arrested for preaching in a similar way. Knowing that John was later executed, we see at the very outset the cost of discipleship. Still, the two sets of brothers leave everything they have known and worked for all their lives to follow Jesus and fish for people.

SERVICE OF WORD & PRAYER

— GATHERING —

WELCOME & WORSHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS

Adorn your sacred space with flowers and other beautiful signs of life.

SABBATH REFLECTION

“Listening”

—Vicki Beeching

INVOCATION

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

Amen.

GATHERING SONG "Only By Grace"

-Gerrit Gustafson

CHORUS C G/C C Dm7 Gsus G

On-ly by grace can we en - ter, on-ly by grace can we stand; -

5 C G/C C Dm7

not by our hu-man en-deav - or, but by the blood of the Lamb.

8 F/G G Em7 G/A Am FM7

In-to your pres - ence you call us, you call us to come.

12 Gsus G C G/A Am7

In - to your pres - ence you draw us, and

15 Dm7 G C Am7 Dm7 G

now by your grace we come, now by your grace we come.

18 C *2nd time End* G/B **VERSE** Am G F F/G G

Lord, if you mark our trans-gress - ions who would

22 G/C C Dm/B E7 Am G

stand? Thanks to your grace we are cleansed

25 F G Am Dm7 E7 F/G Gsus G

by the blood of the Lamb.

1st time Repeat VERSE Then, Back to CHORUS

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GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. *(2 Corinthians 13:13)*

And also with you.

In the beginning was the Word,
and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

In the Word was life,
and the life was the light of all people.

The Word became flesh and lived among us,
and we have seen his glory, full of grace and truth. *(John 1)*

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Almighty God,

**by grace alone you call us and accept us in your service. Strengthen us by
your Spirit, and make us worthy of your call, through Jesus Christ, our Savior
and Lord. Amen.**

—WORD—

CHILDREN'S HOMILY

FIRST READING: Jonah 3:1-5, 10

The book of Jonah is a comedy starring a reluctant prophet who is given a one-sentence message: Nineveh will be destroyed in forty days. Much to Jonah's dismay, the people of Nineveh repent. The point of the story is to get the reader to wrestle with the question "On whom should God have mercy?"

¹The word of the LORD came to Jonah a second time, saying, ²"Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you." ³So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days' walk across. ⁴Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And he cried out, "Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" ⁵And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth.

¹⁰When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 62:5-12 (*read responsively*)

⁵For God alone I wait in silence;

truly, my hope is in God.

**⁶God alone is my rock and my salvation,
my stronghold, so that I shall never be shaken.**

⁷In God is my deliverance and my honor;

God is my strong rock and my refuge.

**⁸Put your trust in God always, O people,
pour out your hearts before the one who is our refuge.**

⁹Those of high degree are but a fleeting breath;

those of low estate cannot be trusted.

Placed on the scales together they weigh even less than a breath.

**¹⁰Put no trust in extortion; in robbery take no empty pride;
though wealth increase, set not your heart upon it.**

¹¹God has spoken once, twice have I heard it,

that power belongs to God.

**¹²Steadfast love belongs to you, O Lord,
for you repay all according to their deeds.**

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

Paul does not disapprove of marriage or other human social institutions. He does, however, want Christians to live in the present in fervent anticipation of God's future, which even now has dawned through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

²⁹Brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short; from now on, let even those who have wives be as though they had none, ³⁰and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no possessions, ³¹and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL SONG "Day by Day" (from *Godspell*)

-Stephen Schwartz

Easy Waltz feel

Day by day — day by day, — oh, dear Lord, — three

7 things I pray — to see Thee more clear-ly, love Thee more dear-ly,

13 1. BACK TO BEGINNING 2. Light Rock Feeling
fol-low Thee more near-ly, — day by day. — day by day. —

19 Day by day, — day by day, — oh, dear Lord, three

25 things I pray — to see Thee more clear - ly, love Thee more

30 1.
dear - ly, fol-low Thee more near - ly — day by day. —

35 2.
day by day. — Day by day by day by day by day. —

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GOSPEL: Mark 1:14-20

Before Jesus calls his first disciples, he proclaims a message that becomes known as “the gospel” or good news from God. God is ready to rule our lives. Those who realize this will respond with repentance and faith.

The holy gospel according to St. Mark, the 1st chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁴Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, ¹⁵and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.”

¹⁶As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. ¹⁷And Jesus said to them, “Follow me and I will make you fish for people.” ¹⁸And immediately they left their nets and followed him. ¹⁹As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets.

²⁰Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

HOMILY “Repent...Follow...”

Pastor Dave Helfrich



RESPONSE TO THE WORD: HYMN "Will You Come and Follow Me" ELW # 798



1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call
 2 "Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call
 3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call
 4 "Will you love the you you hide if I but call
 5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call



your name? Will you go where you don't
 your name? Will you care for cruel and
 your name? Will you set the pris - 'ners
 your name? Will you quell the fear in -
 my name. Let me turn and fol - low



know and nev - er be the same?
 kind and nev - er be the same?
 free and nev - er be the same?
 side and nev - er be the same?
 you and nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown, will you let my
 Will you risk the hos - tile stare, should your life at -
 Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as
 Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the
 In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and



name be known, will you let my life be
 tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer
 this un - seen, and ad - mit to what I
 world a - round, through my sight and touch and
 foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and



grown in you and you in me?"
 pray'r in you and you in me?"
 mean in you and you in me?"
 sound in you and you in me?"
 grow in you and you in me.

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RESPONSE TO THE WORD: CREED AND CONFESSION

In Christ, you have heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation.

**We believe in him and are marked with the seal
of the promised Holy Spirit.** *(Ephesians 1:13-14)*

Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

**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.**

Build yourselves up on your most holy faith;

pray in the Holy Spirit. *(Jude 20)*

Keep yourselves in the love of God;

look forward to the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ. *(Jude 21)*

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation:

Everything old has passed away; behold, everything has become new!

(2 Corinthians 5:17)

God has given us the ministry of reconciliation.

Therefore, let us be reconciled to God and to one another.

Silence for reflection and self examination.

Gracious God,

**have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown, things done and left undone.**

**Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Amen

Almighty God have mercy on you,

forgive you all your sins through our † Lord Jesus Christ,

strengthen you in all goodness,

and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

Amen

EXCHANGE OF PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

—THANKSGIVING—

*Collect an **OFFERING** for God's mission. Financial gifts can be made online
www.lcrmarietta.org/give, Canned food can also be collected.*

LCR Musicians also have a musical offering to glorify God

MUSICAL OFFERING "Glory to God Forever"

—Steve Fee / Vicky Beeching

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Guided by Christ made known to the nations, let us offer our prayers for the church,
the world, and all people in need.

A brief silence.

For the church throughout the world, especially our sister congregations in Guatemala,
for pastors and teachers, for deacons and deaconesses, and for musicians and
servers, that all proclaim the good news of God's reconciling love, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

For skies and seas, for birds and fish, for favorable weather and clean water, and for
the well-being of creation, that God raise up advocates and scientists to guide our care
for all the earth, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

For those who provide leadership in our cities and around the world, for nonprofit and nongovernmental organizations, for planning commissions and homeless advocates, that God inspire all people in the just use of wealth, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

For those who are sick, distressed, or grieving; for the outcast and all who await relief, especially those with COVID-19, that in the midst of suffering, God's peace and mercy surround them, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

For our congregation and community, for families big and small, and for the organizations that meet here during the week, that God's steadfast love serve as a model for all relationships, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

In thanksgiving for our ancestors in the faith whose lives serve as an example of gospel living, that they point us to salvation through Christ, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

Merciful God, hear the prayers of your people, spoken or silent, for the sake of the one who dwells among us, your Son, Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Let us pray with confidence in the words our Savior gave us:

**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**

— SENDING —

MISSION ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

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.

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

Amen.

SENDING SONG "All the People Said Amen"

-Maher / Morgan / Moak

VERSE 1



1. You are not a-lone if you are lone-ly. When you feel a-fraid,



you're not the on-ly. We are all the same, in need of mer-cy,



to be for-giv-en and be free. It's all you got to lean on, but thank



God, it's all you need. And all the peo-ple said, "A-men." Whoa.



And all the peo-ple said, "A-men." Give thanks to the Lord, for His love



—nev-er ends. And all the peo-ple said, "A-men."

2nd time to Coda

VERSE 2



2. If you're rich or poor, well, it don't mat-ter. Weak or strong, you know



love is what we're af-ter. We're all bro-ken, but we're all in this to-geth-er.

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25
God knows we stum - ble and fall, _____ and

27
Go back to the CHORUS ⊕ Coda
He so loved the world, He sent His Son to save us all. _____ men." Bless-ed are

30
BRIDGE
_____ the poor in spir-it who are torn a-part. Bless-ed are _____ the per-se-cut-ed and the

33
pure in heart. Bless-ed are _____ the peo-ple hun-gry for an-oth-er start, for

36
CHORUS
theirs is the king dom, the king-dom of God. And all the peo-ple said, "A -

39
men." Whoa. And all the peo-ple said, "A - men." Give

42
thanks to the Lord, for His love _____ nev-er ends. And all the peo-ple said "A -

45
men." And all the peo - ple said "A - men."

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Be the light of Christ!

Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE “Joysong”

–Mark Hayes

Helen Weiss Phelps, piano



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