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SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

5th Sunday after Epiphany

FEBRUARY 8, 2026 ✉ 9:30 AM

**PREACHING TODAY:
THE REV. KATY MORAN**



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**WELCOME TO ALL
who join us today for worship!**

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- **Rest room facilities** are located in the hallway south of the Atrium.
- **Large print bulletins and hearing enhancement devices** are available. Please ask an Usher for assistance.
- **Everyone's encouraged** to record your name on the attendance sheets found in the attendance folders at the end of each pew. Any special requests (prayers, visits, inclusion in mailings, etc.) may be written on these sheets.
- **Wooden offering box** for contributions is located in the center aisle at the rear of the Sanctuary.
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*** The congregation please stand as you are able.**

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MUSIC FOR GATHERING

Lead, Kindly Light - Robert J. Hughes

Where Two or Three Are Gathered - John W. Peterson; Arr. Harold DeCou
Joanne Vasey, organ

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Instruments of Your Peace

Words and Music by Kirk and Deby Dearman; Arr. Joseph Linn
Kailyn White, vocals and piano Lennox White, vocals

*** CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, the Creator of heaven and earth, the Word who spoke life into being, the Wind stirring the waters.

C **Amen.**

P Let us turn in confession to the one who knows us completely.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Mighty God, lover of justice,

C **you call us to life in community, but we have served our own interests at the expense of our neighbors. We have sown deceit where honesty was needed. We say the right words, but our hearts are far from you. Turn us to seek your face. Knit us together and give us the mind of Christ, that we may do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.**

P The former things have passed away, and new things God now declares: Like a spring of water that never fails, God covers you in the righteousness of Christ, and forgives your sin in ☩ Jesus' name. May the Spirit give you strength to live for others, and bless you with the gift of peace.

C **Amen.**

*** GATHERING HYMN**

Gather Us In - ELW # 532

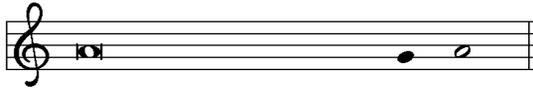
*** GREETING**

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**

ELW p. 147-148



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



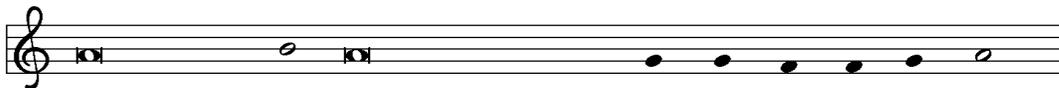
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

Assisting minister



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

All



Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;



you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer.



For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,



you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

* PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

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.**

FIRST READING: Isaiah 58:1-12

¹ 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. ² 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 want God on their side. ³ “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. ⁴ 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. ⁵ 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?

⁶ Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the straps of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? ⁷ Is 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? ⁸ 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. ^{9a} Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, “Here I am.”

^{9b} If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, ¹⁰ 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. ¹¹ 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.

¹²Your 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.

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 2:1-16

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

⁶Yet 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 being destroyed. ⁷But we speak God's wisdom, a hidden mystery, which God decreed before the ages for our glory ⁸and which none of the rulers of this age understood, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory.

⁹But, 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”—

¹⁰God has revealed to us through the Spirit, for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. ¹¹For what human 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. ¹²Now 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. ¹³And 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.

¹⁴Those 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.

¹⁵Those who are spiritual discern all things, and they are themselves subject to no one else's scrutiny.

¹⁶“For who has known the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?”
But we have the mind of Christ.

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

*** GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

ELW p. 151



*** THE HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 5:13-20**

P The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the fifth chapter:
C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said: ¹³“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.

¹⁴“You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. ¹⁵ People do not light a lamp and put it under the bushel basket; rather, they put it on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. ¹⁶ 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.

¹⁷“Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. ¹⁸ 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. ¹⁹ 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. ²⁰ For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.”

P The Gospel of our Lord.
C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON

The Rev. Katy Moran

*** HYMN OF THE DAY**

Christ, Be Our Light - ELW # 715

*** THE APOSTLE'S CREED**

P Living together in trust and hope with believers around the world, we confess our common faith:

C **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 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.**

*** PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

A As God's beloved children united in Christ, let us pray for the church, the whole human community, and the well-being of the earth, our home.

A brief silence.

P Your church does ministry in many and various ways. Keep the baptized true to the mind of Christ, that our works and witness bring hope to a troubled world. Merciful God,
C **receive our prayer.**

A Your marvelous creation cries out to you. Restore polluted air, soil, and water sources to wholeness. Guard honeybees, elephants, great whales and songbirds from harm, and renew the face of the earth. Merciful God,
C **receive our prayer.**

P Your people in every nation suffer injustice, poverty, and the threat of violence. Guide those in authority to govern with compassion, and bring peace to war zones. We pray for our enemies. Merciful God,
C **receive our prayer.**

A Your blessings are poured out for all in need. Help and heal any who experience trauma, discrimination, disease, hunger, abuse, or persecution. Comfort those who are sick or grieving especially those we name aloud or in our hearts (*brief pause*). Merciful God,
C **receive our prayer.**

P Your wisdom guides this congregation and its ministries. Sustain our ordained leaders, staff, lay leaders, and volunteers. Form us to be salt and light for the neighbors we serve, following the example of Christ. Merciful God,
C **receive our prayer.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

A Your saints rejoice at your heavenly banquet. We give thanks for their lives of faith, trusting that we also will be embraced by your eternal love. Merciful God,
C **receive our prayer.**

P Confident that the Holy Spirit receives our prayers and answers us, we commend all for whom we pray to God's loving-kindness made known to us in Christ Jesus our Savior.
C **Amen.**

*** SHARING OF THE PEACE**

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

(Worshippers are encouraged to share the greeting "Peace be with you" with one another.)

OFFERTORY INTERLUDE

This Little Light of Mine – Traditional
Joanne Vasey, organ

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*** DOXOLGY**

As With Gladness Men of Old - ELW # 302
Stanza 5

**In the heav'n-ly country bright need they no created light;
Thou its light, its joy, its crown, thou its sun which goes not down:
there forever may we sing alleluias to our king.**

*** OFFERTORY PRAYER**

A God of majesty, no eye has seen, no ear has heard what you have prepared for those who love you, yet in this meal you reveal the wideness of your mercy. Use what we have gathered to feed us with the reign of God come near, 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; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

* **SANCTUS**

ELW p. 153

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san-na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san-na in the high - est.

P Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life:
Blessed are you for the birth of creation.
Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light.
Blessed are you for your promise to your people.
Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams.
Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will.
Blessed are you for your Son Jesus,
the Word made flesh.

P 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.

P 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.

P Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

**C Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

P With this bread and cup
we remember your Word dwelling among us,
full of grace and truth.
We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection.
We look with hope for his coming.

C Come, Lord Jesus.

P Holy God, we long for your Spirit.
Come among us.
Bless this meal.
May your Word take flesh in us.
Awaken your people.
Fill us with your light.
Bring the gift of peace on earth.

C Come, Holy Spirit.

P All praise and glory are yours,
Holy One of Israel,
Word of God incarnate,
Power of the Most High,
one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

*** THE LORD'S PRAYER**

P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us saying:

**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.**

*** INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

P Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! Come to the table;
 taste and see.

C Thanks be to God.

AGNUS DEI

ELW p. 154



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 world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION MEDITATION

Communion - Gordon Young
 Joanne Vasey, organ

COMMUNION HYMN

This Little Light of Mine - ELW # 677

*** POST COMMUNION BLESSING**

P May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you
 in his grace.

C Amen.

*** POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

A Radiant God, we have seen your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. In the sacrament of his body and blood you have drawn us to your heart. Send us from this table with delight, that our lives may reflect the beauty of your love, and bear witness to all we have seen and heard, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen.**

*** BENEDICTION**

P The God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus.

C **Amen.**

P The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P The God of all grace ✠ bless you now and forever.

C **Amen.**

*** SENDING HYMN**

You Are the Seed - WOV # 753

(Please remember to repeat the refrain after each stanza. Sing the second line of the refrain on the repeat.)

*** DISMISSAL**

P Go in peace. Do justice. Love mercy.

C **Thanks be to God.**

*** POSTLUDE**

*Lift Every Voice and Sing - David Paxton
Joanne Vasey, organ*

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February 8–15, 2026

Sunday, February 8 5 th Sunday After Epiphany Pastor Katy is preaching	8:30am Congregational Life Meeting 9:30am Holy Communion 10:45am Sunday School 2:00pm –4:00pm UYG Superbowl Pre-Party @ St. Paul's
Monday, February 9	9:00am –11:00am Preschool - Conf. Room A 9:15am Counters 6:00pm Preschool Board Meeting - Parlor 6:30pm Parish Peal Handbell Ensemble 7:00pm –8:00pm Al-Anon-YR 7:15pm Parish Choir
Tuesday, February 10	
Wednesday, February 11	9:00am Holy Sew 'N' Sews-LCH 2:00pm –3:30pm Transitions - Parlor
Thursday, February 12	9:30am Ladies Bible Study - Rm. 204-206 6:00pm Ladies Bible Study - Rm. 204-206
Friday, February 13	
Saturday, February 14	
Sunday, February 15 Transfiguration of Our Lord Pastor Justin is preaching Annual Reports available WC Ethel Snook	9:30am Holy Communion 10:45am Sunday School 4:30pm –6:30pm Faith Lab - UIC

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