

# St. Mark's Lutheran Church Sunday, February 6, 2022 Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

## INTRODUCTION

The fifth Sunday after Epiphany continues to highlight unlikely instruments and circumstances appointed to reveal God's glory. "Who will go for us?" God asks. A person of unclean lips, a former persecutor of the church of God, and three fishermen who couldn't catch a thing. More surprising still, perhaps, is that we are also called.

## WELCOME/ANNOUCEMENTS

The February Noisy Offering collection will go to 15 and the Mahomies Foundation, chosen by Parish Ed



## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

## All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who creates us, redeems us, and calls us by name. Amen. Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Silence is kept for reflection. Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you and your beloved children. We have turned our faces away from your glory when it did not appear as we expected. We have rejected your word when it made us confront ourselves. We have failed to show hospitality to those you called us to welcome. Accept our repentance for the things we have done and the things we have left undone. For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us and lead us, that we may bathe in the glory of your Son born among us, and reflect your love for all creation. Amen. Rejoice in this good news: In + Christ Jesus, your sins are forgiven. You are descendants of the Most High, adopted into the household of Christ, and inheritors of eternal life. Live as freed and forgiven children of God. Amen.



## PROCESSIONAL HYMN ELW 413

### Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!

- Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!
   Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
   Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!
   God in three persons, blessed Trinity!
- 2 Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;

cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,

which wert and art, and evermore shalt be.

3 Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,

though the eye of sinfulness thy glory may not see,

only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,

perfect in pow'r, in love and purity.

4 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Text: Reginald Heber, 1783-1826, alt.

### Greeting page 147

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

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### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Most holy God, the earth is filled with your glory, and before you angels and saints stand in awe. Enlarge our vision to see your power at work in the world, and by your grace make us heralds of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

## First Reading: Isaiah 6:1-8 [9-13]

Through a vision in the temple, the eighth-century prophet Isaiah is called by God to announce judgment against Israel. Aware of his sinfulness and shortcomings, Isaiah is initially hesitant. But when God calls, Isaiah responds, "Here am I; send me!"

<sup>1</sup>In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. <sup>2</sup>Seraphs were in attendance

above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. <sup>3</sup>And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts;

the whole earth is full of his glory."

<sup>4</sup>The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. <sup>5</sup>And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

<sup>6</sup>Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. <sup>7</sup>The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." <sup>8</sup>Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!" [<sup>9</sup>And he said, "Go and say to this people:

'Keep listening, but do not comprehend;

keep looking, but do not understand.'

<sup>10</sup>Make the mind of this people dull,

and stop their ears,

and shut their eyes,

so that they may not look with their eyes,

and listen with their ears,

and comprehend with their minds,

and turn and be healed."

<sup>11</sup>Then I said, "How long, O Lord?" And he said:

"Until cities lie waste

without inhabitant,

and houses without people,

and the land is utterly desolate;

<sup>12</sup>until the LORD sends everyone far away,

and vast is the emptiness in the midst of the land.

<sup>13</sup>Even if a tenth part remain in it,

it will be burned again,

like a terebinth or an oak

whose stump remains standing when it is felled."

The holy seed is its stump. The Word of The Lord.

Thanks Be to God.

### Psalm: Psalm 138

I will bow down toward your holy temple. (Ps. 138:2)

<sup>1</sup>I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with my whole heart;

before the gods I will sing your praise.

<sup>2</sup>I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name, because of your steadfast love and faithfulness;

for you have glorified your name and your word above all things.

<sup>3</sup>When I called, you answered me;

you increased my strength within me.

<sup>4</sup>All the rulers of the earth will praise you, O LORD, when they have heard the words of your mouth.

<sup>5</sup>They will sing of the ways of the LORD,

that great is the glory of the LORD.

<sup>6</sup>The LORD is high, yet cares for the lowly, perceiving the haughty from afar.

<sup>7</sup>Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe;

you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me.

<sup>8</sup>You will make good your purpose for me;

O LORD, your steadfast love endures forever; do not abandon the works of your hands.

## Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Paul delivers in a nutshell the story of the gospel that was given to him. In the lineage of the Christian faith, we have received the good news of God's love from generations of believers before us, and we continue to tell this story to the world.

<sup>1</sup>Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, <sup>2</sup>through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain.

<sup>3</sup>For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that

Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, <sup>4</sup>and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, <sup>5</sup>and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. <sup>6</sup>Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. <sup>7</sup>Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. <sup>8</sup>Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. <sup>9</sup>For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. <sup>10</sup>But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. <sup>11</sup>Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

The Word of The Lord.

## Thanks Be to God.

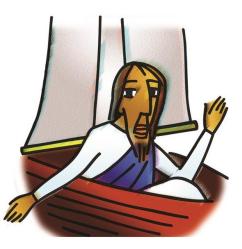
Holy Gospel, according to Luke, the 5th Chapter. Glory to You, O Lord.

## Gospel: Luke 5:1-11

Jesus' teaching of God's word has begun to draw great crowds. For Simon, James, and John, Jesus' teaching inspires hospitality, then obedience, and then risk. After Jesus' creative power is revealed, fear and amazement leads these three fishermen to leave everything behind to become apostles.

<sup>1</sup>Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, <sup>2</sup>he saw two boats there at the shore

of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. <sup>3</sup>He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. <sup>4</sup>When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." <sup>5</sup>Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down



the nets." <sup>6</sup>When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. <sup>7</sup>So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. <sup>8</sup>But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" <sup>9</sup>For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; <sup>10</sup>and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." <sup>11</sup>When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

## CHILDREN'S SERMON Pastor Kris Dietzen SERMON Pastor Kris Dietzen HYMN OF THE DAY ELW 574

#### Here I Am, Lord

 "I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry. All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.
 I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright. Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?"

### Refrain

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?I have heard you calling in the night.I will go, Lord, if you lead me.I will hold your people in my heart.

2 "I, the Lord of snow and rain,I have borne my people's pain.I have wept for love of them.

They turn away. I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone. I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?" *Refrain* 

3 "I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them.
My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them.
Whom shall I send?" *Refrain*

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## **APOSTLES CREED**

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.

## **Prayers of Intercession**

The Spirit of the Lord is poured out upon us in abundance; so we are bold to pray for the church, the world, and all that God has made. (A brief silence.)

Equip your church to proclaim the good news that we have first received: the forgiveness and grace shown to us through Jesus Christ. Send us out as apostles, sharing the hope of your salvation with a waiting world. God of grace,

## hear our prayer.

Holy are you, O God of hosts. Heaven and earth are filled with your glory. Reveal your splendor in fiery sunsets and in deep blue twilights. Teach us to recognize you in the beauty of our natural world. God of grace,

## hear our prayer.

Soften the hearts of rulers and governments that they perceive and tend to the needs of their people. Remove corruption and the impulse toward violence. Protect first responders and military personnel who risk their lives in service of others. God of grace,

## hear our prayer.

Your steadfast love endures forever; do not abandon those who look to you for hope and healing. Bless doctors, nurses, social workers, therapists, and all caregivers. Draw near to those who are scared, sick, or in pain (*especially*). God of grace, **hear our prayer.** 

The disciples received help from partners as they brought in an abundant catch of fish. So strengthen this congregation's partnerships with community organizations and ministries (*especially*). Multiply our shared efforts and bring joy to our relationships. God of grace,

## hear our prayer.

We give thanks for our ancestors in faith who boldly answered your call. By their example give us courage to live in faith and to proclaim your mercy until the day that you gather us into your glory. God of grace,

## hear our prayer.

Since we have such great hope in your promises, O God, we lift these and all of our prayers to you in confidence and faith; through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.** 

## PEACE

In Jesus Christ, God has made his peace with us. The peace of the Lord be with you always,

## And also with you

Let us share God's peace with one another.

## **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

## We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

## It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, ......

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.

Holy, Holy pg. 153

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER INVITATION TO COMMUNION Come to God's table. There is a place for you and enough for all.

## COMMUNION COMMUNION SONG pg. 154

## COMMUNION HYMNS ELW 779

### Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

- Amazing grace! how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me!
   I once was lost, but now am found; was blind, but now I see.
- 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved; how precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!
- 3 Through many dangers, toils, and snaresI have already come;'tis grace has brought me safe thus far,

and grace will lead me home.

- 4 The Lord has promised good to me; his word my hope secures; he will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.
- 5 When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun, we've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun.

Text: John Newton, 1725-1807, alt., sts. 1-4; anonymous, st. 5

### ELW 569

### The Day You Gave Us, Lord, Has Ended

- The day you gave us, Lord, has ended; the darkness falls at your behest. To you our morning hymns ascended; your praise shall hallow now our rest.
- 2 We thank you that your church, unsleeping while earth rolls onward into light, through all the world its watch is keeping, and never rests by day or night.
- 3 As to each continent and island the dawn leads on another day,

the voice of prayer is never silent, nor dies the strain of praise away.

- 4 The sun, here having set, is waking your children under western skies, and hour by hour, as day is breaking, fresh hymns of thankful praise arise.
- 5 So be it, Lord; your realm shall never, like earth's proud empires, pass away; but stand and grow and rule forever, till all your creatures own your sway.



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

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We give you thanks, gracious God, for we have feasted on the abundance of your house. Send us to bring good news and to proclaim your favor to all, strengthened with the richness of your grace in your Son, Jesus Christ. **Amen.** 

## SENDING

Draw your church together, O God, into one great company of disciples, together following our teacher Jesus Christ into every walk of life, together serving in Christ's mission to the world, and together witnessing to your love wherever you will send us; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

## BLESSING

God, who leads you in pathways of righteousness, who rejoices over you, and who calls you by name, + bless your going out and your coming in, today and forever. Amen.

#### RECESSIONAL HYMN ELW 537

#### **On Our Way Rejoicing**

 On our way rejoicing gladly let us go.
 Christ our Lord has conquered; vanquished is the foe.
 Christ without, our safety;
 Christ within, our joy;
 who, if we be faithful,
 can our hope destroy?

#### Refrain

On our way rejoicing; as we forward move,

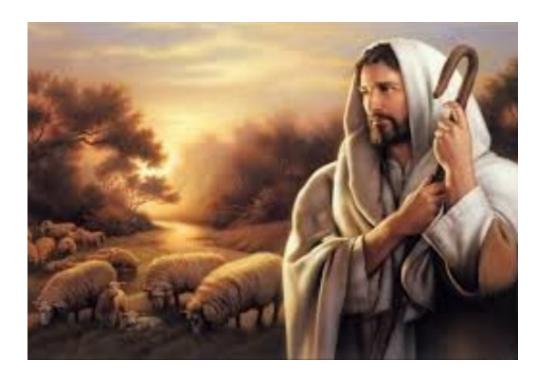
hearken to our praises, O blest God of love!

2 Unto God the Father joyful songs we sing; unto God the Savior thankful hearts we bring; unto God the Spirit bow we and adore, on our way rejoicing now and evermore. *Refrain* 

Text: John S. B. Monsell, 1811-1875, alt.

#### DISMISSAL

Go with Christ into a weary world. Share the good news. Thanks be to God.



## **PRAYER REQUESTS & CONDOLENCES**

Contact Janet Anderson at 913.780.6408 to add names to the prayer chain or to join the prayer chain. Please contact the church office to make changes to this list.

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