



## Inviting People to Journey with Christ's Family in Spreading God's Love and Mercy

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The glory of God is often revealed when and where it is least expected. God uses our lips to declare that glory, inexperienced and hesitant though they may be. God uses our love to demonstrate that glory and so urges us to exercise it. God uses Jesus of Nazareth, water and the word, bread and wine, to reveal God's glory where and when God chooses. Take heed, lest the glory of God slip through our midst unnoticed.

### **GATHERING**

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

#### **Confession and Forgiveness**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
who creates us and forms us,  
who redeems us and calls us,  
who unites us and sends us.

**Amen.**

Gathered in God's presence, let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Mighty and loving God,

**we confess that we are captive to sin  
and cannot free ourselves.**

**We seek our own way.**

**We divide the body of Christ.**

**In your mercy, cleanse us and heal us.**

**Let the words of our mouths,**

**the thoughts of our hearts,**

**and everything that we do**

**be filled with faith, hope, and love.**

**Amen.**

Hear the voice of Jesus:

“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me  
to proclaim release to the captives.”

In the name of ✠ Jesus Christ,  
I proclaim to you  
that your sins are forgiven and you are released.  
The joy of the Lord is your strength,  
and the gifts of the Holy Spirit are yours forever.  
**Amen.**

\*Gathering Hymn

“I Love To Tell the Story”

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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.  
**And also with you.**

**\*KYRIE**

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace from above,  
and for our salvation,  
let us pray to the Lord.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

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 mercy.**

For this holy house,  
and for all who offer here their worship and praise,  
let us pray to the Lord.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.  
**Amen.**

**\*CANTICLE OF PRAISE**

“This Is The Feast of Victory For Our Lord, Alleluia”

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Prayer of the Day

**Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and love; and that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen**

## WORD

### A reading from Jeremiah 1:4-10

<sup>4</sup>Now the word of the LORD came to me saying,

<sup>5</sup>"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,  
and before you were born I consecrated you;  
I appointed you a prophet to the nations."

<sup>6</sup>Then I said, "Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy." <sup>7</sup>But the LORD said to me,

"Do not say, 'I am only a boy';  
for you shall go to all to whom I send you,  
and you shall speak whatever I command you.

<sup>8</sup>Do not be afraid of them,  
for I am with you to deliver you,  
says the LORD."

<sup>9</sup>Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me,  
"Now I have put my words in your mouth.

<sup>10</sup>See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms,  
to pluck up and to pull down,  
to destroy and to overthrow,  
to build and to plant."

### Psalm 71:1-6

<sup>1</sup>In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge;  
let me never be put to shame.

<sup>2</sup>**In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free;  
incline your ear to me and save me.**

<sup>3</sup>Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe;  
you are my crag and my stronghold.

<sup>4</sup>**Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked,  
from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor.**

<sup>5</sup>For you are my hope, O Lord GOD,  
my confidence since I was young.

<sup>6</sup>**I have been sustained by you ever since I was born; from my mother's  
womb you have been my strength; my praise shall be always of you.**

## A reading from 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

<sup>1</sup>If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. <sup>2</sup>And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. <sup>3</sup>If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

<sup>4</sup>Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant <sup>5</sup>or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; <sup>6</sup>it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. <sup>7</sup>It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

<sup>8</sup>Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. <sup>9</sup>For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; <sup>10</sup>but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end.

<sup>11</sup>When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. <sup>12</sup>For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. <sup>13</sup>And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

\*\*Gospel Acclamation

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## The holy gospel according to Luke 4:21-30

Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>21</sup>Then [Jesus] began to say to [all in the synagogue in Nazareth,] "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." <sup>22</sup>All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, "Is not this Joseph's son?" <sup>23</sup>He said to them, "Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, 'Doctor, cure yourself!' And you will say, 'Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.'" <sup>24</sup>And he said, "Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown. <sup>25</sup>But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; <sup>26</sup>yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. <sup>27</sup>There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian." <sup>28</sup>When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. <sup>29</sup>They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. <sup>30</sup>But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

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

Sermon

\*Hymn "Lord Speak to Us That We May Speak"

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**\*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** (Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**)

**\*PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.  
And also with you.

**OFFERING**

\*\*Offertory "Lord, Let My Heart be Good Soil"

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\*Offertory Prayer

God of all creation,  
all you have made is good,  
and your love endures forever.  
You bring forth bread from the earth  
and fruit from the vine.  
Nourish us with these gifts,  
that we might be for the world  
signs of your gracious presence  
in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.  
Amen.

## 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 our Lord our God.

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

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.  
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, Holy”

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## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

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.

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.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

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.

**Come, Lord Jesus.**

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.

**Come, Holy Spirit.**

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

**Amen.**

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

Distribution

*Everyone who believes in Jesus is welcome at Christ's table.*

"Lamb of God"

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Prayer after Communion

**We thank you, O God,  
that you have fed us at your banqueting table  
with bread and wine beyond compare,  
the very life of Christ for us.  
Send your Spirit with us now,  
that we may set the captive free,  
use your gifts to build one another up,  
and in everything reflect your glory  
revealed in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## SENDING

Benediction

Sending Hymn

“How Firm a Foundation”

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Dismissal:

Go in peace. Christ is your light.

**Thanks be to God.**

## THOSE SERVING TODAY

*Ministers:* All God's People *Pastor:* Bill Pursley *Organist:* Nalani Bever *Greeters:* Karen Arzt and Ed Ross *Reader:* Arlis Ballwahn *Altar Committee:* Lori Brueggen and Barb Ornes  
*Communion Server:* Tim Deichler *Ushers:* Lori and Joel Arndt, Barb and John Ornes

## IN THE MILITARY

Jacob Picha, Matt Zirk, Todd Nofsinger, Dylan Dougherty, Robert Cale

## IN OUR PRAYERS

Katie Wallace, Shirley Meranti, Ron Clark, Carol Osteboe, Lorayne Denter, Marjorie Muhr, Ed Bauer, Jerry Eckelberg, Helen and Evan Summerfield, Linda Bauer, Linda Finnigan, Bob Sullivan, Lois Schultz, Stuart Thayer, Becky Smith

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## CALENDAR FOR FEBRUARY 3 – FEBRUARY 10

Today	Soup 'n Sandwich @ St. John's Catholic Church	11:00 AM - 1:00 PM
Feb. 9	Blood Drive	7:00 AM – 11:30 AM
Feb. 10	Church Council	8:30 AM
	Sunday School	9:00 AM
	Worship Service	10:15 AM