

# St. Luke's Lutheran Church



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Sharing Jesus Christ's love with those around us.

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## **SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY**

(Series B)

#### **WELCOME**

We are glad you are here to worship our Savior with us. Please remember to turn your cell phone to silence. Restrooms are on the west side of the sanctuary. Prayer requests can be submitted to the church office through email, <a href="mailto:office@stlukesmanhattan.org">office@stlukesmanhattan.org</a>, or by calling 785-539-2604. On Communion Sundays, if you need non-gluten wafers at communion, or need to have communion brought to you, please notify the elder who is serving. We hope you will join us again so that you may experience Jesus.

#### **AS WE GATHER**

Those who have had younger children at times become aware of their selective hearing. When told of something exciting or a treat to be enjoyed, a quick and evident response from hearing is had. Yet, when asked or told to do something which may be unfavorable, it seems listening is lost. Either a claim is made of, "I didn't hear you," or the response are questions of "what?" or "why?" As children of God, we can learn from Samuel regarding our response to what our heavenly Father speaks. Whether good news or something we'd prefer not to be told or asked, we are wise to not only hear but to listen, and more than that, to respond in faith, "Speak, for Your servant hears" (1 Samuel 3:10).

## **IMAGE ON THE COVER**

Now the young man Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. And the word of the LORD was rare in those days; there was no frequent vision. . . . Then the LORD called Samuel, and he said, "Here I am!" . . . Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. . . . And Samuel grew, and the LORD was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. *1 Samuel 3:1, 4, 7, 19* 

## **PRELUDE**

Please use this time to prayerfully prepare your hearts to enter into the presence of Jesus.

#### **№** A SERVICE OF WORSHIP AND PRAISE **№**

#### **WELCOME**

## PRESERVICE - "We Bow Down" Psalm 95:6-7

- You are Lord of creation and Lord of my life
  Lord of the land and the sea
  You were Lord of the heavens before there was time
  And Lord of all lords You will be
- 2, 3 We bow down and we worship You, Lord We bow down and we worship You, Lord We bow down and we worship You, Lord Lord of all lords You will be
- You are King of creation and King of my life
  King of the land and the sea
  You were King of the heavens before there was time
  And King of all kings You will be
- 5, 6, 7 We bow down and we crown You the King We bow down and we crown You the King We bow down and we crown You the King King of all kings You will be

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#### Stand

The sign of the cross + may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

#### **INVOCATION**

- ightharpoonup In the name of the Father and of the ightharpoonup Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

#### **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

- If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.
- P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who governs all things in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the prayers of Your people and grant us Your peace through all our days; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

## **APOSTLES' CREED**

- P God has made us His people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.
- I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life 

everlasting. Amen.

## **OPENING SONG - "East to West"**

- Here I am Lord and I'm drowning
  In Your sea of forgetfulness
  The chains of yesterday surround me
  I yearn for peace and rest
  I don't want to end up where You found me
  And it echoes in my mind
  Keeps me awake tonight
- I know You've cast my sin as far
  As the east is from the west
  And I stand before You now
  As though I've never sinned
  But today I feel like I'm just one mistake away
  From You leaving me this way
- 3, 5 Jesus, can You show me just how far the east is from the west?

  'Cause I can't bear to see the man I've been

  Come rising up in me again

  In the arms of Your mercy I find rest

  You know just how far the east is from the west

  From one scarred hand to the other
- I start the day, the war begins endless reminding of my sin

  And time and time again your truth is drowned out by the storm I'm in

  Today I feel like I'm just one mistake away

  From you leaving me this way

- I know you've washed me white
  Turned my darkness into light
  I need your peace to get me through
  To get me through this night
  I can't live by what I feel
  About the truth your word reveals
  I'm not holding onto you
  But you're holding onto me
  You're holding onto me
- Jesus, You know just how far the east is from the west I don't have to see the man I've been Come rising up in me again In the arms of Your mercy I find rest 'Cause You know just how far the east is from the west From one scarred hand to the other Just how far, the east is from the west, just how far From one scarred hand to the other Just how far, the east is from the west, just how far From one scarred hand to the other

#### **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

(The Lord calls Samuel.)

<sup>1</sup>The young man Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. And the word of the LORD was rare in those days; there was no frequent vision.

<sup>2</sup>At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his own place. <sup>3</sup>The lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was.

<sup>4</sup>Then the LORD called Samuel, and he said, "Here I am!" <sup>5</sup>and ran to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down.

<sup>6</sup>And the LORD called again, "Samuel!" and Samuel arose and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." <sup>7</sup>Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him.

<sup>8</sup>And the LORD called Samuel again the third time. And he arose and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the young man. <sup>9</sup>Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down, and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant hears.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

<sup>10</sup>And the LORD came and stood, calling as at other times, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant hears." <sup>11</sup>Then the LORD said to Samuel, "Behold, I am about to do a thing in Israel at which the two ears of everyone who hears it will tingle. <sup>12</sup>On that day I will fulfill against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end. <sup>13</sup>And I declare to him that I am about to punish his house forever, for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were blaspheming God, and he did not restrain them. <sup>14</sup>Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli's house shall not be atoned for by sacrifice or offering forever."

<sup>15</sup>Samuel lay until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the LORD. And Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. <sup>16</sup>But Eli called Samuel and said, "Samuel, my son." And he said, "Here I am."

<sup>17</sup>And Eli said, "What was it that he told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also if you hide anything from me of all that he told you." <sup>18</sup>So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. And he said, "It is the LORD. Let him do what seems good to him."

<sup>19</sup>And Samuel grew, and the LORD was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. <sup>20</sup>And all Israel from Dan to Beersheba knew that Samuel was established as a prophet of the LORD.

- **L** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

#### **PSALM**

Psalm 139:1-10; antiphon: v. 14

- I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.
- Wonderful are your works; my soul know it very well.
- L <sup>1</sup>O LORD, you have searched me and known me!
- <sup>2</sup>You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from afar.
- L <sup>3</sup>You search out my path and my lying down
- and are acquainted with all my ways.
- **L** <sup>4</sup>Even before a word is on my tongue,
- **C** behold, O LORD, you know it altogether.
- **L** ⁵You hem me in, behind and before,
- and lay your hand upon me.
- L <sup>6</sup>Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;
- it is high; I cannot attain it.
- **L** <sup>7</sup>Where shall I go from your Spirit?
- Or where shall I flee from your presence?

- L <sup>8</sup>If I ascend to heaven, you are there!
- If I make my bed in Sheol, you are there!
- L <sup>9</sup>If I take the wings of the morning
- and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,
- L <sup>10</sup>even there your hand shall lead me,
- and your right hand shall hold me.
- Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
- L <sup>14</sup>I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.
- Wonderful are your works; my soul know it very well.

#### **EPISTLE**

1 Corinthians 6:12-20

(God's call to flee from immorality.)

<sup>12</sup>"All things are lawful for me," but not all things are helpful. "All things are lawful for me," but I will not be enslaved by anything. <sup>13</sup>"Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food"—and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is not meant for sexual immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. <sup>14</sup>And God raised the Lord and will also raise us up by his power. <sup>15</sup>Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I then take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! <sup>16</sup>Or do you not know that he who is joined to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For, as it is written, "The two will become one flesh." <sup>17</sup>But he who is joined to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. <sup>18</sup>Flee from sexual immorality. Every other sin a person commits is outside the body, but the sexually immoral person sins against his own body.

- <sup>19</sup>Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, <sup>20</sup>for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.
- **L** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

#### Stand

#### **ALLELUIA AND VERSE**

Isaiah 49:3

- P Alleluia. You are My beloved Servant;
- in whom I will be glorified. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL John 1:43-51

(Jesus calls Philip and Nathanael.)

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the first chapter.
- Glory to You, O Lord

<sup>43</sup>The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." <sup>44</sup>Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. <sup>45</sup>Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him of whom Moses in the Law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." <sup>46</sup>Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." <sup>47</sup>Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him and said of him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom there is no deceit!" <sup>48</sup>Nathanael said to him, "How do you know me?" Jesus answered him, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you." <sup>49</sup>Nathanael answered him, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" <sup>50</sup>Jesus answered him, "Because I said to you, 'I saw you under the fig tree,' do you believe? You will see greater things than these." <sup>51</sup>And he said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man."

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ

#### LAMB'S MESSAGE

#### **SERMON**

#### VOTUM

- **P** The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.
- C Amen.

#### **OFFERING**

There are several ways to give.

- 1. A basket is available in the narthex as you exit.
- 2. Please **send** your offerings to

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4801 Anderson Avenue

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3. Give through our **website**:

https://stlukesmanhattan.org/about-us/financial-support/

4. **Electronic Funds Transfer -** Sign up through the church office.

**STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE**: 1 Corinthians 6:19–20 – "You are not your own, for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body." God owns everything, including our very selves. We were made to serve Him and glorify Him and will never truly be happy or find our fulfillment until we learn that lesson. Jesus has redeemed us and brought us back into the kingdom of the Father, and that has set us free to serve Him in joy, generosity, liberty and faith.

## OFFERTORY - "Here is Love" 1 John 4:10

- 1, 3 Here is love vast as the ocean, loving kindness as the flood When the Prince of Life, our ransom, shed for us His precious blood Who His love will not remember? Who can cease to sing His praise? He will never be forgotten throughout heav'n's eternal days
- On the mount of crucifixion fountains opened deep and wide
  Through the flood gates of God's mercy flowed a vast and gracious tide
  Grace and love like mighty rivers poured incessant from above
  Heaven's peace and perfect justice kissed a guilty world in love
- 4 He will never be forgotten throughout heav'n's eternal days (Robert Lowry, traditional music arr. ©1997 Maranatha! Music CCLI #288089)

#### Stand

#### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

**P** In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

As God has spoken to us in His Word through His Son, let us speak to Him in prayer. We pray for the Church of God and all people according to their needs. We praise You, heavenly Father, for calling us to faith through Your Spirit. As Your Body of believers, called to follow You, enable us to proclaim Your Word of salvation in all truth and purity. Soften the hearts and open the minds of all people, that they may know You have called them as Your own in grace. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

- As Samuel heard Your call to faithful service, let us also heed Your call to serve You and serve others in joy. For those whom You have called to serve as church workers, bless their ministry, protect their health and well-being both mentally and physically, and grant Your continued presence and blessings upon their work. For those You have called in other vocations with various jobs and employments, let all work be done as work done for You and the benefit of others. For the unemployed and underemployed, continue to give patience and an awareness of the gifts and abilities that come from Your hand, all the while serving You. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- As Paul calls believers to flee from immorality, give to Your people steadfast faith and the ability to resist temptation. As You in Your Law have given a clear standard for the right use of our bodies, which were bought at a price through the blood of our Savior, cause us to glorify You in our bodies and in our very selves. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- As Jesus called His disciples to follow Him, so also help us heed His call and follow in faith. Even amid troubles and trials faced in body and soul, keep faith steadfast and firm with trust in Your presence, Your promises, and Your peace. Be especially with those who have requested our prayers, [including . . .]. As they call out to You, speak to them Your comfort, compassion, and care. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.

# Additional petitions may be added.

- Into Your hands we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

- **P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- 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.

## **BENEDICTION**

- 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.
- C Amen.

## **GREET ONE ANOTHER**

We greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "The Lord be with you," "Peace be with you," or "The peace of the Lord be with you".

## CLOSING - "Shine, Jesus, Shine" Ephesians 5:14

- 1, 3, 5, 7 Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory Blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire Flow, river flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy Send forth Your word, Lord, and let there be light
- 2 Lord, the light of Your love is shining
  In the midst of the darkness shining
  Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us
  Set us free by the truth You now bring us
  Shine on me, shine on me
- Lord, I come to Your awesome presence
  From the shadows into Your radiance
  By Your blood I may enter Your brightness
  Search me, try me, consume all my darkness
  Shine on me, shine on me
- As we gaze on Your kingly brightness
  To our faces display Your likeness
  Ever changing from glory to glory
  Mirrored here may our lives tell Your story
  Shine on me, shine on me
- 8 Send forth Your word, Lord, and let there be light (Graham Kendrick ©1989 Thankyou Music admin. by Maranatha! Music CCLI #288089)

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