

**HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
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**Observing the Third Sunday after the Epiphany**

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OPENING HYMN

"Songs of Thankfulness and Praise"

LSB 394 vs 1-3

**Songs of thankfulness and praise, Jesus, Lord, to Thee we raise;  
Manifested by the star to the sages from afar,  
Branch of royal David's stem in Thy birth at Bethlehem;  
Anthems be to Thee addressed, God in flesh made manifest.**

**Manifest at Jordan's stream, Prophet, Priest, and King supreme;  
And at Cana wedding guest in Thy God-head manifest;  
Manifest in pow'r divine, changing water into wine;  
Anthems be to Thee addressed, God in flesh made manifest.**

**Manifest in making whole palsied limbs and fainting soul;  
Manifest in valiant fight, quelling all the devil's might;  
Manifest in gracious will, ever bringing good from ill;  
Anthems be to Thee addressed, God in flesh made manifest.**

**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

INVOCATION

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P: Our Help is in the name of the Lord.

**C: Who made heaven and earth.**

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

**C: And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

P: O almighty God, merciful Father,

**C: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserve Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

P: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**SERVICE OF THE WORD**

INTROIT

P: [The Lord] brought me to the banqueting house, and his banner over me was love. Your steadfast love, O Lord, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds. Your righteousness is like the mountains of God; your judgments are like the great deep; man and beast you save, O Lord. How precious is your steadfast love, O God! The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of your wings. They feast on the abundance of

your house, and you give them drink from the river of your delights. For with you is the fountain of life; in your light do we see light.

**C: 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.**

P: [The Lord] brought me to the banqueting house, and his banner over me was love.

KYRIE

**Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Glory be to God on high:  
**and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.**  
**We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee,  
we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.**  
**O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.**  
**O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;**  
**O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,**  
**That takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.**  
**Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.**  
**Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.**  
**For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.**  
**Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,**  
**art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And with thy spirit.**

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.**

*Please be seated*

FIRST READINGS: Nehemiah 8:1-12

And all the people gathered as one man into the square before the Water Gate. And they told Ezra the scribe to bring the Book of the Law of Moses that the LORD had commanded Israel. <sup>2</sup> So Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could understand what they heard, on the first day of the seventh month. <sup>3</sup> And he read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand. And the ears of all the people were attentive to the Book of the Law. <sup>4</sup> And Ezra the scribe stood on a wooden platform that they had made for the purpose. And beside him stood Mattithiah, Shema, Anaiah, Uriah, Hilkiyah, and Maaseiah on his right hand, and Pedaiah, Mishael, Malchijah, Hashum, Hashbaddanah, Zechariah, and Meshullam on his left hand. <sup>5</sup> And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was above all the people, and as he opened it all the people stood. <sup>6</sup> And Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. And they bowed their heads and worshiped the LORD with their faces to the ground. <sup>7</sup> Also Jeshua, Bani, Sherebiah, Jamin, Akkub, Shabbethai, Hodiah, Maaseiah, Kelita, Azariah, Jozabad, Hanan, Pelaiah, the Levites, helped the people to understand the Law, while the people remained in their places. <sup>8</sup> They read from the book, from the Law of God, clearly, and they gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading. <sup>9</sup> And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the LORD your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept as they heard the words of the Law. <sup>10</sup> Then he said to them, "Go your way. Eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions to anyone who has nothing ready, for this day is holy to our Lord. And do not be grieved, for the joy of the LORD is your strength." <sup>11</sup> So the Levites calmed all the people, saying, "Be quiet, for this day is holy; do not be

grieved.”<sup>12</sup> And all the people went their way to eat and drink and to send portions and to make great rejoicing, because they had understood the words that were declared to them.

Isaiah 62:1-5

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not be quiet, until her righteousness goes forth as brightness, and her salvation as a burning torch.<sup>2</sup> The nations shall see your righteousness, and all the kings your glory, and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give.<sup>3</sup> You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.<sup>4</sup> You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate, but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the LORD delights in you, and your land shall be married.<sup>5</sup> For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your sons marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE LESSON: 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

<sup>12</sup>For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. <sup>13</sup>For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and all were made to drink of one Spirit. <sup>14</sup>For the body does not consist of one member but of many. <sup>15</sup>If the foot should say, “Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body. <sup>16</sup>And if the ear should say, “Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body. <sup>17</sup>If the whole body were an eye, where would be the sense of hearing? If the whole body were an ear, where would be the sense of smell? <sup>18</sup>But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. <sup>19</sup>If all were a single member, where would the body be? <sup>20</sup>As it is, there are many parts, yet one body. <sup>21</sup>The eye cannot say to the hand, “I have no need of you,” nor again the head to the feet, “I have no need of you.” <sup>22</sup>On the contrary, the parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, <sup>23</sup>and on those parts of the body that we think less honorable we bestow the greater honor, and our unpresentable parts are treated with greater modesty, <sup>24</sup>which our more presentable parts do not require. But God has so composed the body, giving greater honor to the part that lacked it, <sup>25</sup>that there may be no division in the body, but that the members may have the same care for one another. <sup>26</sup>If one member suffers, all suffer together; if one member is honored, all rejoice together. <sup>27</sup>Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. <sup>28</sup>And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healing, helping, administrating, and various kinds of tongues. <sup>29</sup>Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? <sup>30</sup>Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak with tongues? Do all interpret? <sup>31</sup>But earnestly desire the higher gifts.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand*

THE ALLELUIA                      **Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

P: The Holy Gospel according to John, the 2nd chapter.

**C: Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

GOSPEL: John 2:1-11

On the third day there was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there.<sup>2</sup> Jesus also was invited to the wedding with his disciples.<sup>3</sup> When the wine ran out, the mother of Jesus said to him, “They have no wine.”<sup>4</sup> And Jesus said to her, “Woman, what does this have to do with me? My hour has not yet come.”<sup>5</sup> His mother said to the servants, “Do whatever he tells you.”<sup>6</sup> Now there were six stone water jars there for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons.<sup>7</sup> Jesus said to the servants, “Fill the jars with water.” And they filled them up to the brim.<sup>8</sup> And he said to them, “Now draw some out and take it to the master of the

feast.” So they took it. <sup>9</sup>When the master of the feast tasted the water now become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the master of the feast called the bridegroom <sup>10</sup>and said to him, “Everyone serves the good wine first, and when people have drunk freely, then the poor wine. But you have kept the good wine until now.” <sup>11</sup>This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory. And his disciples believed in him.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

#### NICENE CREED

**I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

*Please be seated*

#### HYMN OF THE DAY

“Come Join in Cana’s Feast”

LSB 408

**Come, join in Cana’s feast where Christ is honored guest.  
He welcomes all who come to taste the wine His hands have blessed.**

**The old wine now is gone from jars that stand apart.  
No longer can it satisfy the yearning, thirsting heart.**

**But Christ, the word made flesh, bids water turn to wine.  
He fills our empty cups again with grace and truth divine.**

**Come, friends, and share the feast; here drink the wine supplied  
By Him who is both guest and host; for us, the crucified.**

*Please stand*

**For now He lives and reigns through all eternity  
With Father, Spirit, Three in One, the glorious Trinity.**

*Please be seated*

#### SERMON

*Please stand*

#### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

#### SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

#### PREFACE

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And with thy spirit.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them up unto the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is meet and right so to do.**

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should in all times and all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your glory. Therefore with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven we laud and magnify your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

#### THE SANCTUS

**Holy, Holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth; heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He  
That cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

#### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

#### PAX DOMINI

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C: Amen.**

#### AGNUS DEI

**O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world,  
Have mercy upon us.**

**O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world,  
Have mercy upon us.**

**O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world,  
Grant us Thy peace. Amen.**

#### DISTRIBUTION

#### DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

“The Church’s One Foundation”  
“Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord”

LSB 644

LSB 637

#### POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

#### NUNC DIMITTIS

**Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word,  
For mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,  
Which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people,  
A light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel.  
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

## THE THANKSGIVING

P: O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.

**C: And His mercy endureth forever.**

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

P: We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## SALUTATION AND BENEDICAMUS

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And with thy spirit.**

P: Bless we the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## BENEDICTION

## CLOSING HYMN

“Songs of Thankfulness and Praise”

LSB 394 vs 4-5

**Sun and moon shall darkened be, stars shall fall, the heav'ns flee;  
Christ will then like lighting shine, all will see His glorious sign;  
All will then the trumpet hear, all will see the Judge appear  
Thou by all wilt be confessed, God in man made manifest.**

**Grant us grace to see Thee, Lord, present in Thy holy Word;  
Grace to imitate Thee now and be pure, as pure art Thou;  
That we might become like Thee at Thy great epiphany  
And may praise Thee, ever blest, God in flesh made manifest.**