



Worship Service for
Third Sunday of Epiphany
January 22, 2023

Welcome visitors, we are glad you are here! Please fill out a welcome card (found in the pew rack) and place it in the offering basket. We look forward to connecting with you. Also, please join us for coffee after church so we can meet you!

Jesus Welcomes Us

Prelude: Come, Christians Join to Sing

arr. Jones

*Call to Worship

The Lord has shown forth his glory: O come, let us adore him. O come, let us sing unto the Lord; let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation. Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving and show ourselves glad in him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God and a great King above all gods. In his hand are all the depths of the earth, and the heights of the hills are his also. The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands prepared the dry land. O come, let us worship and fall down, and kneel before the Lord our Maker. For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

***Hymn of Praise:** "We Will Extol You, God and King"

LUYH 562 vs 1,2,4

*Opening Prayer

O God our King, by the resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ on the first day of the week, you conquered sin, put death to flight, and gave us the hope of everlasting life: Redeem all our days by this victory; forgive our sins, banish our fears, make us bold to praise you and to do your will; and steel us to wait for the consummation of your kingdom on the last great Day; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*God's Greeting & Mutual Greeting

***Hymn of Praise:** "God Is Here"

LUYH 246

Jesus Forgives Sinners

Call to Confession

The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in loving-kindness. He has not dealt with us according to our sins, nor rewarded us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is His loving-kindness toward those who fear Him. As far as the east is from the west, so far has He removed our transgressions from us. Let us approach His throne of grace with confidence.

Prayer of Confession

Most holy and merciful Father, we confess to you and to one another, that we have sinned against you by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not fully loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not always had in us the mind of Christ. You alone know how often we have grieved you by wasting your gifts, by wandering from your ways. Forgive us, we pray you, most merciful Father; and free us from our sin. Renew in us the grace and strength of your Holy Spirit, for the sake of Jesus Christ your Son our Savior. Amen.

Words of Assurance

This is a true saying, and worthy to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of His great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto Him: have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Song of Assurance: "Not What My Hands Have Done"

LUYH 624 vs 2,3

Jesus Blesses Children

Prayer of Blessing for Children

God of compassion, whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary, shared the life of a home in Nazareth, and on the cross drew the whole human family to Himself: strengthen our children in their daily living and learning, that in joy and in sorrow at home, at church and in school, they may know the power of your presence through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Children Leave for Walkout Worship

(Children 5 through 2nd grade are welcome to join us for Walk Out Worship.
The teacher will be waiting in the back of the church).

Jesus Speaks God's Word

Scripture Reading

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel Reading: Luke 2:39-52

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon: Jesus and his parents

We Respond to Jesus in Faith

Prayer

***Hymn of Response: "May the Mind of Christ, My Savior"**

LUYH 334

Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He 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,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again 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

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:
For thine is the kingdom,
And the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offering: Friendship Club

Offertory: "As With Gladness Men of Old"

arr. Wolaver

Jesus Invites Us to Eat and Drink at His Table

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

The Lord is here.
His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

On the same night that he was betrayed, Jesus took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me. In the same way, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying: Drink this, all of you, this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me. **Amen.**

The body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given for you, preserve your body and soul to everlasting life. Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your heart by faith with thanksgiving. The blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was shed for you, preserve your body and soul to everlasting life. Drink this in remembrance that Christ's blood was shed for you, and be thankful.

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Giving of Communion

"As Your Family, Lord"

SNC 246

"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"

LUYH 730

"In Our Lives, Lord, Be Glorified"

LUYH 861

Prayer after Communion

God of glory, you nourish us with your Word who is the bread of life. Fill us with your Holy Spirit, that through us the light of your glory may shine in all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

Jesus Sends Us into the World

***Sending Song:** “Father, We Give You Thanks”

LUYH 816 vs

***Benediction**

Postlude: Joy Has Dawned

arr. Wagner

Credits & Liturgical Notes:

- Participants:
 - Rev. Tim Blackmon, Preacher
 - Jan Zuidema, Pianist
 - Cathy Schaaf, Organist
 - Luke Anderson, Joslyn Wagenmaker, Vocalists
 - Karen Katje, Flutist
 - Patrice Frantz, Prayers of the People/Scripture Reading
- Creed: Apostles' Creed

We display all music and congregational readings on the screen. LUYH (red hymnal) and SNC (green) are located in the pew rack; CH (brown) is located under the seat. Large print bulletins are available in the narthex. OneLicense.net #A-721176, CCLI#775073.

Prayer Requests, Praises, Thank Yous:

Justin Michele, grandson of Harley & Maryann Dyk, was diagnosed with a rare melanoma in his fingernail bed. Please pray for Justin's upcoming surgery.

For **Jim and Jean Schuitman**: Please pray for strength for the family and for peace for Jim.

From **Ray and Shirley Kuiper**: Thanks for all the cards and greetings at Christmas. It's great to have a church family that cares. It was meaningful to read all the greetings and notes for both Christmas and New Years. Thanks to the care team as well for all you do.

From Don Slager: An answer to many prayers: Don found a doctor who would perform the surgery for Charles. The surgery was performed last week and went well. Don is looking forward to having Charles again working on the Maan translation.

Volunteer Schedule

January 22

Projection: Eric Wolffis

Video: Chuck DeWitt, Jim Query, Jay Brace, Ethan Hodge

Ushers: Rick Geertsma (Team 4), Rosemary Geertsma, Dirk Weesies, Ralph VanDuyne

Coffee Hosts: Ron and Carol Brouwer, Stan and Gilda Boelkins

Nursery: Sam Farrar, Zuidemas

Little Lambs: Chris Farrar, Maelyn Wagenmaker

Walk Out Worship: Joslyn Wagenmaker, Gabe Schaaf

Greeters: Dave and Barb Weesies, Amy Goorman

Offering: Friendship Club

January 29

Projection: Dan Braak

Video: Chuck DeWitt, Jason Zuidema, Dirk Weesies, Jacob Weesies

Ushers: Dan Braak (Team 5), Jeff Erickson, Joe Risselade, Paula Risselade

Coffee Hosts: Dan and Debbie Braak, Brian and Kerry Bierma

Nursery: Rosemary Geertsma, Yasmin VanderHeide

Little Lambs: Sheila Warners, Betsy Blackmon

Walk Out Worship: Cindy Brace, Ian Clapp

Greeters: Glen and Mary Wierenga, Garrison Koch

Offering: Cadet Sunday

Calendar

Sunday, January 22

10:00 am—Church Service

11:30 am—Afterword

7 pm—FOCUS

Monday, January 23

9 am-12 pm—Office Hours

12:30-1:30 pm—January Series

1:30pm—Ping Pong

Tuesday, January 24

7:30 am—Prayer Team

9 am-12 pm—Office Hours

12:30-1:30 pm—January Series

Wednesday, January 25

9 am-12 pm—Office Hours

12:30-1:30 pm—January Series

1:30 pm—Knitter's Club

2 pm—SWANS, North Hall

5:30pm—CHAOS-Urban Air

7 pm—Encounters, led by Tim

Thursday, January 26

9 am-12 pm—Office Hours

12:30-1:30 pm—January Series

5:30-7:30pm—Love in Action

Friday, January 27

12:30-1:30 pm—January Series

Saturday, January 28

Sunday, January 29

10:00 am—Church Service

11:30 am—Afterword

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