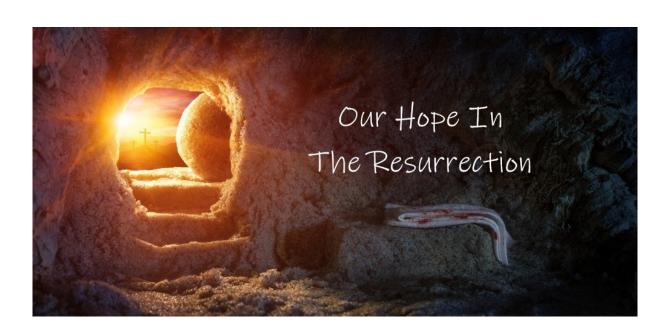


Lamb Of God Lutheran Church

The 6th Sunday @ Epiphany Sunday, February 16th, 2025 Divine Service III



Communion Statement We will be celebrating Holy Communion at this service

We consider this to be a family meal partaken in and with the Real Presence of our Lord and Savior Iesus Christ. The term "Communion" describes the relationship between the participants, certainly between each person and our Savior whose meal it is, but also with all who come together to consume Christ's body and blood in and with the bread and wine. To properly celebrate Communion all participants should be in communion; sharing the same confession of faith as is taught by the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod (LCMS). We welcome all those who regularly confess this faith as members or regular attenders of Lamb of God. Those who belong to another LCMS congregation and wish to join with us as fellow family members are asked to speak to an Elder prior to the beginning of service. Those who are visiting but not members of an LCMS congregation may approach the communion rail and receive a blessing with their arms folded in front of their chest, or remain seated.

This has been the practice of the Church from the beginning, which according to earliest records would dismiss all those not baptized and confirmed before the Lord's Supper was celebrated. We are celebrating this Sacrament in keeping with this tradition. If you are from outside the LCMS confession, please know that we are not judging you or your faith. We are not implying that you are not a Christian or worthy of the gifts Christ won for you on the cross. We are simply acknowledging that since you do not have the same confession as we do you are not "in communion" with us. If you still desire to participate in Holy Communion in the future at Lamb of God please speak with Pastor Mark after the service. Thank you for honoring our celebration of Holy Communion.

^{**} Note: For those concerned about consuming alcohol-the individual cups in the center of each tray contain diluted wine. (1 drop of wine in water) There is gluten free wafers.

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Empowered by Christ's Sacraments to be His witness in Friendship/Fellowship/and Faith.

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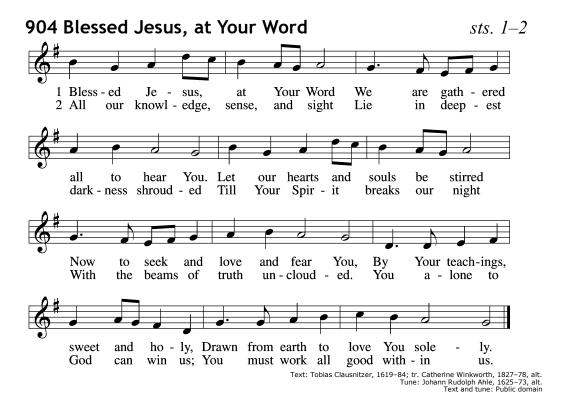
Welcome and Announcements

Salutation

- **P** The Peace of the Lord be with you always
- And also with you.

Please share the Peace of Christ with a wave of your hand from where you sit.





Confession and Absolution

Please stand as you are able

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

Invocation

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 Holy Spirit.

 Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Exhortation

LSB 184

- 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,
- who made heaven and earth.
- **P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

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

Confession of Sins

LSB 184

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved 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.

Absolution LSB 185

- 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.
- C Amen.

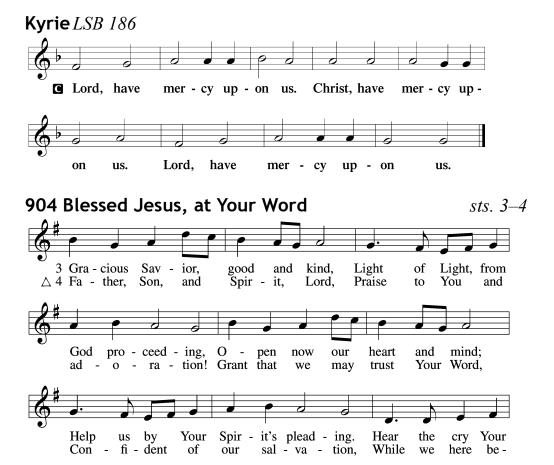
Service of the Word

Responsive Reading Psalm 1

- P ¹Blessèd is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked,
- on nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers;
- P ²but his delight is in the law of the LORD,
- and on his law he meditates day and night.
- P ³He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither.
- In all that he does, he prospers.
- P ⁴The wicked are not so,
- **©** but are like chaff that the wind drives away.
- P ⁵Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,
- on r sinners in the congregation of the righteous;
- P ⁶ for the LORD knows the way of the righteous,
- **G** but the way of the wicked will perish.

Gloria Patri LSB 186

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.





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Salutation and Collect of the Day

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- And with thy spirit.
- P Let us pray.

O Lord, graciously hear the prayers of Your people that we who justly suffer the consequence of our sin may be mercifully delivered by Your goodness to the glory of Your name; 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

Old Testament Lesson: Jeremiah 17:5-8

⁵Thus says the LORD:

"Cursed is the man who trusts in man and makes flesh his strength, whose heart turns away from the LORD.

⁶He is like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see any good come.

He shall dwell in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land.

⁷"Blessed is the man who trusts in the LORD, whose trust is the LORD.

⁸He is like a tree planted by water, that sends out its roots by the stream, and does not fear when heat comes, for its leaves remain green, and is not anxious in the year of drought, for it does not cease to bear fruit."

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

Epistle Lesson: 1 Corinthians 15:1-20

¹Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, ²and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain.

³For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁴that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁵and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. ⁷Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. ⁸Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. ⁹For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not 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. ¹¹Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

¹²Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? ¹³But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. ¹⁴And if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain. ¹⁵We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified

about God that he raised Christ, whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. ¹⁶For if the dead are not raised, not even Christ has been raised. ¹⁷And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. ¹⁸Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. ¹⁹If in this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

²⁰But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the

firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.

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

Please stand as you are able



Holy Gospel: Luke 6:17-26

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the sixth chapter.
- Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

¹⁷[Jesus] came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea and Jerusalem and the seacoast of Tyre and Sidon, ¹⁸who came to hear him and to be healed of their diseases. And those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. ¹⁹And all the crowd

sought to touch him, for power came out from him and healed them all.

²⁰And he lifted up his eyes on his disciples, and said:

"Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.

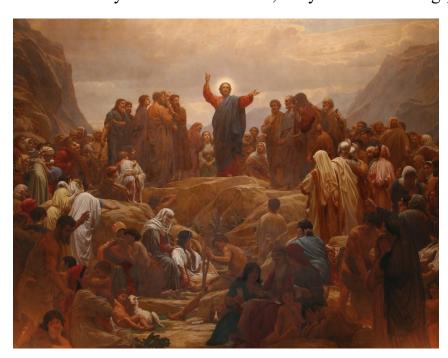
²¹"Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you shall be satisfied.

"Blessed are you who weep now, for you shall laugh.

²²"Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude you and revile you and spurn your name as evil, on account of the Son of Man! ²³Rejoice in that day, and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven; for so their fathers did to the prophets.

²⁴"But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.

²⁵"Woe to you who are full now, for you shall be hungry.



"Woe to you who laugh now, for you shall mourn and weep.

²⁶ Woe to you, when all people speak well of you, for so their fathers did to the false prophets.

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- 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

Children's Message

Children-with their parent's permission, may depart for Children's Church

486 If Christ Had Not Been Raised from Death

Sung to the tune from #362 "O Sing of Christ"

1 If Christ had not been raised from death
Our faith would be in vain,
Our preaching but a waste of breath,
Our sin and guilt remain.
But now the Lord is ris'n indeed;
He rules in earth and heav'n:
His Gospel meets a world of need—
In Christ we are forgiv'n.

2 If Christ still lay within the tomb
Then death would be the end,
And we should face our final doom
With neither guide nor friend.
But now the Savior is raised up,
So when a Christian dies
We mourn, yet look to God in hope—
In Christ the saints arise!

His Church would live a lie;
His name should nevermore be praised,
His words deserve to die.
But now our great Redeemer lives;
Through Him we are restored;
His Word endures, His Church revives
In Christ, our risen Lord.

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Sermon Text: 1 Corinthians 15:16-20

Votum

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

Offering and Prayers

Offering Statement

If you are a visitor, we don't want you to feel obligated to give an offering, we are just glad that you have joined us for worship this day. Those who would like to give an offering may drop it off in the Offering Box in the Narthex, mail their Offering Envelope in, or use our online giving portal from our website.

Offering Verses: Jeremiah 17:7-8

7"Blessed is the man who trusts in the LORD, whose trust is the LORD.
8He is like a tree planted by water, that sends out its roots by the stream, and does not fear when heat comes, for its leaves remain green, and is not anxious in the year of drought, for it does not cease to bear fruit."

Offertory Anthem: "Who You Say I Am"

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Prayer of the Church

P Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Heavenly Father, Your kingdom has been made manifest in the preaching and miracles of Jesus Christ. Gather together a great multitude from all four corners of the world, that many may know Jesus Christ as the Word and Wisdom come from God into our flesh. Lord, in Your mercy,

- C hear our prayer.
- **P**Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- P Lord God, heavenly Father, plant us as trees by the stream of Christ, our Savior. Root us securely in His Word and wisdom. Do not let us turn from You, nor put our trust in man and this flesh, which fail. Preserve us from all

anxiety, and take our fears away through right fear of You. Cause us, by Your Holy Spirit, to bear much fruit and, when affliction and persecution come, to stand firm and rejoice at the great reward that is laid up for those who trust in You; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the same Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Please stand as you are able

Service of the Sacrament

Preface LSB 194

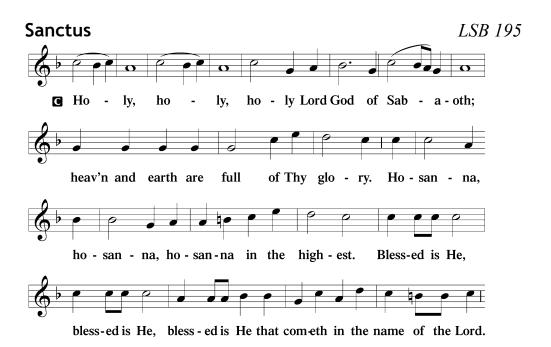
- **P** The Lord be with you.
- And with thy spirit.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **©** We lift them up unto the Lord.



- P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.
- It is meet and right so to do.

Proper Preface (Full)

It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in 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 with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:





Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

Lord's Prayer

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



The Words of Our Lord

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P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

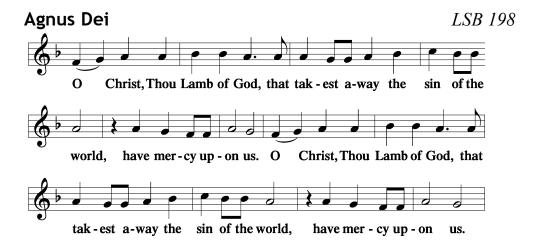
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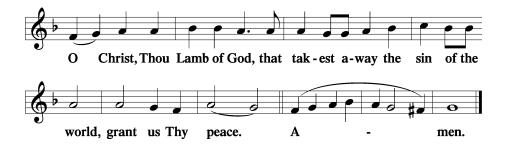
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- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.





Please be seated

Distribution

The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first and then distribute them to those who come to receive, saying:

Right Column

LSB 199

The true body of Christ, given for you.

Amen.

The true blood of Christ, shed for you. **Amen.**

In dismissing the communicants, the following is said:

Table Dismissal

P Depart now in His joy and peace, knowing that all of your sins have been forgiven.





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729 I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus





- I am trusting Thee for power;
 Thine can never fail.
 Words which Thou Thyself shalt give me Must prevail.
- 6 I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus;Never let me fall.I am trusting Thee foreverAnd for all.

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553 O Christ, Our Hope, Our Hearts' Desire Sung to the

tune from #733 "O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

- O Christ, our hope, our hearts' desire,
 Creation's mighty Lord,
 Redeemer of the fallen world,
 By holy love outpoured:
- 2 How vast Your mercy to accept
 The burden of our sin
 And bow Your head in cruel death
 To make us clean within.
- 3 But now the bonds of death are burst, The ransom has been paid; You now ascend the Father's throne In robes of light arrayed.
- 4 O let Your mighty love prevail To purge us of our pride

That we may stand before Your throne By mercy purified.

Christ Jesus, be our present joy, Our future great reward; Our only glory, may it be To glory in the Lord!

All praise to You, ascended Lord; All glory ever be To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost Through all eternity!

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The Dismissal

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- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart \(\frac{1}{2}\) in peace.
- C Amen.

Please stand as you are able

Thanksgiving

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- **P** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
- and His mercy endureth forever.

Post-Communion Collect

P Let us pray.

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; 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 LSB 201

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- And with thy spirit.

Benedicamus

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- **P** Bless we the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Benediction

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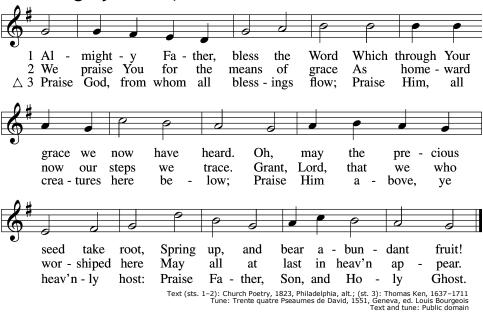
P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and + give you peace.

C Amen.

923 Almighty Father, Bless the Word



Sharing of the Peace

- **P** The Peace of the Lord be with you always
- And also with you
- P The love and Peace of Christ Jesus, Your Savior, has been poured out upon you richly and abundantly this day. In the same manner it has been shared with you, pour out His gifts upon those around you, to all who need to hear the Gospel from your lips and by the work of your hands. In doing so we serve in the world as His Church.

Closing Peace

- **P** Go in peace, serve the Lord
- Thanks be to God

Midweek Lenten Sermon Series: Good News from the Beginning: The Gospel in Genesis

- Ash Wednesday, March 5th: The Good News of a Savior Who Covers Your Sin (Genesis 3:1-13, 21)
- Midweek #1 March 12th: The Good News of a Savior Who Conquers Evil (Genesis 3:14-24)
- Midweek #2 March 19th: The Good News of a Savior Who Gives Us a New Beginning (Genesis 6)
- Midweek #3 March 26th: The Good News of a Savior Who Gives Himself in Our Place (Genesis 22:1-18)
- Midweek #4: April 2nd: The Good News of a Savior Who Unites Heaven and Earth (Genesis 28:10-22)
- Midweek #5: April 9th: The Good News of a Savior Who Brings Good from Evil (Genesis 50:15-21)

Lenten Dinners will be at 5pm starting Ash Wednesday. Worship begins at 7pm. There will be the Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion on Ash Wednesday (only).

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Lenten Dinner Menu

- March 5th-Chicken & Dumplings w/ Salad & Bread
- March 12th-Cheesy Potato Soup w/ Salad & Bread
- March 26th

 French Onion Soup w/ Salad & Bread
- April 2nd
 — Vegetable Beef Soup w/ Salad & Bread
- April 9th
 — Pot Luck (There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board)

