

# SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY WEEK OF JANUARY 14, 2024



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## Opening Hymn: 901 Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty

### ↑ Order of Service, Divine Service 4, LSB p. 203

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** who made heaven and earth.

**P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

**C** But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

**P** Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

**C** Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. 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.

### Kyrie and Gloria in Excelsis (Music: LSB p. 204)

**C** Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

**C** To God on high be glory And peace to all the earth;  
Goodwill from God in heaven Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!  
We praise and bless You, Father; Your holy name, we sing—  
Our thanks for Your great glory, Lord God, our heav'nly King.

2 To You, O sole-begotten, The Father's Son, we pray;  
O Lamb of God, our Savior, You take our sins away.  
Have mercy on us, Jesus; Receive our heartfelt cry,  
Where You in pow'r are seated At God's right hand on high—

3 For You alone are holy; You only are the Lord.  
Forever and forever, Be worshiped and adored;  
You with the Holy Spirit Alone are Lord Most High,  
In God the Father's glory. "Amen!" our glad reply.

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**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.

## Old Testament Reading

*1 Samuel 3:1–20*

<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.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Epistle

*1 Corinthians 6:12–20*

<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.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## ↑ Alleluia and Verse

(Music: LSB p. 205)

**C** Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

These things are written that you may believe

That Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

## Holy Gospel

*John 1:43–51*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.

**C** 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.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

## **Nicene Creed**

**C** 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  $\text{✝}$  of the world to come. Amen.

↓ Hymn: 688 “Come, Follow Me,” the Savior Spake

## **Sermon**

### **↑ Prayer of the Church**

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

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For confidence in the Lord’s truth, that we may not fear deceit or opposition, but sing and proclaim His wondrous deeds in Christ, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For the Church, that as God called Samuel, Philip and Nathanael into His service, so He would be pleased now to call men into His ministry, let us pray to the Lord

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For Christian households, especially for fathers, mothers and children, that they may serve eagerly according to their station to the honor of Christ, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For all who stand in need of our prayers, especially \_\_\_\_, that God would bring healing, comfort, strength, patience and certainty to every need; in thanksgiving for constant watch and merciful kindness; and that in every sorrow and every joy, God would not let our eyes be drawn from the greater marvel of His kindness in Christ Jesus, by whose grace and forgiveness alone we receive every blessing, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For all who commune this day, that the gift of the Holy Spirit would be renewed in us, working true contrition to lament and abandon our sins, and so come in confident faith to eat Christ's body and drink His blood, given and shed for the forgiveness of sins, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** Holy Lord, mighty God, You have shown us the face of Your mercy in Your Son, through whom all nations may find unity and life. Hear the prayers of Your people and grant what is needful to us and those for whom we pray, that trusting in Your mercy, our hearts may find perfect peace and rest; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

## **Service of the Sacrament**

**Communion Liturgy:**

**(Music: LSB pp. 208-212)**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Lift up your hearts.

**C** **We lift them to the Lord.**

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

**C** **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

**Sanctus**

**C** Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;  
Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.  
Sing hosanna in the highest, Sing hosanna to the Lord;  
Truly blest is He who comes In the name of the Lord!

### **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**P** Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. As the glory of Your presence once filled Your ancient temple, so in the incarnation of Your Son, Jesus Christ, You manifested the fullness of Your glory in human flesh.

We give You thanks that in His most Holy Supper You reveal Your glory to us. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood so that we may one day behold Your glory face to face. Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

### **Lord's Prayer**

**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.

### **The Words of Our Lord**

**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."

### **Pax Vobiscum**

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

### **Agnus Dei**

1 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away;  
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.

2 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away;  
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ, And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

## ↓ Distribution

*If you are using the Individual Cup, please keep the cup in plain view as the Pastor brings the Common Cup. This will help our substitute pastors know who has or has not communed.*

### Distribution Hymns:

637 Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord  
629 What Is This Bread  
808 O Sing to the Lord

### ↑ Post-Communion Liturgy:

LSB p. 211-212

1 O Lord, now let Your servant Depart in heav'nly peace,  
For I have seen the glory Of Your redeeming grace:  
A light to lead the Gentiles Unto Your holy hill,  
The glory of Your people, Your chosen Israel.

2 All glory to the Father, All glory to the Son,  
All glory to the Spirit, Forever Three in One;  
For as in the beginning, Is now, shall ever be,  
God's triune name resounding Through all eternity.

**P** 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.

**P** Let us bless the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**P** 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.

### Closing Hymn: 643 Sent Forth by God's Blessing

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**Worship Times:** Sunday at 9:00 A.M. & Monday at 6:00 P.M.

### **Welcome**

We are glad that you have joined us today as we worship our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. If you have any questions during worship, please feel free to ask an usher at any time.

Small children are part of the Body of Christ. We always welcome them in worship. However, we understand that it may not be easy to remain still or quiet. If a break is needed, “Busy Bags” are hanging up as you enter the Sanctuary.

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## **Serving our Lord in Worship:**

### **Preacher/Liturgist**

Sunday: Rev. Mark Krueger

Monday: Rev. Thomas Schmitt

### **Organist**

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### **Ushers**

Sunday: Aaron Utecht & Kyle Olson

Monday: Mike Canty & Tim Zinkel

### **Communion Assistant**

Michael Gregurich

### **Altar Guild**

Ginger Baryenbruch & Ellyn Bui

### **CD Recording**

Joanne Thompson

### **Altar Flowers**

### **Prayers**

For the family of Milt Troullier



### **This Week at Redeemer**

Sunday, January 14<sup>th</sup>

9:00 am Worship

10:00 am Sunday School

Monday, January 15<sup>th</sup>

8:15 am Finance

6:00 pm Worship

Tuesday, January 16<sup>th</sup>

7:00 am Men's Bible Study

9:00 am Women's Bible Study

Wednesday, January 17<sup>th</sup>

5:00 pm Catechism @ Good Shepherd

Thursday, January 18<sup>th</sup>

Friday, January 19<sup>th</sup>

Saturday, January 20<sup>th</sup>

Sunday, January 21<sup>st</sup>

9:00 am Worship

10:00 am Sunday School

**Last Week Attendance: 98**

**Last Week Offering: \$3,127**

## **Statement on Holy Communion**

The Lord's Supper is joyfully received here every weekend and on other holy days. At the altar, our Lord Jesus Christ delivers His true body and blood into our mouths. His gift of body and blood, given in, with, and under the bread and wine, bestows tremendous benefits. His body and blood forgives our sins, strengthens our faith, binds us to the Lord, and unites us with each other. In this is life and salvation. All members of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod have publicly confessed this sacred gift and its blessings, and so are encouraged to commune. Other guests wishing to join our confession and receive this Holy Sacrament are asked to meet with a pastor before communing for the first time. When you have examined yourself according to Christ's bidding (1 Corinthians 11:17-34), come to His Supper rejoicing, just as Jesus asks, knowing that our Lord meets you at His altar with joy. Those coming to the altar for a blessing rather than the Holy Supper are asked to cross their arms over their chest.

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## **Thank You – Epiphany Fire**

Thank you to all who joined us for the Epiphany fire last Friday! We burned over 50 trees this year - next year we are shooting for 100!

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## **Bible Study Update**

Pastor Schmitt WILL be holding Bible Study at Redeemer each week. The men's Bible Study will be Tuesdays at 7:00am and the women's Bible Study will be on Tuesdays at 9:00am.

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## **2024 Altar Flowers & Fellowship Sign-Up**

The sign-up sheets for 2024 altar flowers and fellowship are available at the Welcome Center. Thank you to everyone that contributed flowers and/or helped with fellowship in 2023!

## **Update from the Call Committee**

The Call Committee met this past week and, after receiving the recommendations from the Executive Board, has narrowed down our list of candidates to those presented on the insert. We have started to engage those Pastors listed to set up virtual interviews in order to help us present the best possible options to the congregation, based on the needs in our self-survey.

Please take the time to review the online information and documents on these Pastors - which can be viewed via office hours or after church by speaking with a member of the Call Committee.

The committee certainly welcomes any feedback you might wish to share. Please note though that all these candidates might not make the final list to be presented at the next Voter's Meeting. As per the constitution, the committee will present 3-5 candidates at that meeting.

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## **Sledding**

Save the Date: Family Ministry would like to invite everyone to join us for sledding on February 10 at Wilson middle school hills from 9:00 - 11:00 a.m., weather permitting. Contact Beth Utecht 952-240-4817 with any questions.



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## **We Need Ushers!**

We need ushers! It is getting tougher and tougher to fill our schedule. It is a pretty straight forward task to serve your fellow church members on a Sunday or Monday. Handing out bulletins, lighting the candles and ushering communion are the key responsibilities. If you are interested, please let the office or one of the board members know. We will set up training for those that sign up, and anyone currently ushering that would like a refresher course. Thank you!

## Snow Removal Update

A family has agreed to do the snow sidewalk removal for the church. However, they are out of town/unavailable the following dates: Feb 16-18, March 28-3.

If it would snow and you are willing to help with the snow removal any of the above dates, please contact Kyle Weidmayer at (517)-282-0309 or by email at [kweidmayer76@icloud.com](mailto:kweidmayer76@icloud.com).

Thanks for your help!

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Join us for a night of BINGO!

Play bingo and enjoy juice, popcorn and friends.

**When: 6:00-7:00 p.m. – Saturday, January 27<sup>th</sup>**

**Where: Redeemer Lutheran Church**

If you have prize donations of snacks or gently used items drop them off at the welcome center. Thank you! Contact Beth Utecht with any questions, (952) 240-4817, [bdegler34@gmail.com](mailto:bdegler34@gmail.com).

*Everything you need to know about...*

## **Redeemer Book Club**

- **WHO:** Open to all adult members, prospective members, and friends/family of members of Redeemer Lutheran church
- **WHAT:** Each month, book club participants will take turns choosing a book for the group to read from the Public Library's Book Club Kits. The book selected is at the discretion of the person/persons choosing that month. If the genre is not something a participant is interested in, they will be encouraged to select a book for the next available month.
  - **Books will be displayed on the desk at the Welcome Center when available.** They should be returned at the monthly gatherings unless other arrangements are made.
- **WHEN:** There will be two (2) sessions scheduled each month, September-May, with the exception of December:
  - The fourth Thursday of each month at 1:00 PM and
  - The fourth Saturday of each month at 1:00 PMSummer months may continue, depending on how many participants are interested.

Cancellations will be posted on Redeemer's Facebook page.
- **WHERE:** At Redeemer Lutheran Church; Thursday group may enter through main office doors, and go to the conference room.

Saturday group may enter through parking lot door at the end of the office wing, and meet in lounge to the left.
- **QUESTIONS:** If you have any questions or need more information, please contact:
  - Tami Fricke: (920) 905-0369
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