

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

February 5, 2023

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We welcome you into the worship of Salem Lutheran Church where The Rev. Dr. James M. Capers is serving as our interim pastor. This is the fifth Sunday of the Epiphany season where Jesus is continually revealed as the unique Son of God.

Pick up your communion wafer/cup as you enter the sanctuary.

There is a basket for your tithes and offerings. You may also give through our web site, facebook page or by using the U. S. mail (addresses listed at the top of this page). [Click here for the link.](#)



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GATHERING

The bell is rung to announce the beginning of the service as we light the candles.

PRELUDE

Pastor James M. Capers

THE WELCOME

LeeAra Watson

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P In the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

P God of all mercy and consolation, come to the aid of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that, attentive to your word, we may confess our sins, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

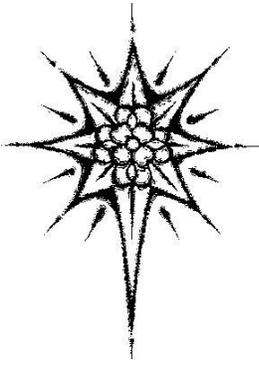
P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
Gracious God,

All have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

P Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our ✝ Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

All Amen



CALL TO WORSHIP

P Arise, shine for your light has come.

All The glory of the Lord has risen upon us.

P Lift up your eyes and look around;

All all gather together to proclaim the praise of the Lord.

P Your sun will never set again.

All The Lord is our light and our salvation!

P Your moon will wane no more.

All The Lord is our light and our salvation!

P Your days of sorrow will end.

All The Lord is our light and our salvation!

P Whom shall we fear?

All Whom shall we fear?

The Lord is our light and our salvation!

THE Lord is the strength of our life;

whom shall we fear?

OPENING HYMN

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

ELW 807



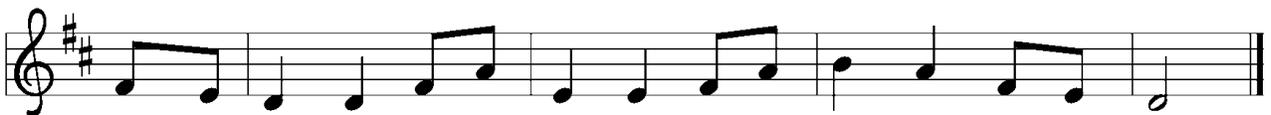
1 Come, thou Fount of ev - 'ry bless-ing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;
 2 Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer: "Hith-er by thy help I've come";
 3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con-strained to be;



streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.
 and I hope, by thy good plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.
 let that grace now like a fet - ter bind my wan-d'ring heart to thee.



While the hope of end-less glo - ry fills my heart with joy and love,
 Je - sus sought me when a strang - er, wan-d'ring from the fold of God;
 Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it; prone to leave the God I love.



teach me ev - er to a - dore thee; may I still thy good-ness prove.
 he, to res - cue me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.
 Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it; seal it for thy courts a - bove.

PUBLIC DOMAIN

Text: Robert Robinson, 1735-1790, alt.

Music: J. Wyeth, *Repository of Sacred Music*, Part II, 1813

APOSTOLIC GREETING

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

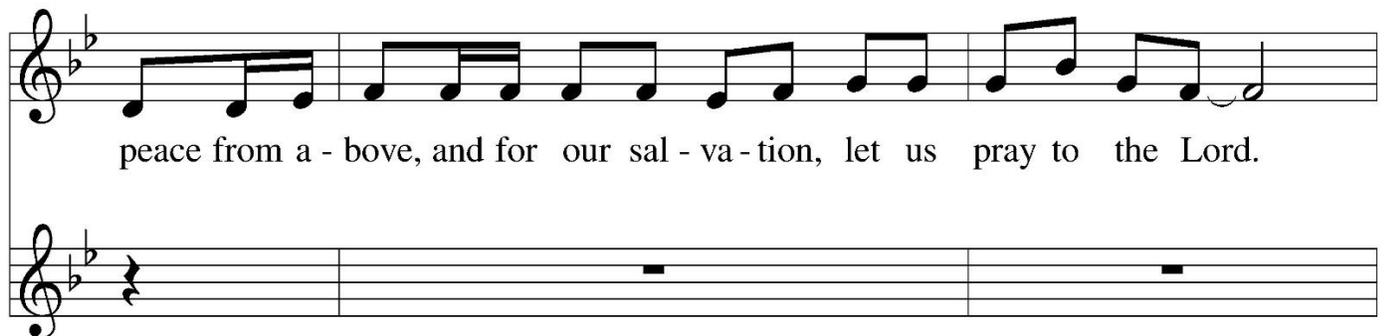
All And also with you.

KYRIE

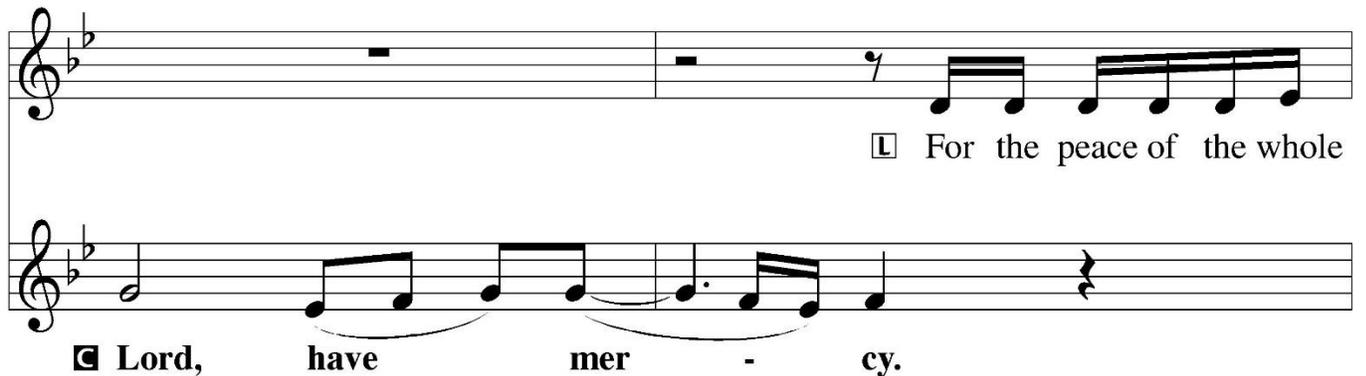


L In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **L** For the

C Lord, have mer - cy.



peace from a - bove, and for our sal - va - tion, let us pray to the Lord.



L For the peace of the whole

C Lord, have mer - cy.

world, for the well - be - ing of the church of God, and for the u - ni - ty of

all, let us pray to the Lord. L For this ho - ly

C Lord, have mer - cy.

house, and for all who of - fer here their wor - ship and praise, let us

pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mer - cy. A - men

Help, save, com-fort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord.

A - men

Help, save, com-fort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord.

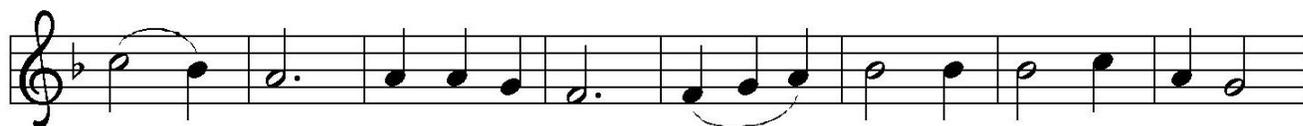
A - men

HYMN OF PRAISE

Glory to God

Refrain

Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace
to God's peo-ple on earth. Glo-ry to God in the
high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



1 Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al - mighty God and Fa-ther,



we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace



to God's peo-ple on earth. Glo-ry to God in the



high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



2 Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God,



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world:



have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the right



hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

Refrain

Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace
to God's peo-ple on earth. Glo-ry to God in the
high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

3 For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, you a -
lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly
Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther.

Final refrain

Glo - ry to God in the high - est.
A - men, a - men.

THIS FAR BY FAITH Setting Two

Music: Liturgy of Joy, James M. Capers

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

Lord God, with endless mercy you receive the prayers of all who call upon you. By your Spirit show us the things we ought to do, and give us the grace and power to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

All **Amen.**

WORD

First Reading: Isaiah 58:1-9a

A The word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 112

A ¹Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the LORD
and have great delight in God's commandments!

All ²**Their descendants will be mighty in the land;
the generation of the upright will be blessed.**

A ³Wealth and riches will be in their house,
and their righteousness will last forever.

All ⁴**Light shines in the darkness for the upright;
the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.**

A ⁵It is good for them to be generous in lending
and to manage their affairs with justice.

All ⁶**For they will never be shaken;
the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.**

A ⁷They will not be afraid of any evil rumors;
their heart is steadfast, trusting in the LORD.

All ⁸**Their heart is established and will not shrink,
until they see their desire upon their enemies.**

A ⁹They have given freely to the poor,
and their righteousness stands fast forever;
they will hold up their head with honor.

Second Reading: First Corinthians 12:1-12

A The Word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ELW 173

P Jesus says, I am the light of the world;*
whoever follows me will have the light of life.

All **Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah
Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah**

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GOSPEL

P The holy gospel according to Matthew, the fifth chapter.
All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Matthew 5:13-20

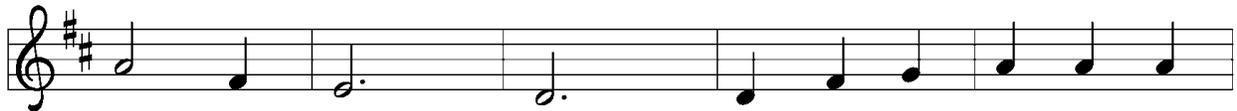
P The gospel of the Lord.
All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

Pastor Capers

SONG*I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light***ELW 815**

1 I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to
 2 I want to see . . . the bright-ness of God. I want to
 3 I'm look - ing for . . . the com - ing of Christ. I want to



fol - low Je - sus. God set the stars to give
 look at Je - sus. Clear Sun of righ - teous-ness,
 be with Je - sus. When we have run . . . with



light to the world. The star of my life is Je - sus.
 shine on my path, and show me the way to the Fa - ther.
 pa - tience the race, we shall know the joy of Je - sus.

Refrain

In him there is no dark-ness at all. The night and the



day are both a - like. The Lamb is the light of the



cit - y of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

THE NICENE CREED

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven;
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P Called together to follow Jesus, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

Responses after each petition:

Merciful God,

All receive our prayer.

P We bring to you our needs and hopes, O God, trusting your wisdom and power revealed in Christ crucified.

All Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

All And also with you.

MEAL



OFFERING

OFFERTORY

ELW 173

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and
 fill to the brim our cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a
 har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the
 bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u -
 nite them with the prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your
 pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

A Those who worship in the sanctuary have given to the Lord as you entered. Those who are worshipping with us online can give through our web site, facebook page or by using the U. S. mail.

Let us pray.

Generous God of abundance,
all good gifts come from your gracious hand. We offer you this bread, fruit of the vine, and money, the harvest of our time and labor.

Make us wise stewards of all your gifts, that your name may be exalted in all the world, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

(Communion preparation)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING AND WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P You are indeed holy Almighty and merciful God you are most holy and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so love the world that you gave your only Son so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

In the night in which he was betrayed our Lord Jesus took bread and gave thanks broke it and gave it to his disciples saying take and eat this is my body given for you do this for the remembrance of me.

Again after supper he took the cup gave thanks and gave it for all to drink saying: this cup is the new covenant in my blood shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

All Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P Remembering therefore his salutary command, his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension and the promise of his coming again, we give thanks to you O Lord God almighty; not as we ought but as we are able. We ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving; and with your word and Holy Spirit to bless us your servants and these your own gifts of bread and wine so that we and all who share in the body of Christ may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace,
And receiving the forgiveness of sin may be formed to live as your holy people and be given our inheritance with all your saints. To you O God Father Son and Holy Spirit be all honor and glory in your holy church now and forever.

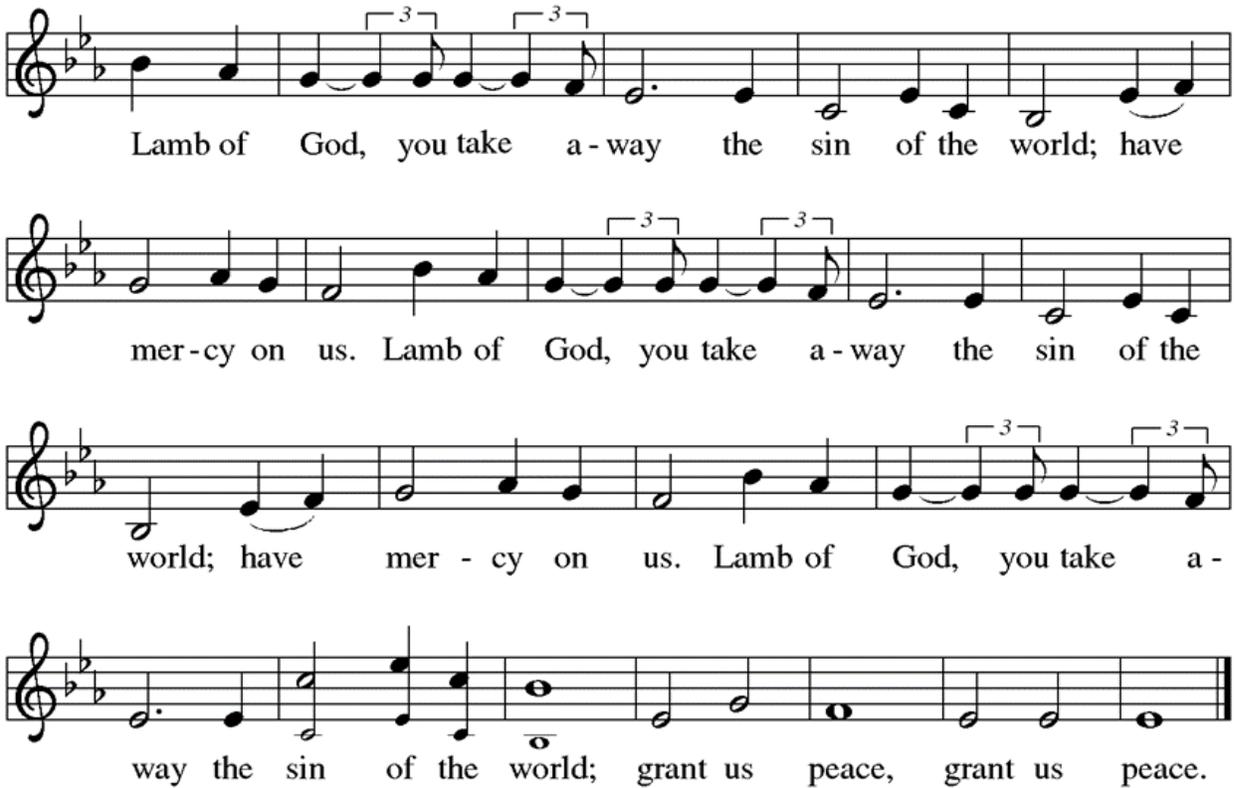
All Amen

THE LORD'S PRAYER

(Ecumenical version)

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen**

COMMUNION HYMN



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
 mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
 world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -
 way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

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THE COMMUNION

COMMUNION BLESSING

CANTICLE**ELW 205**

Thank-ful hearts and voic-es raise; tell ev-'ry-one what God has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re-joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.



Send us with your prom - is - es, O God, and lead us forth in



joy with shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia.

REPEAT

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A Let us pray.

We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healingpower of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



SENDING

P Now, go out into the world in peace;
Love the Lord your God
With all your heart
With all your soul
With all your mind;
And love your neighbor as yourself.

BLESSING

P Almighty God, Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

All Amen.

SENDING SONG

This Little Light of Mine

**This little light of mine
 I'm going to let it shine
 This little light of mine
 I'm going to let it shine
 This little light of mine
 I'm going to let it shine
 Let it shine let it shine let it shine**

**Jesus gave it to me
 I'm going to let it shine . . .**

**All in my home
 I'm going to let it shine . . .**

**Hide it under a bushel "no"
 I'm going to let it shine . . .**

**All in my world
 I'm going to let it shine . . .**

**This little light of mine
 I'm going to let it shine . . .**

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

All Thanks be to God

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