

# Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

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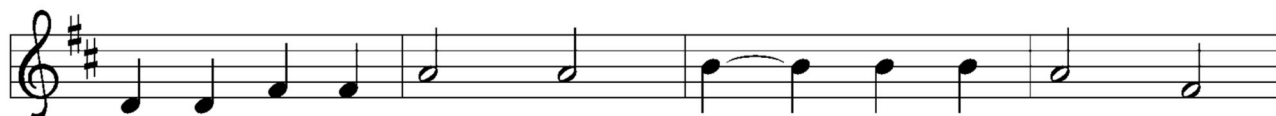
**Prelude:** Meditation on “Holy Holy Holy” arr. Charles Callahan

Lois Theesfield, organist

## Welcome

**\*Gathering Hymn:** “Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!” ELW #413

### Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!



1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God Al - might - y!  
2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,  
3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee,  
4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!



Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.  
cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;  
though the eye of sin - ful - ness thy glo - ry may not see,  
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!  
cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,  
on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!



God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!  
which wert and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.  
per - fect in pow'r, in love and pu - ri - ty.  
God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

## **Confession and Forgiveness**

The coming of Christ was not, and is not, always widely welcomed.  
Wherever there is epiphany there will also be darkness:  
Let us make our confession together,

**Most holy and most loving God, we admit to you and to each other,  
that we are creatures who either through foolishness or wilfulness  
often choose darkness instead of light.**

**Here and now we surrender to you our fears and proud opinions,  
our short-sighted folly and our pompous wisdom,  
our deep seated sins and our apathy towards change and renewal.**

**Please forgive the darkness and pain we have inflicted on others,  
and restore the light-starved hopes and ideals within our own souls.  
Trusting your grace, we earnestly pray: "Create in us a clean heart, O God,  
and renew a right spirit within us."  
Through Christ Jesus our Saviour.  
Amen!**

My friends, Epiphany is good news!  
The Light comes not to sear and blind us but to save us.  
Christ Jesus came into this world to save sinners.  
In the name of Jesus Christ I declare to you: Your sins are forgiven!  
**Thanks be to God!**


Take up your forgiveness with thanksgiving,  
and live without shame or anxiety.  
**The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ enables us. Amen!**  
*-Adapted from Bruce Prewer's Confession and Forgiveness: Epiphany*

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


# Kyrie

## Congregation

*Refrain*



Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.



Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, ev-'ry day.

## Leader



1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the  
2 That we may live out your im - passioned re - sponse to the  
3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for  
4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you cen - ter our lives in the



u - ni - ty of all; for  
hun - gry and the poor; that  
friends and fam - i - ly; for  
wa - ter and the word; that you



this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,  
we may live out . . . . truth and jus - tice and grace,  
life and for love, . . . . for our work and our play,  
nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,

*Refrain*



let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

## **\*Prayer of the Day**

Most holy God, the earth is filled with your glory, and before you angels and saints stand in awe. Enlarge our vision to see your power at work in the world, and by your grace make us heralds of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

## **First Reading: Isaiah 6:1-8 [9-13]**

<sup>1</sup>In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. <sup>2</sup>Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. <sup>3</sup>And one called to another and said:

“Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts;  
the whole earth is full of his glory.”

<sup>4</sup>The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. <sup>5</sup>And I said: “Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!”

<sup>6</sup>Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. <sup>7</sup>The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: “Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.” <sup>8</sup>Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” And I said, “Here am I; send me!” [<sup>9</sup>And he said, “Go and say to this people:

‘Keep listening, but do not comprehend;  
keep looking, but do not understand.’

<sup>10</sup>Make the mind of this people dull,  
and stop their ears,  
and shut their eyes,  
so that they may not look with their eyes,  
and listen with their ears,  
and comprehend with their minds,  
and turn and be healed.”

<sup>11</sup>Then I said, “How long, O Lord?” And he said:

“Until cities lie waste  
without inhabitant,  
and houses without people,  
and the land is utterly desolate;  
<sup>12</sup>until the Lord sends everyone far away,  
and vast is the emptiness in the midst of the land.

<sup>13</sup>Even if a tenth part remain in it,  
it will be burned again,  
like a terebinth or an oak  
whose stump remains standing  
when it is felled.”

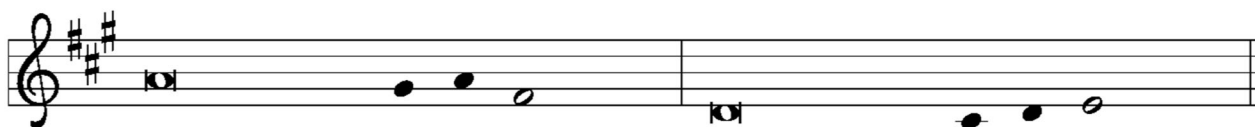
The holy seed is its stump.]

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 138

*Memorial Choir sings refrain; all chant verses*



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REFRAIN: I will bow down toward your holy temple.

- 1 I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with | my whole heart;  
before the gods I will | sing your praise.**
- 2 I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name, because of your  
steadfast | love and faithfulness;  
for you have glorified your name and your word a- | bove all things.**

REFRAIN: I will bow down toward your holy temple.

- 3 When I called, you | answered me;  
you increased my | strength within me.**
- 4 All the rulers of the earth will praise | you, O Lord,  
when they have heard the words | of your mouth.**
- 5 They will sing of the ways | of the Lord,  
that great is the glory | of the Lord.**
- 6 The Lord is high, yet cares | for the lowly,  
perceiving the haughty | from afar.**

REFRAIN: I will bow down toward your holy temple.

- 7 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you | keep me safe;  
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right | hand shall  
save me.**
- 8 You will make good your pur- | pose for me;  
O Lord, your steadfast love endures forever; do not abandon the works | of your  
hands.**

REFRAIN: I will bow down toward your holy temple.

## Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

<sup>1</sup>Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, <sup>2</sup>through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain.

<sup>3</sup>For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, <sup>4</sup>and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, <sup>5</sup>and that he appeared to Cephas,

then to the twelve. <sup>6</sup>Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. <sup>7</sup>Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. <sup>8</sup>Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. <sup>9</sup>For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. <sup>10</sup>But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been 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. <sup>11</sup>Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

### **\*Gospel Acclamation**



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

### **Gospel Reading: Luke 5:1-11**

The Gospel according to Luke  
**Glory to You, O Lord**

<sup>1</sup>Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, <sup>2</sup>he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. <sup>3</sup>He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. <sup>4</sup>When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." <sup>5</sup>Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." <sup>6</sup>When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. <sup>7</sup>So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. <sup>8</sup>But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" <sup>9</sup>For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; <sup>10</sup>and so

also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." <sup>11</sup>When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

The Gospel of the Lord  
**Praise to you, O Christ**

## Sermon

**Hymn of the Day:** "You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore" ELW #817  
*Memorial Choir sings verses; All sing refrain*

- 1 You have come down to the lakeshore  
seeking neither the wise nor the wealthy,  
but only asking for me to follow. **Refrain**
- 2 You know full well what I have, Lord:  
neither treasure nor weapons for conquest,  
just these my fish nets and will for working. **Refrain**
- 3 You need my hands, my exhaustion,  
working love for the rest of the weary--  
a love that's willing to go on loving. **Refrain**
- 4 You who have fished other waters;  
you, the longing of souls that are yearning:  
O loving Friend, you have come to call me. **Refrain**

*Refrain / Estribillo*



Se - ñor, me has mi - ra - do a los o - jos; son - ri - en - do,  
Sweet Lord, you have looked in - to my eyes; kind - ly smil - ing,



has di - cho mi nom-bre. En la a-re - na he de - ja - do mi  
you've called out my name. . . . On the sand I have a-ban-doned my



bar - ca; jun - to a ti bus - ca - ré o - tro mar.  
small boat; now with you, I will seek oth - er seas.



## **Apostle's Creed**

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
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,**

**he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come 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 Intercession**

### **Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

### **Offering**

**Music Voluntary:** *"Be Not Afraid"* arr. Bob Dufford

*Memorial Choir; Mary Brinkman, soloist; Dave Lekwa, soloist*

### **Offering Prayer**

Blessed are you, O God,  
Sovereign of the universe.  
You offer us new beginnings  
and guide us on our journey.  
Lead us to your table,  
nourish us with this heavenly food,  
and prepare us to carry your love  
to a hungry world,  
in the name of Christ our light.  
**Amen.**

## **Meal**

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## **Words of Institution**

### **\*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.

### **Invitation to Commune**

*Come to God's table.*  
*There is a place for you and enough for all.*

**Communion Hymns:** *"Here I am Lord"* ELW #574  
*"Send Me, Lord"* ELW #809



# Here I Am, Lord



1 "I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.  
2 "I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo - ple's pain.  
3 "I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.



All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.  
I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way.  
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.



I, who made the stars of night, I will make their dark-ness bright.  
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.  
Fin-est bread I will pro-vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.



Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?"  
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?"  
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?"

## *Refrain*



Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you



call-ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you



lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

# Send Me, Lord

*Thuma mina*



Thu - ma mi - na. Thu - ma mi - na, thu - ma mi - na. Thu - ma  
 Send me, Lord. 1 Send me, Je - sus, send me, Je - sus, send me,  
 (2) Je - sus, lead me, Je - sus, lead me,  
 (3) Je - sus, fill me, Je - sus, fill me,



mi - na, So - man - dla.  
 Je - sus, send me, Lord. 2 Lead me,  
 Je - sus, lead me, Lord. 3 Fill me,  
 Je - sus, fill me, Lord.

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Music: THUMA MINA, South African traditional

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## Prayer After Communion

We give you thanks, gracious God,  
 for we have feasted on the abundance of your house.  
 Send us to bring good news  
 and to proclaim your favor to all,  
 strengthened with the richness of your grace  
 in your Son, Jesus Christ.  
**Amen.**

## Announcements

### Blessing

God, who leads you in pathways of righteousness,  
 who rejoices over you,  
 and who calls you by name,  
 + bless your going out and your coming in,  
 today and forever.  
**Amen.**

**\*Sending Hymn:** "Go to the World" ACS #991

## Go to the World!



1 Go to the world! Go in - to all the earth.  
2 Go to the world! Go in - to ev - 'ry place.  
3 Go to the world! Go strug - gle, bless, and pray;  
4 "Go to the world! Go as the ones I send,



Go preach the cross where Christ re - news life's worth,  
Go live the word of God's re - deem - ing grace.  
the nights of tears give way to joy - ous day.  
for I am with you till the age shall end,



bap - tiz - ing as the sign of our re - birth.  
Go seek God's pres - ence in each time and space.  
As ser - vant church, you fol - low Christ's own way.  
when all the hosts of glo - ry cry, A - men!"



Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Text: Sylvia G. Dunstan, 1955–1993

Music: SINE NOMINE, Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872–1958

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## Dismissal

Go with Christ into a weary world and share the good news.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## Postlude: "Holy Holy Holy" arr. David Cherwien

*Lois Theesfield, organist*

## Prayers for Healing

If you have a prayer request, please email [pastorkathleen@mlcnevada.org](mailto:pastorkathleen@mlcnevada.org) or [emily@mlcnevada.org](mailto:emily@mlcnevada.org), or call the church office at 515-382-6509.

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Teresa & Kim Krebs and family	Norma Gandrup	Carsrud family following death of De's brother, Dave Olinger
Michael Neal	Sheila Collingwood	
	<i>mother of Lyndsey De Vos</i>	

# **Announcements**

## **Be a Part of Faith Formation**

The Faith Formation team is looking for members that would love to be a part of developing programs in our church community to teach all generations of Memorial members about God's love for us. If you'd like to learn more or contribute to several programs in the church including Sunday School, Youth Group, Confirmation, Bible Study, Wednesday Faith Nights, etc. please contact Kim Stieler at [amunsonk@gmail.com](mailto:amunsonk@gmail.com) or 515-450-2650.

## **Memorial is Going Bowling!**

Join us Sunday, Feb. 20th, at 2:00 PM at Sports Bowl in Nevada for an afternoon of bowling and fellowship.

## **Church Camping Trip to Hickory Grove Park**

Mark your calendars: all are invited to spend a weekend camping at Hickory Grove Park April 29th - May 1st. More details will be available in the coming weeks.

## **Lutheran Lakeside Camp**

Confirmation students, join us for your best week ever up at Lutheran Lakeside Camp at Lake Okoboji! We will leave Sunday, June 12th and return Friday, June 17th. Early bird registration ends February 28th and families are asked to cover the first \$100 of camp fees as they are able.

## **Memorial Handbell Choir Looking for New Members**

Memorial Handbells is in search of ringers for several positions, both temporary and permanent. Experience is helpful but not necessary (the best qualification is a happy heart!) Handbells meet Wednesdays from 6:00—7:15pm. Please contact Lois Theesfield, Director of Music Ministry ([loistfield@gmail.com](mailto:loistfield@gmail.com)) for more information.

## **Online Giving with Tithe.ly**

Thank you for joining us for worship today! If you would like to support our ministries, online gifts can be made using <http://tithe.ly/give> or by scanning the QR code. Thank you!



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