



January 19, 2025 - 9:30 am

Second Sunday after Epiphany



GATHERING: The Spirit Calls Us Together

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Gathering Song

"I Will Follow"

Greeting

Song

"Behold the Lamb of God"

Prayer of the Day

Special Music

"If I Can Help Somebody"

Jenny Fitzpatrick

WORD: We Hear God in Scripture & Preaching

Children's Message

Psalm 36:5-19...Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds. ⁶Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains, your judgments are like the great deep; you save humans and animals alike, O LORD. ⁷How precious is your steadfast love, O God! All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings. ⁸They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them drink from the river of your delights. ⁹For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light. ¹⁰O continue your steadfast love to those who know you, and your salvation to the upright of heart! ¹¹Do not let the foot of the arrogant tread on me, or the hand of the wicked drive me away. ¹²There the evildoers lie prostrate; they are thrust down, unable to rise.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

1 Corinthians 12:1-11...Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. ²You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. ³Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit. ⁴Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

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John 2:1-11...On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ²Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." ⁴And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." ⁵His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells

you.”⁶ Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons.⁷ Jesus said to them, “Fill the jars with water.” And they filled them up to the brim.⁸ He said to them, “Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.” So they took it.⁹ When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom¹⁰ and said to him, “Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.”¹¹ Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

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

Message Pastor Heather Grell

Hymn of the Day

“Now the Silence”

ELW 460

Prayers

Sharing God’s Peace

MEAL: God Feeds us with the Presence of Jesus

Offering

Special Music

“We Shall Overcome”

Offertory

“The Trumpets Sound the Angels Sing”

ELW 531

Words of Institution

“Remember Me”

Lord’s Prayer

Communion

Communion Song

“Pour Me Out”

Communion Blessing

Post-Communion Prayer

SENDING: Being Loved, God Sends Us to Love

Blessing

Sending Song

“Lift Every Voice and Sing”

ELW 841

Dismissal

Postlude

Announcements

- ⇒ **Food Pantry** Our next food pantry is Saturday, February 1st from 8 to 9:30 am. [CLICK HERE](#) to help. Donations are needed! We are in need of paper and plastic bags, pasta sauce/tomato sauce, canned soup, and cereal. Drop donations in the blue bin in the coat closet hallway. Thanks!
- ⇒ **Centering Prayer Group** meets Monday's at 1:00 pm in the Youth Room Holy Cross. Questions, contact Paula McDonald at 402-210-6040.
- ⇒ **Tai Chi** A beginning Tai Chi Class is offered weekly on Wednesday's from 12:30—1:30 pm in the HCLC Narthex. A free-will donation will be accepted for our instructor, Cynthia Simon. Bring a friend and discover that you really do have balance!
- ⇒ **Prayer Shawls** If you have someone in your life who could use some extra comfort and prayers, please feel free to take a Prayer Shawl or Prayer Square from the display in the Narthex at any time.
- ⇒ **Altar Flowers** are available for purchase for \$47. Please [click here](#) to sign up or contact the church office.
- ⇒ **Nursery** Our nursery in the Sunday School hallway is unlocked every Sunday morning during worship and our education hour. There is no nursery attendant, but the room is available for families to use as needed if little ones need to get some wiggles out!
- ⇒ **Congregation Annual Meeting** Sunday, January 26th at 10:45am in person only.
- ⇒ **National Day of Racial Healing** You are invited to take part in a free educational opportunity this month in honor of the National Day of Racial healing. On Tuesday, January 21st from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm, the ELCA will host a free online educational event that centers the voices of ELCA leaders of color. (To learn more or register [click here](#).)
- ⇒ **Jigsaw Puzzle Exchange** Do you like jigsaw puzzles but don't know what to do with them when completed? Bring them to the puzzle exchange! Bring your puzzles to church the first 3 Sundays in February and sign in the number of puzzles you would like to exchange. Sunday, February 22 from 1:00-3:00 you will be able to browse and pick up your puzzles. You can also bring puzzles on the day of the exchange. If you would like to donate puzzles but are not interested in exchanging, that works too! Invite your friends! Contact Kelli Joseph at ksjose123@cox.net with questions.
- ⇒ **16th Annual Chili Cook Off + Chili Feed** will be held February 9th at 11:30. Sign up in the Narthex to make chili, or just come to eat! All proceeds from chili voting will go to our RIC Ministry Team and their ongoing efforts to help our community more fully embody our commitment to the welcome and affirmation of all God's children.
- ⇒ **Giving through Venmo** You can now support the ministries of Holy Cross via Venmo. Find us on Venmo @HolyCrossLutheran.



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Calendar for Upcoming Week

Sunday, January 19

9:30 am Worship
10:40 am Sunday School/Adult Forum
10:50 am MS/HS Ensemble
11:00 am MS/HS Bells

Monday, January 20

Office Closed—MLK Day
1:00 pm Centering Prayer
6:30 pm Boy Scouts
9:00 pm CMA Meeting

Tuesday, January 21

6:30 pm Council Meeting
7:30 pm AA Meeting

Wednesday, January 22

12:30 pm Tai Chi Balance Class
6:00 pm Confirmation/Uke Choir
6:30 pm Youth Worship
7:00 pm Radical Ringers/Youth Group

Thursday, January 23

12:00 pm Baby Shower
6:30 pm Carolan Bell Choir
7:30 pm Chancel Choir

Friday, January 24

1:00 pm Knitting
6:00 pm Belles N Beaus

Saturday, January 25

Newsletter Due
7:00 am Pinewood Derby

Sunday, January 26

9:30 am Worship
10:40 am Sunday School
10:40 am Annual Meeting
10:50 am MS/HS Ensemble
11:00 am MS/HS Bells
3:00 pm Girl Scout Troop 48012 Meeting

Prayer Requests from our Church Community

Member Concerns: Joe Evans; Katelyn Schnack; Sarah Sjolie; Dick Klabunde; Charlie Ferris; Kelley Kennedy; Ruth Martin; Norm Firkins; Phyllis Beam; Donna McCoy; Jan Swanson; Connie Mertz, Mia Szymczak.

On-Going Member Concerns: Edie Naby at Hillcrest Papillion

Friends and Relatives: Carol Deditz, sister of Julie Noteman; Larry Labens, friend of Jerry & Kelli Joseph; Opal Calendar, foster granddaughter of Trisha Ryan; Kelsey Schneider, daughter of Jim & Peg Schneider; Mary Sundermeier, aunt of Kate Ferris; Megan Smith-Sallans, friend of Pastor Heather; Theresa Ramelb, friend of Jacque Petersen; Shari Jensen, friend of Ed Krueger; Kenneth Lathrop, father of Alisa Krueger; Jan Specks, sister of Carol Rich; Walt Weaver & Carson Rich, family of Carol Rich; Ronda Bayer, friend of Debbie Risinger; Debbie Haacke, coworker of Debbie Risinger; Tatyana Povazhnaya, friend of Sue Spengler; Gaylen Grunke, Wes Grunke's Brother; Andie Hunter, Elizabeth Yearwood's sister; Linda Anderson, Barb Kay's sister; Aaron McDonald and Family and Caregivers, McDonald's grandson.

Grieving

Connie Mertz and her family as they mourn the death of Connie's brother.