

HAINESVILLE LUTHERAN CHURCH — E L C A



Sunday, January 21st, 2024

Third Sunday After Epiphany
"The Little Church with a Big Heart"

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP at HAINESVILLE LUTHERAN CHURCH. *We're glad you're here. If you are visiting with us, please sign a visitor card and place it in the offering plate. We thank you for joining us in worship and pray that our time together is a blessing to you. And.... please join us for our weekly fellowship brunch after worship. There's always plenty and you are very welcome. If you are looking for a faith community, we would be pleased to have you call HVLC your "church home".*

**PRELUDE AND RINGING OF THE BELL
WELCOME AND STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES
CHILDREN'S CHAT**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, creator of darkness and light, word of truth, wind sweeping over the waters.

C **Amen.**

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

P God, our rock and refuge,

C **we pour out our hearts before you. We have known you but have not always loved you. We have wounded one another and sinned against you. We have not always recognized the Holy Spirit dwelling in each of us. Remember your covenant. Renew your creation. Restore us, that we might proclaim your good news to all. Amen.**

P The voice of the Lord is upon the waters. God has spoken:
The time of grace is now. In Jesus, the reign of God has come near. By the authority of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are God's beloved.

C **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN: *"Blest are They"*

HYMN # 728

GREETING

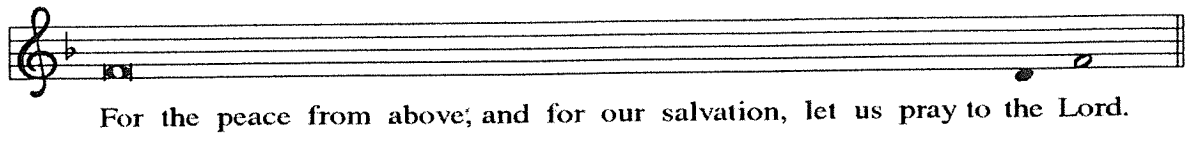
P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

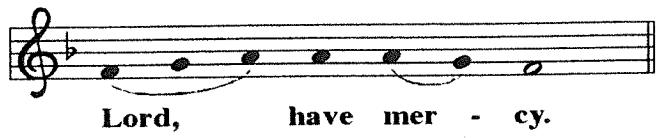
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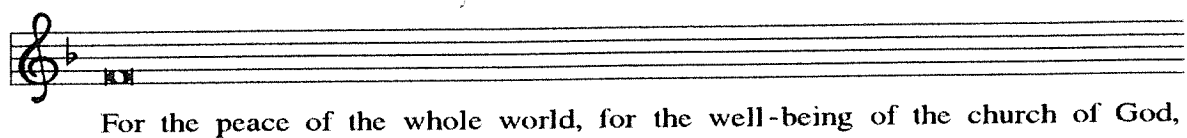
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



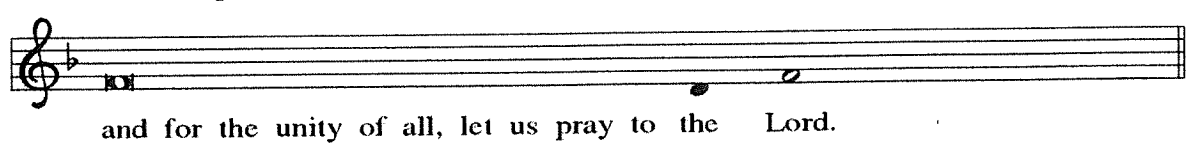
For the peace from above; and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



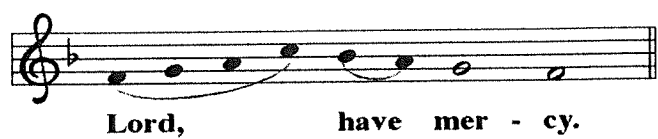
Lord, have mer - cy.



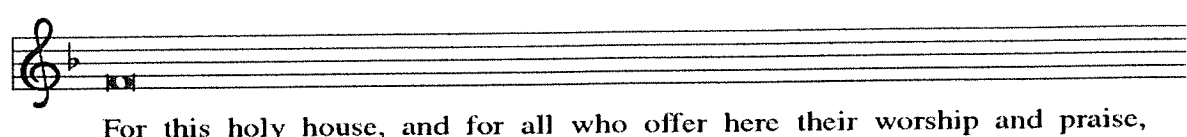
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



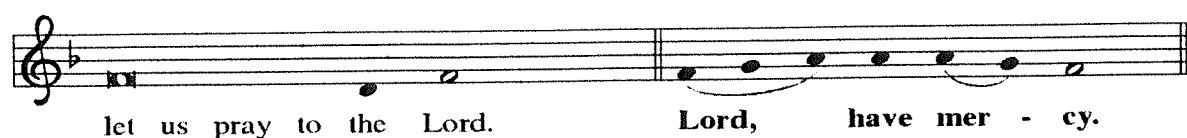
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



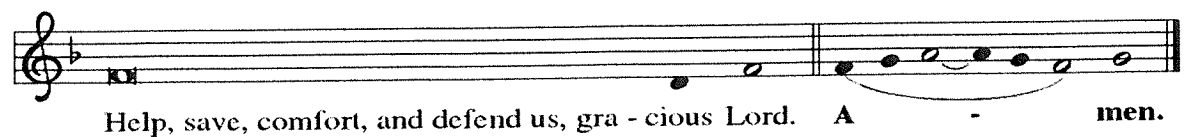
Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. A - men.

HYMN OF PRAISE



Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,



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



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.



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. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray. Almighty God,

C **by grace alone you call us and accept us in your service. Strengthen us by your Spirit, and make us worthy of your call, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

FIRST READING: Jonah 3:1-5, 10

¹The word of the LORD came to Jonah a second time, saying, ²“Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you.” ³So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days’ walk across. ⁴Jonah began to go into the city, going a day’s walk. And he cried out, “Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!” ⁵And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth.

¹⁰When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

R The word of the Lord

C

Thanks be to God

PSALM: Psalm 62:5-12 (read responsively)

⁵For God alone I wait in silence; truly, my hope is in God.

⁶**God alone is my rock and my salvation,
my stronghold, so that I shall never be shaken.**

⁷In God is my deliverance and my honor; God is my strong rock and my refuge.

⁸**Put your trust in God always, O people,
pour out your hearts before the one who is our refuge.**

⁹Those of high degree are but a fleeting breath; those of low estate cannot be trusted.
Placed on the scales together they weigh even less than a breath.

¹⁰**Put no trust in extortion; in robbery take no empty pride;
though wealth increase, set not your heart upon it.**

¹¹God has spoken once, twice have I heard it, that power belongs to God.

¹²**Steadfast love belongs to you, O Lord, for you repay all according to their deeds.**

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

²⁹Brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short; from now on, let even those who have wives be as though they had none, ³⁰and those who mourn as though they

were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no possessions,³¹ and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

R Word of God, Word of Life

C Thanks be to God

GOSPEL: Mark 1:14-20

Before Jesus calls his first disciples, he proclaims a message that becomes known as “the gospel” or good news from God. God is ready to rule our lives. Those who realize this will respond with repentance and faith.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 1st chapter

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹⁴Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, ¹⁵and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.”

¹⁶As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. ¹⁷And Jesus said to them, “Follow me and I will make you fish for people.” ¹⁸And immediately they left their nets and followed him. ¹⁹As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. ²⁰Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

P The Gospel of the Lord
(please be seated)

C **Praise to you O Christ.**

GOD’S WORD FOR TODAY

Pastor David Raben

HYMN OF THE DAY “Jesus Calls Us; o’er the Tumult”

HYMN # 696

APOSTLES CREED *(please stand as you are able)*

P Let us confess our faith in the words of the Apostles Creed

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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

P As we celebrate Christ embodied in human form, we pray for God's blessing on the church, the world, and all of creation.

RESPONSE TO PRAYERS P *God of grace* C **Receive our prayer**

Tom (Angermeier), Devin (Bartos), Lyle (Berndt), Karen & Del (Brewer), Elaine & Jim (C), Eugene (Clark), Mike & Rina (Clumpner), Allan & Betty (D), Danielle (D), Garrison (Dixner), Pat (Fenrich), Emery (Freiberg), Ruth (Grainger), Mathilde & Richard (Hannemann), Charlotte (K), Cindy (Knapp), Ellie (Krull), Joe (May), Ken (Overland), Matthew (Rocque), Alice (Rocque-Angermeier), Lexi & Laci (S), Lori (Snyder), Eric (Thorson), Dave, Erik, Joe, and Sophie.

C Amen.

THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.** *(please share Christ's peace with one another)*
(you may be seated)

OFFERING

OFFERTORY *"Let the Vineyards" (please stand)* **HYMN #184**

C Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing. Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and the dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer. Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

OFFERING PRAYER

P Blessed are you, Holy One, for all good things come from you. In bread and cup

you open heaven to us. Meet us at this table, that we receive what we seek and follow your Son, Jesus, in whose name we pray.

C Amen.

THE COMMUNION LITURGY (*sung — setting # 3 pp144*)

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 indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God. You comforted your people with the promise of the Redeemer, through whom you will also make all things new in the day when he comes again to judge the world in righteousness. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

C **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P 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.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P Gathered in to one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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**

P At Jesus' table, heaven and earth are joined as one. Come and see.

COMMUNION HYMN*“Let Us Break Bread Together”***HYMN # 471***“We Come to the Hungry Feast”***HYMN # 479****COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION** *(you may be seated)*

We welcome all believers in Christ to share in God’s Holy meal. Please come to the front and receive the Body and Blood of Christ. Grape juice and gluten free wafers are available on the stand in the center. Children who have not received their first communion instruction are invited to come forward and receive a pastoral blessing.

COMMUNION BLESSING *(after the distribution has been completed - please stand)*

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P Giver of every gift, Christ’s body is our food, and we are Christ’s body. Raise us to life by your power for the benefit of all and to your glory, now and forever.

C Amen.

BLESSING

P God who names you, Christ who claims you, and the Holy Spirit who dwells in you, ✠ bless you and remain with you always.

C Amen.

TABLE BLESSING

P Let us pray together the table blessing.

C Come Lord Jesus, be our guest and let these gifts to us be blessed. Amen.

SENDING HYMN*“Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me”***HYMN # 623****SENDING FORTH**

P Go in peace. Spread God’s love.

C Thanks be to God.... **AND WE WILL !!**

POSTLUDE

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-Serving in worship today (January 21st)

Presiding minister: Pastor David Raben
 Liturgist: Jim Hanstad
 Ushers: Ben, Kirsten, & Matt Dixner Young
 Reader: Dixner Young
 Communion Assist: Joanne Adlon
 Keyboard: Peggy Odegaard

Reader: Jim Hanstad
 Ushers: John Breider & John Melland
 Keyboard: Heidi Hintz

Serving in worship next week (January 28th)

Presiding minister: Pastor Mary Lou Plummer
 Liturgist: Jim Hanstad

Readings for next week (January 28th)

Deuteronomy 18:15-20

The prophet speaks with God's authority

Psalms 111

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom. (Ps. 111:10)

1 Corinthians 8:1-13

Limits to liberty: the case of food offered to idols

Mark 1:21-28

The healing of one with an unclean spirit

Dec 2023						
				TOTAL		
	Dec	Budget	Variance	YTD	Budget	Variance
Offerings	16,708	6,107	10,601	83,112	73,284	9,828
Total Income	23,386	7,568	15,818	96,876	90,816	6,060
Total Expenses	5,875	7,568	(1,693)	80,932	90,816	(9,884)

	Current	Goal	Left to Raise
Windows Fund	\$64,856	\$68,935	\$4,079
Less Down Pymt	-\$6,894		
	\$57,962		

From the Stained Glass Window Committee

An anonymous couple has pledged to match up to \$5,000.00 in additional funds raised for our Stained-Glass Windows. If we can reach this goal we will be very close to the amount needed to complete this project. All donations are confidential. If you wish to contribute to this fund please indicate on your contribution that it is to go for the windows. Please contact Linda Monahan, Bill Albert, Jim Vogel, Evelyn Breider, or any Council member with any questions.

Do you have a favorite hymn? Want to sing something different in church?: Please jot your requests on a piece of paper and put it on the office desk. Your requests will be worked in as soon as possible. Thank you for your contribution.

Starting with the new year we have reinstated the prayer request policy of the past. This means that your prayer request will be on the list for 3 months unless you state otherwise. You can re-request to keep them on the list or put them back on. Prayer request forms are found on the back of each pew on colorful card stock. Please fill them out and place them in the offering plate or on the desk in the office area. Thank you for your co-operation with this worthwhile ministry for those who are struggling among us.

*In the event of weather related closings at church—
please listen to WDOR for cancellation notices and check our Facebook page*

Stewardship Opportunities Jan 21-28

Today the fellowship meal is being provided by the folks whose last name begins L-Z. Next week the folks whose last name begins with A-K will be providing the meal.

Week at a Glance Jan 21-28**Tuesday 9:00**

Quilting

Wednesday 8 AM

Men's breakfast and Bible Study

Friday 9-12

Office Hours for Lana

Birthdays for January

Jan 1st	Ed Stawikowski
Jan 2nd	Becky Brown
Jan 4th	Elsie Wagner
Jan 9th	Bob Packniak
Jan 12th	Vicki Hannemann
	Roberta Roalkvan
Jan 18th	Mathilde Hannemann
Jan 20th	Becca Anderson
	Nolan Schultz
Jan 22nd	Sharon Albert
Jan 27th	Bob Petersen
Jan 30th	Greg Adlon
	Marla Vogel

Attendance last week: 47

Anniversaries for January

None on record this month

Annual meeting is being held on February 4th following worship. Hard copies of the annual report are available at each ushers stand. This is also our annual Souper Sunday where we have soups from our great cooks. Please sign up for what you are planning on bringing by the water fountain.