

HAINESVILLE LUTHERAN CHURCH – ELCA



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Second 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

CONFESION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, \dagger one God, the Creator of heaven and earth, the Word who spoke life into being, the Wind stirring the waters.

C **Amen.**

P Let us turn in confession to the one who knows us completely.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Mighty God, lover of justice,

C **you call us to life in community, but we have served our own interests at the expense of our neighbors. We have sown deceit where honesty was needed. We say the right words, but our hearts are far from you. Turn us to seek your face. Knit us together and give us the mind of Christ, that we may do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.**

P The former things have passed away, and new things God now declares: Like a spring of water that never fails, God covers you in the righteousness of Christ, and forgives your sin in \dagger Jesus' name. May the Spirit give you strength to live for others, and bless you with the gift of peace.

C **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN

“Here I am to Worship”

Verse 1

**Light of the world you stepped down into darkness
Opened my eyes let me see beauty that made
This heart adore You hope of a life spent with You**

Chorus

**Here I am to worship here I am to bow down
Here I am so say that you're my God
You're altogether lovely
Altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me**

Verse 2

**King of all days oh so highly exalted
Glorious in heaven above. Humbly you came
To the earth You created, all for love's sake became poor (chorus)**

Bridge

**And I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross
And I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross (chorus)**

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.**

KYRIE (*setting 4 pp 147-148*)



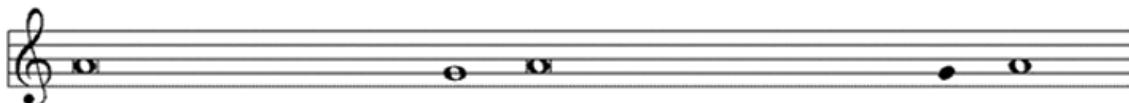
A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. C Lord, have mer - ey.



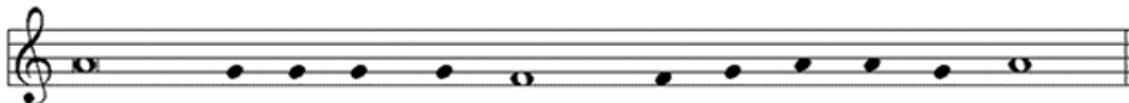
A For the peace from a- bove, and for our sal- vation, let us pray to the Lord.



¶ Lord, have mer - cy.



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



and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



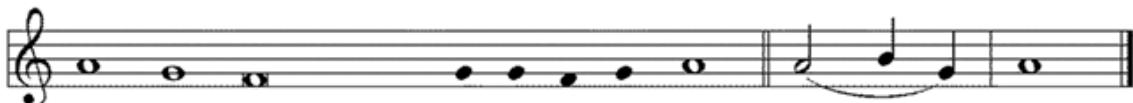
¶ Lord, have mer - cy.



¶ For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise,



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

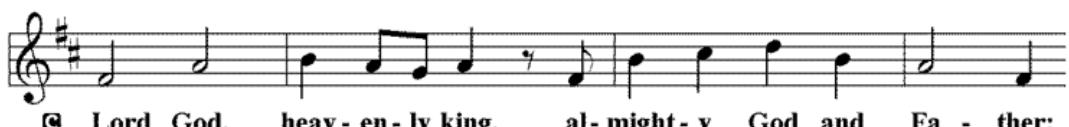


¶ Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, graci-ous Lord. ¶ A - men

HYMN OF PRAISE (setting 4 pp 149-150)



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



C 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. Holy God,
C **our strength and our redeemer, by your Spirit hold us forever,
that through your grace we may worship you and faithfully serve
you, follow you and joyfully find you, through Jesus Christ, our
Savior and Lord. Amen.**

FIRST READING: Isaiah 49:1-7

¹ Listen to me, O coastlands;
pay attention, you peoples from far away!
The LORD called me before I was born;
while I was in my mother's womb he named me.
² He made my mouth like a sharp sword;
in the shadow of his hand he hid me;
he made me a polished arrow;
in his quiver he hid me away.
³ And he said to me, "You are my servant,
Israel, in whom I will be glorified."
⁴ But I said, "I have labored in vain;
I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity;
yet surely my cause is with the LORD
and my reward with my God."

⁵ And now the LORD says,
who formed me in the womb to be his servant,
to bring Jacob back to him,
and that Israel might be gathered to him,
for I am honored in the sight of the LORD,
and my God has become my strength—
⁶ he says,
"It is too light a thing that you should be my servant
to raise up the tribes of Jacob
and to restore the survivors of Israel;

I will give you as a light to the nations,
that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.”

⁷ Thus says the LORD,
the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One,
to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations,
the slave of rulers,
“Kings shall see and stand up;
princes, and they shall prostrate themselves,
because of the LORD, who is faithful,
the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.”

R The word of the Lord **C** **Thanks be to God**

PSALM: Psalm 40:1-11 (*read responsively*)

¹ I waited patiently upon the LORD, who stooped to me and heard my cry.

² **The LORD lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the miry clay,
and set my feet upon a high cliff, making my footing sure.**

³ The LORD put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God;
many shall see, and stand in awe, and put their trust in the LORD.

⁴ **Happy are they who trust in the LORD!**

They do not turn to enemies or to those who follow lies.

⁵ Great are the wonders you have done, O LORD my God! In your plans for
us, none can be compared with you! Oh, that I could make them known and
tell them! But they are more than I can count.

⁶ **Sacrifice and offering you do not desire; you have opened my ears:
burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required.**

⁷ And so I said, “Here I am; I come.

In the scroll of the book it is written of me:

⁸ **‘I love to do your will, O my God; your law is deep within me.’”**

⁹ I proclaimed righteousness in the great assembly;

I have not restrained my lips, O LORD, you know.

¹⁰ **I have not hidden your righteousness in my heart; I have spoken of**

your faithfulness and your deliverance; I have not concealed your steadfast love and truth from the great assembly.

¹¹ You are the LORD; do not withhold your compassion from me; may your steadfast love and your truth continually keep me safe.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 1:1-9

¹ Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes,

² To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours:

³ Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴ I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, ⁵ for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind ⁶ just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you ⁷ so that you are not lacking in any gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ.

⁸ He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹ God is faithful, by whom you were called into the partnership of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

R Word of God, Word of Life **C** **Thanks be to God**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: *(please stand as you are able)*



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL: John 1:29-42

John the Baptist's witness to Jesus initiates a chain of testimony as his disciples begin to share with others what they have found.

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

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

²⁹ [John the Baptist] saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!³⁰ This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’³¹ I myself did not know him, but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.”³² And John testified, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him.³³ I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’³⁴ And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Chosen One.”

³⁵ The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples,³⁶ and as he watched Jesus walk by he exclaimed, “Look, here is the Lamb of God!”³⁷ The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus.

³⁸ When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, “What are you looking for?” They said to him, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?”³⁹ He said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon.⁴⁰ One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother.⁴¹ He first found his brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated Anointed).⁴² He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas” (which is translated Peter).

P The Gospel of the Lord
(please be seated)

C **Praise to you O Christ.**

HYMN OF THE DAY “*I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light*” HYMN 815

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 God's beloved children united in Christ, let us pray for the church, the whole human community, and the well-being of the earth, our home.

RESPONSE TO PRAYERS P Merciful God C Receive our prayer
Sharon (Albert), Linda (Anderson), Tom & Alice (Angermeier), Bill & Sue (Aune), Cindy (B), John (B), Elaine (Caelwaerts), Mike & Rina (Clumpner), Erin (Culbertson), Dianne (D), Dan (Fenrich), Alan (G), Barbara (Hughes/Dean), Dawn (Jeanquart), Charlotte (K), Patricia (Kehl), Cindy (Knapp), Keith (Knapp), Myriah (Krueger), Kenny (Meyer), Beth (Pachniak), Monika (Perry), Matthew (Rocque), Kathy (S), Todd (S), Delores (Schuyler), Irene (Thorson), Deb (Ulrich), Mary (Zirbel), Betty, Brixanna & Marley, Carole & Russ, Jay, Laurie.

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)*

OFFERING

(please stand as you are able)

OFFERTORY

“Let the Vineyards”

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 God of majesty, no eye has seen, no ear has heard what you have prepared for those who love you, yet in this meal you reveal the wideness of your mercy. Use what we have gathered to feed us with the reign of God come near, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

THE COMMUNION LITURGY

The musical notation consists of four staves of music in G major, 2/4 time, with a key signature of one sharp. The lyrics are as follows:

¶ The Lord be with you. C And al - so with you.

¶ Lift up your hearts. C We lift them to the Lord.

¶ 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:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might:
Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.

Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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 into 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**

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 HYMN	<i>"Let Us Break Bread Together"</i>	HYMN 471
	<i>"Here Is Bread"</i>	HYMN 483
	<i>"One Bread, One Body"</i>	HYMN 496

COMMUNION BLESSING *(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 Radiant God, we have seen your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. In the sacrament of his body and blood you have drawn us to your heart. Send us from this table with delight, that our lives may reflect the beauty of your love, and bear witness to all we have seen and heard, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen.**

BLESSING

P May the triune God, who has put a new song in your mouth and tuned your heart for praise  bless you now and forever.

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

“This Little Light of Mine”

HYMN 677

SENDING FORTH

P Go in peace. Do justice. Love mercy.

C **Thanks be to God!!!**

POSTLUDE

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There is a basket in the fellowship area for receipts from Tadych's Market Place. We ask that you bring them and place the whole receipt in the basket. They are kind enough to give us a percentage back for our projects.

Unfortunately, Pick'n Save no longer has this service so there is no need to bring those receipts at this time. Dianne Eskildsen has generously agreed to tally up the receipts and bring them in. If you have any questions, please ask one of the ladies in WELCA.

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On the table by each entrance to the sanctuary you will find several things:

1. The current Christ in Our Home
2. Brick order forms
3. The current directory
4. The current newsletter
5. The Wired Word for that week. These copies will be on the table each week for you to read and contemplate.

The Annual Meeting of Hainesville Lutheran Church will be held on February 1<sup>st</sup> at 11:00. This will also be our Souper Sunday with many wonderful soups to try. Please sign up in the fellowship area for what you are bringing so that we know how to plan. Thank you.

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February 15th will be Youth Sunday. They will be making care packages for shut-ins from our congregation. To accomplish this they are asking for small items like lotion, chapstick, tea bags, snacks, and tissues. Please have them to church by February 1st so they can plan ahead. Thank you

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Did you know that there are large print bulletins each week for worship? If this would make your enjoyment and participation in the service better, please ask an usher for a copy. **NEW** there are also large print copies of the words for the hymns that we are singing. The ushers have these as well.

Serving in worship today (Jan 18<sup>th</sup>)

Presiding minister: Pastor Mary Lou  
Plummer  
Reader: Oliver Wilke  
Ushers: Cheryl Larson & Marie  
Weber  
Communion Assist: Dean Larson  
Keyboard: Janet Anderson

Readings for next week (January 25<sup>th</sup>)

**Isaiah 9:1-4**  
*Light shines for those in darkness*  
**Psalm 27:1, 4-9**  
**1 Corinthians 1:10-18**  
*Appeal for unity in the gospel*  
**Matthew 4:12-23**  
*Revelation of Christ as a prophet*

Serving in worship next week (Jan 25<sup>th</sup>)

Presiding minister: Pastor David Raben  
Reader: Jan Shusta  
Ushers: Don & Karin Heldmann  
Keyboard: Janet Anderson

**Stewardship Opportunities Jan 18-25**

Today the fellowship meal today is being provided by the folks who's last name begins L-Z. Next week the fellowship meal will be provided by the church council.

**Week at a glance Jan 18-25**

**Monday Church Council at 6:00**

**Tuesday Bible Study "The Wired Word" at 9:30**

**Wednesday Men's Bible Study at 8**

**Friday 9-12**

Office hours for Lana

*Attendance last week: 34*

**Birthdays in January**

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

**Wedding Anniversaries in January**

None on record

*In the event of weather-related closings at church—*

*please listen to WDOR or Channel 2 for cancellation notices and check our  
Facebook page*