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Sunday after  
Epiphany*

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A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer is included on the last two pages of this bulletin.

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# THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

## Today's Readings:

Amos 9:11–15  
Romans 12:6–16  
John 2:1–11



## Jesus' First Miracle Reveals God's Glory

The coming of the Messianic kingdom means the restoration of creation. The sign of this restoration is that *“the mountains shall drip sweet wine”* (Amos 9:11–15). When the elements of a fallen creation fail and run short at a wedding feast, our Lord Jesus steps in to restore creation and miraculously changes water into an abundance of the very best wine (John 2:1–11). With this sign, Christ manifests His glory. The *“back”* of God (Ex. 33:12–23) is revealed to those who believe. The hour will come when Jesus will again manifest His glory by taking creation's curse into His own body to release us from its power. The Bridegroom will give His life for the Bride (Eph. 5:22–32), and from His side will flow water and blood, the holy sacraments by which she is cleansed and made one with Him. Through this sacrificial love of Christ we are enabled to *“love one another with brotherly affection . . .”* and to *“outdo one another in showing honor”* (Rom. 12:6–16).

## Hymn of the Day: *The Only Son From Heaven*

**LSB 402**

This hymn holds many distinctions. It is one of the earliest Lutheran hymns, as it was written around 1524, right about the time that Martin Luther began in earnest to revive the hymnody of the Church. Hymns from that period are well known for being substantive, and this one is no exception.

The author of our hymn was a woman, Elisabeth (Meseritz) Cruciger (1500–1535), an ex-nun from Rega who married a theologian named Caspar Cruciger in 1524. She and her husband became close friends of Martin and Katherine Luther, and could often be found around the Luther dinner table. Given her age and the times in which she lived, it is nothing short of amazing that Luther and his colleague, Kantor Johann Walter, approved this text for the earliest Lutheran hymnals.

The hymn was not included in The Lutheran Hymnal of 1941, but was reintroduced in the Missouri Synod with its inclusion in Lutheran Worship in 1982. It has slowly but steadily gained acceptance and popularity in our circles since that time.

## In His Service Today:

**P** Rev. James Grady, Emeritus Pastor  
**A** Rev. Marcus Mackay, Senior Pastor

Organist/Kantor: Phil Lehman  
Choir Director: Deb Trewartha  
Audio/Visual: Marc Mackay

Violin: Jennifer Dorantes

## 8:15am

**Greeter:** Joann Whorwell

**Altar Guild:** Donna Coome, Jena Mackay

**Ushers:** Charles Crane, Kevin Brolsma, Jacob Hopfensperger

**Lay-Elder:** Thomas Mass

## 10:45am

Open

Dawn Gill, Diane Schaaf

Don Hahn, Mark Harris

Mike Mootz



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# THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

*Divine Service starts on page 184 in the front of the hymnal.*

## Prelude & Tolling of Bells

*Stand*

### Processional Hymn: The Star Proclaims the King Is Here

**LSB 399**

- 1 The star proclaims the King is here;  
But, Herod, why this senseless fear?  
For He who offers heav'nly birth  
Seeks not the kingdoms of this earth.
- 2 The eastern sages saw from far  
And followed on His guiding star;  
And, led by light, to light they trod  
And by their gifts confessed their God.
- 3 Within the Jordan's sacred flood  
The heav'nly Lamb in meekness stood  
That He, of whom no sin was known,  
Might cleanse His people from their own.
- 4 And oh, what miracle divine,  
When water reddened into wine!  
He spoke the word, and forth it flowed  
In streams that nature ne'er bestowed.
- △ 5 For this Thy glad epiphany  
All glory, Jesus, be to Thee,  
Whom with the Father we adore,  
And Holy Spirit evermore.

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## Invocation, Confession and Absolution

**LSB 184**

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

*Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]*

**P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

*[Hebrews 10:22]*

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** who made heaven and earth.

*Psalm 124:8*

**P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

**C** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

*Psalm 32:5*

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination*

**P** O almighty God, merciful Father,

**C** I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

**P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

*[John 20:19-23]*

## Service of the Word

### Introit

**Psalm 66:1-5, 20; antiphon: v. 4; 92:1**



- A** All the earth worships you and sings prais- | es to you;\*  
they sing praises | to your name.  
It is good to give thanks | to the LORD,\*  
to sing praises to your name, | O Most High.

- C** Shout for joy to God, | all the earth;\*  
sing the glory of his name; give to him | glorious praise!  
Say to God, “How awesome | are your deeds!”  
So great is your power that your enemies come cringing | to you.
- A** All the earth worships you and sings prais- | es to you;\*  
they sing praises | to your name.”  
Come and see what | God has done:\*  
he is awesome in his deeds toward the chil- | dren of man.  
Blessèd | be God,\*  
because he has not rejected my prayer or removed his steadfast | love from me!
- C** **Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\***  
**and to the Holy | Spirit;**  
**as it was in the be- | ginning,\***  
**is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**
- A** All the earth worships you and sings prais- | es to you;\*  
they sing praises | to your name.  
It is good to give thanks | to the LORD,\*  
to sing praises to your name, | O Most High.

## Kyrie

**LSB 186**

**C** Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us. *Mark 10:47*

## Gloria in Excelsis

**LSB 187**

- P** Glory be to God on high:  
**C** and on earth peace, goodwill toward  
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee,  
we worship Thee,  
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to  
Thee, for Thy great glory.  
O Lord God, heav’nly King, God the  
Father Almighty.  
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus  
Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son  
of the Father,

that takest away the sin of the world,  
have mercy upon us.  
Thou that takest away the sin of the  
world, receive our prayer.  
Thou that sittest at the right hand of  
God the Father, have mercy upon us.  
For Thou only art holy; Thou only art  
the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with  
the Holy Ghost,  
art most high in the glory of God the  
Father. Amen. *Luke 2:14; John 1:29*

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** And with thy spirit.  
**P** Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, who governs all things in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the prayers of Your people and grant us Your peace through all our days; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.  
**C** Amen.

*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading

**Amos 9:11–15**

<sup>11</sup>“In that day I will raise up the booth of David that is fallen and repair its breaches, and raise up its ruins and rebuild it as in the days of old, <sup>12</sup>that they may possess the remnant of Edom and all the nations who are called by my name,” declares the LORD who does this.  
<sup>13</sup>“Behold, the days are coming,” declares the LORD, “when the plowman shall overtake the reaper and the treader of grapes him who sows the seed; the mountains shall drip sweet wine, and all the hills shall flow with it.  
<sup>14</sup>I will restore the fortunes of my people Israel, and they shall rebuild the ruined cities and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and drink their wine, and they shall make gardens and eat their fruit.  
<sup>15</sup>I will plant them on their land, and they shall never again be uprooted out of the land that I have given them,” says the LORD your God.

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.  
**C** Thanks be to God.

**Anthem: God Is Light, K. Lee Scott, CPH, 2006**

*God is light, and in Him there is no darkness at all.  
If we say that we have fellowship with Him and walk in darkness,  
We lie and do not live in the truth.  
But if we walk in the light, as He is in the light,  
We have fellowship with one another,  
And the blood of Jesus, his Son, cleanses us from all sin.*

*Let us ever walk with Jesus, follow his example pure;  
Flee the world, which would deceive us and to sin our souls allure.  
Ever in His footsteps treading, body here, yet soul above,  
Full of faith and hope and love, let us do the Father's bidding.  
Faithful Lord abide with me; Savior, lead I follow Thee.*

**Epistle**

**Romans 12:6–16**

<sup>6</sup>Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, in proportion to our faith; <sup>7</sup>if service, in our serving; the one who teaches, in his teaching; <sup>8</sup>the one who exhorts, in his exhortation; the one who contributes, in generosity; the one who leads, with zeal; the one who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness.

<sup>9</sup>Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. <sup>10</sup>Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. <sup>11</sup>Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. <sup>12</sup>Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. <sup>13</sup>Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality.

<sup>14</sup>Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. <sup>15</sup>Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. <sup>16</sup>Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be conceited.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

Stand

**Alleluia & Verse**

**Psalm 148:2**



**A** Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his hosts!

**C** Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

**Holy Gospel**

**John 2:1–11**

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the second chapter.

**C** Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>On the third day there was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. <sup>2</sup>Jesus also was invited to the wedding with his disciples. <sup>3</sup>When the wine ran out, the mother of Jesus said to him, “They have no wine.” <sup>4</sup>And Jesus said to her, “Woman, what does this have to do with me? My hour has not yet come.” <sup>5</sup>His mother said to the servants, “Do whatever he tells you.”

<sup>6</sup>Now there were six stone water jars there for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. <sup>7</sup>Jesus said to the servants, “Fill the jars with water.” And they filled them up to the brim. <sup>8</sup>And he said to them, “Now draw some out and take it to the master of the feast.” So they took it. <sup>9</sup>When the master of the feast tasted the water now become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the master of the feast called the bridegroom <sup>10</sup>and said to him, “Everyone serves the good wine first, and when people have drunk freely, then the poor wine. But you have kept the good wine until now.” <sup>11</sup>This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory. And his disciples believed in him.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

## Nicene Creed

**C** I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.  
And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation  
came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of  
the virgin Mary  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under  
Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried.

And the third day He rose again  
according to the Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to  
judge both the living and the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.  
And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son  
together is worshiped and glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.  
And I believe in one holy Christian and  
apostolic Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the  
remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life † of the world to come.  
Amen.

## Hymn of the Day: *The Only Son from Heaven*

LSB 402

1 The only Son from heaven,  
Foretold by ancient seers,  
By God the Father given,  
In human form appears.  
No sphere His light confining,  
No star so brightly shining  
As He, our Morning Star.

2 O time of God appointed,  
O bright and holy morn!  
He comes, the king anointed,  
The Christ, the virgin-born,  
Grim death to vanquish for us,  
To open heav'n before us  
And bring us life again.

3 O Lord, our hearts awaken  
To know and love You more,  
In faith to stand unshaken,  
In spirit to adore,  
That we, through this world moving,  
Each glimpse of heaven proving,  
May reap its fullness there.

△ 4 O Father, here before You  
With God the Holy Ghost  
And Jesus, we adore You,  
O pride of angel host:  
Before You mortals lowly  
Cry, "Holy, holy, holy,  
O blessed Trinity!"

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## Sermon

Stand

Offertory *Psalm 51:10-12*

LSB 192

**C** Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.  
Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.  
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

Sit

Offering

Stand

Prayer of the Church [1 Timothy 2:1-4]

## Service of the Sacrament

Preface

LSB 194

**P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** And with thy spirit.  
**P** Lift up your hearts.  
**C** We lift them up unto the Lord.

2 Timothy 4:22

[Colossians 3:1]

**P** Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

[Psalm 136]

**C** **It is meet and right so to do.**

**P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your glory. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

**Sanctus** *Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*

**LSB 195**

**C** **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth; heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

**Lord's Prayer** *Matthew 6:9-13*

**P** 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.

**C** **For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

**The Words of Our Lord** *Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Cor. 11:23-25*

**LSB 197**

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My  $\text{†}$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\text{†}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

**Pax Domini**

**LSB 197**

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

*John 20:19*

**C** **Amen.**

**Agnus Dei**

**LSB 198**

**C** **O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.  
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.  
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace.  
Amen.**

*Sit*

**Distribution Hymn: Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face**

**LSB 631**

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|---|---|---|--|
| 1 | Here, O my Lord, I see Thee face to face;<br>Here would I touch and handle things unseen;<br>Here grasp with firmer hand the eternal grace,<br>And all my weariness upon Thee lean.       | 4 | I have no help but Thine; nor do I need<br>Another arm but Thine to lean upon.<br>It is enough, my Lord, enough indeed;<br>My strength is in Thy might, Thy might alone.                           |
| 2 | Here would I feed upon the bread of God,<br>Here drink with Thee the royal wine of heav'n;<br>Here would I lay aside each earthly load,<br>Here taste afresh the calm of sin forgiv'n.    | 5 | Mine is the sin, but Thine the righteousness;<br>Mine is the guilt, but Thine the cleansing<br>blood;<br>Here is my robe, my refuge, and my peace:<br>Thy blood, Thy righteousness, O Lord my God. |
| 3 | This is the hour of banquet and of song;<br>This is the heav'nly table spread for me;<br>Here let me feast and, feasting, still prolong<br>The brief bright hour of fellowship with Thee. |   |  |

6 Too soon we rise; the vessels disappear;  
The feast, though not the love, is past and gone;  
The bread and wine remove, but Thou art here;  
Nearer than ever; still my shield and sun.

7 Feast after feast thus comes and passes by,  
Yet, passing, points to that glad feast above,  
Giving sweet foretaste of the festal joy,  
The Lamb's great marriage feast of bliss and love.

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**Distribution Hymn: *Come, Join in Cana's Feast***

**LSB 408**

1 Come, join in Cana's feast  
Where Christ is honored guest.  
He welcomes all who come to taste  
The wine His hands have blessed.

2 The old wine now is gone  
From jars that stand apart.  
No longer can it satisfy  
The yearning, thirsting heart.

3 But Christ, the Word made flesh,  
Bids water turn to wine.  
He fills our empty cups again  
With grace and truth divine.

4 Come, friends, and share the feast;  
Here drink the wine supplied  
By Him who is both guest and host—  
For us, the crucified.

△ 5 For now He lives and reigns  
Through all eternity  
With Father, Spirit, Three in One,  
The glorious Trinity.

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**Distribution Hymn: *The Bridegroom Soon Will Call Us***

**LSB 514**

1 The Bridegroom soon will call us,  
"Come to the wedding feast."  
May slumber not befall us  
Nor watchfulness decrease.  
May all our lamps be burning  
With oil enough and more  
That we, with Him returning,  
May find an open door!

2 There shall we see in glory  
Our dear Redeemer's face;  
The long-awaited story  
Of heav'nly joy takes place:  
The patriarchs shall meet us,  
The prophets' holy band;  
Apostles, martyrs greet us  
In that celestial land.

3 There God shall from all evil  
Forever make us free,  
From sin and from the devil,  
From all adversity,  
From sickness, pain, and sadness,  
From troubles, cares, and fears,  
And grant us heav'nly gladness  
And wipe away our tears.

4 In that fair home shall never  
Be silent music's voice;  
With hearts and lips forever  
We shall in God rejoice,  
While angel hosts are raising  
With saints from great to least  
A mighty hymn for praising  
The Giver of the feast.

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**Distribution Hymn: *May God Bestow on Us His Grace (USE HYMNAL)***

**LSB 824**

*Stand*

*In dismissing the communicants, the following is said:*

**P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ✠ in peace and with great joy, your sins are forgiven.

**C** Amen.

**Nunc Dimittis** *Luke 2:29-32*

**LSB 199**

**C** Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

## Thanksgiving

LSB 200

*Psalm 107:1*

- A** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,  
**C** and His mercy endureth forever.

## Post-Communion Collect & Salutation

LSB 200

- A** Let us pray.  
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.
- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** And with thy spirit.

*2 Timothy 4:22*

## Benedicamus & Benediction

LSB 202

*[Psalm 103:1]*

- A** Bless we the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.
- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.  
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and † give you peace.
- C** Amen, amen, amen.

*Numbers 6:24-26*

## Recessional Hymn: *Gracious Savior, Grant Your Blessing*

LSB 860

- 1 Gracious Savior, grant Your blessing  
To this husband and this wife,  
That in peace they live together  
In Your love throughout their life.  
Christ, defend them from the tempter  
And from all that would destroy  
Love's foundation You have laid here,  
And its threshold paved with joy.
- 2 Lord, if You are not the builder,  
Then the house is built in vain,  
For a home without Your presence  
Shall without true love remain.  
Yet when You within a marriage  
Come and dwell with grace divine,  
There You fill the empty vessels,  
Changing water into wine.
- 3 Cana's guest, this union hallow;  
Tenderly embrace this pair.  
Clothe this couple with the garments  
They will daily need to wear:  
Patience, kindness, and compassion,  
Gentleness, humility;  
Robe them, Lord, with love to bind them  
In a perfect unity.
- 4 Make their love a living picture  
Showing how You loved Your bride:  
When You gave Yourself to cleanse her,  
When for her You bled and died.  
Jesus, You have made her holy,  
Pure and fair her radiant train;  
To Yourself, Your Church presenting,  
Without wrinkle, spot, or stain.
- △ 5 Father, You created Adam,  
Crafted Eve, and made them one;  
Jesus, from their sin You saved us,  
As God's true incarnate Son;  
Holy Spirit, You forgive us;  
From our sins we are released.  
Bring us, Lord, at last to heaven,  
To the endless wedding feast.

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## Postlude

# The Congregation at Prayer

Second Sunday After Epiphany – January 18, 2026

**Catechism:** Sacrament of Holy Baptism: How can water do such great things?

**Verse of the week:** 1 Peter 3:18 Christ also suffered once for sins, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive by the Spirit.

**Daily Prayer: LSB pp 294-298** Pray and confess out loud **Daily Prayer: For Individuals and Families** as you are able, or as your family size and ages dictate. Use the one appropriate for the time of day your devotion takes place. Include the Apostles Creed before The Lord's Prayer if the setting you regularly use does not include it so as to confess it daily. Learn by heart the catechism, and hymn of the week.

	Bible Narrative	Second Reading
<b>SUN</b>	<b>Epiphany 2: Behold the Lamb of God—John 1:29-42a</b>	2 Peter 1:1-15
<b>MON</b>	<b>The Confession of St. Peter: Mark 8:27—9:1 (transferred)</b>	John 6:48-59
<b>TUE</b>	Joseph Interprets Pharaoh's Dreams—Genesis 41:1-36	John 6:60-71
<b>WED</b>	Joseph Becomes the Prince of Egypt—Genesis 41:37-57	John 7:1-9
<b>THU</b>	Joseph's Brothers Journey to Egypt to Buy Food—Gen. 42:1-24	John 7:10-13
<b>FRI</b>	Joseph Feeds Brothers, Sends Them to Jacob—Gen. 42:25-38	1 Corinthians 1:10-18
<b>SAT</b>	Epiphany 3: Isaiah 9:1-4	
<b>Lectionary Readings</b>		<b>Amos 9:11-15; Ps. 67 or 111; Romans 12:6-16; John 2:1-11</b>

**Psalm 67; antiphon: v. 1** – “Thine over all shall be the praise and thanks of every nation; and all the world with joy shall raise The voice of exultation.” Amen. (LSB 823:2)

**Hymn of the Week: LSB 402 – “The Only Son from Heaven”**

The tune can be found on the web. Search “HERR CHRIST, DER EINIG GOTTS SOHN”

Daily Psalms	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Morning	14, 15	18	19, 20	22	26, 27	30	32
Evening	13	16, 17	21	23, 24	25	28, 29	31

**Weekly Collect** - O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of Your people who call upon You and grant that they both perceive and know what things they ought to do and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfill the same; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

**Sun:** Pray for the joy of the resurrection among us; for true and godly worship throughout the world; and for the faithful preaching and hearing of God's Word.

**Mon:** Pray for faith to live in the promises of Holy Baptism; for your calling and daily work; for the unemployed; for the salvation and well-being of our neighbors; for government; and for peace.

**Tue:** Pray for deliverance against temptation; for the addicted and the despairing; for the tortured and oppressed; and for those struggling with besetting sins.

**Wed:** Pray for marriage and family, that all may live together under the grace of Christ according to the Word of God; for parents who must rear their children alone; and for godly school, our church schools, and seminaries.

**Thu:** Pray for the Church and her pastors; for missionaries; and for fruitful and salutary use of the blessed sacrament of the Lord's body and blood.

**Fri:** Pray for the preaching of the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ and for its spread throughout the whole world, especially in our community; and for the persecuted.

**Sat:** Pray for faithfulness to the end; for the sick and dying; for the revival for those who are withering in the faith or have fallen away; and for receptive hearts for worship and study on the Lord's Day.

**Specific prayer requests can be found in the Advent Announcements that are emailed weekly. Please contact the church office to be added to the Prayer List or to receive the email.**

# NEXT WEEK

## The Transfiguration Or Our Lord

January 25, 2026



### Hymns:

394, 413, 414, 416,  
810, 403, 417

### Texts:

Exodus 34:29-35;  
Psalm 2;  
2 Peter 1:16-21;  
Matthew 17:1-9

# TODAY

*Join us for Coffee, Donuts and  
Conversation in the Fellowship Hall  
between services!*

- 8:15am & 10:45am Divine Service
- 9:35am Sunday School
- 9:45am Bible Study "Bondage of the Will"

# UPCOMING

**Advent Family Open Enrollment  
for Early Childhood Education- Jan. 20<sup>th</sup>**

**Book Club- Jan. 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**Rev. David Thompson presentation  
at Bible Study- Jan 25<sup>th</sup>**

**Women's Bible Study- Jan. 26<sup>th</sup>**

## Phase III Building Expansion

<sup>16</sup>But Jesus called them to him, saying,  
"**Let the children come** to me, and do not hinder them,  
for to such belongs the kingdom of God."  
-Luke 18:16



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