

---

## Fifth SUNDAY AFTER the EpiphANY

FEBRUARY 8, 2026

+ THE ORDER OF MATINS +

LUTHERAN SERVICE BOOK – PAGES 219-228

---

### Prayer Before Worship

O Lord, my Creator, Redeemer, and Comforter, as I come to worship You in spirit and in truth, I humbly pray that You would open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ as my only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear me for the sake of His name. Amen.

### WELCOME

### PRELUDE

### OPENING HYMN    LSB 540 *Christ, the Word of God Incarnate*

### CONFESSiON AND ABSOLUTION

Page 151

P: In the name of the Father and of the  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: AMEN.**

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C: BUT IF WE CONFESS OUR SINS, GOD, WHO IS FAITHFUL AND JUST, WILL FORGIVE OUR SINS AND CLEANSE US FROM ALL UNRIGHTEOUSNESS.**

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

P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C: MOST MERCIFUL GOD, WE CONFESS THAT WE ARE BY NATURE SINFUL AND UNCLEAN. WE HAVE SINNED AGAINST YOU IN THOUGHT, WORD, AND DEED, BY WHAT WE HAVE DONE AND BY WHAT WE HAVE LEFT UNDONE. WE HAVE NOT LOVED YOU WITH OUR WHOLE HEART; WE HAVE NOT LOVED OUR NEIGHBORS AS OURSELVES. WE JUSTLY DESERVE YOUR PRESENT AND ETERNAL PUNISHMENT. FOR THE SAKE OF YOUR SON, JESUS CHRIST, HAVE MERCY ON US. FORGIVE US, RENEW US, AND LEAD US, SO THAT WE MAY DELIGHT IN YOUR WILL AND WALK IN YOUR WAYS TO THE GLORY OF YOUR HOLY NAME. AMEN.**

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: AMEN.**

**L** O Lord, o - pen my lips,

**C** and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.

**L** Make haste, O God, to de - liv - er me;

**C** make haste to help me, O Lord.

**C** Glo-ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it;

as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.

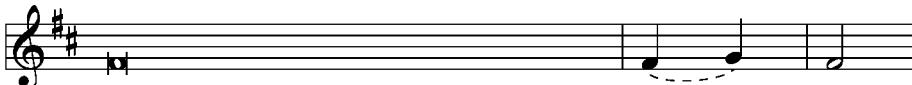
*Common:* Praise to You, O Christ. Al - le - lu ia.

## **PSALMODY Venite *O Come, Let Us Sing***

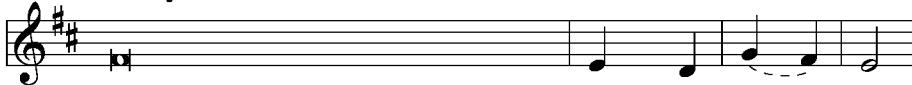
### **Antiphon**

**L** The Christ has ap - peared to us.

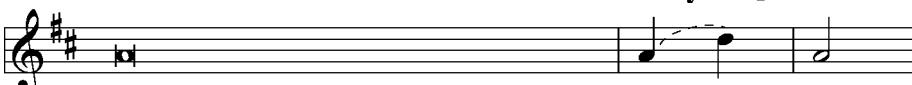
**C** O come, let us wor - ship Him.



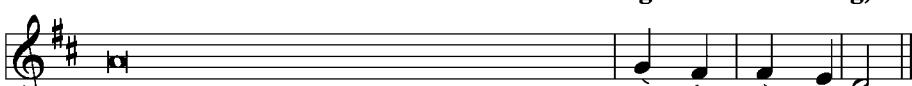
**C** 1 O come, let us sing . . . . . to the Lord,  
 2 For the Lord is a . . . . . great God  
 3 The sea is His, for He . . . . . made it,  
 5 Glory be to the Father and . . . . . to the Son



1 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal - va - tion.  
 2 and a great . . . . . king a - bove all gods.  
 3 and His hand . . . . . formed the dry - land.  
 5 and to the . . . . . Ho - ly Spir - it;



1 Let us come into His presence with thanks - giv - ing,  
 2 The deep places of the earth are . . . . . in His hand;  
 3 O come, let us worship and . . . . . bow - down,  
 4 For He . . . . . is our God,  
 5 as it was in the be - - - - - gin - ning,



1 let us make a joyful noise to . . . . . Him with songs of praise.  
 2 the strength of the hills is . . . . . His al - so.  
 3 let us kneel before the . . . . . Lord, our mak - er.  
 4 and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep - of His hand.  
 5 is now, and will be for - - - - - ev - er. A - men.



**L** The Christ has ap - peared to us.



**C** O come, let us wor - ship Him.

**Second Psalm** Psalm 112:1-9

(Sung responsively by verse)



Praise the Lord! Blessèd is the man who | fears the Lord,\*  
who greatly delights in His com- | mandments!

**HIS OFFSPRING WILL BE MIGHTY | IN THE LAND;\***

**THE GENERATION OF THE UPRIGHT | WILL BE BLESSED.**

Wealth and riches are | in his house,\*  
and his righteousness endures for- | ever.

**LIGHT DAWNS IN THE DARKNESS FOR THE | UPRIGHT;\***

**HE IS GRACIOUS, MERCIFUL, AND | RIGHTEOUS.**

It is well with the man who deals generous- | ly and lends;\*  
who conducts his affairs with | justice.

**FOR THE RIGHTEOUS WILL NEV- | ER BE MOVED;\***

**HE WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR- | EVER.**

He is not afraid of | bad news;\*  
his heart is firm, trusting | in the Lord.

**HIS HEART IS STEADY; HE WILL NOT | BE AFRAID,\***

**UNTIL HE LOOKS IN TRIUMPH ON HIS ADVER- | SARIES.**

He has distributed freely; he has given to the poor;  
his righteousness endures for- | ever;\*  
his horn is exalted in | honor.

**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.**

**OFFICE HYMN** LSB 875 *Fathe, We Praise Thee*

**GOSPEL FOR YOUNG FOLK**

**FIRST READING***Isaiah 58:3-9a*

<sup>3</sup>“Why have we fasted, and you see it not?

    Why have we humbled ourselves, and you take no knowledge of it?

Behold, in the day of your fast you seek your own pleasure,  
    and oppress all your workers.

<sup>4</sup>Behold, you fast only to quarrel and to fight  
    and to hit with a wicked fist.

Fasting like yours this day  
    will not make your voice to be heard on high.

<sup>5</sup>Is such the fast that I choose,  
    a day for a person to humble himself?

Is it to bow down his head like a reed,  
    and to spread sackcloth and ashes under him?

Will you call this a fast,  
    and a day acceptable to the Lord?

<sup>6</sup>Is not this the fast that I choose:  
    to loose the bonds of wickedness,  
    to undo the straps of the yoke,

to let the oppressed go free,  
    and to break every yoke?

<sup>7</sup>Is it not to share your bread with the hungry  
    and bring the homeless poor into your house;  
when you see the naked, to cover him,  
    and not to hide yourself from your own flesh?

<sup>8</sup>Then shall your light break forth like the dawn,  
    and your healing shall spring up speedily;  
your righteousness shall go before you;  
    the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard.

<sup>9</sup>Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer;  
    you shall cry, and He will say, ‘Here I am.’”

**P:**      O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C:**      **THANKS BE TO GOD.**

**SECOND READING***1 Corinthians 2:1-16*

<sup>1</sup>And I, when I came to you, brothers, did not come proclaiming to you the testimony of God with lofty speech or wisdom. <sup>2</sup>For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and Him crucified. <sup>3</sup>And I was with you in weakness and in fear and much trembling, <sup>4</sup>and my speech and my message were not in plausible words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, <sup>5</sup>that your faith might not rest in the wisdom of men but in the power of God.

<sup>6</sup>Yet among the mature we do impart wisdom, although it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to pass away. <sup>7</sup>But we impart a secret and hidden wisdom of God, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. <sup>8</sup>None of the rulers of this age understood this, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. <sup>9</sup>But, as it is written,

“What no eye has seen, nor ear heard,  
nor the heart of man imagined,  
what God has prepared for those who love Him”—

<sup>10</sup>these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit. For the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. <sup>11</sup>For who knows a person’s thoughts except the spirit of that person, which is in him? So also no one comprehends the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God.

<sup>12</sup>Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit Who is from God, that we might understand the things freely given us by God. <sup>13</sup>And we impart this in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual truths to those who are spiritual.

<sup>14</sup>The natural person does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are folly to him, and he is not able to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. <sup>15</sup>The spiritual person judges all things, but is himself to be judged by no one. <sup>16</sup>“For who has understood the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?” But we have the mind of Christ.

P: O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C: THANKS BE TO GOD.**

### **GOSPEL VERSE**

*Luke 5:16*

P: Alleluia. Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works.

**C: AND GIVE GLORY TO YOUR FATHER WHO IS IN HEAVEN. ALLELUIA**

### **HOLY GOSPEL**

*Luke 5:13-20*

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifth chapter.

**C: GLORY TO YOU, O LORD.**

<sup>13</sup>[Jesus said:] “You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people’s feet.

<sup>14</sup>“You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. <sup>15</sup>Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. <sup>16</sup>In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

<sup>17</sup>“Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. <sup>18</sup>For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law until all is accomplished. <sup>19</sup>Therefore whoever relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches

others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. <sup>20</sup>For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C: PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST.**

### RESPONSORY

*Verse*



**L** 1 Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.  
 2 Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.  
 3 Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit - it.

*Refrain*



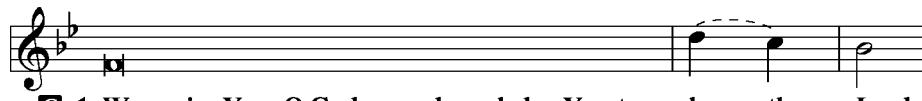
**C** Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glo-ry dwells.

**HYMN OF THE DAY**    *LSB 704 Renew Me, O Eternal Light*

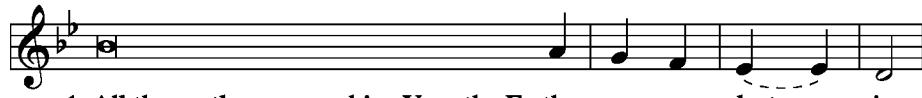
### SERMON

**CANTICLE**    Te Deum

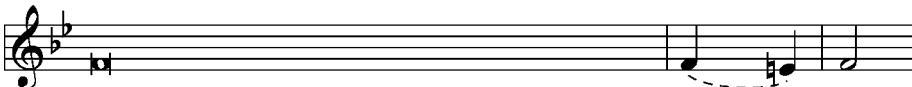
*LSB p. 223*



**C** 1 We praise You, O God; we acknowledge You to be the Lord.  
 2 Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of . . . . . Sab - a - oth;  
 3 The noble army of martyrs . . . . . praise You.



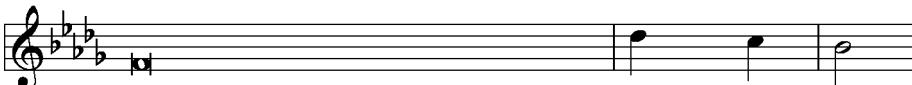
1 All the earth now worships You, the Fa-ther ev - er - last - ing.  
 2 heaven and earth are full of the majes - ty of Your glo - ry.  
 3 The holy Church throughout all the world does ac - knowl-edge You:



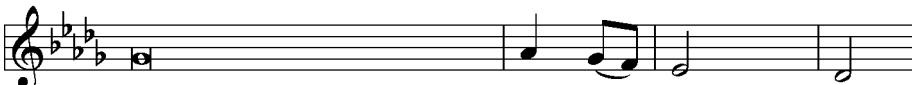
1 To You all angels cry aloud, the heavens and all the pow'r's there-in.  
 2 The glorious company of the apostles . . . . . praise You.  
 3 The Father of an infinite majesty; Your adorable, true, and on - ly Son;  
 4 You are the king of glory, . . . . . O Christ;



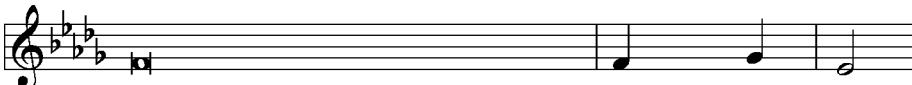
1 To You cherubim and seraphim con - tin - ual - ly do cry:  
 2 The goodly fellowship of the . . . . . proph-ets praise You.  
 3 also the Holy . . . . . Ghost, the Com-fort - er.  
 4 You are the everlasting Son . . . . of the Fa - ther.



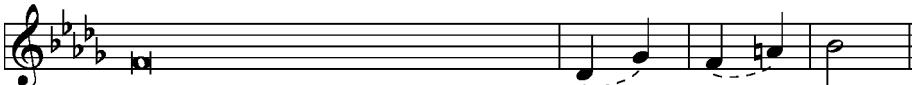
5 When You took upon Yourself to de - liv - er man,  
 6 You sit at the right . . . . . hand of God



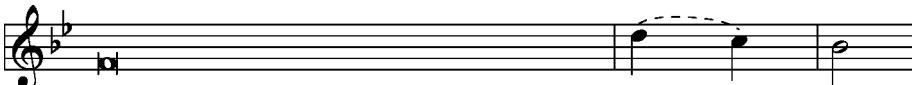
5 You humbled Yourself to be born of a vir - - gin.  
 6 in the glory . . . . . of the Fa - ther.



5 When You had overcome the . . . . . sharpness of death,  
 6 We believe that . . . . . You will come



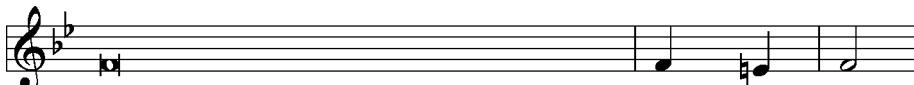
5 You opened the kingdom of heaven to all be - liev - ers.  
 6 to . . . . . be our judge.



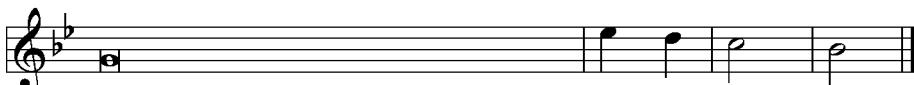
7 We therefore pray You to help Your . . . . . ser - - vants,  
 8 O Lord, save Your people and bless Your . . . her - i - tage.  
 9 Grant, O Lord, to keep us this day with - out sin.



7 whom You have redeem ed with Your pre - cious blood.  
 8 Govern them and lift . . . them up for - ev - er.  
 9 O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy up - on us.



7 Make them to be numbered . . . . with Your saints  
 8 Day by day we . . . . magni - fy You.  
 9 O Lord, let Your mercy be upon us, as our trust is in You.



## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LSB p. 227

### KYRIE



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

### LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

### COLLECTS



P The Lord be with you.



C And with your spir - it.

### Collect of the Day

P: O Lord, keep Your family the Church continually in the true faith that, relying on the hope of Your heavenly grace, we may ever be defended by Your mighty power; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, in Whose Name we pray.



### Collect for Matins

P: Almighty God, heavenly Father, Your mercies are new to us every morning, and You abundantly provide for all our wants of body and soul. Give us we humbly pray, Your Holy Spirit that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness toward us, give thanks for all Your benefits, and cheerfully serve You.



### For Guidance in Our Calling

*LSB p. 311*

P: Lord God, You have called Your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go but only that Your hand is leading us and Your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.



### For Responsible Citizenship

*LSB p. 313*

P: Lord, keep this nation under Your care. Bless the leaders of our land that we may be a people at peace among ourselves and a blessing to the other nations of the earth. Grant that we may choose trustworthy leaders, contribute to wise decisions for the general welfare, and serve You faithfully in our generation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

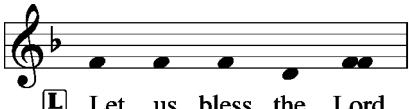
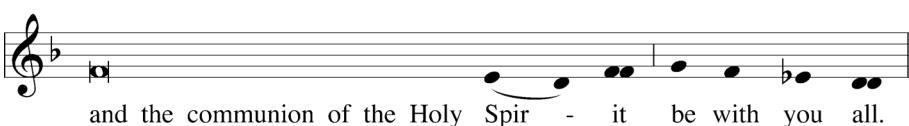


**Collect for Grace**

P: O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, You have safely brought us to the beginning of this day. Defend us in the same with Your mighty power and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings, being ordered by Your governance, may be righteous in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**BENEDICAMUS**

LSB p. 227

**BENEDICTION****CLOSING HYMN** LSB 526 *You Are the Way; through You Alone*

**SILENT PRAYER**

*Almighty and merciful God, I have again worshiped in Your presence and received both forgiveness for my many sins and the assurance of Your love in Jesus Christ. I thank You for this undeserved grace and ask You to keep me in faith until, with all Your saints, I inherit eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.*



**Pastor:** The Rev. Barry Long

**Elder:** Phil King

**Piano:** Carol Wessler

**Acknowledgments**

Matins from Lutheran Service Book

Unless otherwise indicated, all scripture quotations are from *The Holy Bible, English Standard Version*, copyright © 2001 by Crossway Bibles, a division of Good News Publishers. Used by permission. All rights reserved.

Created by Lutheran Service Builder © 2006 Concordia Publishing House.