

**January 26, 2025**

**Welcome**

**The Hymn of Invocation**

**798 The God of Abraham Praise**

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| 1 | The God of Abr'ham praise,<br>Who reigns enthroned above;<br>Ancient of everlasting days<br>And God of love.<br>Jehovah, great I AM!<br>By earth and heav'n confessed;<br>I bow and bless the sacred name<br>Forever blest. | 3 | The God of Abr'ham praise,<br>Whose all-sufficient grace<br>Shall guide me all my pilgrim days<br>In all my ways.<br>He deigns to call me friend;<br>He calls Himself my God.<br>And He shall save me to the end<br>Through Jesus' blood. |
|   | 4   |   | He by Himself has sworn;<br>I on His oath depend.<br>I shall, on eagle wings upborne,<br>To heav'n ascend.<br>I shall behold His face;<br>I shall His pow'r adore<br>And sing the wonders of His grace<br>Forevermore.                    |

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**Invocation and Confession of Sins**.....(pg. 151 in Lutheran Service Book)

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

**Amen.**

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

**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.)*

Let us then confess all our sins to God our Father.

**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.**

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 the Word I therefore announce the full forgiveness of all our sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

**The Kyrie**.....(pg. 152 in Lutheran Service Book)

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

♪ **Lord, have mercy.**

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

♪ **Lord, have mercy.**

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 mercy.**

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

♪ **Lord, have mercy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

♪ **Amen.**

**Hymn Of Praise**.....(pg. 155 in Lutheran Service Book)

### **This is the Feast of Victory**

**This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:**

**Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

The Lord be with you.

♪ **And also with you.**

Let us Pray: Gracious Father, Your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Grant that Christ, the bread of life, may live in us and we in Him, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

### **Epistle**

**Colossians 2:9-15**

For in Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form, and in Christ you have been brought to fullness. He is the head over every power and authority. In him you were also circumcised with a circumcision not performed by human hands. Your whole self ruled by the flesh was put off when you were circumcised by Christ, having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through your faith in the working of God, who raised him from the dead.

When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, having canceled the charge of our legal indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us; he has taken it away, nailing it to the cross. And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**The Verse**.....(pg. 156 in Lutheran Service Book)

♪ **Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?**

**You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.**

### **The Gospel**

**John 6:35-40**

♪ **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Then Jesus declared, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. But as I told you, you have seen me and still you do not believe. All those the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never drive away. For I have come down from heaven not to do my will but to do the will of him who sent me. And this is the will of him who sent me, that I shall lose none of all those he has given me, but raise them up at the last day. For my Father’s will is that everyone who looks to the Son and believes in him shall have eternal life, and I will raise them up at the last day.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

♪ **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **Object Lesson**

### **The Hymn of the Day**

#### **744 Amazing Grace**

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| 1    Amazing grace—how sweet the sound—<br>That saved a wretch like me!<br>I once was lost but now am found,<br>Was blind but now I see!               | 3    Through many dangers, toils, and snares<br>I have already come;<br>His grace has brought me safe thus far,<br>His grace will lead me home.  |
| 2    The Lord has promised good to me,<br>His Word my hope secures;<br>He will my shield and portion be<br>As long as life endures.                    | 4    Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail<br>And mortal life shall cease,<br>Amazing grace shall then prevail<br>In heaven’s joy and peace. |
| 5    When we’ve been there ten thousand years,<br>Bright shining as the sun,<br>We’ve no less days to sing God’s praise<br>Than when we’d first begun. |  |

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## **Sermon**

### **The Nicene Creed**

**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.**

**The Prayers** *[If you need information to send a card or call to someone for whom we prayed, please contact Pastor John.]*

Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus  
**And for all people according to their needs.**

*After each portion of the prayers:*

Lord in your mercy.  
**Hear our prayer.**

Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who taught us to pray:

### **The Lord's Prayer**

**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.**

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**The Offertory**.....*(sung to #955 in the Lutheran Service Book)*

**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 now.  
Grace our table with your presence,  
and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.**

**The Preface**.....*(pg. 160 in Lutheran Service Book)*

The Lord be with you.

♪ **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

♪ **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

♪ **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

It is truly good, right, and salutary...evermore praising you and singing:

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of pow'r 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.**

Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth, for you have had mercy on us children of men and given your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. We give you thanks for the redemption you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Send your Holy Spirit into our hearts that he may establish in us a living faith and prepare us joyfully to remember our Redeemer and receive him who comes to us in his body and blood.

### **Jesus' Instruction for Holy Communion**

## The Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

**The Agnus Dei**.....(pg. 163 in *Lutheran Service Book*)

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.**

*[If your body does not tolerate alcohol,  
the back row of the individual cups are grape juice.]*

## The Distribution Hymns

### 528 Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

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| 1 | Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing<br>My great Redeemer's praise,<br>The glories of my God and King,<br>The triumphs of His grace!            | 4   | He breaks the pow'r of canceled sin;<br>He sets the pris'ner free.<br>His blood can make the foulest clean;<br>His blood avails for me. |
| 2 | My gracious Master and my God,<br>Assist me to proclaim,<br>To spread through all the earth abroad,<br>The honors of Thy name.                | 5   | Look unto Him, ye nations; own<br>Your God, ye fallen race.<br>Look and be saved through faith alone,<br>Be justified by grace.         |
| 3 | Jesus! The name that charms our fears,<br>That bids our sorrows cease;<br>'Tis music in the sinner's ears,<br>'Tis life and health and peace. | 6   | See all your sins on Jesus laid;<br>The Lamb of God was slain.<br>His soul was once an off'ring made<br>For ev'ry soul of man.          |
| 7 |   | To God all glory, praise, and love<br>Be now and ever giv'n<br>By saints below and saints above,<br>The Church in earth and heav'n. |   |

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### 686 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

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| 1 | Come, Thou Fount of ev'ry blessing,<br>Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;<br>Streams of mercy, never ceasing,<br>Call for songs of loudest praise.<br>While the hope of endless glory<br>Fills my heart with joy and love,<br>Teach me ever to adore Thee;<br>May I still Thy goodness prove. | 3 | Oh, to grace how great a debtor<br>Daily I'm constrained to be;<br>Let that grace now like a fetter<br>Bind my wand'ring heart to Thee:<br>Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it;<br>Prone to leave the God I love.<br>Here's my heart, O take and seal it,<br>Seal it for Thy courts above.    |
| 2 | Here I raise my Ebenezer,<br>Hither by Thy help I've come;<br>And I hope, by Thy good pleasure,<br>Safely to arrive at home.<br>Jesus sought me when a stranger,<br>Wand'ring from the fold of God;<br>He, to rescue me from danger,<br>Interposed His precious blood.                      | 4 | Oh, that day when freed from sinning,<br>I shall see Thy lovely face;<br>Clothed then in the blood-washed linen,<br>How I'll sing Thy wondrous grace!<br>Come, my Lord, no longer tarry;<br>Take my ransom'd soul away;<br>Send Thine angels soon to carry<br>Me to realms of endless day. |

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The body and blood of our Lord strengthen and preserve you steadfast in the faith to life everlasting. Go in peace.

**Amen.**

**The Post Communion Canticle**.....(pg. 164 in Lutheran Service Book)

**Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev'ryone what he has done.**

**Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear his name.**

**He recalls his promises and leads his people forth in joy**

**With shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.**

We give thanks to you, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through this good 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.

**Amen.**

**Benediction**

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

♪ **Amen.**

**The Final Hymn**

**912 Christ Is Our Cornerstone**

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| 1   | Christ is our cornerstone,<br>On Him alone we build;<br>With His true saints alone<br>The courts of heav'n are filled.<br>On His great love<br>Our hopes we place<br>Of present grace<br>And joys above. | 2 | Here may we gain from heav'n<br>The grace which we implore,<br>And may that grace, once giv'n,<br>Be with us evermore<br>Until that day<br>When all the blest<br>To endless rest<br>Are called away. |
| 3   |  |   |  |
| Oh, then, with hymns of praise<br>These hallowed courts shall ring;<br>Our voices we will raise<br>The Three in One to sing<br>And thus proclaim<br>In joyful song,<br>Both loud and long,<br>That glorious name. |  |   |  |

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## Server Schedule

	1/26	2/2	2/9
	8:30	8:30	8:30
Elder	Edwin	Herold	Bill
Reader	Dianna	Edwin	Nanette
PowerPoint	Lisa	Phil	Shirley
Organ	Linda	Linda	Linda
Audio	Steve	Steve	Steve
Visuals	Amy	Greg	Preston
	10:30	10:30	10:30
Elder	Erik	Gordon	Mike
Reader	Kathy	Delka	Karen
PowerPoint	Cole	Lisa	Erik
Audio/Visuals	Mike/Conor	Hayden/Donovan	Conor/Edwin
Counters	John Di/Wayne	John Da/James	Adria/Michelle
	Both	Both	Both
Altar Guild	Williams/Koob	Dan/Amy	Monika/Inge
Altar Flowers	Spachts	Freeman	Prossers

Altar flowers are given by Jon and Wanda Spacht, for Jon's birthday in thankfulness for another year of blessings.

## Birthdays this Week

01/30 Meg Heller  
01/31 Jon Spacht

## Anniversaries this Week

None on record