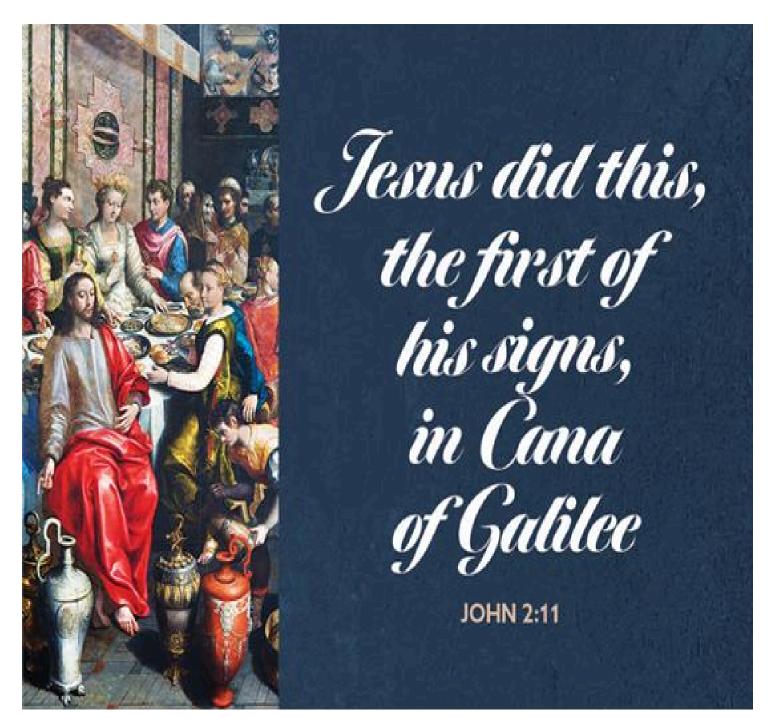
Faith Lutheran Church - Worship and Communion January 19, 2025 at 9:30 AM Second Sunday after Epiphany

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Welcome! We are a family of faith and so glad you are here! Congregation responses appear in bold throughout the bulletin

Children's Bulletins are available in the narthex (entrance area), providing activities on today's scripture readings. Please enjoy.

God is present in **Holy Communion** and welcomes all who are hungry. You are welcome to the table. Non-communing children and adults may come forward for a blessing. Let an usher know if you would like communion at your seat.

Our **Candle Lighting station** is available during worship. If you are moved to light a candle to represent your prayer for someone or something or for thanksgiving or sorrows of your own heart, you may light a candle. All are especially welcome during communion as we sing and commune and pray.

In Worship on the second Sunday after Epiphany: The Sundays after Epiphany continue to celebrate the revelation of God's glory to us as it was made known to the magi and to those on Jordan's banks at Jesus' baptism—today using wedding imagery. Our own Louis Ling is our preacher, and Pr Stan Pesis is presiding, as our God rejoices over God's people as those being married rejoice over one another. By the power of the Spirit there are gifts galore for everyone. In Christ Jesus the best wine is saved for last. Taste and See!

Serving Today: *Greeter*, Kathy W / *Acolyte*, Welmerink Family / *Reader*, Linda Z / *Asst Minister*, Cindy T / *Cantor*, Sam W / *Ushers*, Lukas B & Tom L / *Altar Guild*, Sharon S & Trish D / *Tech Support*, The FLC Tech Team / *Counters*, Theresa W & Davyann S / *Coffee after Worship*, provided today by Eileen W

-GATHERING-

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

moment of centering

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, \pm one God, whose steadfast love is everlasting. **Amen.** Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God-with-us,

we confess that we have turned away those seeking shelter, claiming there is no room when we have plenty. We have made power and wealth our idols, while you show us true glory: a baby in a manger. We have overlooked the shepherds, expecting good news in prettier packaging. Too often, we have valued violence instead of your peace. Turn us from our ways to your ways. Grant us the grace to begin again. Free us from all that keeps us bound, and forgive our sin, through Jesus Christ, who gives himself for us. Amen.

Hear the good news and rejoice! You are God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, + forgiven in Christ, and freed to respond in joy. Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

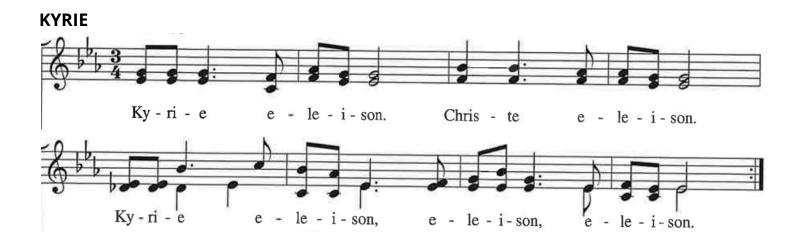
Now We Join in Celebration*

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GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,

and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. And also with you.



GLORIA



PRAYER OF THE DAY

-WORD-

FIRST READING: Isaiah 62:1-5

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called

by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the LORD delights in you, and your land shall be married. For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.

PSALM 36:5-10

Your love, O LORD, reaches | to the heavens, and your faithfulness | to the clouds.

Your righteousness is like the strong mountains, your justice like | the great deep; you save humankind and ani- | mals, O LORD.

How priceless is your | love, O God! All people take refuge under the shadow | of your wings.

They feast upon the abundance | of your house; you give them drink from the river of | your delights.

For with you is the | well of life, and in your light | we see light.

Continue your lovingkindness to | those who know you, and your favor to those who are | true of heart.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! Lord to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia!

HOLY GOSPEL: John 2:1-11

The Holy Gospel according to John, the second chapter. Glory to you, O Lord.

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you O Christ.

SERMON		Louis Ling
HYMN OF THE DAY	Rise, Shine You People!	ELW #665
RESPONSE OF FAITH		
A: Let us confess our faith i I believe in God, the l	n the words of the Apostle's Creed. F ather almighty ,	

creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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

Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

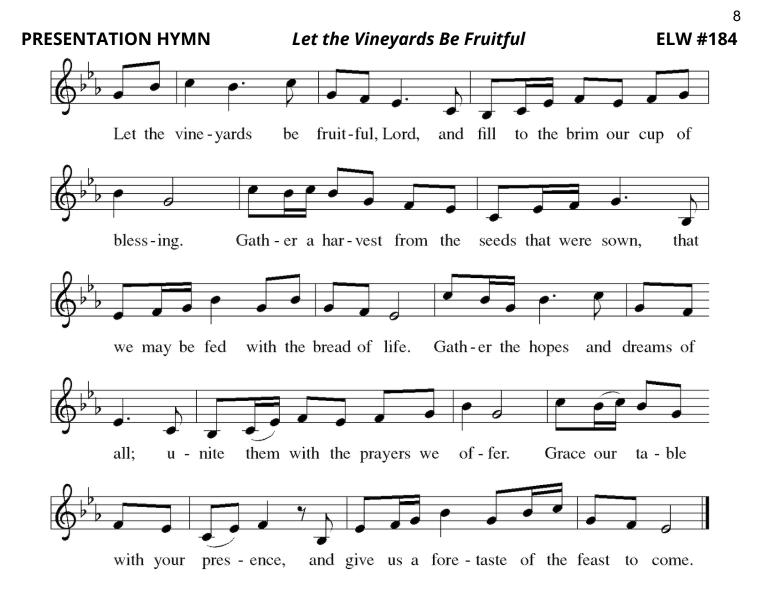
And also with you.

OFFERING

In all things, O God, you are our way, our truth, and our life.

- MEAL -

Reveal through us your life-giving work.



OFFERING PRAYER

GREAT THANKSGIVING, PREFACE, and SANCTUS

The Lord be with you. Lift up your hearts. Let us give thanks to our God. And also with you. We lift them to the Lord. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty, and our joy...

... and join their unending hymn:



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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. INVITATION TO THE TABLE

COMMUNION AND HYMNS

AGNUS DEI

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, grant us peace.

Let us Break Bread Together*

Let us break bread together on our knees; let us break bread together on our knees.

Refrain

When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us drink wine together on our knees; let us drink wine together on our knees. *Refrain*

Let us praise God together on our knees; let us praise God together on our knees. *Refrain*

Will You Come and Follow Me*

 "Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?
 Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?
 Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known, will you let my life be grown in you and you in me? 2 "Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name? Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same? Will you risk the hostile stare, should your life attract or scare? Will you let me answer pray'r in you and you in me?

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3 "Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name?
Will you set the pris'ners free and never be the same?
Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen, and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?

4 "Will you love the you you hide if I but call your name?Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around, through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?"

5 Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.
In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

-SENDING-

BLESSING

SENDING HYMN Songs of Thankfulness and Praise*

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ is with you. Thanks be to God.

* denotes a favorite hymn of the congregation

- Activities at Faith -

- Jan 19th Join the finance team, today after worship, to look at the proposed budget for 2025 to ask any questions and get clarification.
- No Kids' place today Join the Choir Practice!
- Annual Congregational Meeting Sun Jan 26th, after worship, followed by Potluck Luncheon. Please bring an entree, salad, or dessert to share!
- Italia il Partito Sun, Feb 2nd, following worship. The Fellowship Team is providing a full course Italian Spaghetti Lunch. Join us!
- Lunch Bunch Wed, Feb 5th, Noon, Potluck luncheon, bring a dish to share. We will be kicking off the new year with a presentation for Note-Able Music Therapy Services. We will be accepting donations for their non-profit organization.

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-Shared Harvest in January-For January we still need **35 cans of Vegetables**,

10 boxes of Cold Cereal and Deodorant in unlimited quantities.

Thank you for your generous donations! Packing is <u>Sun, Jan 26th</u>, 1pm @ St Luke's.

		Jan 2025			
Task	5	12	19	26	
Greeter	Judy C	Linda Z	Kathy W	Betty T	
Acolyte	Pesis'	O'Reillys	Welmerinks	O'Reillys	
Reader	Pam S	Erica W	Linda Z	Judi H	
Asst. Minister	Judi H	Todd M	Cindy T	Louis L	
Cantor	Matthew R	Todd M	Sam W	Louis L	
Usher	Tom L & Annette W	Debbie H & Matthew R	Lukas B & Tom L	Matthew R & Zack W	
Altar Guild	Kathy W & Eileen W	Betty T & Annette W	Sharon S & Trish D	Annette W & Betty T	
Tech Support	The FLC Tech Team!				
Piano/Organ	Heinz Denoyo				
Accompanying Musician	Olivia Knock, Cellist				
Counters	Theresa W & Davyann S	Stan P & Linda Z	Theresa W & Davyann S	Linda Z & Mary W	
Coffee after Worship	JAN B'DAYS Jean C/Betty B	Kathy W	Eileen W	Amy & Linda Z	

WORSHIP ASSISTANT SCHEDULE

Thank you for your hearts of service!