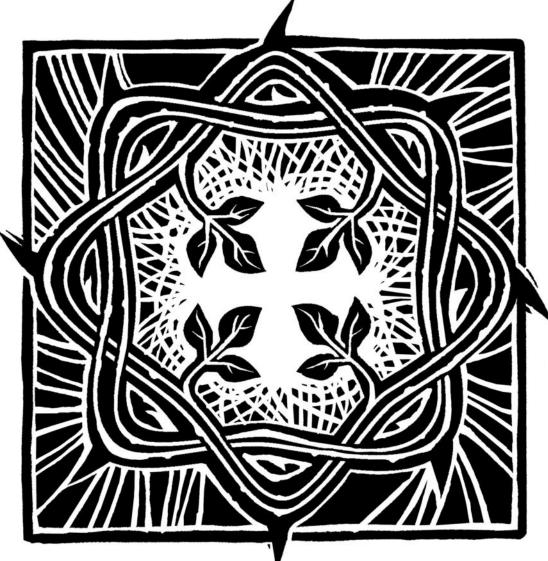


## BEFORE YOU WERE BORN I CONSECRAMED YOU.





IN THE PROPHETS HOMETOWN



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TO THE NATIONS.



In the order of service, the words that are spoken by a leader are in regular type.

#### Words spoken by the assembly are in boldface type.

Instructions for in-person worship.

- ) Keep your mask on at all times, except when receiving communion.
- Enjoy the presence of one another as we "speak the peace," wave, smile, make the sign of the Cross. Please do not embrace, hug, kiss, or elbowbump anyone but for immediate family members you are seated with.
- ) Please do not attend worship if you are currently sick with any of the following symptoms: fever, cough, sore throat, shortness of breath, nausea, or diarrhea.
- ) Please do not attend worship if you had close personal contact with anyone who has been diagnosed or is awaiting test results for COVID-19 in the past 14 days.
- Notify the Church Office if you receive a positive COVID-19 test result within 7 days of attending a worship service. Your name will be kept anonymous unless required for reporting to the Department of Health...

#### On the cover:

During the season of Epiphany, we often focus on themes and imagery of light. This year, however, we are highlighting the Jerusalem Cross., which features a large cross at center with four smaller crosses in the quadrants created by the central cross. This cross symbolizes (a) the Five Wounds of Christ; (b) Jesus and the four evangelists/gospels; and/or the Gospel being spread to the four corners of creation. While it was used as a cross of the Crusaders during medieval times, it's more modern usage is as a symbol of evangelism: the Good News of Jesus Christ being proclaimed throughout the world. We are incorporating it into imagery found in the stories of the Gospel texts during this season of light, Good News, and sharing the Word of God. Each week will also feature songs from different nations and Christian communities from around the globe.

# FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Sunday, January 30, 2022 • 8:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

#### Prelude

"Christ, Be Our Light" Brenna Sage, piano

Welcome and Announcements

## Confession and Forgiveness

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who creates, redeems, and sustains us and all of creation.

#### Amen.

The "Kyrie" on the facing page is sung once through.

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
and your beloved children.
We have turned our faces away from you
when you did not appear as we expected.
We have rejected your word
when it made us confront ourselves.
We have failed to show hospitality
to those you called us to welcome.

Accept our repentance for the things we have done and the things we have left undone. For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.

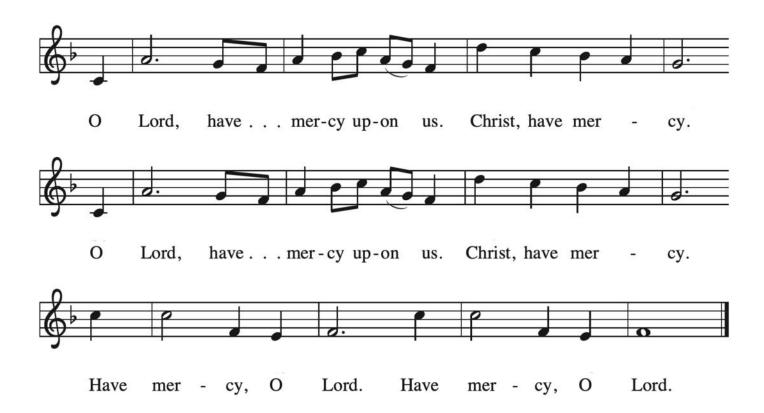
The "Kyrie" on the facing page is sung once through.

Rejoice in this good news: In + Christ Jesus, your sins are forgiven. You are descendants of the Most High, adopted into the household of Christ, and inheritors of eternal life. Live as freed and forgiven children of God.

#### Amen.

## **Kyrie** • "O Lord, Have Mercy"

All Creation Sings, Holy Communion Setting 11



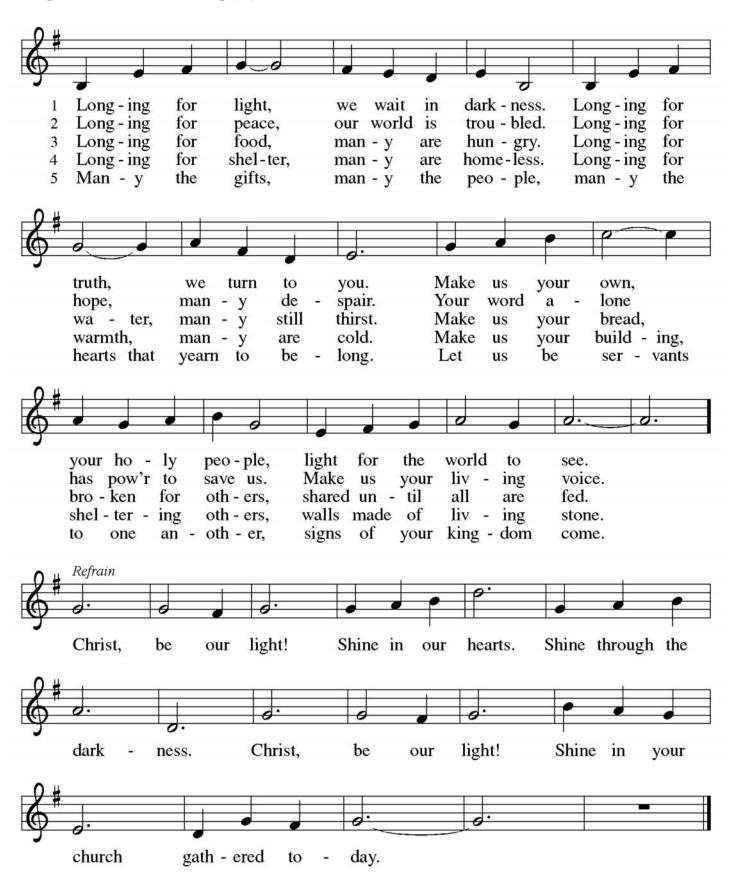
## Greeting

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.

## Hymn of Praise • "Christ, Be Our Light"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 715



## Prayer of the Day

Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and love; and that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

## First Reading

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah.

Jeremiah 1:4-10

Now the word of the LORD came to me saying, "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations." Then I said, "Ah, Lord God! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy." But the Lord said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a boy'; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you, Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the Lord."

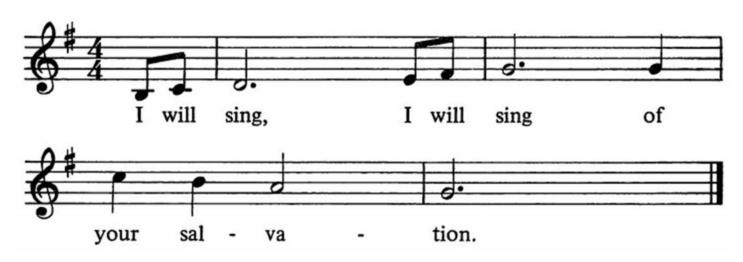
Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me, "Now I have put my words in your mouth. See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

## Psalm 71 • "I Will Sing"

Psalms for the Church Year, Volume 3



In you, O God, I place my fears, protect me from all shame. Save me from my guilt, listen to me, Lord.

Refrain.

In you, O God, my hope returns, the trust of my youth. To you I pray, for you are my strength. Refrain.

My mouth shall proclaim your name, your praises day by day. O God, you are my song; forever I will sing. Refrain.

#### Second Reading

A reading from the First Letter to the Corinthians.

#### 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

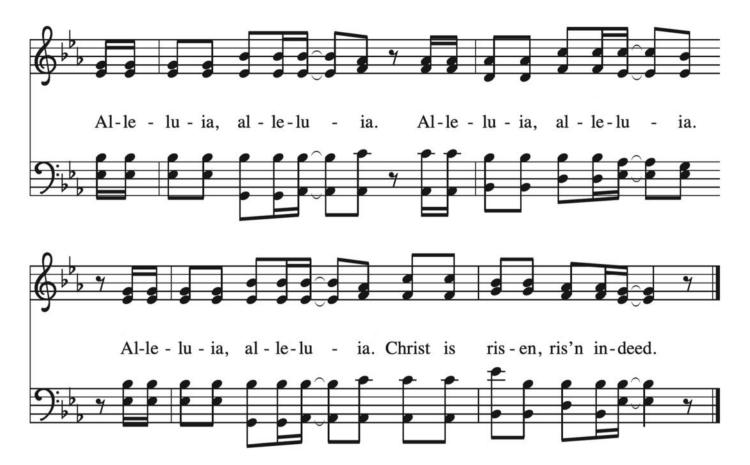
Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

## Gospel Acclamation • "Alleluia"

All Creation Sings, Holy Communion Setting 11



## Gospel

The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Luke 4:21-30

Then he began to say to [all in the synagogue in Nazareth,] "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, "Is not this Joseph's son?" He said to them, "Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, 'Doctor, cure yourself!' And you will say, 'Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum." And he said, "Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown. But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian." When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

The Gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

#### Sermon

Pastor Glenn C. Petersen.

## **Hymn of the Day •** "I Danced in the Morning"

CCLI #78529 • American Shaker



## Apostles' Creed

Together, we confess our faith.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the power of 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 the Church

The Spirit of the Lord is poured out upon us in abundance; so we are bold to pray for the church, the world, and all that God has made.

A brief silence.

At the conclusion of each petition:

God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Since we have such great hope in your promises, O God, we lift these and all of our prayers to you in confidence and faith; through Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

## Sharing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

## Offering

We give to the Lord of our tithes and offerings.

You can mail an offering to:

Mountain View Lutheran Church 3505 - 122nd Ave E Edgewood WA 98372

You can give electronically:

#### ONLINE via the MVLC WEBSITE

- *y* Visit www.mtviewlutheran.org.
- Hover over the "GIVE" dropbox.
- Choose "Make a Donation via Bank Account" or "Make a Donation via Credit/Debit Card."
- Fill out all information on the page and then click the blue "GIVE" button.
- J If you want it to remember your information, visit "SIGN IN" and create an account.
- NOTE: Online giving is a one-time gift unless you check "Make this Gift Recurring."

For those worshiping in person, you are invited to leave your offering in the offering plates located in the side aisles as you come forward for Holy Communion.

#### Offertory

8:15 a.m.
"Meditation on a Folk Song"
Brenna Sage, piano solo
10:45 a.m.
"The Lord Now Sends Us Forth" • Cuba

MVLC Choir

## Offering Prayer

Together, we pray.

Blessed are you, O God, Sovereign of the universe. You offer us new beginnings and guide us on our journey. Lead us to your table, nourish us with this heavenly food, and prepare us to carry your love to a hungry world, in the name of Christ our light.

Amen.

## **Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** 

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

We give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ;

who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## Sanctus • "Holy, Holy, Holy"

All Creation Sings, Holy Communion Setting 11



#### Words of Institution

#### Lord's Prayer

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

#### Communion

Come to God's table. There is a place for you and enough for all.

#### Distribution

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the body and blood of Jesus Christ. If you are unable to come forward for communion, then please let an usher know and you will be served where you are seated.

If gluten-free wafers are required for health reasons, then please ask the pastor serving communion for a wafer.

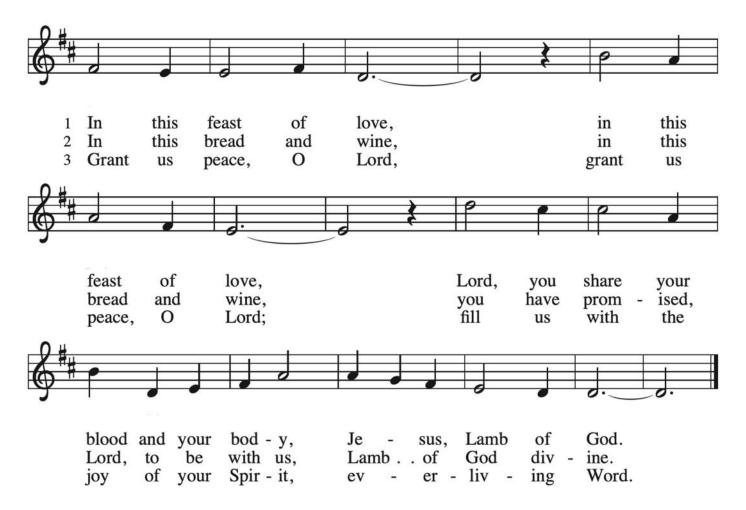
#### Lamb of God • "Lamb of God"

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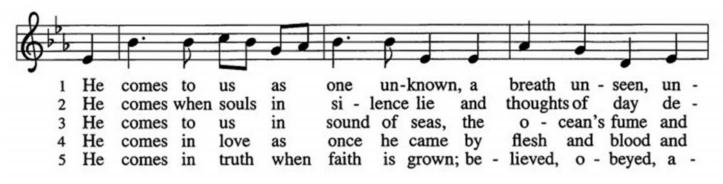
## **Communion Hymn** • "In This Feast of Love"

All Creation Sings 962• Finland



## **Communion Hymn** • "He Comes to Us as One Unknown"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 737





heard; as though with - in a heart of stone, or part; half - seen up - on the in - ward eye, a small and still up - on foam; yet the breeze, a with - in our frame a birth; to bear mor - tal dored; the Christ in all the scrip - tures shown, as shriv-eled seed in fall - ing star a wind that stirs the life, a death, a yet un-seen, but



dark-ness sown, a pulse of be - ing stirred, a pulse of be - ing stirred. cross the sky of night with-in the heart, of night with-in the heart. tops of trees, a voice to call us home, a voice to call us home. sav - ing name, for ev - 'ry child of earth, for ev - 'ry child of earth. not un-known, our Sav - ior and our Lord, our Sav - ior and our Lord.

#### Prayer after Communion

We give you thanks, gracious God, for we have feasted on the abundance of your house. Send us to bring good news and to proclaim your favor to all, strengthened with the richness of your grace in your Son, Jesus Christ.

Amen.

## **Deacon Sending**

Deacons are called to "make Christ and his redemptive love known by word and example."

Such love is expressed in the extension of Holy Communion to those who are homebound or hospitalized.

Compassionate God,

as Jesus called disciples to follow him, bless those who go forth to share your word and sacrament with those who are sick or homebound. May these gifts be signs of our love and prayers, that through the sharing of the body and blood of Christ, all may know your grace and healing revealed in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

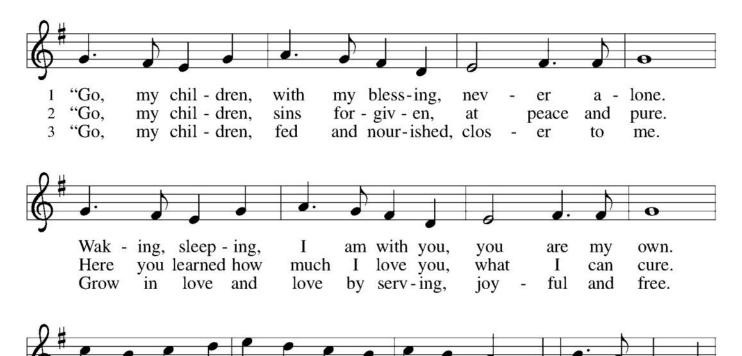
## Blessing

God, who leads you in pathways of righteousness, who rejoices over you, and who calls you by name, + bless your going out and your coming in, today and forever.

#### Amen.

## **Sending Hymn** • "Go, My Children, with My Blessing"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 543 • Wales



In my love's bap-tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for - ev - er. Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry, here you touched him, saw his glo - ry. Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you, here my ten - der com-fort stilled you.



## Sending

Go with Christ into a weary world. Share the good news.

Thanks be to God.

#### Postlude

"The Lord Now Sends Us Forth" MVLC Worship Band

Flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God by Connie McCrossin in memory of her husband John McCrossin.

Flowers on the altar on 1/23 were given to the glory of God by Thad and Emily Thompson in honor of Murphey's birthday.

Flowers on the altar on 1/16 were given to the glory of God by Ken and Sandi Swanson in honor of the baptism of their grandson Alden.

Flowers on the alter on 1/9 were given to the glory of God by the MVLC Altar Guild.

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#### Worship leaders include:

#### Both services

PREACHER: Pastor Glenn Petersen.

PRESIDER: Pastor Briana Merkle.

WORSHIP ASSISTANT: Barry Johnsrud.

DIRECTOR of MUSIC MINISTRIES: Brenna Sage.

VIDEOGRAPHER: David Burch.

ALTAR GUILD: Kathy Harris, Karen Lonn, Sandi Swanson.

#### 8:15 a.m.

USHERS: Gary Larson, Ken Swanson (head usher), Betsy Tunstall.

GREETER: Kathy Harris.

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Flora Larson, Genie Lennon.

LECTOR: Kevin Dahl.

#### 10:45 a.m.

USHERS: John Dahle, Lindy Nelson.

GREETER: Diane Nelson.

ACOLYTE: Dutcher Adams.

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Terry Jensen, Ellen Leapaldt.

LECTOR: Mary Beth Dahl.

SOUND: Beth Ann Johnson.

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#### **Adult Education**

Sunday mornings • 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. • Life Together Hall

1/30 • MISSION WORK in SOUTH AMERICA

Pastor Dan Wilson will share information about his recent mission trip to Costa Rica, where he worked with some of the tens of thousands of refugees fleeing political violence in Nicaragua.

2/6 • TBA

2/13 and 2/20 • ALIVE REPORT

As we prepare for new paths in our church life, we welcome back members of the ALIVE Team, who will revisit the work we did as a congregation in 2020 and 2021 to create a vision for the future of Mountain View Lutheran Church. You can once again read and review the ALIVE Report at www.mtviewlutheran.org/alive-report to refresh your familiarity with it prior to these sessions.

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## Special Meeting of the Congregation

TODAY • 12 noon • Life Together Hall

MVLC members discuss and vote on extending a call to Pastor Eric Bostrom to serve as MVLC's Lead Pastor, as well as Pastor Eric's compensation package.