

Sunday, January 31, 2021 8:45 A.M. Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Voluntary on 'Salzburg' Robert Lind

Blessed be the holy Trinity, \pm one God, whose voice is upon the waters, whose mercy is poured out upon all people, whose goodness cascades over all creation. **Amen.**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Let us confess our sin, trusting in the abundant grace of God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Holy God,

you search us and know us.

You are acquainted with all our ways.

We confess that our hearts are burdened by sin—our own sins and the broken systems that bind us.

We turn inward, failing to follow

your outward way of love.

We distrust those who are not like us.

We exploit the earth and its resources

and fail to consider generations to come.

Forgive us, gracious God,

for all we have done and left undone.

Even before the words are on our tongues,

you know them;

receive them in your divine mercy.

Amen.

How vast is God's grace!

Through the power and promise of + Christ Jesus, our sins are washed away and we are claimed as God's own beloved.

Indeed, we are forgiven.

In the wake of God's forgiveness, we are called to be the beloved community living out Christ's justice and the Spirit's reconciling peace.

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

Rise, Shine, You People

ELW 665



- Rise, shine, you peo - ple! Christ the Lord has tered en
- See he sends the how pow'rs of e vil reel ing; 3 Come, cel e brate; your ban - ners high un furl ing,
- Fa ther Tell how the sent the Son to save us.



God cen - tered. He in him is our hu - man sto - ry; comes to free - dom, light and life and heal - ing. he brings us All men and your songs and prayers a - gainst the dark-ness hurl - ing. To all the the Son, who life and free-dom gave Tell how the



death and sin sur-round-ed, us, who by guilt are wom - en, driv - en, world go out and tell the sto - ry Spir - it calls from ev - 'ry na - tion

with grace un - bound-ed. now are for - giv - en. glo - ry. of Je - sus' God's new cre a - tion.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

The God of peace be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us pray...

Compassionate God, you gather the whole universe into your radiant presence and continually reveal your Son as our Savior. Bring wholeness to all that is broken and speak truth to us in our confusion, that all creation will see and know your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

WORD

CHILDREN'S SERMON

FIRST READING – Deuteronomy 18:15-20

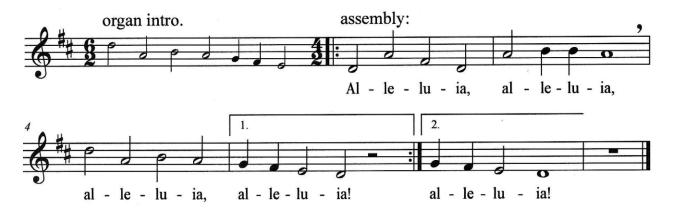
Today's reading is part of a longer discourse in Deuteronomy, an updating of the law for the Israelite community as the people wait to enter the promised land. Here Moses assures the people that God will continue to guide them through prophets who will proclaim the divine word.

[Moses said:] ¹⁵The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you shall heed such a prophet. ¹⁶This is what you requested of the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said: "If I hear the voice of the LORD my God any more, or ever again see this great fire, I will die." ¹⁷Then the LORD replied to me: "They are right in what they have said. ¹⁸I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their own people; I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, who shall speak to them everything that I command. ¹⁹Anyone who does not heed the words that the prophet shall speak in my name, I myself will hold accountable. ²⁰But any prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, or who presumes to speak in my name a word that I have not commanded the prophet to speak—that prophet shall die."

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

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GOSPEL - Mark 1:21-28

Forces that would bring death and disease have taken hold of a man, yet they recognize Jesus and know what his power means for them. Jesus commands these forces to leave and people are amazed at his authority.

The gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

²¹[Jesus and his disciples] went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught.²²They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. ²³Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, ²⁴and he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God." ²⁵But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" ²⁶And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. ²⁷They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, "What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." ²⁸At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Reverend Seminarian Melissa Dailey

HYMN OF THE DAY Song of Thankfulness and Praise ELW 310



Text: Christopher Wordsworth, 1807–1885, alt. Music: SALZBURG, Jakob Hintze, 1622–1702

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Guided by Christ made known to the nations, let us offer our praises and prayers for all in need, responding to each prayer with the words, "**Hear us and help us.**"

A brief silence.

Merciful God, hear the prayers of your people, spoken or silent, for the sake of the one who dwells among us, your Son, Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen**.

MEAL

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.

+ + + Receive the Meal + + +

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

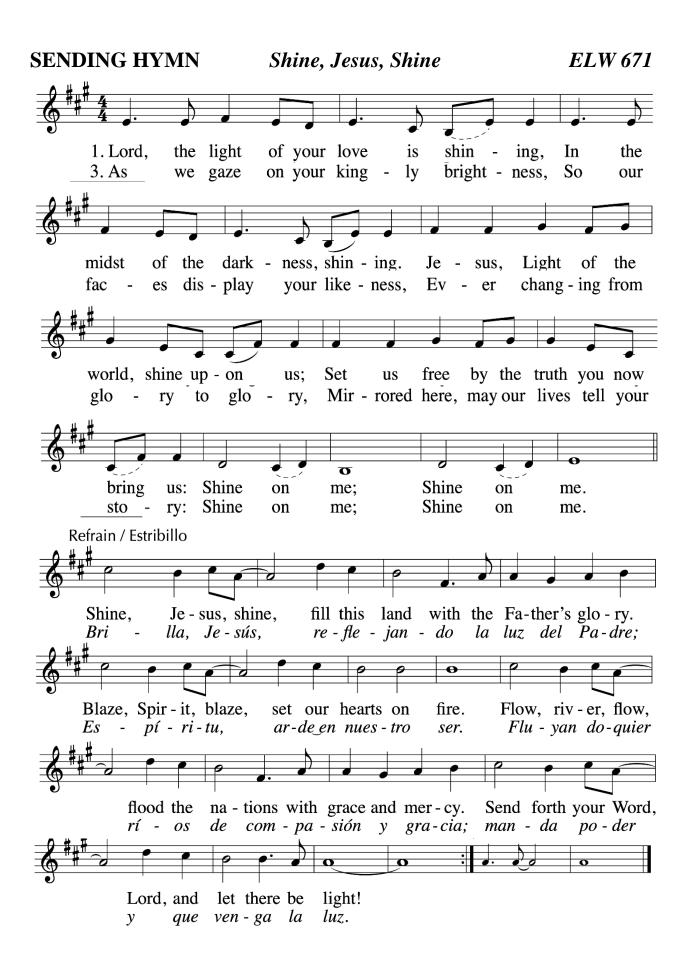
We pause for prayer and reflection, and to give time to commune those gathered with others in the household.

SENDING

OFFERING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

God the creator strengthen you; Jesus the beloved fill you; and the Holy Spirit the comforter 中 keep you in peace. **Amen.**



DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Be the light of Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE Epiphany March on 'Salzburg' Franklin Ashdown



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See you next week for worship at 5pm on Saturday and livestream at 10am on Sunday, followed by the annual meeting! We continue sharing in communion. Please call/email the church office if you need elements brought to you.



Thank you for worshipping with us today as we seek to be in community with one another while minimizing physical contact. As a gentle reminder, please continue to wash your hands for the recommended 20 seconds, wear a mask and create safe boundaries through physical distancing.

We know that God is with us and God is at work, wherever we worship. With coronavirus cases on the rise, we will continue worshipping online at this time. Please be vigilant and check your email, Facebook, etc., for additional notifications and updates in the coming weeks, and contact the church council (council@edgebrooklutheran.org) with any concerns. Stay safe and be well! God's peace to you!!