

January 26, 2025

# Third Sunday after Epiphany

## Welcome to OSLC

#### **TODAY**

10 am

Worship

10 am

Sunday School

#### THIS WEEK

Wednesday

4 pm

Connect

#### **Thursday**

6pm

Food Pantry

#### **Next Week**

Sunday

10 am

Worship with Communion

10 am

Sunday School

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Christmas Décor is being taken down and put into storage. We would appreciate assistance with returning it to the upstairs storage areas. If you are able to help please stay after church today.

Offering Envelopes 2025 Offering Envelopes are ready to be picked up.

Giving reports for 2024 have been mailed out. You should receive them in your mailboxes by February 1st. If you do not receive one and feel you should have, please contact Margaret in the church office.

Pastor Kayla is on maternity leave, please refer all pastoral emergencies to Pastor Brooke at Zion. (419) 233-3234

## Order of Service

**Welcome and Announcements** 

**Song:** Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling **ELW 582** 

Confession and Forgiveness ELW pg 94

Kyrie page 203

#### Prayer of the Day:

Blessed the Lord God, you have caused the holy scriptures to be written for the nourishment of your people. Grant that we may hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that comforted by your promises, we may embrace and forever hold fast to the hope of eternal life, through your son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Joyful Noise- Lord Fill My Life pink sheet Children excused for Sunday School

#### First Reading: Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

<sup>1</sup> All the people [of Israel] gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the Lord had given to Israel. <sup>2</sup> Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. <sup>3</sup> He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. <sup>5</sup> And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. <sup>6</sup> Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people

answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshiped the Lord with their faces to the ground. 8 So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading.

<sup>9</sup> And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. 10 Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our Lord; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength." Word of God, Word of Life....Thank Be to God.

#### Psalm: Psalm 19

The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky proclaims its maker's handiwork.

- <sup>2</sup>One day tells its tale to another, and one night imparts knowledge to another.
- <sup>3</sup> Although they have no words or language, and their voices are not heard.
- <sup>4</sup> their sound has gone out into all lands, and their message to the ends of the world, where God has pitched a tent for the sun.
- <sup>5</sup> It comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber; it rejoices like a champion to run its course.
- <sup>6</sup> It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of it again; nothing is hidden from its burning heat.

<sup>7</sup>The teaching of the LORD is perfect and revives the soul; the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to the simple.

<sup>8</sup> The statutes of the LORD are just and rejoice the heart; the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light to the eyes.

<sup>9</sup>The fear of the LORD is clean and endures forever; the

judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.

<sup>10</sup> More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.

<sup>11</sup> By them also is your servant enlightened, and in keeping them there is great reward.

<sup>12</sup> Who can detect one's own offenses? Cleanse me from my secret faults.

<sup>13</sup> Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.

<sup>14</sup> Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.

#### Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

<sup>12</sup> For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. <sup>13</sup> For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

14 Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. 15 If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. 16 And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. 17 If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? 18 But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. <sup>19</sup> If all were a single member, where would the body be? 20 As it is, there are many members, yet one body. 21 The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." <sup>22</sup> On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, <sup>23</sup> and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater

respect; <sup>24</sup> whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, <sup>25</sup> that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. <sup>26</sup> If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it.

<sup>27</sup> Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. <sup>28</sup> And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. <sup>29</sup> Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? <sup>30</sup> Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? <sup>31a</sup> But strive for the greater gifts.

Word of God, Word of Life....Thanks be to God

The Holy Gospel according to Luke, Glory to You, O' Lord.

#### **Gospel: Luke 4:14-21**

<sup>14</sup>Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. <sup>15</sup>He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

<sup>16</sup> When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, <sup>17</sup> and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

<sup>18</sup> "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, <sup>19</sup> to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

<sup>20</sup> And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the

attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. <sup>21</sup> Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

This is the Gospel of our Lord. Praise to you, O' Christ.

Sermon

**Gary Helland** 

Hymn of the Day: Take My Life, That I May Be ELW 582

**Apostles Creed** 

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Prayers of the Church:

God of Grace, hear our prayer

Offertory Song: We are an Offering ELW 692

Offering Prayer: God of grace, your love reaches to the heavens, and your abundance to the depths of the seas. Bless what we offer to your service: our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts. Let us overflow with gratitude and generosity, now and always.

Amen.

**Lord's Prayer** 

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**Blessing:** The Spirit of the triune God bless you with joy, anoint you with compassion, and send you in love. **Amen.** 

Song:

On Our Way Rejoicing

**ELW 537** 

Dismissal: Go in Peace. Live in hope.

Thanks be to God!

#### VISITOR INFORMATION

Welcome! We are so glad you are here!

**Restrooms** are on the first level, as you entered the building. A diaper changing table can be found in the nursery and in one of the main floor restrooms.

**Communion:** We welcome all people at the Lord's supper, regardless of age, background, or church tradition. If you would like to receive communion, simply extend your hands to receive. Grape juice and gluten free communion elements are available.

#### Little Lutherans:

- Worship Bags and age appropriate toys are available in the back to be used during worship.
- A prayground is available at the front of the sanctuary for children needing more room to move and play during worship. Parents are required to sit with their children in this space.
- **Sunday School** is dismissed during the Joyful Noise song.

Thank you to those who assisted with worship today!

Greeters: Keith & Julene Anderson

Usher: Brian & Julie Rostvet

Reader: Jackie Melland

Song Leader: Thea Thompson

Coffee: Kelly Larson

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