



PRINCE OF PEACE

THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

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A SPECIAL WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS!

We're thrilled that you are here and we want you to feel at home.

- * Restrooms are near the door that you came in today.
- * The service is printed in this worship folder. Join in as your comfortable. Ask anyone if you're lost - they'll be glad to help!
- * We're glad you brought your kids! We know and Jesus knows that little kids have a hard time sitting quietly sometimes. They are still welcome here. Jesus said: Let the little children come to me! If your little one is restless, feel free to spend a minute in the entryway, you should still be able to hear through speakers.
- * If you could use some hearing assistance, please ask the usher in the entryway, we have headsets available.

Please introduce yourself to Pastor Peil. He would love to meet you and serve you however he can!

THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

"That is why I have come." (Mk 1:38) Jesus says He has come to preach and what is He preaching, what is He revealing? That He is the One who has power over sickness, over demons, over sin. He has come to be our Lord of power and strength, mighty to destroy everything that wants to destroy us.

He renews the strength of those who trust in Him (Isaiah 40). He heals us (Psalm 103). He makes us strong and calls us to lean on Him completely (1 Peter 5).

THE DIVINE SERVICE

∞ *The congregation speaks and sings the words in **BOLD type**.* ∞

OPENING HYMN | *Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun*



1 Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun Does its suc -
2 To him shall end - less prayer be made And end - less
3 Peo - ple and realms of ev - 'ry tongue Praise his great
4 Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns: The pris - 'ner
5 Let ev - 'ry crea - ture rise and bring Wor - ship and



ces - sive jour - neys run; His king - dom stretch from
prais - es crown his head; His name like sweet per -
love with sweet - est song, And in - fant voic - es
leaps, un - loosed his chains, The wea - ry find e -
hon - or to our King; An - gels de - scend with



shore to shore Till moons shall wax and wane no more.
fume shall rise With ev - 'ry morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
shall pro - claim Their ear - ly bless - ings on his name.
ter - nal rest, And all who suf - fer want are blest.
songs a - gain, And earth re - peat the loud a - men.

INVOCATION

Please stand.

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

Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Dear friends, let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins, asking Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

**Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin.
For faithless worrying and selfish pride,
For sins of habit and sins of choice,
For the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do,
You should cast me away from your presence forever.
O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me, for Jesus' sake.**

silence for personal reflection

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. In his great mercy, God made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in our sins. Hear the word of Christ through His called servant:

I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son ☩ and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

LORD HAVE MERCY

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

For the well being of all people everywhere, that they may receive from You all they need to sustain body and life, hear our prayer, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the spread of Your life-giving gospel throughout the world, that all who are lost in sin may be brought to faith in You, hear our prayer, O Christ.

Christ, have mercy.

For patience and perseverance in this life, that we may not lose the hope of heaven as we await Your return, hear our prayer, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord of life, live in us that we may live for You.

Amen.

THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, keep Your family continually in true faith, so that those who rely only on the hope of Your heavenly grace may be protected by Your mighty power; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Be seated.

FIRST READING | *Isaiah 40:27-31*

This lesson is the basis for the sermon. The Lord wants us to know where strength comes from and why we can always rely on Him when we are weak.

Why do you complain, Jacob? Why do you say, Israel, “My way is hidden from the LORD; my cause is disregarded by my God”?

Do you not know? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He will not grow tired or weary, and his understanding no one can fathom.

He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak.

Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; but those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

PSALM 103 *selected verses*

Praise the LORD, my soul;

all my inmost being, praise his holy name.

Praise the LORD, my soul, and forget not all his benefits—

who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases,

who redeems your life from the pit and crowns you with love and compassion,

who satisfies your desires with good things so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

The LORD is compassionate and gracious,
slow to anger, abounding in love.

He does not treat us as our sins deserve
or repay us according to our iniquities.

For as high as the heavens are above the earth,
so great is his love for those who fear him;

as far as the east is from the west,
so far has he removed our transgressions from us. Praise the LORD, my soul.

SECOND READING | 1 Peter 5:6-11

The Lord invites us to lean on Him in our weakness and as we are attacked. As we'll see in the Gospel lesson, Jesus allows us to feel weak and wrestle with trials in order to bless us and strengthen us to serve Him, the God of all grace, whose grace restores us again today.

Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you. Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. Resist him, standing firm in the faith, because you know that the family of believers throughout the world is undergoing the same kind of sufferings.

And the God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ, after you have suffered a little while, will himself restore you and make you strong, firm and steadfast. To him be the power for ever and ever. Amen.

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Thanks be to God!

THE HOLY GOSPEL | Mark 1:29-39

Please stand.

Peter's mother-in-law is sick but it is a blessing in disguise because she sees her need for the

Savior. God give us wisdom to see our own problems and hindrances to following Jesus in that kind of a perspective: trials spur us to seek his help; his help should spur us to service.

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, chapter 1.

Glory be to You, O Lord.

As soon as they left the synagogue, they went with James and John to the home of Simon and Andrew. Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they immediately told Jesus about her. So he went to her, took her hand and helped her up. The fever left her and she began to wait on them.

That evening after sunset the people brought to Jesus all the sick and demon-possessed. The whole town gathered at the door, and Jesus healed many who had various diseases. He also drove out many demons, but he would not let the demons speak because they knew who he was.

Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where he prayed. Simon and his companions went to look for him, and when they found him, they exclaimed: "Everyone is looking for you!"

Jesus replied, "Let us go somewhere else—to the nearby villages—so I can preach there also. That is why I have come." So he traveled throughout Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and driving out demons.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to You, O Christ!

APOSTLES CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

HYMN OF THE DAY | *Why Should Cross and Trial Grieve Me*



1 Why should cross and tri - al grieve me?
2 When life's trou - bles rise to meet me,
3 God gives me my days of glad - ness,
4 Since I know God nev - er fails me,



Christ is near With his cheer; Nev - er
Though their weight May be great, They will
And I will Trust him still When he
In his voice I'll re - joice When grim



will he leave me. Who can rob me
not de - feat me. God, my lov - ing
sends me sad - ness. God is good; his
death as - sails me. Trust - ing in my



of the heav - en That God's Son For
Sav - ior, sees them; He who knows All
love at - tends me Day by day, Come
Sav - ior's mer - it, Safe at last, Trou -



me won When his life was giv - en?
my woes Knows how best to end them.
what may, Guides me and de - fends me.
bles past, I shall heav'n in - her - it.

SERMON Isaiah 40:27-31 Don't You Know? Haven't You Heard?

OFFERING | *Moved by God's love in Christ, we return to God our first and best gifts, purely out of thanks to Him.*

We pause so that those who wish may use our app to make an offering or may place their offering in the plate on the table in the entryway.

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Please stand.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

For the gifts of divine peace and pardon, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

For all those in need, the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

For a worthy reception of Christ's holy body and blood and for great joy in the forgiveness of sins, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

For the faithful who have gone before us, let us give thanks to God and ask Him to bring us with them to the unending feast in His Kingdom, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

Special intercessions may be included here.

All these things and whatever else You know that we need, grant us, Father, for the sake of Him who died and rose again and now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever. **Amen.**

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.

THE HOLY SACRAMENT

PREFACE

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is good and right so to do.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD JESUS

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: "Take and eat. This is my ☩ body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it all of you; this is my ☩ blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Amen.

O Christ, Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world. Have mercy on us and grant us Your peace. Amen.

Be seated.

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Children and those who are not communicant members of our church may come forward for a blessing. Those who do are asked to cross their arms on their chest to indicate this.

Prince of Peace practices closed communion, because the Bible teaches it and because we love you. That means we ask that only members of Prince of Peace or other congregations in our fellowship take the Lord's Supper this morning.

Please speak to Pastor Peil about communing with us in the future if you're not part of our congregation! Thank you for your understanding.

A Person Prayer before receiving Holy Communion

Dear Savior, we come to Your table at Your gracious invitation to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let us find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy sacrament in faith for the salvation of our souls and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN | *The Love of Christ Who Died for Me*



1 The love of Christ, who died for me Is
 2 My sins I on - ly see in part, My
 3 O liv - ing Lord of life, for whom The



more than mind can know, His
 self - re - gard - ing ways; The
 heav - ens held their breath, To



mer - cy mea - sure - less and free To
 se - cret pla - ces of my heart Lie
 see, tri - um - phant from the tomb, A



meet the debt I owe. He
 bare be - fore his gaze. For
 love that con - quers death, Pos -



came my sin - ful cause to plead; He
 me the price of sin he paid; My
 sess my heart that it may be Your



laid his glo - ries by, For
 sins be - yond re - call Are
 king - dom with - out end, O

me a home - less life to lead, A
 all a - like on Je - sus laid, He
 Christ who died for love of me And

shame - ful death to die.
 died to bear them all.
 lives to be my friend.

After the distribution, the pastor speaks this blessing:

The true body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen and keep you to life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER AND BLESSING

Please stand.

O God the Father, source of all goodness, in your loving kindness you sent your Son to share our humanity. We thank you that through him you have given us pardon and peace in this sacrament. We also pray that you will not forsake us but will rule our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit so that we willingly serve you day after day, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.

Amen.

CLOSING HYMN | *Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me*

**Lord, take my hand and lead me Upon life's way;
Direct, protect, and feed me From day to day.
Without your grace and favor I go astray;
So take my hand, O Savior, And lead the way.**

**Lord, when the tempest rages, I need not fear;
For you, the Rock of Ages, Are always near.
Close by your side abiding, I fear no foe,
For when your hand is guiding, In peace I go.**

**Lord, when the shadows lengthen And night has come,
I know that you will strengthen My steps toward home,
And nothing can impede me, O blessed Friend!
So take my hand and lead me Unto the end.**



Thank you to Laura Dietrich for accompanying the Divine Service with music today!

When we come to worship, and to the Eucharist in particular, we come into the presence of Almighty God, and to feast at his table, not because we are good people, but because we are forgiven sinners. We come, as we come to a doctor, not because we are well but because we are sick. We come, not because we've got it all together, but because God's got it all together and has invited us to join him. We come, not because our hands are full of our own self-importance or self-righteousness, but because they are empty and waiting to receive his love, his body and blood, his own very self.

This is as basic to Christianity as the ball is to football. And, just as you have a rotten game of football if people ignore the ball and simply tackle the opposition, or even the crowd, so you have a pretty poor time in church if you forget for a moment that we are here because we don't deserve to be.

And when that truth gets hold of you, and sinks down inside you like a hot drink on a cold day, then the effect on the whole life of the Christian community is quite marvelous. We are all here by grace alone: so we can relax. You don't have anything to prove in the presence of God; you shouldn't have anything to prove, either, in the presence of your fellow Christians. You don't have to pretend in the presence of God; no more should you need to pretend in the presence of your fellow Christians. The ground is level at the foot of the cross; the only people who are excluded from the party are those who exclude themselves, by supposing they don't need the cross, don't need God's forgiveness, don't need the free love of Jesus, in the first place.

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