

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

2695 S. Franklin St., Denver, Colorado 80210 303-722-1424 / email:marcella@christlutherandenver.org
www.christlutherandenver.org
www.christlutheranecc.org



MISSION STATEMENT:
*In response to God's love for us, we SERVE God,
SUPPORT Christian fellowship,
And SPREAD the Good News of Jesus Christ to all people.*

Volume 78

January 23, 2022

No. 04

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

Order of Worship –9:00 AM

AS WE GATHER – *Each one of us comes into God's house individually, from different backgrounds, families, situations, experiences, challenges, and joys. But here, in God's house, something happens that makes us not just a collection of individuals but joined together as one person, one Body. This unity happens because we have been gathered by one Baptism in one faith in one Lord, our God whose greatness has been shown in our hearts and to the world in His Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. Here our Lord speaks, and we listen. And in the listening, we are moved to repentance and faith, true repentance of heart over our sins and true faith that knows that the Scriptures, the Word of God, are fulfilled in the Lord Jesus Christ. May true joy motivate our praise of God here and all our days as God's people scattered throughout the world.*

PRESERVICE MUSIC “Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness” by Wilbur Held

WELCOME

[♩] Means please stand; [♫] Means please be seated]

♩ OPENING HYMN

Hail to the Lord's Anointed

LSB 398



1 Hail to the Lord's a - nointed - ed, Great Da - vid's great - er Son!
2 He comes with res - cue speed - y To those who suf - fer wrong,
3 He shall come down like show - ers Up - on the fruit - ful earth;
4 Kings shall fall down be - fore Him And gold and in - cense bring;
5 O'er ev - 'ry foe vic - to - rious, He on His throne shall rest,



Hail, in the time ap - point - ed, His reign on earth be - gun!
To help the poor and need - y And bid the weak be strong;
Love, joy, and hope, like flow - ers, Spring in His path to birth.
All na - tions shall a - dore Him, His praise all peo - ple sing.
From age to age more glo - rious, All bless - ing and all - blest.

(continued)



He comes to break op - pres - sion, To set the cap - tive free,
 To give them songs for sigh - ing, Their dark - ness turn to light,
 Be - fore Him on the moun - tains Shall peace, the her - ald, go;
 To Him shall prayer un - ceas - ing And dai - ly vows as - cend;
 The tide of time shall nev - er His cov - e - nant re - move;



To take a - way trans - gres - sion And rule in eq - ui - ty.
 Whose souls, con - demned and dy - ing, Were pre - cious in His sight.
 And righ - teous - ness in foun - tains From hill to val - ley flow.
 His king - dom still in - creas - ing, A king - dom with - out end.
 His name shall stand for - ev - er— That name to us is Love.

Text and tune: Public domain

INVOCATION & OPENING SENTENCES

Romans 7:12, 22-24

- P** *In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.*
- C** **Amen.**
- P** *The law is holy, and the commandment is holy and righteous and good.*
- C** **For I delight in the law of God, in my inner being,**
- P** *but I see in my members another law waging war against the law of my mind and making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members.*
- C** **Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death?**

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

- P** *Let us confess our sins to God, our merciful Father.*
- C** **To You, O God, we confess that we have sinned against You in our thoughts, words, and deeds, and also by the good that we have failed to do. Our love for You and for our neighbors has been weak or even dead. By Your Law, You reveal the judgment we rightly deserve. Because Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, has fulfilled Your Law on our behalf, we beg Your forgiveness and grace to restore us to life with You in the fellowship of all believers. Amen.**
- P** *Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ, our Lord! In the stead and by the command of our Savior, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.*
- C** **Amen.**

INTROIT

Psalm 102:18–22; antiphon: v. 13

- P** *You will arise and have pity on Zion;*
- C** **it is the time to favor her; the appointed time has come.**
- P** *Let this be recorded for a generation to come,*
- C** **so that a people yet to be created may praise the LORD:**
- P** *that he looked down from his holy height;*
- C** **from heaven the LORD looked at the earth,**
- P** *to hear the groans of the prisoners,*

- C** to set free those who were doomed to die,
- P** that they may declare in Zion the name of the LORD,
- C** and in Jerusalem his praise,
- P** when peoples gather together,
- C** and kingdoms, to worship the LORD.

All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

- P** You will arise and have pity on Zion;
- C** it is the time to favor her; the appointed time has come.

HYMN OF PRAISE *Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness* **LSB 849**



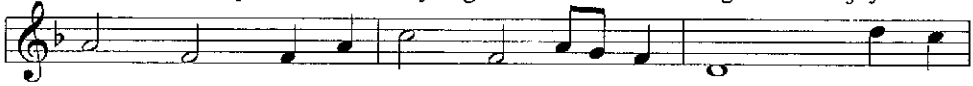
1 Praise the One who breaks the dark - ness With a lib - er -
 2 Praise the One who blessed the chil - dren With a strong, yet
 3 Let us praise the Word In - car - nate, Christ, who suf - fered



at - ing light; Praise the One who frees the pris - 'ners,
 gen - tle, word; Praise the One who drove out de - mons
 in our place. Je - sus died and rose vic - to - rious



Turn - ing blind - ness in - to sight. Praise the One who preached the
 With the pierc - ing, two - edged sword. Praise the One who brings cool
 That we may know God by grace. Let us sing for joy and



Gos - pel, Heal - ing ev - 'ry dread dis - ease, Calm - ing
 wa - ter To the des - ert's burn - ing sand; From this
 glad - ness, See - ing what our God has done; Let us



storms, and feed - ing thou - sands With the ver - y Bread of peace.
 Well comes liv - ing wa - ter, Quench - ing thirst in ev - 'ry land.
 praise the true Re - deem - er, Praise the One who makes us one.

Text: © 1987 Hope Publishing Co. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110000664; Tune: Public domain

SALUTATION & COLLECT OF THE DAY

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** And also with you.
- P** Let us pray.

All: Almighty and Everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities and stretch forth the hand of Your majesty to heal and defend us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

A *This is the Word of the Lord.*

C **Thanks be to God.**

Nehemiah 8:1–3, 5–6, 8–10

EPISTLE

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

A *This is the Word of the Lord.*

C **Thanks be to God.**

1 Corinthians 12:12–31a

ALLELUIA VERSE

Luke 4:18a

All: Alleluia. The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because He has anointed Me to proclaim good news to the poor. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 4:16–30

P *The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fourth chapter.*

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

P *This is the Gospel of the Lord.*

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

HYMN OF THE DAY

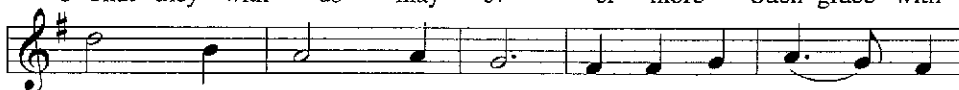
O Christ, Our True and Only Light

LSB 839

[v. 3: Choir only]



1 O Christ, our true and on - ly light, En - light - en
2 Fill with the ra - diance of Your grace The souls now
Choir: 3 O gent - ly call those gone a - stray That they may
4 Shine on the dark - ened and the cold; Re - call the
5 That they with us may ev - er - more Such grace with



those who sit in night; Let those a - far now
lost in er - ror's maze; En - light - en those whose
find the sav - ing way! Let ev - 'ry con - science
wan - d'ers to Your fold. U - nite all those who
won - d'ring thanks a - dore And end - less praise to



hear Your voice And in Your fold with us re - joice.
in - most minds Some dark de - lu - sion haunts and blinds.
sore op - pressed In You find peace and heav'n - ly rest.
walk a - part; Con - firm the weak and doubt - ing heart,
You be giv'n By all Your Church in earth and heav'n.

Text and tune: Public domain

SERMON

“SCRIPTURE IS FULFILLED”

Luke 4:16-30

- I. In His sermon in Nazareth, Jesus connects Isaiah’s messianic prophecy to Himself.
- II. This Messiah brings good news, freedom, sight and release to all who are in bondage to sin.

♪ APOSTLE’S CREED

☐ I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And 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 sits 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.

♪ OFFERING

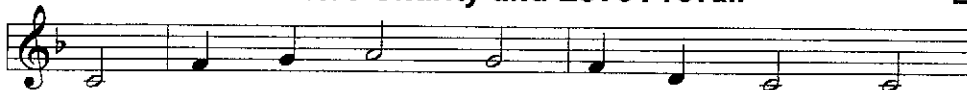
“O Christ, Our True and Only Light”

by J. S. Bach

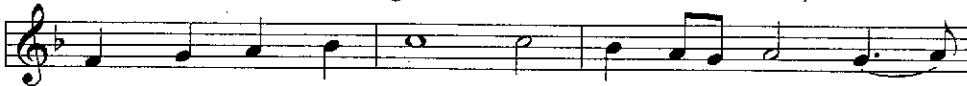
♪ OFFERTORY

“Where Charity and Love Prevail”

LSB 845



1 Where char - i - ty and love pre - vail There
 2 With grate - ful joy and ho - ly fear His
 3 For - give we now each oth - er's faults As
 4 Let strife a - mong us be un - known; Let



God is ev - er found; Brought here to - geth - er
 char - i - ty we learn; Let us with heart - and
 we our faults con - fess; And let us love each
 all con - ten - tion cease; Be God's the glo - ry



by Christ's love By love are we thus bound.
 mind and soul Now love Him in re - turn.
 oth - er well In Chris - tian ho - li - ness.
 that we seek; Be ours His ho - ly peace.

- 5. Let us recall that in our midst
 Dwells Christ, His only Son;
 As members of His body joined
 We are in Him made one.
- 6. For love excludes no race or clan
 That names the Savior's name;
 His family embraces all
 Whose Father is the same.

Text: © 1980 World Library Publications. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110000564; Tune: Public domain

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

☐ Lord God, we give You thanks that You have gathered us together from our solitary lives to be a united family in the forgiveness of our sins. We thank You for Your wonderful grace and mercy, which You have revealed to us and to the whole world in Your Son, Jesus Christ. As we have faithfully heard Your mighty Word this day, cause our hearts to rejoice and respond in glad praise to You. Lord, in Your mercy, **☑** hear our prayer.

P Grant unity and blessing to Your whole Church on earth. Give her grace and power to faithfully proclaim Your perfect Law and glorious Gospel. Bless all preachers of Your Word and those who serve You and the world in their various vocations. Grant that many be drawn by Your Spirit to join us in the fellowship of all the saints. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P O Lord, graciously bless, protect, and defend our nation, its elected leaders, and especially those who serve bravely in the military and all the agencies that help and protect us. Bind all citizens of our country in a common allegiance and obedience to Your will and the rule of law. Bless all who care for the poor, the down-trodden, and the lonely. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P As Your Son came to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, so bring comfort and healing to all who are sick or have any other adversity, [especially . . .]. Grant Your help and blessing to all who minister to them in any need. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

P O Lord Jesus Christ, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C 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.

BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24-26

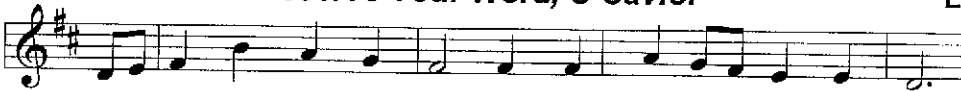
P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ~~+~~ give you His peace.

C Amen.

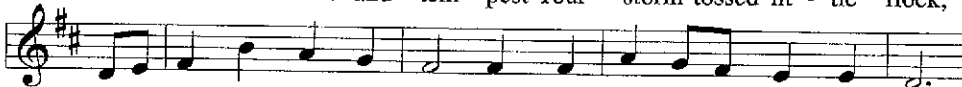
CLOSING HYMN

Preserve Your Word, O Savior

LSB 658



1 Pre - serve Your Word, O Sav - ior, To us this lat - ter day,
2 Pre - serve, O Lord, Your hon - or, The bold blas - phem - er smite;
3 Pre - serve, O Lord, Your Zi - on, Bought dear - ly with Your blood;
4 Pre - serve Your Word and preach - ing, The truth that makes us whole,
5 Pre - serve in wave and tem - pest Your storm - tossed lit - tle flock;

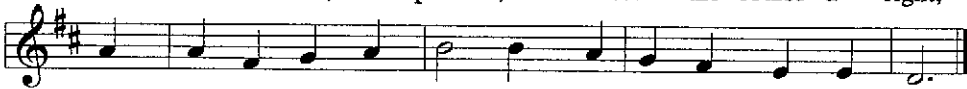


And let Your king - dom flour - ish; En - large Your Church, we pray.
Con - vince, con - vert, en - light - en The souls in er - ror's night.
Pro - tect what You have cho - sen A - gainst the hell - ish flood.
The mir - ror of Your glo - ry, The pow'r that saves the soul.
As - sailed by wind and weath - er, May it en - dure each shock.

(continued)



O keep our faith from fail - ing; Keep hope's bright star a - glow.
 Re - veal Your will, dear Sav - ior, To all who dwell be - low,
 Be al - ways our de - fend - er When dan - gers gath - er round;
 Oh, may this liv - ing wa - ter, This dew of heav'n - ly grace,
 Stand at the helm, our pi - lot, And set the course a - right;



Let noth - ing from truth turn us While liv - ing here be - low.
 Great light of all the liv - ing, That all Your name may know.
 When all the earth is crum - bling, Safe may Your Church be found.
 Sus - tain us while here liv - ing Un - til we see Your face.
 Then we will reach the har - bor In Your e - ter - nal light.

Text: © 1941 Concordia Publishing House. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110000664; Tune: Public domain

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

“Trumpet Tune”

by J. S. Bach

From *Creative Worship for the Lutheran Parish*, Series C, Quarter 1.
 Copyright © 2021 Concordia Publishing House. All rights reserved. Used by permission.

~~~~~

Roger C. Wohletz, Pastor .....720-283-8128 / email: [pastorroger@christlutherandenver.org](mailto:pastorroger@christlutherandenver.org)  
 Renee Ortado, ECC Director / Preschool Teacher .....303-828-6735 / email: [renee@christlutherandenver.org](mailto:renee@christlutherandenver.org)  
 Beth Buss, Music Director.....970-778-5696 / email: [bethbuss4@gmail.com](mailto:bethbuss4@gmail.com)  
 Rob Hatton, Congregation Chairman..... 303-906-9395 / email: [roberthatton1@googlemail.com](mailto:roberthatton1@googlemail.com)

~~~~~

WE WISH TO THANK the following for their participation in our worship service this morning:

Acolyte Steve Rolan
 Altar Guild Elsie Leiker & Marisa Showalter
 Counters..... Mike Gilbert & Marisa Showalter
 Elder on Duty Doug Harder
 Greeter Karen Batt
 Organist / Music Director Beth Buss
 Special Music: Christ Choristers; Handbells
 Service Web Recorder Robert Showalter
 Service Live Streaming Renee Ortado
 Ushers **Phil Vandre, *Naomi Kettner, Cameron Hatton, Brad Meythaler

~~~~~