



# ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

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## January 18, 2026 + The Second Sunday of Epiphany

*Today's gospel opens with further reflection on Jesus' baptism. He is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world and the one anointed by the Spirit. In the liturgy we come and see Christ revealed among us in word and meal. We go forth to invite others to come and worship the Holy One and to receive the gifts of grace and peace made known among us.*

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### + GATHERING +

#### **Prelude**

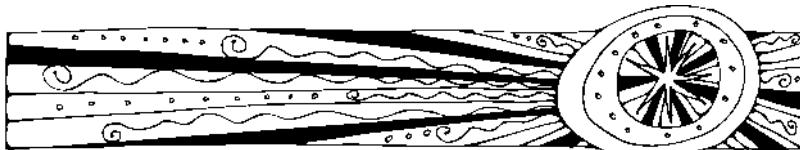
*(The prelude is a call to silent, personal preparation for worship.)*

#### **Welcome**

Welcome to Zion Lutheran Church in Albion! We offer a warm welcome to all who are worshipping in person or by way of Vyve Cable Channel 21 and Facebook Live. We hope that you encounter a word of God's grace and love in this worship service.

**Holy Communion** will be celebrated today. At the table of our Lord Jesus Christ, God nourishes faith, forgives sin, and calls us to be witnesses to the Gospel. All who are baptized and believe in the real presence of Christ are welcome to share in the Lord's meal. Holy Communion will be distributed in person or by snack bags. If you are uncomfortable coming forward, please take the communion elements as you enter worship. We will partake of the sacrament as directed by the pastor within the worship service. If you have any questions or concerns, please speak with an usher. Gluten Free wafers are available on request.





## SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

### Confession & Forgiveness

In the name of the Father, and of the **+** Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

God is light, and in him there is no darkness at all.  
**If we say that we have fellowship with him  
while we are walking in darkness,  
we lie and do not do what is true.**

But if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light,  
we have fellowship with one another,  
and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.

**Jesus Christ is the Light of the world,  
the light no darkness can overcome.**

Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and one another.

*(Silence is kept for self-reflection and confession.)*

Most merciful God,  
**troubled and penitent, we confess our sins to you.**  
**Our deeds are evil; we have loved darkness rather than the light.**  
**We languish in the shadow of death.**

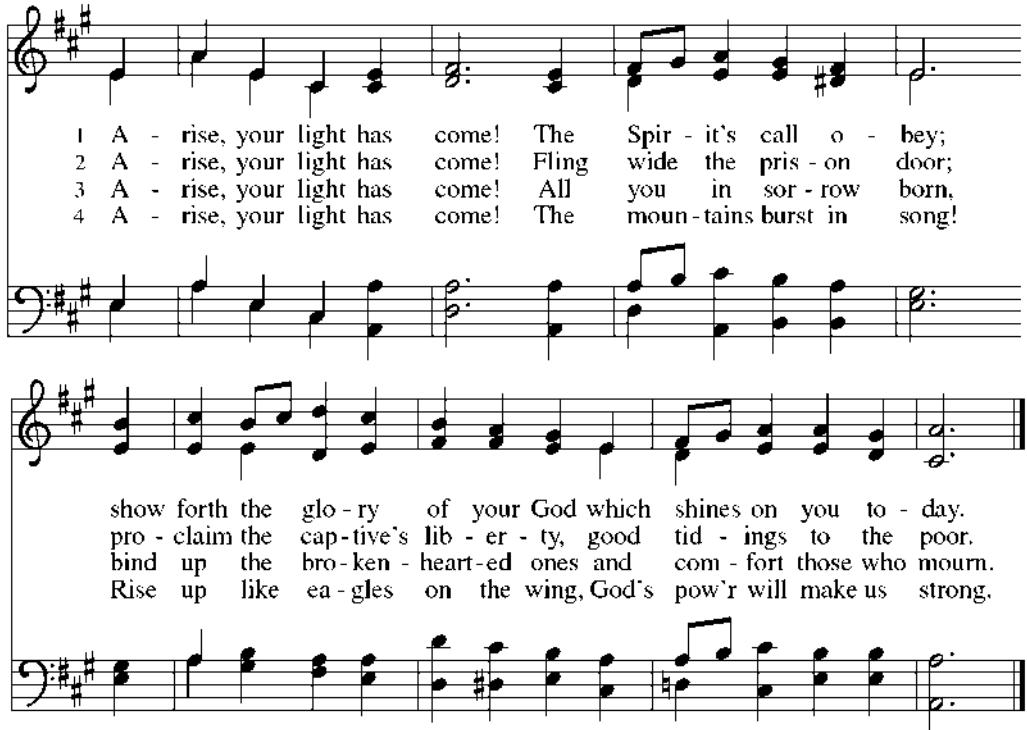
**Let your mercy dawn upon us for the sake of Jesus Christ your Son,  
that we may bear witness to him in word and deed.**  
**Within our hearts, and in our lives, let there be light!**

God, who once commanded light to shine out of the darkness,  
has shone in our hearts to give the light  
of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ,  
who was handed over to death for our trespasses  
and was raised for our justification,  
the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.  
For his sake your sins are forgiven.  
By the power of the Holy Spirit, walk as children of light. **Amen.**

## Gathering Song

## *Arise, Your Light Has Come!*

#314



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## Opening Litany

Long ago, God asked his people to explore the world  
in search of a Savior. But our exploration got off track.  
**We searched for selfish gain instead.**

God asked his people to be his servants in the world.  
But our service to him fell short.

**We searched for what we thought was best for us,  
not what God wanted for us.**

Our searching comes to a climax when John the Baptist cries out,  
“Look, here is the Lamb of God!”

**Jesus is the One the whole world should be looking for.**

With Christ as our guide,  
**we can seek and find salvation.**

With Christ as our teacher,  
**we can ask, and he will give us answers.**

With Christ as our leader,  
**we can knock, and he will open up doors.**

As we continue to explore the new avenues God sets before us,  
our searching promises to be fruitful.

When we seek to know more about Christ,  
**God will enrich us with knowledge and insight.**

When we seek to grow in our faith,  
**God will strengthen us and bless us with every gift of the Spirit.**

Reveal to us your road map of righteousness, O Lord.  
**And may our motto always be, "We have found the Messiah!"**

### **Apostolic Greeting**

The boundless grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
the wisdom of God the Father,  
and the light of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

### **Hymn of Praise**

*ELW setting 10*



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.

2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.

3 Ho-ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:

Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;

Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.  
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.  
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.  
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom-ise firm we stand.  
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

## Prayer of the Day

Let us pray... *(A brief silence is kept.)*

Holy God, our strength and our redeemer,  
**by your Spirit hold us forever, that through your grace**  
**we may worship you and faithfully serve you,**  
**follow you and joyfully find you, through Jesus Christ,**  
**our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## ✚ WORD ✚

### First Reading

Isaiah 49:1-7

*Here the servant, identified as Israel, speaks for herself and describes her honored mission. Called before her birth like Jeremiah and John the Baptist, the servant is not only to restore Israel. The servant's ultimate assignment is to bring news of God's victory to the ends of the earth. God in faithfulness has chosen Israel for this task.*

*A reading from Isaiah.*

<sup>1</sup>Listen to me, O coastlands, pay attention, you peoples from far away!

The LORD called me before I was born,

    while I was in my mother's womb he named me.

<sup>2</sup>He made my mouth like a sharp sword,

    in the shadow of his hand he hid me;

he made me a polished arrow,

    in his quiver he hid me away.

<sup>3</sup>And he said to me, “You are my servant,  
    Israel, in whom I will be glorified.”

<sup>4</sup>But I said, “I have labored in vain,  
    I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity;  
yet surely my cause is with the LORD,  
    and my reward with my God.”

<sup>5</sup>And now the LORD says,  
    who formed me in the womb to be his servant,  
to bring Jacob back to him,  
    and that Israel might be gathered to him,  
for I am honored in the sight of the LORD,  
    and my God has become my strength —

<sup>6</sup>he says, “It is too light a thing that you should be my servant  
    to raise up the tribes of Jacob  
    and to restore the survivors of Israel;  
I will give you as a light to the nations,  
    that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.”

<sup>7</sup>Thus says the LORD,  
    the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One,  
to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers,  
“Kings shall see and stand up,  
    princes, and they shall prostrate themselves,  
because of the LORD, who is faithful,  
    the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.”  
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 40

*Let us read the Psalm 40 responsively.*

<sup>1</sup>I waited patiently upon the LORD, who stooped to me and heard my cry.

<sup>2</sup>**The LORD lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the miry clay,  
    and set my feet upon a high cliff, making my footing sure.**

<sup>3</sup>The LORD put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God;  
many shall see, and stand in awe, and put their trust in the LORD.

<sup>4</sup>**Happy are they who trust in the LORD!  
They do not turn to enemies or to those who follow lies.**

<sup>5</sup>Great are the wonders you have done, O LORD my God!  
In your plans for us, none can be compared with you!  
Oh, that I could make them known and tell them!  
But they are more than I can count.

**6Sacrifice and offering you do not desire;  
you have opened my ears:  
burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required.**

<sup>7</sup>And so I said, “Here I am; I come.  
In the scroll of the book it is written of me:

**8‘I love to do your will, O my God;  
your law is deep within me.’”**

<sup>9</sup>I proclaimed righteousness in the great assembly;  
I have not restrained my lips, O LORD, you know.

**10I have not hidden your righteousness in my heart;  
I have spoken of your faithfulness and your deliverance;  
I have not concealed your steadfast love and truth  
from the great assembly.**

<sup>11</sup>You are the LORD; do not withhold your compassion from me;  
**may your steadfast love and your truth  
continually keep me safe.**

## Second Reading

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

*Though God’s church in Corinth is a fractious congregation beset with many conflicts, Paul opens this letter by spotlighting the multiple ways God has enriched and sustained its life as part of the divine call into the fellowship of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

*A reading from First Corinthians.*

<sup>1</sup>Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God,  
and our brother Sosthenes,

<sup>2</sup>To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified  
in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every  
place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and  
ours:

<sup>3</sup>Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus  
Christ.

<sup>4</sup>I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, <sup>5</sup>for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind — <sup>6</sup>just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you — <sup>7</sup>so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>8</sup>He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>9</sup>God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

### Alleluia Verse

*ELW setting 10*



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav-ing word.



Let it burn like fire with-in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

### Holy Gospel

John 1:29-42

*John the Baptist's witness to Jesus initiates a chain of testimony as his disciples begin to share with others what they have found.*

*The Holy Gospel according St. John, the 1<sup>st</sup> Chapter.*

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>29</sup>[John the Baptist] saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!” <sup>30</sup>This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’ <sup>31</sup>I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.” <sup>32</sup>And John

testified, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. <sup>33</sup>I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ <sup>34</sup>And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.”

<sup>35</sup>The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, <sup>36</sup>and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, “Look, here is the Lamb of God!” <sup>37</sup>The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. <sup>38</sup>When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, “What are you looking for?” They said to him, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?” <sup>39</sup>He said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon. <sup>40</sup>One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. <sup>41</sup>He first found his brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated Anointed). <sup>42</sup>He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas” (which is translated Peter). The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## Children’s Time Sermon

### ✚ LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT ✚

#### Baptismal Hymn

#### *Baptized and Set Free*

#453



1 We are peo - ple cre - at - ed, cho - sen by God.  
2 We are fed and we're nour - ished, filled and re - freshed.  
3 We are nour - ished by wa - ter, all liv - ing things,  
4 Now with praise and thanks - giv - ing, we join the song.

Hymn continues on the next page.



Then we're washed, ev - er gent - ly, in mer - cy and love.  
Then our hun - ger re - turns and a - gain we are blessed.  
and by life that the Spir - it a - bun - dant - ly brings.  
All are wel - come! We gath - er to sing loud and strong.



Sin has pow - er no more. Je - sus o - pened the door  
For what - ev - er the need, God is great - er in - deed:  
As we jour - ney toward home, may your pres - ence be known:  
Not en - slaved, but set free! From now on, all will be



to a foun - tain bring - ing heal - ing, and whole - ness and more.  
end - less o - cean, al - ways deep - er than all of our need.  
pre - cious riv - er, ev - er - flow - ing, now car - ry us home.  
one in Je - sus, one in wa - ter, bap - tized and set free!

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## The Sacrament of Holy Baptism

In Baptism our gracious heavenly Father frees us from sin and death  
by joining us to the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

We are born children of a fallen humanity;

by water and the Holy Spirit we are reborn children of God  
and made members of the church, the body of Christ.

Living with Christ and in the communion of saints,  
we grow in faith, love, and obedience to the will of God.

### ***Parents & Godparents:***

We present ***Caiden Reid Berger*** for Holy Baptism.

Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God,  
do you desire to have your child baptized into Christ?

***Parents: We do.***

As you bring your child to receive the gift of baptism,  
you are entrusted with responsibilities:

to live with him among God's faithful people,  
bring him to the word of God and the Holy Supper,  
teach him the Lord's Prayer, the Creed,  
and the Ten Commandments,  
place in his hands the Holy Scriptures,  
and nurture him in faith and prayer,  
so that your child may learn to trust God,  
proclaim Christ through word and deed,  
care for others and the world God made,  
and work for justice and peace.

Do you promise to help your child grow in the Christian faith and life?

**Parents: We do.**

Godparents, do you promise to nurture **Caiden Reid Berger**  
in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit  
and to help him live in the covenant of baptism  
and in communion with the church?

**Godparents: We do.**

People of God, do you promise to support **Caiden Reid Berger**  
and pray for him in his new life in Christ? **We do.**

## **Profession of Faith**

I ask you all to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin,  
and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

**I renounce them.**

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

**I renounce them.**

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

**I renounce them.**

Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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.**

**On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,**

**and is seated at the right hand of the Father,**

**He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**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.**

### **Prayer of Intercession**

**P** As God's beloved children united in Christ, let us pray for the church, the whole human community, and the well-being of the earth, our home.

*A brief silence is kept.*

**L** Gracious God, gather the church into one great fellowship.

Equip your people to work together for justice and peace, following the example of Martin Luther King Jr., renewer of society, whose birth we remember this week.

**Merciful God, receive our prayer.**

**P** Creating God, sustain the web of life on this planet.

Protect wild places, endangered species, and vulnerable habitats.

Come to the aid of those affected by natural disasters.

**Merciful God, receive our prayer.**

**L** Just God, you desire respect and equality for everyone.

Raise up prophets who speak truth to the nations.

Embolden leaders and those in authority to advocate for people in need.

**Merciful God, receive our prayer.**

**P** Healing God, you lift up those

who are bowed down by trouble, oppression, or illness, *especially*...

Bring an end to social injustice and inequities of every kind,

so that all people may have abundant life.  
**Merciful God, receive our prayer.**

- L Abiding God, you are present with this congregation.  
Keep us mindful of our mission  
and guide our ministries in this community.  
Kindle in us a desire to help one another.  
**Merciful God, receive our prayer.**
- P Here other intercessions may be offered either aloud or in silence.  
**Merciful God, receive our prayer.**
- L Faithful God, you promise to be with us always.  
We remember with gratitude the faithful departed who now rest in you.  
Strengthen us to the end, that we may see you face to face.  
**Merciful God, receive our prayer.**
- P Confident that the Holy Spirit receives our prayers and answers us,  
we commend all for whom we pray to God's loving-kindness  
made known to us in Christ Jesus our Savior. **Amen.**

### **Thanksgiving at the Font**

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

We give you thanks, O God,  
for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters  
and by your Word you created the world,  
calling forth life in which you took delight.

Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family,  
and through the sea you led your people Israel  
from slavery into freedom.

At the river your Son was baptized by John  
and anointed with the Holy Spirit.

By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free  
from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word,  
that those who are washed in the waters of baptism  
may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise  
through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
now and forever. **Amen.**

**Caiden Reid Berger** is baptized in the name of the Father,  
and of the <sup>☩</sup> Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen. Caiden Reid, you belong to Christ,  
in whom you have been baptized. Alleluia.**

Let us pray. (*A brief silence is kept.*)

We give you thanks, O God,  
that through water and the Holy Spirit  
you give your daughters and sons new birth,  
cleanse them from sin and raise them to eternal life.

Sustain **Caiden Reid** with the gift of your Holy Spirit:  
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,  
the spirit of counsel and might,  
the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord,  
the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever. **Amen.**

**Caiden Reid**, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit  
and marked with the cross of Christ forever. **Amen.**

Council Rep.: Jesus said, I am the light of the world.  
Whoever follows me will have the light of life.  
Let your light so shine before others  
that they may see your good works  
and glorify your Father in heaven.

Let us welcome the newly baptized.  
**We welcome you into the body of Christ  
and into the mission we share:  
join us in giving thanks and praise to God  
and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.**

## Jesus Loves You

#595

*Jesus loves YOU this we know for the Bible tells us so.  
Little ones to him belong, they are weak but he is strong.  
Yes, Jesus loves YOU. Yes, Jesus loves YOU.  
Yes, Jesus loves YOU, the Bible tells us so.*

## Peace

The Peace of Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

## ⊕ OFFERING ⊕

**Offering Response**      *As with Gladness Men of Old*      #302, v. 3

3 As they of - fered gifts most rare at thy cra - dle, rude and bare,  
so may we with ho - ly joy, pure and free from sin's al - lay,  
all our cost-liest trea - sures bring, Christ, to thee, our heav'n-ly king.

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## ⊕ MEAL ⊕

### Great Thanksgiving

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

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God,  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**



## Proper Preface

Blessed are you, Holy One on high,  
for you have made all things in your sacred womb,  
and you have named and called forth all things  
according to your eternal purpose.

Praise upon praise is yours, for you created such goodness,  
and it was too light a thing that you should stop there, so you  
shaped your life through making a covenant with your people.

When that covenant foundered, it was too light at thing

for you to raise up only the tribes of Jacob  
and restore only the survivors of your chosen people,  
and so you gave your Son to be a light to all nations.

As your Son lived our live and died our death, you showed  
it was too light a thing that your glory should be kept in heaven,  
and so in Jesus' resurrection and ascension

you made your glory known to the ends of the earth.

And so with angels and archangels  
and the resounding company of saints  
we join in the unending hymn.

## Sanctus

*ELW setting 10*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## **Eucharistic Prayer & Words of Institution**

Summoning God, you beckoned the first disciples  
to come and see your anointed Son, and through him  
you anointed each new follower with purpose and power.

Bless us as we come to be with you at this feast today.

Send you Holy Spirit and anoint us to be the body of our living Lord,  
beckoning others to come and see the wonders of your love.

Send down you Spirit upon this breaking bread and this sharing cup  
that they may be for us the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ;  
who, at supper with his disciples took bread, gave you thanks,  
broke the bread, and gave it to them saying,

*Take, eat; this is my body which given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.*

After supper, Jesus took the cup.

Again he gave you thanks, and gave it to his disciples, saying,

*Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant,  
which is shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sins.*

*Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.*

Great is the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

Inviting God, who calls all creation to one perfect end,  
give your people grace to receive

the invitation you offer each of us this very day.

When you ask us to take holy risks, deepen our faith.

When you call us to be faithful in small things, give us perseverance.

When you invite us to do beautiful things in the life of your kingdom,  
inspire our imagination.

When you call us to forgiveness, lead us by the way of the cross,  
until you bring every good work you have begun to its completion  
and you gather heaven and earth into a kingdom

that shall have no end; where you reign for evermore as one God,  
Father, **✚** Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever.

**Amen.**

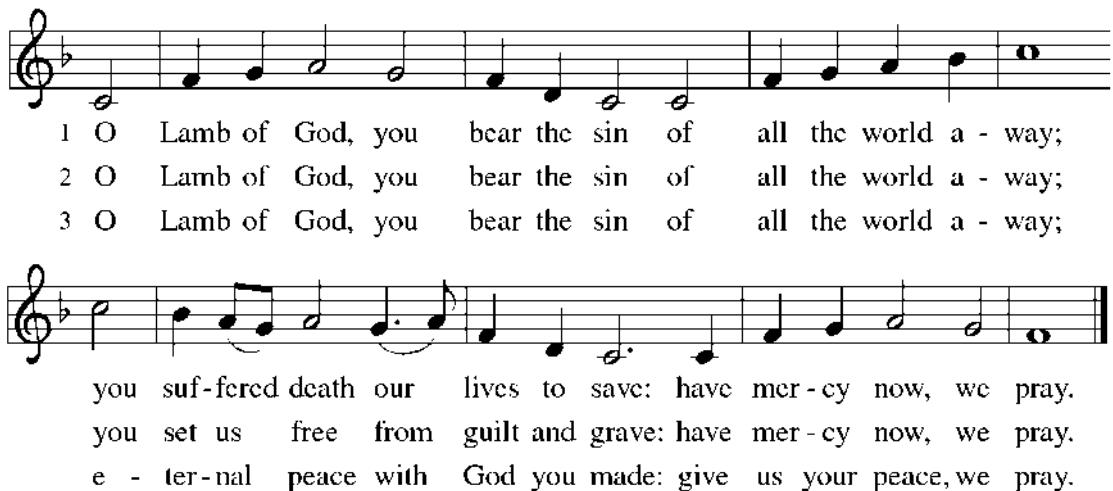
## Lord's Prayer

Let us pray together as Jesus taught us...

**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.**

## Agnus Dei

*ELW setting 10*



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;  
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;  
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;  
  
you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer - cy now, we pray.  
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer - cy now, we pray.  
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

## Distribution

If you are joining us from home or are taking communion from your seat:

*The body of Christ, given for you. Amen.*

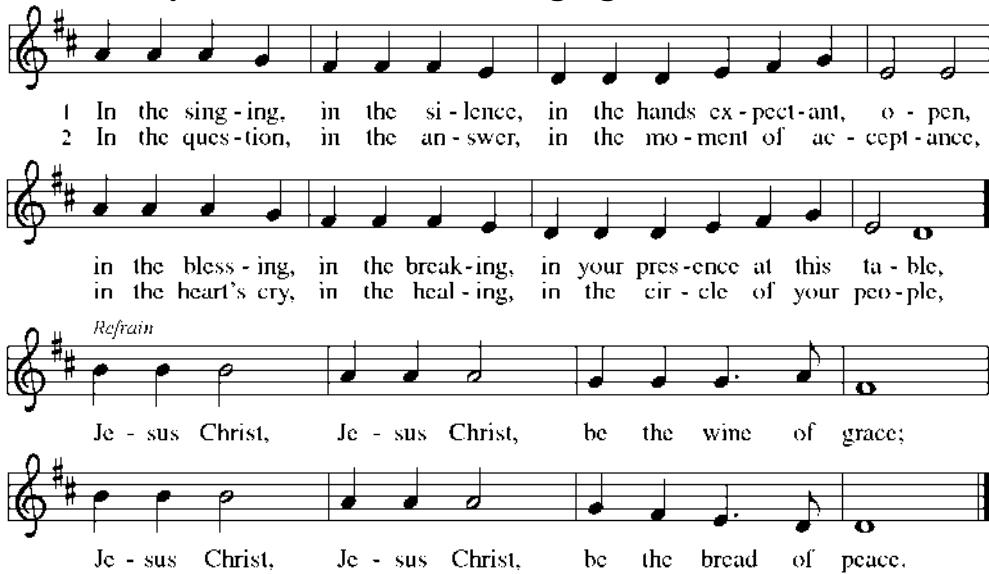
*The blood of Christ, shed for you. Amen.*



## Distribution Hymn

## *In the Singing*

#466



1 In the sing-ing, in the si-lence, in the hands ex-pect-ant, o-pen,  
2 In the ques-tion, in the an-swer, in the mo-ment of ac-cep-tance,  
in the bless-ing, in the break-ing, in your pres-ence at this ta-ble,  
in the heart's cry, in the heal-ing, in the cir-cle of your peo-ple,  
*Refrain*  
Je-sus Christ, Je-sus Christ, be the wine of grace;  
Je-sus Christ, Je-sus Christ, be the bread of peace.

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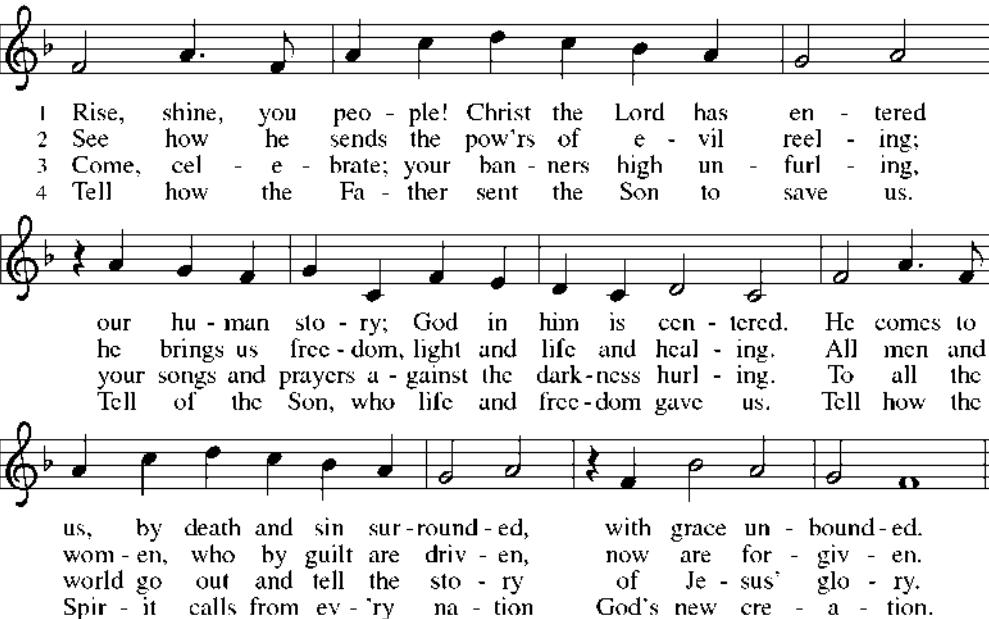
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## Distribution Hymn

## *Rise, Shine, You People!*

#665



1 Rise, shine, you peo-ple! Christ the Lord has en-tered  
2 See how he sends the pow'rs of e-vil reel-ing;  
3 Come, cel-e-brate; your ban-ners high un-furl-ing,  
4 Tell how the Fa-ther sent the Son to save us.  
  
our hu-man sto-ry; God in him is cen-tered. He comes to  
he brings us free-dom, light and life and heal-ing. All men and  
your songs and prayers a-against the dark-ness hurl-ing. To all the  
Tell of the Son, who life and free-dom gave us. Tell how the  
  
us, by death and sin sur-round-ed, with grace un-bound-ed.  
wom-en, who by guilt are driv-en, now are for-giv-en.  
world go out and tell the sto-ry of Je-sus' glo-ry.  
Spir-it calls from ev-ry na-tion God's new cre-a-tion.

## Table Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and preserve you unto eternal life. **Amen.**

## Post-Communion Prayer

Let us pray... *(A brief silence is kept.)*

Radiant God,

**we have seen your glory in the face of Jesus Christ.**

**In the sacrament of his body and blood**

**you have drawn us to your heart.**

**Send us from this table with delight,**

**that our lives may reflect the beauty of your love,**

**and bear witness to all we have seen and heard,**

**through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## ✚ SENDING ✚

## Announcements

## Benediction

May God, the Source of life, hold you in the faith;  
Jesus, the Word of life, speak clearly in truth around you;  
and may the Holy Spirit, God's breath of life, grace, and wisdom,  
sing in your inmost being this day and all your days.

In the name of the Father, ✚ Son, and Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

## Sending Song

## *Jesus Calls Us; o'er the Tumult*

#696



1	Je - sus	calls	us;	o'er	the	tu -	mult	of	our
2	As	of	old	Saint	An - drew	heard	it	by	the
3	Je - sus	calls	us	from	the	wor -	ship	of	the
4	In	our	joys	and	in	sor -	rows,	days	of
5	Je - sus	calls	us!	By	your	mer -	cy,	Sav -	ior,

life's wild, rest - less sea, day by day his clear voice  
 Gal - i - le - an lake, turned from home and toil and  
 vain world's gold - en store, from each i - dol that would  
 toil and hours of ease, still he calls, in cares and  
 may we hear your call, give our hearts to your o -

sound - ing, say - ing, "Chris - tian, fol - low, me?"  
 kin - dred, leav - ing all for Je - sus' sake.  
 keep us, say - ing, "Chris - tian, love me more."  
 plea - sures, "Chris - tian, love me more than these."  
 be - dience, serve and love you best of all.

Text: Cecil Frances Alexander, 1818-1895

Music: William H. Jude, 1851-1922

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## Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**



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# *The Sacrament of* **BAPTISM**



*TODAY we celebrate  
the gift of God's grace as  
Caiden Reid Berger  
is baptized in the name of  
the Father, **+** Son, and Holy Spirit.*

*Caiden was born on  
Monday, March 17, 2025 at 2:52pm.  
He weighed 8lbs., 13 oz.  
and was 24 $\frac{1}{4}$ " long.*

*Loving Parents: Eleanor & Eric Berger*

*Big Brother: Knox Berger*

*Godparents:  
Haley Glaser  
Mike Glaser*

*Grandparents:  
Bill & Shirley Berger  
Bonnie & Mark Wagner*

*Great Grandparents:  
Judd & Kay Wagner*



*May God continue  
to bless them all  
with His abundant  
love and grace.*

# Baptism Word Search

Caiden Reid Berger

Eleanor Berger

Eric Berger

Knox Berger

Haley Glaser

Mike Glaser

Bill Berger

Shirley Berger

Bonnie Wagner

Mark Wagner

Judd Wagner

Kay Wagner

Baby Boy

Blessing

Brother

Candle

Child of God

Creed

Dad

Faith

Family

Father

Grace

Heart

Holy Spirit

Home

Hope

Font

Godfather

Godmother

Grandparents

Holy Baptism

Holy Communion

Jesus Loves You

Joy

Lord

Love

Mom



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Parents  
Peace

Pray  
Rejoice  
Sacrament  
Sing

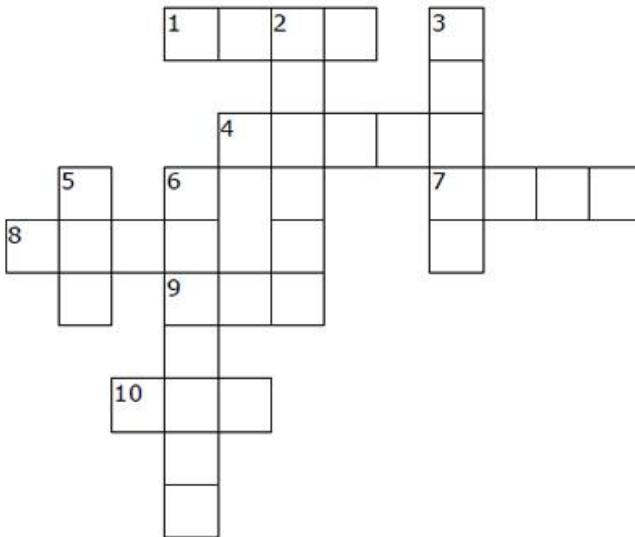
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# Show and Tell

Then John gave this testimony: "I saw the Spirit come down from heaven as a dove and remain on him. I have seen and I testify that this is the Son of God." John 1:32,34 (NIV1984)

Based on John 1:29-42



## ACROSS

1. The man who baptized Jesus
4. A clear, colorless, odorless, and tasteless liquid; H<sub>2</sub>O
7. A young sheep
8. A bird that is a symbol of peace
9. A male descendant
10. To break one of God's commands

## DOWN

2. The place where God is
3. The earth and everything on it
5. The creator of heaven and earth
6. To make a statement based on personal knowledge

SIN	HEAVEN	LAMB	JOHN	WATER
GOD	DOVE	TESTIFY	WORLD	SON