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**4 EPIPHANY**

**January 29, 2023**

**Gathering**

**Welcome and Land Acknowledgement:**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Thanksgiving for Baptism:**

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. 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 Water and your word, you claim us**

**as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants  
of all.**

**Gathering Hymn: *ELW 525 You Are Holy***

**Prayer of the Day:**

**Holy God, you confound the world's wisdom in giving your kingdom to  
the lowly and the pure in heart. Give us such a hunger and thirst for  
justice, and perseverance in striving for peace that in our words and  
deeds the world may see the life you son Jesus, Amen.**

**Word**

**First Reading:** *Micah 6: 1, 6-8*

Response to Reading: Word of God, Word of life, **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm: 15** (*Read Responsively*)

<sup>1</sup> O LORD, who may abide in your tent?

Who may dwell on your holy hill?

<sup>2</sup> **Those who walk blamelessly and do what is right  
and speak the truth from their heart;**

<sup>3</sup> who do not slander with their tongue  
and do no evil to their friends  
nor heap shame upon their neighbors;

<sup>4</sup> **in whose eyes the wicked are despised  
but who honor those who fear the LORD;**

**who stand by their oath even to their hurt;**

<sup>5</sup> who do not lend money at interest  
and do not take a bribe against the innocent.

**Those who do these things shall never be moved.**

**Gospel Acclamation:** *ELW 512 Lord Let My Heart Be Good Soil*

**Gospel:** *Matthew 5:1-12*

*Response: **Glory to you, O Lord.***

Response to Reading: The Gospel of the Lord, **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Sermon:**

**Hymn of the Day:** *ELW 818 O Master, Let Me Walk with You*

**Apostle's Creed:** *P.127*

**Prayers of Intercession:**

*Response to "Merciful God:" **Receive Our Prayer.***

**Lord's Prayer:** *p. 134*

**Offertory Hymn:** *526 Verses 1 & 4*

**Sharing of the Peace:**

**Thanksgiving for the Word**

... For your Word that sustains the earth, we thank you, O God.

**We thank you, O God.**

... For your Word in our Lord Christ, we praise you, O God.

**We praise you, O God.**

... For your Word in our lives, we entreat you, O God.

**We entreat you, O God.**

**Sending**

**Benediction Blessing:**

**Sending Hymn:** *ELW 821 Shout to the Lord (Sung through Twice)*

**Dismissal:** Go in Peace, Follow in the Way of Jesus

*Response: **Thanks be to God, Alleluia!***

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Annual Congregational Meeting:** Sunday February 12 following the Service. Mindful of confidentiality, the meeting is in-person only.

**AED (Automated External Defibrillator):** The AED for the church has been purchased. When the unit is received, we will set up a date for an in-service.

**Do You Miss Our Coffee Hours?:** Sign-up sheet to host on March 5 or April 2 is now posted. Ask a friend to co-host in order to ease the work.

**Scent-Free:**

When attending in-person events at church, please be mindful of our members who have allergies to scents.

**TODAY WE ARE PRAYING FOR:**

Gladys Souliere	Stephen Kovacs	Grace Mueller
Eberhard Poelzl	David Neumann	Patty Davis
Jennifer Cherewka	Scott Hagglund	Maya James
Marlene Sams and Ruby	Luke Splettstoesser	Jackie
		Otto Philipp