

**The Reading: Luke 6:1-16** *(you may be seated)*

<sup>1</sup>One Sabbath Jesus was going through the grainfields, and his disciples began to pick some heads of grain, rub them in their hands and eat the kernels. <sup>2</sup>Some of the Pharisees asked, “Why are you doing what is unlawful on the Sabbath?” <sup>3</sup>Jesus answered them, “Have you never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry? <sup>4</sup>He entered the house of God, and taking the consecrated bread, he ate what is lawful only for priests to eat. And he also gave some to his companions.” <sup>5</sup>Then Jesus said to them, “The Son of Man is Lord of the Sabbath.” <sup>6</sup>On another Sabbath he went into the synagogue and was teaching, and a man was there whose right hand was shriveled. <sup>7</sup>The Pharisees and the teachers of the law were looking for a reason to accuse Jesus, so they watched him closely to see if he would heal on the Sabbath. <sup>8</sup>But Jesus knew what they were thinking and said to the man with the shriveled hand, “Get up and stand in front of everyone.” So he got up and stood there. <sup>9</sup>Then Jesus said to them, “I ask you, which is lawful on the Sabbath: to do good or to do evil, to save life or to destroy it?” <sup>10</sup>He looked around at them all, and then said to the man, “Stretch out your hand.” He did so, and his hand was completely restored. <sup>11</sup>But the Pharisees and the teachers of the law were furious and began to discuss with one another what they might do to Jesus. <sup>12</sup>One of those days Jesus went out to a mountainside to pray, and spent the night praying to God. <sup>13</sup>When morning came, he called his disciples to him and chose twelve of them, whom he also designated apostles: <sup>14</sup>Simon (whom he named Peter), his brother Andrew, James, John, Philip, Bartholomew, <sup>15</sup>Matthew, Thomas, James son of Alphaeus, Simon who was called the Zealot, <sup>16</sup>Judas son of James, and Judas Iscariot, who became a traitor.

P: This is the Word of the Lord,   **C: Thanks be to God.**

**Children’s Message:** *Pastor Eric Hanson*

**Sermon:** *Pastor Eric Hanson*

**Hymn of the Day & Offering:** *Offerings will be collected during the hymn of the day. Thank you also to those who give online. If you’d like to sign up for online giving please visit <http://www.stlukegoodhue.org/online-giving.html>. Children’s coin offering will go toward ELCA Good Gifts serving communities in need around the world.*

**“Borning Cry”** ELW #732

**Vs 1: I was there to hear your borning cry, I’ll be there when you are old.  
I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold.  
I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well;  
In a blaze of light you wandered off to find where demons dwell.**

**Vs 2: When you heard the wonder of the Word I was there to cheer you on;  
You were raised to praise the living Lord, to whom you now belong.  
If you find someone to share your time and you join your hearts as one,  
I’ll be there to make your verses rhyme from dusk ‘till rising sun.**

**Vs 3: In the middle ages of your life, not too old, no longer young,  
I’ll be there to guide you through the night, complete what I’ve begun.  
When the evening gently closes in, and you shut your weary eyes,  
I’ll be there as I have always been with just one more surprise.**

**Vs 4: I was there to hear your borning cry, I’ll be there when you are old.  
I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold.**

**Offertory Response:** *“Give Thanks”* W&P 41 *(ushers bring offerings forward)*

**Give thanks with a grateful heart. Give thanks to the Holy One.  
Give thanks because He’s given Jesus Christ, His Son. And now let the weak say, “I am strong”.  
Let the poor say, “I am rich Because of what the Lord has done for us”. Give thanks.**

**Offertory Prayer:** L: God of grace,

**C: 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.**

**Baptisms of Wesley John, Corbin Dale, and Lena Renee Marsh the children of Taryn and Taylor Marsh**

**The Prayers:** *(call and response)*

With the Spirit of Christ shining upon us, let us boldly pray for the church, the world, & all of creation. *A brief silence.* God of eternal wisdom, we pray for your church, which is being transformed by your word. Bless the church with your wisdom and guidance. Let us notice and take part in the new thing you are doing. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Your creation sustains us and all living creatures. Grant us humility to acknowledge the ways we bring harm to the earth. Grant us courage to make effective change so that all lands and living things prosper. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Embolden leaders of nations, corporations, and all in authority, that they lovingly tend those in their charge. Help them to respond to all who cry out in need. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

As we are made one body in baptism, strengthen all who serve. Renew and inspire all who use their gifts in this congregation, community, and the world. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Provide for those whose hunger runs deep due to isolation, loneliness, or illness especially Keith Brown, Jan Benidt, Dave (Pud) Gnotke, Shawn Fredrixon, Marc Bode, Harlan Reese, Beth Carlson, Gage Miller, Alex Stehr, Perry Fitzgerald, Tanya Bakken, Lorraine Hinsch, Nicole Anderson, Henry Strauss, Diane Krenke, Steve Pabst, Rollie Quade, Bob Eppen, Staci Nardinger, Chase Hanson, & the Family of Grant Schimek. Send your Spirit so that all are filled with your presence and experience welcome from their communities. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for the young people in our congregations. May their voices be celebrated. Give youth a place of honor and value among us. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

We remember those who have gone before us. Let their faithful example continue to bear witness to us all. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

We entrust our prayers to you, O God, in the sure and certain hope that your promise is revealed among the people. **Amen.**

**Sharing the Peace:** P: The peace of Christ be with you always,   **C: And also with you.**

**The Great Thanksgiving:**

P: The Lord be with you   **C: And also with you**

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

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.   **C: It is right to give Him thanks & praise.**

**The Words of Institution**

**Lord’s Prayer: 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.**

**Meal and Hymns:** *(you may be seated)*

*All are welcome at this meal. We believe in the saving power of Jesus Christ through the gift of his life, death, and resurrection experienced in bread and wine.*

*Please move forward via the center aisle. Bread is received in the hands. Wine is received by dipping the bread into the wine chalice and consuming both together. All ages are welcome to commune. Those not communing may receive a blessing by simply keeping your hands folded or extending your arms over your chest in the sign of a cross inviting blessing. For those unable to consume either wine or bread, communion is received fully in either element alone, for Christ is fully present in the meal. You may return to your seats via the side aisles after communing. Gluten-free is available, simply make the server aware of your need. Also, if you cannot come forward, but wish for communion or blessing, let the usher know it will come to you at the end.*

**“Christ Be Our Light”** ELW #715

**Vs 1: Longing for light, we wait in darkness. Longing for truth, we turn to you.  
Make us your own, your holy people, light for the world to see.**

**Refrain: Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.  
Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.**

**Vs 2: Longing for peace, our world is troubled. Longing for hope, many despair.  
Your word alone has pow’r to save us. Make us your living voice. [Refrain]**

**Vs 3: Longing for food, many are hungry. Longing for water, many still thirst.  
Make us your bread, broken for others, shared until all are fed. [Refrain]**

**Vs 4: Longing for shelter, many are homeless. Longing for warmth, many are cold.  
Make us your building, sheltering others, walls made of living stone. [Refrain]**

**Vs 5: Many the gifts, many the people, many the hearts that yearn to belong.  
Let us be servants to one another, signs of your kingdom come. [Refrain]**

*"I Want To Walk As A Child Of The Light"* ELW 815

Vs 1: I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to follow Jesus.  
God set the stars to give light to the world. The star of my life is Jesus.

Refrain: In him there is no darkness at all. The night and the day are both alike.  
The Lamb is the light of the city of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

Vs 2: I want to see the brightness of God. I want to look at Jesus.  
Clear Sun of righteousness, shine on my path, and show me the way to the Father. [Refrain]

Vs 3: I'm looking for the coming of Christ. I want to be with Jesus.  
When we have run with patience the race, we shall know the joy of Jesus. [Refrain]

*"You Are The Light"* written by Debbi St. John

I was not there when You were born, I was not there that Christmas morn, I could not see Your manger bed,  
Where on the hay You laid Your head, I did not hear the angels sing, To celebrate the baby King  
You are the Light in this dark world, You fill my heart, I sing Your praise.  
You are the Light in this dark world, You fill my heart, I sing Your praise.  
You are the Light, You are the Light, You are the Light, You are the Light.  
We sing of Your Glory, we sing of Your Glory, we sing of Your Glory  
For you are the Light, for You are the Light, for You are the Light

**Communion Prayer:** *(Please stand as you are able)*

P: Let us pray together,

C: Nourishing God, at this table you have refreshed us with holy gifts of food and drink. Strengthen us  
for service, and send us out to embody your good news of liberation and healing for the sake of the  
world. In the name of Christ we pray, Amen.

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

**Sending Hymn:** *"You Shall Go Out With Joy"* 3X © The Right Reverend N. T. Wright

You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace; the mountains & the hills will break forth before you;  
there'll be shouts of joy, and all the trees of the field will clap, will clap their hands.  
And all the trees of the field will clap their hands; the trees of the field will clap their hands;  
the trees of the field will clap their hands while you go out with joy.

**Dismissal:** P: Go in peace. Live in hope.

C: Thanks be to God.

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# Welcome

We're Glad You're Here

**St. Luke Lutheran Church • Pastor Eric Hanson**

**Fourth Sunday after Epiphany • 9:30AM • February 2, 2025**

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**Prelude:** *"Fill My Cup"* sung by Kelly Rehder

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Greeting:** *(please stand as you are able)*

P: The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God. C: **Come Holy Spirit, Come!**

**Confession and Forgiveness:**

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, our creator, our protector, our wellspring of life. C: **Amen.**

P: Trusting that God receives our words and the meditations of our hearts, let us confess our sin.

*(Silence is kept for reflection.)*

P: Merciful God,

C: **you speak blessing & compassion into the world. Forgive us for the ways we act with judgment, cruelty, or indifference. We ignore the needs of our neighbors; we resist your call to oppose injustice; we give in to scarcity and fear; we assume the worst about one another. Cleanse us from our faults and release us from their grasp. Show us your lovingkindness. Restore our hearts and repair your world, that we may live in Christ's ways. Amen.**

P: God proclaims these words of assurance: "Do not fear, for I have redeemed you. I have called you by name. You are mine." In + Christ, you are forgiven. In the Spirit, you are made free. Refreshed by the waters of mercy, live anew as beloved children of God. C: **Amen.**

**Gathering Hymn:** *"Here I Am Lord"* ELW #574

Vs 1: **I, the Lord of sea & sky, I have heard my people cry. All who dwell in dark & sin my hand will save. I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright. Whom will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?**

Refrain: **Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night. I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.**

Vs 2: **I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain. I have wept for love of them. They turn away. I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone. I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send? [Refrain]**

Vs 3: **I, the Lord of wind & flame, I will tend the poor & lame. I will set a feast for them. My hand will save, Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied. I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? [Refrain]**

**Prayer of the Day:**

P: Let us pray together.

C: **Lord of the Sabbath, Your followers were told not to work on the Sabbath, and yet they boldly plucked grain to show that you are Lord of all. The world tells us not to rest on the Sabbath. Show us how to rest boldly, rejecting conventions that go against your will, and instead praying and resting as you did up on the mountain, for the glory of your word and work, Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.**

**Praise for the Word:** *"Heal Me, O Lord"* 2X TFF #189

Heal me, O Lord And I will be healed. Save me and I will be saved Heal me,  
O Lord And I will healed, For You are the One I praise, You are One I Praise

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