# The Reading: Luke 4:14-30 (you may be seated)

<sup>14</sup> Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news about him spread through the whole countryside. <sup>15</sup>He was teaching in their synagogues, and everyone praised him. <sup>16</sup>He went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue, as was his custom. He stood up to read, <sup>17</sup> and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him. Unrolling it, he found the place where it is written: 18 "The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free, 19 to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." <sup>20</sup> Then he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down. The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on him. <sup>21</sup> He began by saying to them, "Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing." <sup>22</sup> All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his lips. "Isn't this Joseph's son?" they asked. 23 Jesus said to them, "Surely you will quote this proverb to me: 'Physician, heal yourself!' And you will tell me, 'Do here in your hometown what we have heard that you did in Capernaum.'" <sup>24</sup> "Truly I tell you," he continued, "no prophet is accepted in his hometown. <sup>25</sup>I assure you that there were many widows in Israel in Elijah's time, when the sky was shut for three and a half years and there was a severe famine throughout the land. <sup>26</sup> Yet Elijah was not sent to any of them, but to a widow in Zarephath in the region of Sidon. <sup>27</sup> And there were many in Israel with leprosy in the time of Elisha the prophet, yet not one of them was cleansed – only Naaman the Syrian." <sup>28</sup> All the people in the synagogue were furious when they heard this. <sup>29</sup> They got up, drove him out of the town, and took him to the brow of the hill on which the town was built, in order to throw him off the cliff. <sup>30</sup> But he walked right through the crowd and went on his way.

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

Children's Message: Pastor Eric Hanson

**2nd-6th Grade Children Sing:** "Light Of The World" (CCLI Licensed)

The world waits for a miracle, The heart longs for a little bit of hope, O come, O come Emmanuel A child prays for peace on Earth, And she's calling out from a sea of hurt, O come, O come Emmanuel And can you hear, The angels singing? Glory To the light of the world. Glory The light of the world is here The drought breaks with the tears of a mother. The baby's cry is the sound of love Come down, come down Emmanuel Oh, he is the song for the suffering, He is Messiah, the Prince of Peace Has come, He has come Emmanuel Glory To the light of the world. Glory The light of the world is He. For all who hunger, For all who've prayed, For all who wander. Behold your King Behold, Messiah Emmanuel Glory To the light of the world, Glory To the light of the world Glory The light of the world is He.

**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.

## "Will You Come and Follow Me" ELW #798

- Vs 1: Will you come and follow me if I but call your name? Will you go where you don't know and never be the same? Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known, will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?
- Vs 2: Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name? Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same? Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare? Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?
- Vs 3: Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name? Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same? Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen, and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?
- Vs 4: Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name? Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same? Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around, through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?
- Vs. 5: Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name. Let me turn and follow you and never be the same. In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show, thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

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.

**Apostles' Creed:** (please stand as you are able)

I believe in God the Father almighty, creator of heaven & earth. 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, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. 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. Amen.

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

With the Spirit of Christ shining upon us, let us boldly pray for the church, the world, and all of creation. *A brief silence*. Giver of gifts, you form each member of the church to serve. Inspire us to boldly use gifts of welcome and healing, service and teaching, leading and preaching, for the sake of your work in the world. God of grace, **hear our prayer**.

Refuge of creatures, you place all the living under the shadow of your wings. Lead us in ways that tend to the needs of wild and domestic animals, creatures threatened by extinction, and the environment we share. God of grace, **hear our prayer.** 

Voice of the oppressed, you call prophets throughout time. We remember the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., a voice for racial and economic justice and for peace. Guide our nation in continuing to heed your prophetic call. God of grace, **hear our prayer**.

God of steadfast love, as Jesus celebrated at Cana, nurture marriages & relationships in mutual care; in times of separation or divorce hold tenderly broken hearts & broken dreams. Be present to all who are sick, grieving or in any need especially Keith Brown, Jan Benidt, Dave (Pud) Gnotke, Shawn Fredrixon, Marc Bode, Harlan Reese, Beth Carlson, Gage Miller, Alex Stehr, Maria Starr Quiggle, Perry Fitzgerald, Tanya Bakken, Lorraine Hinsch, Jeff Ferkinhoff, Henry Strauss, Diane Krenke, Steve Pabst, Rollie Quade, Bob Eppen, & Chase Hanson. God of grace, hear our prayer.

Spirit of peace, celebrating this Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, we pray for neighboring congregations & ministry sites. Nurture our shared commitment to embody Jesus' love, justice, & healing. God of grace, **hear our prayer.** 

Wellspring of life, in living and dying we trust in you. We give thanks for the saints. Guide us in our living until, at last, we rest in you. God of grace, **hear our prayer.** 

We entrust our prayers to you, O God, in the sure & 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: 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.

"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

"You Are My All In All" (CCLI Licensed)

Vs. 1: You are my strength when I am weak. You are the treasure that I seek. You are my all in all Seeking You as a precious jew'l, Lord, to give up I'd be a fool. You are my all in all

Chorus: Jesus Lamb of God, worthy is Your name! Jesus Lamb of God, worthy is Your name

Vs. 2: Taking my sin, my cross, my shame, Rising again I bless your name; You are my all in all When I fall down, you pick me up; When I am dry, You fill my cup; You are my all in all. [Chorus]

"Bless the Lord O My Soul" (CCLI Licensed)

Chorus: Bless the Lord, oh, my soul, oh, my soul. Worship his holy name. Sing like never before, oh, my soul. I worship your holy name.

- Vs 1. The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning, it's time to sing your song again.

  Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me, let me be singing when the evening comes. [Chorus]
- Vs 2. You're rich in love and you're slow to anger. Your name is great, and your heart is kind. For all your goodness, I will keep on singing, ten thousand reasons for my heart to find. [Chorus]
- Vs 3. And on that day when my strength is failing, the end draws near and my time has come; Still, my soul will sing Your praise unending, ten thousand years and then forevermore.

Final Chorus: Bless the Lord, oh, my soul, oh, my soul. Worship his holy name. Sing like never before, oh, my soul. I worship your holy name, worship your holy name

**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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# St. Luke Lutheran Church • Pastor Eric Hanson Second Sunday after Epiphany • 9:30AM • January 19, 2025

Prelude: "Carol Of The Bells" played by Laura Ludwig

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: "Shine, Jesus Shine" ELW #671

Refrain: Shine Jesus shine, Fill this land, With the Father's glory, Blaze Spirit blaze, Set our hearts on fire, flow river flow, Flood the nations, With grace & mercy, Send forth Your word Lord, & let there be light.

- Vs 1: Lord the light of Your love is shining. In the midst of the darkness shining. Jesus Light of the world shine upon us. Set us free by the truth You now bring us. Shine on me shine on me. [refrain]
- Vs 2: As we gaze on Your kingly brightness. So our faces display Your likeness. Ever changing from glory to glory. Mirrored here may our lives tell Your story. Shine on me shine on me. [refrain]

# Prayer of the Day:

P: Let us pray together.

C: God of the nations, Show us how to love all the people of the earth, of all colors and kinds: those with technology and without; those who make do with very little and who use many resources; those with formal education & without; those who call upon your name & who do not; so that all your children may be glorified in the name of the One who brought glory & liberty, Jesus Christ our salvation. Amen.

Praise for the Word: "Heal Me, O Lord" 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