

Second Sunday after Epiphany 7:45 & 11 am Traditional Worship January 19th, 2025

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Our Mission Statement
Make disciples, Serve selflessly, and Live faithfully



ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE In the Garden C.A. Miles

GATHERING The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

C Amen.

P God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Gracious God,

C have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

P God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C Amen.

All Are Welcome



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GREETING ELW p. 203

A The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

ELW p. 205

A Let us pray.

C Lord God, source of every blessing, you showed forth your glory and led many to faith by the works of your Son, who brought gladness and salvation to his people. Transform us by the Spirit of his love, that we may find our life together in him, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

7:45 CONTINUES WITH THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION ON PG. 5

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

WORD God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 62:1-5

Reader A reading from Isaiah.

¹ For Zion's sake I will not keep silent,

and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest,

until her vindication shines out like the dawn,

and her salvation like a burning torch.

² The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory;

and you shall be called by a new name

that the mouth of the LORD will give.

- ³ You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.
- ⁴ You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate;

but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her,

and your land Married; for the LORD delights in you,

and your land shall be married.

⁵ For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

Reader The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Reader A reading from 1 Corinthians.

¹ Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. ² You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. ³ Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.

⁴ Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵ and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶ and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷ To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸ To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹ to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰ to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹ All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

Reader The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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GOSPEL: John 2:1-11

P The holy gospel according to John.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

¹On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ² Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³ When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." ⁴ And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." 5 His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." 6 Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷ Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. 8 He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. 9 When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom ¹⁰ and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." 11 Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

P The gospel of the Lord.

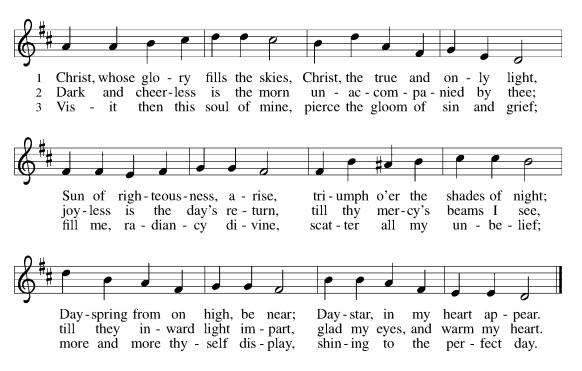
C Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Signs, Signs, Everywhere a Sign

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Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies



Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788 Music: RATISBON, J. G. Werner, *Choralbuch*, 1815

CREED ELW p. 206

A Let us confess our faith with the words of the Apostles Creed I believe in God, the Father almighty.

creator of heaven and 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 to the dead.*

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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A With the Spirit of Christ shining upon us, let us boldly pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

A 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,

C hear our prayer.

A 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,

C hear our prayer.

A 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,

C hear our prayer.

A God of steadfast love, as Jesus celebrated at Cana, nurture marriages and relationships in mutual care; in times of separation or divorce hold tenderly broken hearts and broken dreams. Be present to all who are sick, grieving or in any need *especially* Josh, Theo, Chris and Edward; for Angie, Lori, and Glenn; for Kelly, Olivia, and Ron; Kyle and Cathy Rosentreter; for the Call committee, and the families of Sandy Siguardson and Malcolm John Doyle; and for those on our long-term prayer list; and those most dear to us whom we name aloud or in the silence of our hearts (pause)...God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

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

C hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

- A 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,
- C hear our prayer.
- P We entrust our prayers to you, O God, in the sure and certain hope that your promise is revealed among the people.
- C Amen.

PEACE ELW p. 206

- The peace of Christ be with you always.
- And also with you. C

MEAL God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING MUSIC

(11:00 ONLY)

Var. 18, from "Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini", Op. 43 Sergei Rachmaninov

ELW p. 206 OFFERING

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful Offering Song



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OFFERING PRAYER

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P Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: ourselves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C** Amen.

7:45 CONTINUES WITH THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE ON PG. 11

GREAT THANKSGIVING

DIALOGUE ELW p. 206

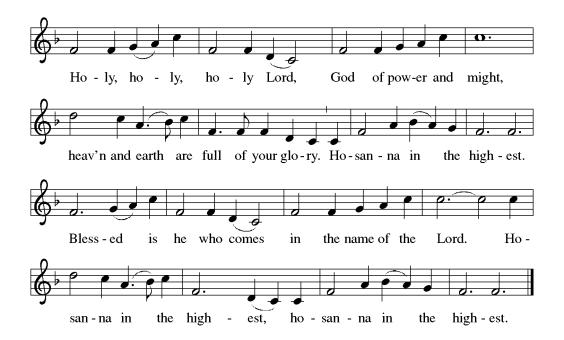
- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE ELW p. 207

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection,

with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

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P In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

LORD'S PRAYER ELW p. 208

P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray 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.

COMMUNION INSTRUCTIONS

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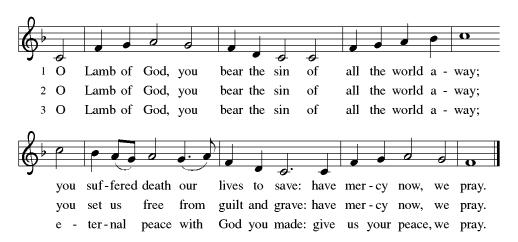
P Holy Communion here is just this simple: All are welcome because this is the Lord's table. It is Jesus who invites us to share in this meal. So, it doesn't matter who you are or how you are but that you simply come because God's gifts are... **C** Free

COMMUNION

P The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

C Amen.

7:45 CONTINUES WITH POST COMMUNION BLESSING ON PG. 14



MEAL SONG 1

ELW 414

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774



Text: Katherine Hankey, 1834–1911 Music: HANKEY, William E. Fischer, 1849–1936

BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

P May this body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ, strengthen you and keep you in God's grace now and forevermore.

C Amen

SENDING God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

SENDING OF COMMUNION

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Gracious God, loving all your family with a mother's tender care: As you sent the angel to feed Elijah with heavenly bread, assist those who set forth to share your word and sacrament with those who are *sick*, *homebound*, *and imprisoned*. In your love and care, nourish and strengthen those who will receive this sacrament, and give us all the comfort of your abiding presence through the body and blood of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

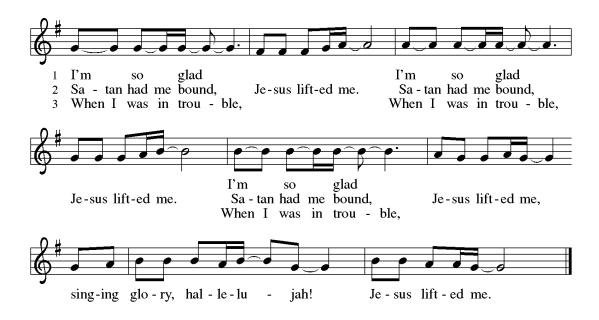
BLESSING ELW p. 209

P Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C Amen.

SENDING SONG ELW 860

I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me



Text: African American spiritual Music: JESUS LIFTED ME, African American spiritual

DISMISSAL ELW p. 209

A Go in peace. Christ is with you.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE I Come to the Cross

Somma & Batstone

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The Altar Flowers are given by the Powers family in memory of Matthew. Happy heavenly birthday - we love you and miss you!

The Eternal Candle for the month of January is given by Lisa and Dennis Pyeatt in honor of Kyle's 40^{th} .

The Altar Guild

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION All who have faith in the words, "given for you" and "shed for you for the forgiveness of sin" is really worthy and well prepared to receive this sacrament. Communion is by individual cup (wine or white grape juice and gluten free wafers are available). Let an usher know if you need communion brought to you.

The **Sunday bulletin** focuses on the what, when, and where of announcements and ministry opportunities for the upcoming week. Detailed information is available on our **Facebook** page, in the **Link**, which is published weekly, and in the **Voice**, our monthly newsletter, and on our **website** – <u>www.livinglordfl.org</u>. Extra copies of the **VOICE** are available in the Narthex in the mail bins on the south wall.

Financial Support Thank you for your continued support for our ministry and mission. Offerings can be mailed to the church or online giving with banking or credit card payments at www.livinglordfl.org (Give Tab).

Attendance Pads Please fill out the attendance register and pass it down the aisle and let us know you were here. Add your name and if you are communing place a "C" in the member or visitor column. Otherwise, simply place a checkmark ($\sqrt{}$) in that column. This is a change to satisfy our constitutional requirement to maintain a record of those who have communed. Thank you for helping us with this detail.

Covid-19 Guidelines Update:

The Worship Team's current guidelines include: Optional masks. Each individual should choose what is right for them and the use of the common cup during communion distribution is suspended until further notice.

Week of Jan. 20 - Jan. 26

Monday

Faith Talks 10am AA Meeting 11:30am GA Meeting 7pm

<u>Tuesday</u>

AA & Al-Anon Meeting 11:30 am Cub Scouts 6pm AA Meeting 7pm

Wednesday

AA Meeting 9:30am, 11:30am Pastor's Bible Study 1pm Council Meeting 7pm

Thursday

AA Meeting 11:30am Campus Improvement Meeting 3pm By Grace 6:30pm

<u>Friday</u>

GA Meeting 9:30am Crafting 10:30am AA Meeting 11:30am AA Meeting 6pm, 8pm

Saturday

AA Meeting 4pm Al-Anon Meeting 4pm

Sunday

7:45am Traditional Service 9am The Journey 11am Traditional Service AA Meeting 6:30pm **SCRIP** After each service. An ongoing fundraiser designated towards Campus Improvement. Purchase gift cards at the table. Orders are placed every week for pick-up the following week.

FULLY PARTICIPATE In the mission and ministries here at Living Lord by helping, Currently Available:

- > Livestream > Sound System
- > Celebration of Life volunteers
- > Life Group Coordinator.

 Contact the church office.

SUNDAY SCHOOL K thru 3rd grade, 4th grade thru 7th grade and Faith Formation for teens - every Sunday from 10:05 to 10:55.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:05-10:50am in the Activities Hall. This is an opportunity to dig deeper into the message of the Old Testament and Epistle lessons read in Sunday worship with other adults. Bring your snack and coffee, questions and insights as we explore the readings' connections to our lives today.

CHURCH COUNCIL Interested in being on our church council starting in January 2025? Talk to Pastor Ed or Maggie to make us aware of your interest. Our council meets once a month to discuss the business of LLLC.

GENERAL OFFERING #4010			
YEAR-TO-DATE	2024 BUDGET	2023 ACTUAL	
December 31, 2024	December 31, 2024	December 31, 2023	
\$362,631.00	\$355,000.00	\$352,905.01	

LLLC ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will be held

Sunday, January 26th at 12:00pm. Please plan to join us for this important church business meeting.

Christianity - As Told by the Evangelists Matthew, Mark, Luke and John On Mondays, in Activities Hall 10:00-11:30 AM. In 18 weekly classes we will learn and experience Jesus, who transcended humble origins, showed us God's love, paid the price for our forgiveness, and transformed his followers forever. This course is free. Because God's gifts are FREE!

• January 20, 27, 2025:

Peter and Paul and the Christian Revolution.

What happened to the disciples after the crucifixion of Jesus? Would Jesus disappear from history? Video and readings in Luke's book of Acts, where the church began.

• February 3 through April 7:

Understanding New Testament Gospels

Lectures by professors of Christian theology and history to enhance your reading of Mark, Matthew, Luke, and John. Discussion of texts.

- April 14: MOVIE **The Gospel of John**, read by Christopher Plummer, 2 hours
- Easter Monday April 21, 2025 NO CLASS
- April 28 and May 5, 2025 TO BE ANNOUNCED (Sacred Journeys?)

Documentaries, Bible Readings, Instructional Videos, Lesson Summaries, Discussions, and your Questions. *Just like college!* <u>Videos easy to see on 85 inch TV.</u> Ruth McConnell, leader

SMALL GROUP Wednesday January 29th at 10:30am. We will hold an initial gathering of a daytime small group at the home of Diane Frohling – 4442 Fern Drive, Bradenton, FL 34208. Phone – 941-+704-9817. You are Invited!

OUR DAILY BREAD SERVERS We need 6 servers on February 1st, 2025 from 9:15 am until approximately 11:45 am. No experience required, on the job training, pay is great, hearing the "thank-yous" from the homeless as you serve lunch. Please do not forget to include your phone number when signing up. There may be changes required at the last minute and we'll need to reach you. If you want to help, but have questions, call **Bob Scott**, (941) 758-5954 or (817) 313-2945

<u>WIDOW JOURNEY</u> You are never alone when you walk with Christ. Living Lord Lutheran Church invites all widows to join on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month from 10AM until 12PM. Come together to share support, understanding, and fellowship. Whether you're looking for a listening ear, new friendships, or simply a moment of solace, this group is here for you. You do not need to be a member of LLLC to be a part of this group. All widows are welcome. If you know of a widow that would benefit from this group, please reach out to Beverly Brockschmidt 352.464.1177. Together, we can navigate life's journey with strength and faith.

PRAYER LIST The Parish Life Group would like to revitalize the Prayer List. Please review and update the prayer list for any of your friends and/or family. Please contact the church office with any updates. maggie@livinglordfl.org or 941-753-9365.

<u>DAY CAMP MEETING</u> Planning meeting for our annual day camp will be January 28th at 6:30 p.m. Anyone interested in planning or promoting this event is invited to join us!

THRIVENT Is partnering with six organizations who are actively responding to the crisis in California. Donate online today to one of these organizations, and Thrivent will boost your donation. For every \$2 through Thrivent's <u>online giving platform</u> or through a Thrivent Charitable Impact and Investing[®] Donor Advised Fund, Thrivent will add \$1. The match will run until the \$500,000 cap is met, or March 10, 2025, whichever comes first. Thrivent pays all the processing fees so 100% of your donation will go directly to the cause. If you are an eligible Thrivent client, direct <u>Choice Dollars</u> to organizations helping with disaster response efforts.



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