

We hope you feel welcomed by our community, inspired by the message of Jesus today and excited to live that out in the coming week

# **Welcome To Worship**



## WORSHIP

Worship is a big deal to us. Something happens in us and through us when we gather. Jesus said it this way: "For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them." When we gather together for worship we can experience the presence of God in a way that we can't on our own. It isn't just about learning and it certainly isn't about getting God's good Worship is a corporate way to personally experience (be in relationship with) God and others. Welcome!

## GIVE

Want an easy way to give digitally? Scan the QR code below and head to the give page of our website for all the info!





### CONNECT

The best way to stay connected to Epiphany is to sign up to receive our twice per week emails we call "Connect". On Tuesday and Friday we send out the latest information about our ministries, worship, events and more.

You can see our most recent emails by scanning this QR Code and following the link. If you wish, you can even sign up to receive Connect for yourself! The sign up form is on the same page. Open your phone's camera and scan the code below to stay connected!







### NFW

If you are new to Epiphany we want to tell you a little about our us. We hope to be a church that focuses on the love of Jesus, invites you to follow Jesus in the way you live and seeks to spread that invitation to all people, including those in LGBTQIA+ community, all family types, ethnicities, ages and social classes. We want to follow Jesus and passionately proclaim that his love is for all. If you wish to know more about our welcome and inclusion statement, visit us here.



We would love to hear a little bit about you. Scan the QR code below for an easy way to let us know what you think or ask us a question.



## **Seventh Sunday of Easter** June 1, 2025 ~ 9:00 a.m.

ELW # 458 Praise and Thanksgiving Be to God

#### PRELUDE

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**OPENING HYMN** 



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Text: H. Francis Yardley, 1911–1990; Frank J. Whiteley, b. 1914, alt. Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM. Paris Antiphoner. 1681 Text © 1969 H. Francis Yardley and Frank J. Whiteley

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#### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

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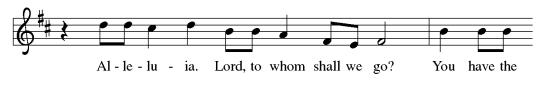
**READING** Acts 16:16-34

#### A A reading from Acts.

<sup>16</sup> One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. <sup>17</sup> While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation." 18 She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour. <sup>19</sup> But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. <sup>20</sup> When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews <sup>21</sup> and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe." <sup>22</sup> The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. <sup>23</sup> After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. <sup>24</sup> Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks. <sup>25</sup> About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. <sup>26</sup> Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. 27 When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. <sup>28</sup> But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." <sup>29</sup> The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. <sup>30</sup> Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" <sup>31</sup> They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." <sup>32</sup> They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. <sup>33</sup> At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. <sup>34</sup> He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

- A The word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**





#### **GOSPEL** John 17:20-26

- P The Gospel according to John, the seventeenth chapter.
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus prayed:] <sup>20</sup> "I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, <sup>21</sup> that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. <sup>22</sup> The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, <sup>23</sup> I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. <sup>24</sup> Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. <sup>25</sup> "Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. <sup>26</sup> I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

- P The Gospel of the Lord
- C Praise to you, O Christ.

Please sit **SERMON** 

Please stand

#### HYMN OF THE DAY

#### ELW #576 We All Are One in Mission



- 1 We all are one in mis sion; we all are one in call,
- 2 We all are called for ser vice, to wit-ness in God's name.
- 3 Now let us be u nit ed, and let our song be heard.



our var-ied gifts u nit ed by Christ, the Lord of all. Our min - is - tries are dif f'rent; our pur - pose is the same: Now let us be for God's re - deem-ing a ves sel Word.



Α sin - gle great com - mis sion com - pels us from a - bove touch the lives of oth ers with God's sur-pris-ing to grace, We all are one in mis sion; we all are one in call.



plan and work to - geth - er all may know Christ's love. that to God's warm em - brace. ev - 'ry folk and na - tion may feel so var - ied gifts u nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all.

Text: Rusty Edwards, b. 1955

Music: KUORTANE, Finnish folk tune

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#### **APOSTLES' CREED**

C 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**

- A God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.
- A Lord, in your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- A We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.
- C Amen.

#### **PEACE**

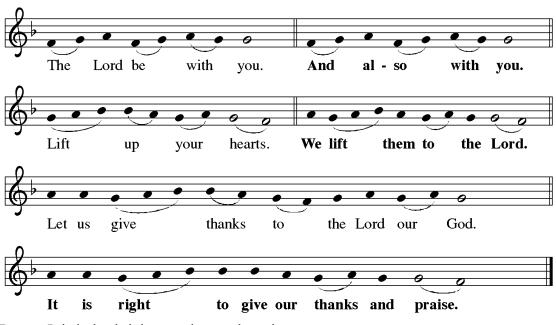
- P The peace of Christ be with you always.
- C And also with you.

Please Sit

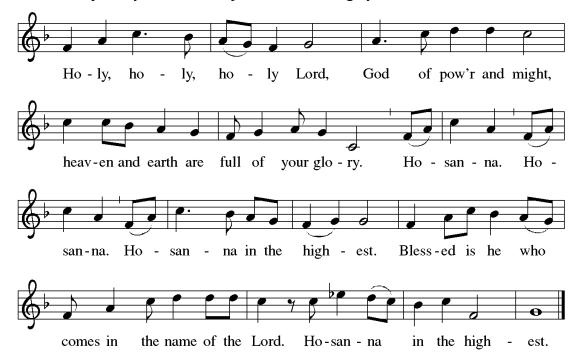
**SPECIAL MUSIC** 

Adult Choir

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, ...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



#### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND WORDS OF INSTITUTION

#### LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,  $\mathbf{C}$ 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,

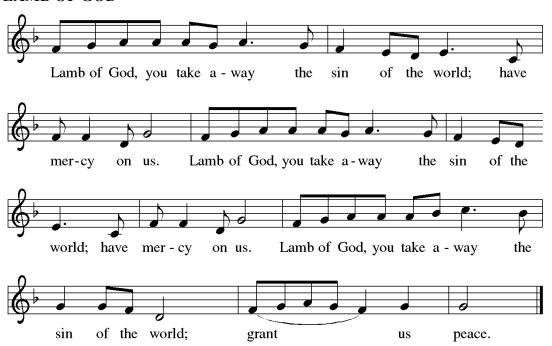
as we forgive those who trespass against us;

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.

#### Please sit

#### LAMB OF GOD



#### COMMUNION

All are welcome to share in communion this morning! Gluten-free wafers are available if needed. White grape juice is available in the center of the tray. If you would like to have communion brought to you in the pew, please don't hesitate to raise your hand to catch the traveling server's attention and also let the usher know. If you have questions about communion, contact Pastor Brad at: pastorbrad@epiphany-lutheran.com.

## COMMUNION HYMN ELW #656 Rlest Be the Tie That Binds



- 1 Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Chris-tian love;
- 2 Be fore our Fa ther's throne we pour our ar dent prayers;
- 3 We share our mu tual woes, our mu tual bur dens bear,
- 4 From sor row, toil, and pain, and sin we shall be free;



of heart and mind is like that the ni - ty to a - bove. com-forts and our cares. fears, our hopes, our aims are one. our flows the sym - pa - thiz - ing tear. and of - ten for each oth - er and per - fect love and friend-ship reign through all e - ter - ni - ty.

Text: John Fawcett, 1740-1817, alt.

Music: DENNIS, Johann G. Nägeli, 1773-1836, adapt.

#### Please stand

#### POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

- P May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the gifts of the bread and wine that we have shared, strengthen us and unite us in bonds of love and peace.
- C Amen.

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- A Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world.
- C Amen

#### WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT FOR THE WEEK

#### Please stand

#### **CLOSING HYMN**

## WOV #748 Bind Us Together



Bind us to - geth - er, Lord, bind us to - geth - er with cords that



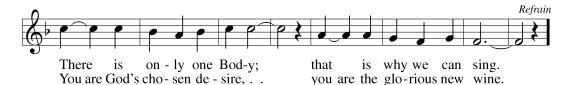


bind us to - geth-er, Lord; bind us to - geth-er in love.



- 1 There is on ly one God.
- 2 You are the fam-'ly of God.

There is on - ly one King. You are the prom-ise di - vine.



Text: Bob Gillman, b. 1946

Music: BIND US TOGETHER, Bob Gillman, b. 1946

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#### **DISMISSAL**

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

#### **POSTLUDE**

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