

Time after Epiphany

January 10 – February 14, 2021

Spoken Word Worship Service with
Holy Communion

10:00 am



Shepherd of the Mountains
Lutheran Church



WELCOME TO SHEPHERD OF THE MOUNTAINS LUTHERAN CHURCH!

In Christian worship, the Holy Spirit gathers people around the means of grace, the saving Word of God and the sacraments. From the table of communion where Jesus Christ comes with forgiveness, life, and salvation, God sends us out to share the good news and to care for those in need.

Whether you are a first-time guest, a regular friend or member, we hope that the Gospel speaks to you today. We encourage all persons to actively share in the worship of Almighty God, in hearing the Word read and preached, and in receiving the Word of Life in the Holy Communion.



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**Evangelical Lutheran Worship
Setting 3**



Worship

Worship is the work of the people. Worship is not about clergy processing around and telling the people what to do. For our liturgy is not a performance by the pastor, worship leaders, or congregation. It is rather a serious endeavor for all who are gathered by the Holy Spirit for the worship of God and proclamation of Jesus Christ. Worship involves all the congregation.

Worship also involves a variety of leadership skills. It involves lectors, cantors, leaders of prayer, assisting ministers, acolytes and others. In doing so, worship draws people together not for self-expression but rather, worship draws people together to be faithful to the Christian message and to communicate the gospel of God's gracious reign in Jesus Christ. Worship enables people to encounter or experience the God we proclaim.

Worship is inspirational, is faithful to the Christian message, and it communicates God's grace through Jesus Christ. Worship enables people to experience God. Worship rightfully involves all those gathered in the thanks and praise for our Lord Jesus Christ as well as in acts of theological reflection.

Worship is word and sign. We are gathered around Baptism, Scripture, and the table of our Lord. We celebrate the encounter with our risen Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ and the new creation of the world.

Worship is communal. It follows a simple witness traceable even to New Testament gatherings: gathering, reading of lessons, preaching, prayers, offering, thanksgiving, communion, and sending.

Worship allows Word and sign to cast a new light on the world and to revitalize us for Christ's mission.

GATHERING



PRELUDE

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
whose voice is upon the waters,
whose mercy is poured out upon all people,
whose goodness cascades over all creation.

C Amen.

P Let us confess our sin, trusting in the abundant grace of
God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Holy God,

C you search us and know us.

You are acquainted with all our ways.

We confess that our hearts are burdened by sin—
our own sins and the broken systems that bind us.

We turn inward, failing to follow
your outward way of love.

We distrust those who are not like us.

We exploit the earth and its resources
and fail to consider generations to come.

Forgive us, gracious God,
for all we have done and left undone.

Even before the words are on our tongues,
you know them;

receive them in your divine mercy.

Amen.

- ☐ How vast is God's grace!
Through the power and promise of ☩ Christ Jesus,
our sins are washed away
and we are claimed as God's own beloved.
Indeed, we are forgiven.
In the wake of God's forgiveness,
we are called to be the beloved community
living out Christ's justice
and the Spirit's reconciling peace.
- ☑ Amen.



GREETING

- ☐ The boundless grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the wisdom of God, and the light of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- ☑ And also with you.



PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P** Let us pray....
- C** Amen.

WORD

CHILDREN'S SERMON - *Please mute*



READINGS and PSALM

After the first and second reading the reader says,

- R** The Word of the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.



GOSPEL

The Gospel is announced.

- P** The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. _____, the ___ chapter.
- C** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

After the reading:

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

SERMON - *Please mute.*



NICENE CREED - (January 10th and February 14th)

**☑ We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven;
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and
the virgin Mary, and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge
the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic
and apostolic Church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism
for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

APOSTLES' CREED - (January 17th through February 7th)

**☐ 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** Guided by Christ made known to the nations, let us offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all people in need.

A brief silence.

After each portion of the prayers one of the following is said:

- A** ...let us pray
- C** **Have mercy, O God.**

The presiding minister concludes the prayers.

- P** Merciful God, hear the prayers of your people, spoken or silent, for the sake of the one who dwells among us, your Son, Jesus Christ our Savior.
- C** **Amen.**



PEACE – *Unmute and enable your video to visit online*

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C** **And also with you.**

The people greet each other with the peace of Christ.

MEAL

OFFERING



Please see link to Tithe.ly (Online Giving) on our webpage at

www.shepherdofthemountains.org

OR mail your offering to the church office.

We thank those that have given electronically.

SPECIAL MUSIC



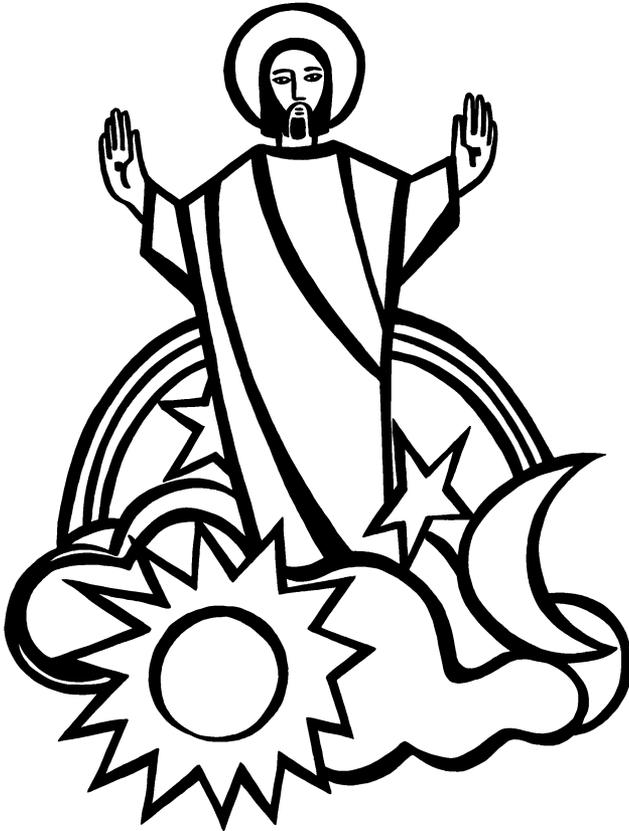
OFFERTORY PRAYER

- A** O God,
receive these gifts as you receive us:
like a mother receives her child, with arms open wide.
Nourish us anew in your tender care,
and empower us in faithful service
to tend to others with this same love,
through Jesus Christ, our saving grace.
- G** Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The presiding minister greets the assembly and invites all present to give thanks.

- 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 God thanks and praise.





PREFACE

Preface for Sundays during the Time after Epiphany, Jan 10th to Feb 7th:

- ☐ 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, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Preface for the Transfiguration of our Lord on February 14th:

- ☐ 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, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who, sharing our life, lived among us to reveal your glory and love, that our darkness should give way to your own brilliant light. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY – Congregation Spoken

- ☑ **Holy, Holy, holy are you,
God of power and might;
Heaven and earth are filled with your glory.
Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is the One who comes in your name.
Hosanna in the highest,
Hosanna in the highest!**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

- ☐ 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.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

- ☑ **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**



LORD'S PRAYER

- ☑ **Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever.
Amen.**

COMMUNION

☞ Beloved: here is bread; here is wine. Here is Jesus.
Come and be fed.

FOR DIGITAL COMMUNION

All are welcome to come forward virtually for Holy Communion in our online service. You do not need to be Lutheran, you do not need to be a member of Shepherd of the Mountains, and you do not need to worry about whether you commune in your own parish. Those communing may partake by providing their own bread and wine / grape juice at home. Our church can also supply you with prepackaged communion sets of a wafer and juice if you like. Gluten free is not available.

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say:

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

and each person may respond:

✠ **Amen.**



Distribution

Holy Communion is about command and promise. Our Lord commands us to eat bread and drink wine in remembrance of him. Yes, we come to the altar out of obedience to Christ but we also come to the altar in joyous response to the promise of God given to you and to me through Jesus Christ for our forgiveness and our salvation.

Anyone who believes in the promise of Jesus Christ is invited to join the community of Christ at the Lord's Table. We believe that Jesus is indeed present in the bread and the wine. We believe that Jesus, God, is with us here and now.

The Pastor offers a blessing for the congregation. The people respond:

☞ **Amen.**



PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A Christ Jesus,
at this table we have feasted on your very life
and are strengthened for our journey.
Send us forth from this banquet
nourished in body and in spirit
to proclaim your good news
and serve others in your name.

C Amen.



SENDING



ANNOUNCEMENTS...

BLESSING

- P** God the creator strengthen you;
Jesus the beloved fill you;
and the Holy Spirit the comforter ☩ keep you in peace.
- C** Amen.

SENDING

- A** Go in peace. Be the light of Christ.
- C** Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Thank you for joining us for our Online Worship Service today!



Sunday School Education will be with Ms. Erin. You can find the Video links on our website under Worship, then drop down to Education and there you will find the videos listed under Sunday School.



Rocky Mountain Synod

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

God's work. Our hands.

PURPOSE:

Every person, every congregation, every ministry, boldly serving God's mission in Christ.

GOALS:

■ **Identity**

We understand and articulate our Lutheran/Christian identity and have an intentional plan to live it out.

■ **Discipleship**

We have a transformed culture that considers faith formation and discipleship to be for all ages.

■ **Evangelism**

We have a transformed culture around evangelism that says, "We have something to share."

■ **Congregational Health**

We are healthy and able to go through transition and conflict in ways that lead to positive growth.

■ **Connections**

We increase synodical capacity to do God's work by strengthening connections between and within all expressions of our church.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES:

■ We are Lutheran

- ✓ Grace-centered in Christ.
- ✓ Biblically and confessionally grounded.
- ✓ Our faith is renewed constantly in experience of the living Word through Baptism, the Lord's Supper, the cross and resurrection.

■ We are Church

- ✓ Our primary unifying practice is weekly worship around Word and Sacrament and a grateful response of personal giving, service and hospitality.
- ✓ As the Body of Christ, our interdependence is a gift of God that we are called to live out.
- ✓ Our stories, worship, service and gifts are regularly magnified beyond us through collaborative partnerships that are local, synodical, national and global through the ELCA and beyond.

■ We are Evangelical

- ✓ By the work of Christ and the power of the Holy Spirit we can be open, gracious, strong and forgiving toward everyone.
- ✓ The gospel of Jesus Christ is not a possession to be safeguarded, but a means of grace and blessing to be flung into a broken world like seeds scattered to the earth.
- ✓ Effectiveness in any ministry is measured by how far we extend the reach of the Gospel and the reconciling love of God beyond our walls.

■ We are Empowered

- ✓ God is working in each of us for a more faithful future. Every gathering in grace and every ministry has more capacity to reach beyond itself than we know and more capacity for change than we have imagined.
- ✓ Cultivating leadership that dares to increase our collective wisdom and facilitates needed change.
- ✓ The Mission and Vision is not ours, but God's. We discern what God is doing in our midst and join God through our actions.



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ELCA VISION STATEMENT

“A church so deeply and confidently rooted in the Gospel of God's grace that we are free to give our life joyfully in witness and service.”

SHEPHERD OF THE MOUNTAINS MISSION STATEMENT

“God has called us to be in the mountains for good, centered in the story of Jesus for the sake of the world through worship, fellowship and service.”

WHEN WE SAY ALL ARE WELCOME, WE REALLY MEAN IT!

“We embrace diversity in our congregation and community, and we affirm the dignity and worth of every person created in the image of God. We honor the guiding principle that discrimination is incompatible with Christ’s message of unconditional love. We welcome into full membership and participation in all aspects of our church life persons of every race, language, national origin, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identify or expression, physical or mental ability, economic or marital status, and faith background, and we affirm and celebrate all loving and committed relationships.”

ALL ARE WELCOME

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