

**FIFTH SUNDAY**  
**AFTER EPIPHANY**



February 9, 2025 9:00 AM

**CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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# CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

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*Welcome to worship at Christ Lutheran Church! For all attending, we invite you to sign in on the friendship pad in your pew.*

*We gratefully acknowledge that we gather on the ancestral homelands of the Lummi Nation of the Coast Salish language group who have stewarded this land since time immemorial, and we commit to the ongoing care of our shared land and relationships with its indigenous peoples.*

*For our younger friends - there are busy bags and worship buddies available in the back of the church. You are welcome to bring your child to the Pray Ground (accessed outside the sanctuary entrance) for any portion of the service, where you can listen to the service through a speaker.*

*Hearing assist units and large print bulletins are available as you enter the sanctuary. Please see an usher for assistance with these or any part of the worship service.*

*We encourage you to participate in worship at your comfort level. **The congregation reads the bold print and** stands as they are able.*

## SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9 — PARTICIPATING IN OUR CHURCH

**Presiding:** *Pr. Liza Okan*

**Greeter:** *Carol Gahm*

**Ushers:** *George & Susan Holmes*

**Communion Assistant:** *Carol Gahm*

**Youth Assistant:** *Veda Andersen*

**Reader:** *George Holmes*

**Prayers of Intercession:** *Susan Holmes*

**Team:** *Matt Springer, Jenise Clausen, Linda Osgood, Janet Wilhoite*

**Cantor:** *Jenise Clausen*

**Piano/Organ:** *Don Clausen*

**Violin:** *Joanne Donnellan*

**Flute:** *Nancy Tupper*

**Altar Guild:** *Janet Wilhoite*

**Livestream Technician:** *Beth Andres*

**Soundboard Technician:** *Sam McGrady*

**Liturgical Setting:** *God's Endless Love - Bonnie Drewes*

# Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Lectionary 5, Year C

Sunday — February 9, 2025 — 9:00am

## GATHERING

### PRELUDE

"Meet Us Here"

CLC TEAM

"Holy Holy"

CLC TEAM

### WELCOME

PR. LIZA OKAN

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

PR. LIZA

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
our creator,  
our protector,  
our wellspring of life.

**Amen.**

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

Merciful God,

**you speak blessing and 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.**

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.

**Amen.**

## GATHERING HYMN

## "Let the Whole Creation Cry"

ELW #876

## GREETING

PR. LIZA

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

**And also with you.**

## KYRIE

♩ = 96

REFRAIN

Fine

L Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son Ky - ri - e. 1. For  
2. For  
3. Up-

C Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son, Lord have mer - cy.

VERSE 1

to refrain

L Peace O Lord, to you we pray. We lift our hearts\_ to you this day.

C Ky-ri-e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e.

VERSE 2

to refrain

L this bro-ken world we cry to you. May your grace be shown in all we do.

C Ky-ri-e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e.

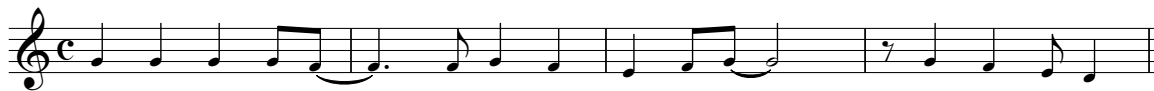
VERSE 3

to refrain

L on your cre-a - tion pour your love, that your king dom come here as in heav'n a bove

C Ky ri-e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e.

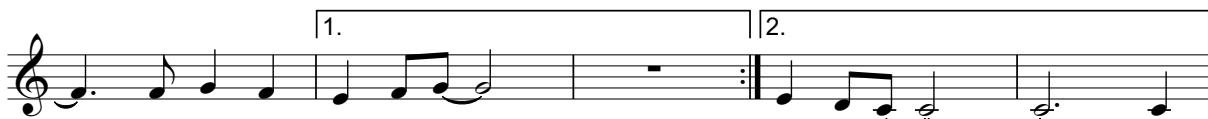
## CANTICLE OF PRAISE



## REFRAIN



Praise God in the tem - ple\_\_\_ in the high - est hea - vens. Praise God's migh - ty deeds



\_\_\_ and nob - le maj - es - ty. \_\_\_

maj - es - ty. \_\_\_ 1. Praise  
2. Sing



God with the trum - pet\_\_\_ blast!\_\_\_ Praise God with the lute and\_\_\_ harp!  
praise to\_\_\_ God cre - a - tor; to Christ,\_\_\_ who sets us\_\_\_ free,



\_\_\_ Praise God the tim - brel and dance, with string and pipes!\_\_\_ Praise  
\_\_\_ and to the spir - it of life who makes us one. \_\_\_ Praise



God with crash - ing cym - bals, with loud and ring - ing cym - bals!  
God with sing - ing voi - ces, with strong and faith - ful voi - ces!

## To Refrain



All that is a - live\_\_\_ praise the Lord!\_\_\_

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

PR. LIZA

Most holy God,

**the earth is filled with your glory, and before you angels and saints stand in awe. Enlarge our vision to see your power at work in the world, and by your grace make us heralds of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

**Amen.**

*You may be seated.*

WORD
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## THE FIRST READING: ISAIAH 6:1-8 [9-13]

<sup>1</sup>In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. <sup>2</sup>Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. <sup>3</sup>And one called to another and said:

“Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts;  
the whole earth is full of his glory.”

<sup>4</sup>The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. <sup>5</sup>And I said: “Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!”

<sup>6</sup>Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. <sup>7</sup>The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: “Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.” <sup>8</sup>Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” And I said, “Here am I; send me!” [<sup>9</sup>And he said, “Go and say to this people:

‘Keep listening, but do not comprehend;  
keep looking, but do not understand.’

<sup>10</sup>Make the mind of this people dull,  
and stop their ears,  
and shut their eyes,  
so that they may not look with their eyes,  
and listen with their ears,  
and comprehend with their minds,  
and turn and be healed.”

<sup>11</sup>Then I said, “How long, O Lord?” And he said:  
“Until cities lie waste without inhabitant,

and houses without people,  
 and the land is utterly desolate;  
<sup>12</sup>until the Lord sends everyone far away,  
 and vast is the emptiness in the midst of the land.  
<sup>13</sup>Even if a tenth part remain in it,  
 it will be burned again,  
 like a terebinth or an oak  
 whose stump remains standing  
 when it is felled.”  
 The holy seed is its stump.]

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

### PSALM: PSALM 138

<sup>1</sup>I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart;  
 before the gods I will sing your praise.

**<sup>2</sup>I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name, because of your steadfast love and faithfulness; for you have glorified your name and your word above all things.**

<sup>3</sup>When I called, you answered me;  
 you increased my strength within me.

**<sup>4</sup>All the rulers of the earth will praise you, O Lord, when they have heard the words of your mouth.**

<sup>5</sup>They will sing of the ways of the Lord,  
 that great is the glory of the Lord.

**<sup>6</sup>The Lord is high, yet cares for the lowly, perceiving the haughty from afar.**

<sup>7</sup>Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe;  
 you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me.

**<sup>8</sup>You will make good your purpose for me; O Lord, your steadfast love endures forever; do not abandon the works of your hands.**

### THE SECOND READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 15:1-11

<sup>1</sup>Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, <sup>2</sup>through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain.

<sup>3</sup>For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that

Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, <sup>4</sup>and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, <sup>5</sup>and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. <sup>6</sup>Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. <sup>7</sup>Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. <sup>8</sup>Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. <sup>9</sup>For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. <sup>10</sup>But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. <sup>11</sup>Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*\*Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation\**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia, Lord to whom shall we go?



You have the words of ev-er - last-ing life. Al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia.

## THE GOSPEL: LUKE 5:1-11

PR. LIZA

The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, <sup>2</sup>he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. <sup>3</sup>He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. <sup>4</sup>When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, “Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch.” <sup>5</sup>Simon answered, “Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets.” <sup>6</sup>When they had done this,

they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. <sup>7</sup>So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. <sup>8</sup>But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" <sup>9</sup>For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; <sup>10</sup>and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." <sup>11</sup>When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*You may be seated.*

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PR. LIZA

## THE MESSAGE

PR. LIZA

## HYMN OF THE DAY

"You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore"

ELW# 817

## APOSTLES' CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**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<sup>2</sup>.**

**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

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

*A brief silence.*

God of surprising abundance, you call your people to enter deeply into the world. Equip us to respond to your call, gather up what we have, and offer it to all. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

God of creation, provide protection from the elements and other hazards to all whose work brings them outside: for fishers, ranchers, line workers, and construction crews. Guide us to live carefully alongside the wonders of the land and waters. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Open the hearts of all leaders, especially those who serve in the armed forces, that they respond to their commission with wisdom and patience. Ensure that all who serve are kept safe in body, mind, and spirit. We pray for an end to all war and armed conflict. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Fill with your compassionate presence all who are suffering from addiction, mental illness, injury, or illness of any kind (especially). Draw helpers to their side so that they find relief from their burdens. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Call our faith communities to do marvelous things. Bless the labor and efforts of this congregation, that we may be a sign of your presence in the world. God of grace, hear our prayer.

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

We thank you for those who have courageously gone before us in the faith (especially). May we too show a deep trust in you throughout our lives. 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.**

## THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

PR. LIZA

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

# MEAL

## GIFT OF MUSIC

"A Servant's Heart"  
by Hamilton/Clausen

CLC TEAM

## CALL FOR OFFERING

*Stewardship is a response of gratitude and thanksgiving for what God has done for us. You are invited to respond to God's gifts with your own financial gifts through the offering. You may use offering envelopes (extras found at the end of the hymnal rack) or give using any of these ways:*

- *Mail checks to the CLC P.O. Box 845 or send a check through your bank's Bill Pay service. Please be sure to add "Attn: Financial Secretary" to the envelope;*
- *Give through the Church Center App (use QR code to download the app);*
- *Give through Church Center online: [christ-lutheran-church-ferndale.churchcenter.com](http://christ-lutheran-church-ferndale.churchcenter.com); and;*
- *Text any dollar amount to 84321.*



## THE OFFERING IS PRESENTED AND THE TABLE IS PREPARED

With all we have we wait for God, our hearts re -

F/A      C      F/C      C      Bb/C      Dm

joyce with love in the Lord. We give to God, our strength and

Am      Gm      F/A      C      C#°      Dm      Eb      F

shield, we trust your ho - ly name, Love us, Lord, we wait for you.

## OFFERING PRAYER

PR. LIZA

God of grace,

**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.**

## INTRODUCTION TO COMMUNION

PR. LIZA

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

PR. LIZA

The Lord be with you

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

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:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly,  
God of end - less love, heav'n and an - gels sing your glo - ry, prais - es from a -  
bove. Ho - san - na in the high - est! We join in the  
song, you are ho - ly, you are here with us now.

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,  
who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,  
who preached good news to the poor,  
and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

On the night of his arrest,  
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.

Remembering, therefore, Jesus' death, resurrection, and ascension, we await Christ's  
coming in glory. Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord,  
and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food,  
the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord:  
to who, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.  
**Amen.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

PR. LIZA

*Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us in the language of  
our hearts.*

### 1983 Version

**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.**

### 1892 Version

**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,**  
    **for ever and ever.**  
**Amen.**

## INVITATION TO TABLE

PR. LIZA

The joy of the Lord is our strength. Come, eat this meal of gladness.

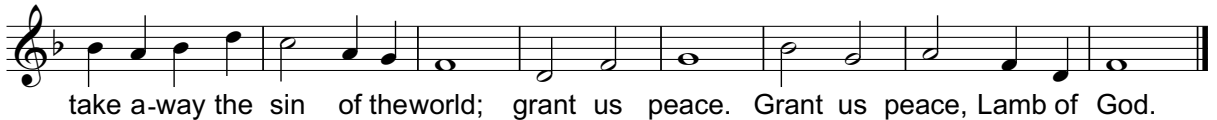
*\*You may be seated.\**

## COMMUNION

*All who desire a renewed relationship with Jesus, who is present in the bread and wine, are welcome to participate in Holy Communion. Children of any age, with the consent of a parent or guardian, are welcome to commune, or may come forward to receive a blessing instead. Please come forward at the direction of the ushers. If you have any allergies or sensitivities to gluten, wheat, yeast, dairy, soy, nut, or corn, please ask for the wafer alternative, as they are made in a facility that is free of these allergens.*

*If you prefer to take communion at your seat, please notify an usher to have it brought to you. Communion education is available for those who have not been baptized or who desire instruction; please speak with the pastor after worship.*

## COMMUNION HYMN: Lamb of God



## MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

"Will You Come and Follow Me?"

ELW #798

"Here I am, Lord"

ELW #574

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

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.**

**SENDING**
**ANNOUNCEMENTS, BIRTH/BATHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES**

PR. LIZA

*Happy birth/birthday to you, happy anniversary to you,  
may the Lord bless and keep you another year through.*

**BLESSING**

PR. LIZA

The Spirit of the triune God  
✠ bless you with joy,  
anoint you with compassion,  
and send you in love.

**Amen.**

**SENDING HYMN**

"Take My Life That I May Be"

ELW #583

**DISMISSAL**

PR. LIZA

Go in peace. Live in hope.

**Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**
**Upcoming Dates at CLC (\*see more information in eNews!)**

**2/9:** Today! Usher Training after worship, Sanctuary

**2/10:** Quilting, 9:00am-Noon, Fellowship Hall

**2/12:** Walk & Talk\* & Preschool Open House\*

**2/17:** President's Day; no preschool/office closed

**2/16:** One Parish One Prisoner Community Ed: 10:30am, Fireside Room

**2/23:** Bible 101 Community Ed with Pr. Leigh: 10:30am, Fireside Room

**3/2:** No Community Ed

## Please hold these people in prayer:

- The family and friends Rosemary Esser, Claydene Lederer;
- Rachel, Mary K., Scott, Paula, Marina, Ruthanne, Nancy, Sean, Mike, Teri, Jeremiah, Ken, Pat, Carol, Mary Ann, Janet, Sarah, Sara, Caitlin, Jacob, Christine, Ashley, Amore, Amber, Darryl, Victoria, John, Rosemary, Angel, Eric, Kim, Lucia, Michele, Ken, Tony, Amanda, Rick, Jim, Kevin, Lindsey, Kent, Leslie, Rob, Paul, Aimee, Kennedy Sue, Luna, Jo Ann, Shane, Rich, Pam, Connor, Lynn, Ken, Kathy, Nathan, Carolyn, Howard;
- all those suffering in body, mind, or spirit due to COVID-19;
- all who are homebound, or in assisted living facilities;
- those who travel;
- Brandon, Ron, Gage, Melissa, Robert, Scott, Thomas, Rick, and all serving in the military;
- those struggling with addictions and illnesses affecting the mind and spirit;
- those struggling with deteriorating health.



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*“We live in Christ, and share his love with all people.”*

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