

# Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

St. Andrew Lutheran Church

February 9, 2025



# Welcome to St. Andrew!

At St. Andrew Lutheran Church, we strive to be a loving and welcoming community of faith. We are centered in the Good News of Jesus Christ, who calls us to reconciliation and wholeness in a world of alienation and brokenness.

All are welcome, without exception, regardless of race, ethnicity, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, physical or mental ability, education, income, or family status.

All are welcome here to worship God, receive the sacraments, and share in fellowship, leadership, and service. We commit to treasuring one another's similarities and differences as one body in Christ.

We are called to provide a safe space in the community as we break down the barriers of isolation. We will continue to discover what it means to be "Reconciling in Christ."

"Welcome one another therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God."  
- Romans 15:7

## Orientation to the Service

**This bulletin** will guide you through the entire service. Started on page 3, words printed in **bold** are for everyone to say aloud together. Instructions and information are printed in *italics*.

**Hymns (songs)** are found in the hymnals in the pew racks in front of your seat.

ELW = Evangelical Lutheran Worship (red hymnal)

ACS = All Creation Sings (blue hymnal)

**Green-topped Welcome Cards** are found in the pew racks in front of your seat. We would love for guests, visitors, and anyone in need of prayer or more information about the church to fill one out. Please place it in the offering plate or hand it to an usher after the service.

**Children are welcome in worship!** God put the wiggle in children, so please do not feel you have to shush or suppress those wiggles in God's house. All are welcome here! Consider sitting toward the front where it is easier for children to see and hear what is happening in the service. There are worship activity bags available for children on a shelf in the back of the sanctuary, and a staffed nursery is available for very young ones. Ask an usher if you need help locating it.

**Restrooms** can be found by exiting the back of the sanctuary and turning right. Walk straight until you pass the coffee bar, and you will find the women's and men's restrooms to your right. A gender-neutral, ADA-compliant restroom will be found to your left, near the entrance to the kitchen.

**Online access** to the bulletin and hymns: [standrewlutheran.com/worship/worship-bulletins/](http://standrewlutheran.com/worship/worship-bulletins/)

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*The fifth Sunday after Epiphany continues to highlight unlikely instruments and circumstances appointed to reveal God's glory. "Who will go for us?" God asks. A person of unclean lips, a former persecutor of the church of God, and three fishermen who couldn't catch a thing. More surprising still, perhaps, is that we are also called.*

PRELUDE "Creating God, Your Fingers Trace" arr. Marianne Kim  
Lindsey Lane, piano

## GATHERING

THE HOLY SPIRIT CALLS US TOGETHER AS THE PEOPLE OF GOD.

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*The congregation may stand.*

### HYMN OF PRAISE

Now the Feast and Celebration (ELW 167)

### GREETING

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.**

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

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.**

*The congregation is seated.*

# WORD

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN SCRIPTURE READING, PREACHING, AND SONG.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Allison Bengfort

READING

Isaiah 6:1-8

A reading from Isaiah.

<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!"

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

*The congregation may stand.*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

You have the words of e-ter-nal life. Al-le-lu - ia! —

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 gotten 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 burst. <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's 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 astounded 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.**

*The congregation is seated.*

SERMON

Sister India Jensen Kerr

*The congregation may stand.*

HYMN OF THE DAY

Creating God, Your Fingers Trace (ELW 684)

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

*All are invited to share a sign of peace with one another (handshake, hug, peace sign, etc.).  
Placing your hands together in a praying position will signal to those around you that you  
prefer not to physically touch others.*

*The congregation is seated.*

## STEWARDSHIP PRESENTATION & TESTIMONY

### ***MEAL***

*GOD FEEDS US WITH THE PRESENCE OF JESUS CHRIST.*

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## INVITATION TO OFFERING

*Contributions to St. Andrew Lutheran Church may be placed in the offering plate or  
made online ([standrewlutheran.com/give](http://standrewlutheran.com/give)). Thank you for your generosity!*

OFFERING

“The Loving God Who Made Us All” arr. Andrew Birling  
Sanctuary Choir

The loving God who made us all has given gifts to each.  
For some are gifted with a saw, while some are called to preach.  
And some are called to work with young, while others care for old.  
The different gifts that each one has create a special whole.

The loving Christ who walked on earth saw everyone the same:  
The tax collector, fisherman, the wealthy, and the lame.  
His care for each saw past their face and saw their heart inside.  
And for them all he gave his life when on the cross he died.

The loving Spirit with us now has called us all to be  
A loving presence in the world to all God’s family.  
To welcome those within our midst with more than passing nod.  
To celebrate the lives and loves of every child of God!

*The congregation may stand.*

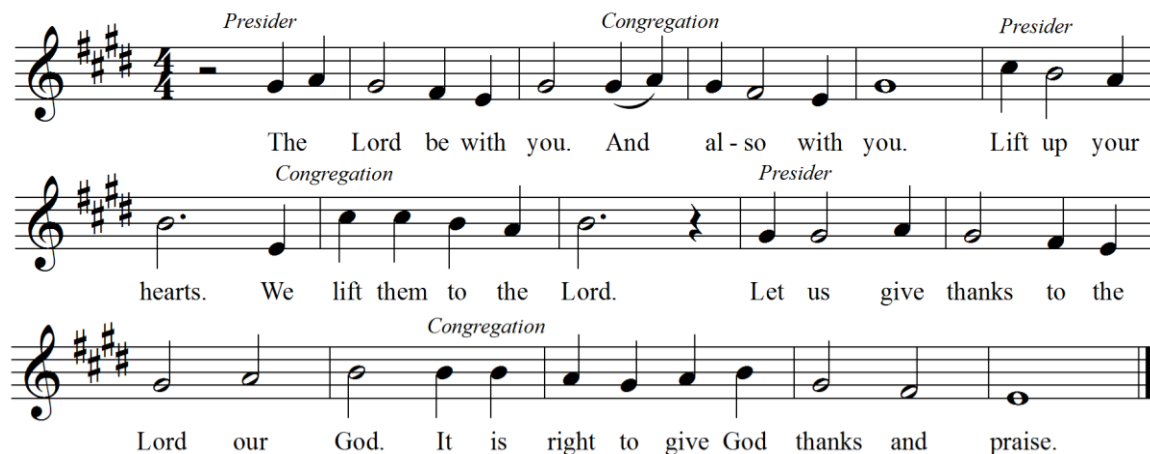
OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray.

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.**

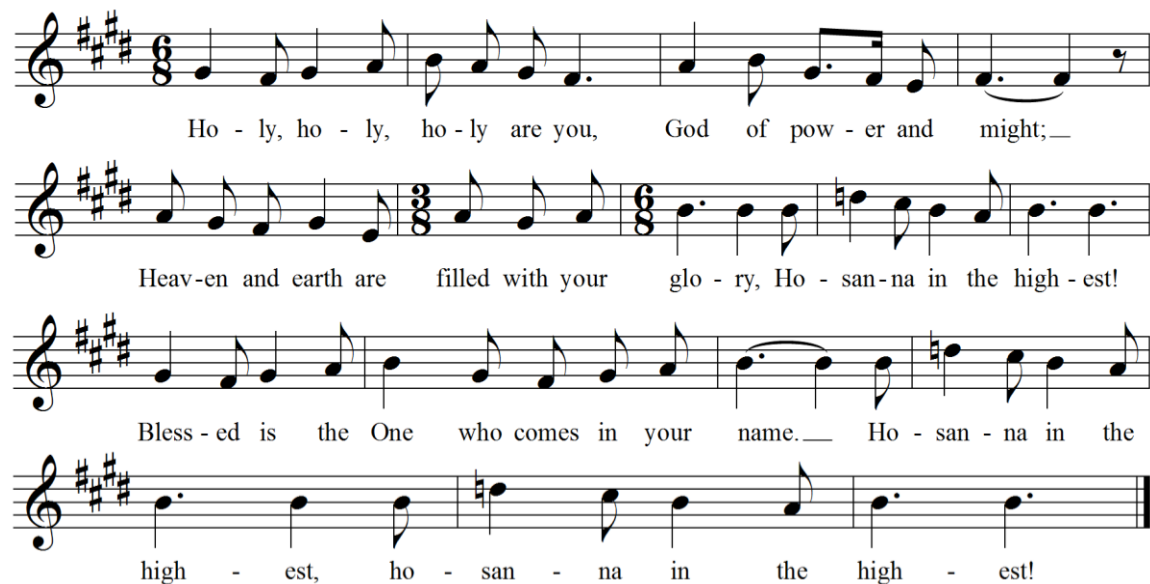
## DIALOGUE



*Presider* The Lord be with you. And al-so with you. Lift up your  
*Congregation* hearts. We lift them to the Lord. *Presider* Let us give thanks to the  
*Congregation* Lord our God. It is right to give God thanks and praise.

## PREFACE

### HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and might;—  
Heav-en and earth are filled with your glo - ry, Ho - san-na in the high - est!  
Bless - ed is the One who comes in your name.— Ho - san - na in the  
high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE



## LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is 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.**

*The congregation is seated.*

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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

*All are invited to commune without exception! At the direction of an usher, those wishing to commune may proceed down the center aisle. A piece of gluten-free bread will be placed in your hands. You may dip the bread in the cup of wine (red chalice) or the cup of grape juice (light-colored chalice), or you may choose to partake of the bread only. If you prefer not to receive communion but would like to receive a blessing, please cross your arms across your chest to indicate this preference. If you would like to receive communion in your seat, please alert an usher, and the elements will be brought to you.*

## LAMB OF GOD

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have  
break the chains of hat - red and fear:  
are the way of just - ice and peace:  
are the way of mer - cy and love:

mer - cy on us, mer - cy on us, mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world:  
grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

When in Our Music God Is Glorified (ELW 851)

*The congregation may stand.*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

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***

*GOD BLESSES US AND SENDS US IN MISSION TO THE WORLD.*

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BLESSING

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

**Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

Let All Things Now Living (ELW 881)

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Live in hope.

**Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

“Let All Things Now Living”  
Lindsey Lane, piano

Thomas Keesecker

## Serving in Worship

Presider: Pastor Allison Bengfort  
Preacher: Sister India Jensen Kerr  
Assisting Minister: LuAnn Staul  
Acolyte: Elsa McQueen  
Altar Flowers:  
Altar Guild: Kim Taylor Blakemore  
Communion Assistants:  
    Julie & Jim Aageson  
Greeters: Michelle & Randy Sinn  
Lector: Lee Anne Knapp  
Musician: Lindsey Lane

Nursery Attendants: Amy McQueen  
Sanctuary Choir: Gretchen Bancroft,  
    Pat Christiansen, Kristie Gladhill,  
    Liz Hardy, Julie Larson, John Reiser,  
    Lynn Santelmann, Janet Vorvick,  
    Carol Werner  
Tech Team:  
Ushers: Dan Fako, Tom Lane  
Worship Coordinator: Pam Jelineo  
Zoom Host: Marlan Bell

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