

# January 15, 2023: Second Sunday after Epiphany

## **JESUS APPEARS: AS THE LAMB OF GOD**

**Hymn: 550 Lamb of God**

*Stand*

### **Invocation**

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

**Amen.**

### **Confession**

Blessed are they whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered.

**Blessed are they whose sin the Lord does not count against them.**

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

**Almighty and merciful Father,**

**we have strayed from your ways like lost sheep.**

**We have followed what we have devised and desired in our hearts.**

**We have offended you and sinned against your holy law.**

**We have done those things that we should not have done,**

**and we have not done those things that we should have done.**

**Have mercy on us, Lord!**

**Spare us, forgive us, and restore us,**

**according to your promises in Christ Jesus.**

*Silence for meditation and reflection*

## Declaration of Grace

God, our merciful Father, has forgiven all our sins. He sent his Son, Jesus Christ, to be our Redeemer and Savior. Jesus paid the penalty for our guilt by his death on the cross and freed us from death by his resurrection from the grave. We have peace with God now and forever.

Amen.

## Holy Baptism

10:30 am

## Glory to God in the Highest

*Tune: MISSIONARY HYMN*



1 To God on high be glo - ry and peace to all the earth,  
2 O Lamb of God ex - alt - ed, you take all sin a - way;



for God has shown his fa - vor in Je - sus' ho - ly birth!  
ex - tend to us your mer - cy and hear us as we pray.



Al - might-y God and Fa - ther, our hum - ble thanks we bring;  
With God the Ho - ly Spir - it, at God the Fa - ther's throne,



we wor - ship you, we bless you, Lord God, our heav'n - ly King.  
you reign, O Christ, for - ev - er, for you are Lord a - lone!

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# The Word

## Salutation

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

## Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you gave your one and only Son to be the light of the world. Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and believed to the ends of the earth; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

*Be seated*

## First Reading

*Isaiah 49:1–6*

<sup>1</sup>Listen to me, you islands;  
hear this, you distant nations:  
Before I was born the LORD called me;  
from my mother's womb he has spoken my name.  
<sup>2</sup>He made my mouth like a sharpened sword,  
in the shadow of his hand he hid me;  
he made me into a polished arrow  
and concealed me in his quiver.  
<sup>3</sup>He said to me, "You are my servant,  
Israel, in whom I will display my splendor."  
<sup>4</sup>But I said, "I have labored in vain;  
I have spent my strength for nothing at all.

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Yet what is due me is in the LORD's hand,  
and my reward is with my God."

<sup>5</sup>And now the LORD says—

he who formed me in the womb to be his servant  
to bring Jacob back to him  
and gather Israel to himself,  
for I am honored in the eyes of the LORD  
and my God has been my strength—

<sup>6</sup>he says:

"It is too small a thing for you to be my servant  
to restore the tribes of Jacob  
and bring back those of Israel I have kept.

I will also make you a light for the Gentiles,  
that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth."

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Male Chorus: "From God the Father Virgin Born"**

*Sunday 8 and 10:30 am*

**Second Reading**

*Colossians 2:6–15*

<sup>6</sup>So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him,  
<sup>7</sup>rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing  
with thankfulness.

<sup>8</sup>See to it that no one takes you captive through hollow and deceptive philosophy, which  
depends on human tradition and the elemental spiritual forces of this world rather than  
on Christ.

<sup>9</sup>For in Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form, <sup>10</sup>and in Christ you have  
been brought to fullness. He is the head over every power and authority. <sup>11</sup>In him you were  
also circumcised with a circumcision not performed by human hands. Your whole self  
ruled by the flesh was put off when you were circumcised by Christ, <sup>12</sup>having been buried  
with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through your faith in the  
working of God, who raised him from the dead.

<sup>13</sup>When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, <sup>14</sup>having canceled the charge of our legal indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us; he has taken it away, nailing it to the cross. <sup>15</sup>And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.

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

*Stand*

### Gospel Acclamation

1 John 2:2



*Refrain*

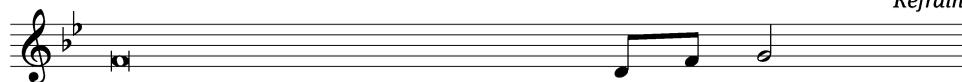


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*Tone*



Jesus Christ is the atoning sacrifice for our sins,



and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world.

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## Gospel

John 1:29–41

<sup>29</sup>The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, “Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! <sup>30</sup>This is the one I meant when I said, ‘A man who comes after me has surpassed me because he was before me.’ <sup>31</sup>I myself did not know him, but the reason I came baptizing with water was that he might be revealed to Israel.”

<sup>32</sup>Then John gave this testimony: “I saw the Spirit come down from heaven as a dove and remain on him. <sup>33</sup>And I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water told me, ‘The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and remain is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.’ <sup>34</sup>I have seen and I testify that this is God’s Chosen One.”

<sup>35</sup>The next day John was there again with two of his disciples. <sup>36</sup>When he saw Jesus passing by, he said, “Look, the Lamb of God!”

<sup>37</sup>When the two disciples heard him say this, they followed Jesus. <sup>38</sup>Turning around, Jesus saw them following and asked, “What do you want?”

They said, “Rabbi” (which means “Teacher”), “where are you staying?”

<sup>39</sup>“Come,” he replied, “and you will see.”

So they went and saw where he was staying, and they spent that day with him. It was about four in the afternoon.

<sup>40</sup>Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, was one of the two who heard what John had said and who had followed Jesus. <sup>41</sup>The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon and tell him, “We have found the Messiah” (that is, the Christ).

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise be to you, O Christ!**

*Be seated*

## Hymn of the Day: 375 Arise and Shine in Splendor



1 A - rise and shine in splen - dor; let night to  
2 See earth in dark - ness ly - ing, the hea - then  
3 Lift up your eyes in won - der— see, na - tions  
4 Your heart will leap for glad - ness when from the



day sur - ren - der. Your light is draw - ing near.  
na - tions dy - ing in hope - less gloom and night.  
gath - er yon - der from sin to be set free.  
realms of sad - ness they come from near and far.



A - bove, the day is beam - ing, in match - less beau - ty  
To you the Lord of heav - en— your life, your hope— has  
The world has heard your sto - ry; her sons come to your  
Your eyes will wake from slum - ber as peo - ple with - out



gleam - ing; the glo - ry of the Lord is here.  
giv - en great glo - ry, hon - or, and de - light.  
glo - ry, her daugh - ters haste your light to see.  
num - ber re - joice to see the Morn - ing Star.

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**Sermon: Colossians 2:6-15**

*Pastor Joe Gawel*

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## **Nicene Creed**

**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 in unity with the Father and the Son  
is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy Christian 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.**

*Be seated*

## Prayer of the Church

### Lord's Prayer

**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.**

### Offering

*Notes for Holy Communion: Ushers will direct you forward to the waiting line. Wafers are distributed to each person's hand. If you need a gluten-free wafer, hold your hand palm down. Non-alcoholic white wine is located in the center of each tray of cups. If you need assistance taking the cup, hold up your hand and the distributor will pour the cup into your mouth.*

## The Sacrament

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## Words of Institution

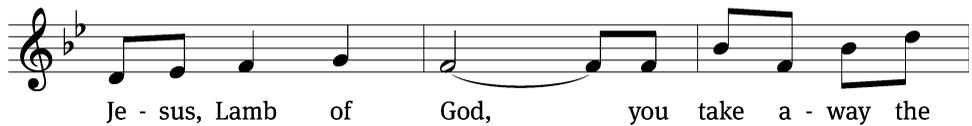
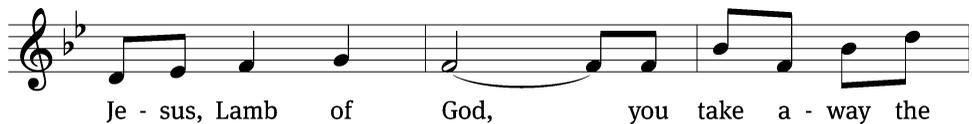
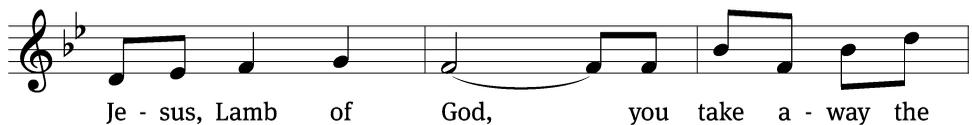
Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my † body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my † blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**Amen.**

## Jesus, Lamb of God





## **Blessing**

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.

**Amen.**

**Presiding Minister:**

*Pastor Robert Raasch*

**Male Chorus:**

*Jerry Gronholz*

**Male Chorus: Accompanist**

*Sharon Meyer*

**Sunday Organist:**

*Klint Kaddatz*

**Monday Organist:**

*Jon Riehle*

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