

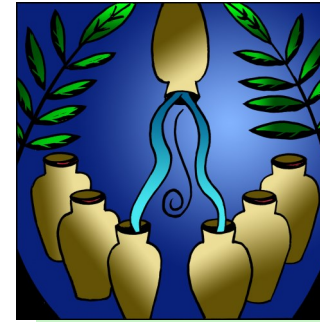


New to
our church?

Welcome!

We're excited you are joining our worship and would like to get to know you. Please take a moment to fill out the **Welcome** card by the entrance and drop it off in the narthex or church office. If you are interested in joining our church, please contact Pastor Luke.

Enjoy the service!



2nd Sunday After Epiphany

First English Lutheran Church
Sunday, January 19, 2025

PRELUDE

"The Gifts Christ Freely Gives"

by Mark Knickelbein

Welcome

ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Please stand.)

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Leader: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, our creator, our protector, our wellspring of life.

People: Amen.

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

People: 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.

Leader: 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.

People: Amen.

GATHERING

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

People: And also with you.

GATHERING HYMN

"Open Our Eyes, Lord"

by Bob Cull

Verse - sing twice

Open our eyes Lord

We want to see Jesus

To reach out and touch Him

And say that we love Him

Open our ears Lord

And help us to listen

Open our eyes Lord

We want to see Jesus

PRAYER OF THE DAY

All: Lord God, source of every blessing, you showed forth your glory and led many to faith by the works of your Son, who brought gladness and salvation to his people. Transform us by the Spirit of his love, that we may find our life together in him, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

(Please be seated.)

Word

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Maddie Patterson

PSALM Psalm 36:5-10

Kay Sabin

⁵Your love, O LORD, reaches to the heavens,
and your faithfulness to the clouds.

⁶**Your righteousness is like the strong mountains, your justice like the great deep;
you save humankind and animals, O LORD.**

⁷How priceless is your love, O God!
All people take refuge under the shadow of your wings.

⁸**They feast upon the abundance of your house;
you give them drink from the river of your delights.**

⁹For with you is the well of life,
and in your light we see light.

¹⁰**Continue your lovingkindness to those who know you,
and your favor to those who are true of heart.**

READING 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Kay Sabin

¹ Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. ² You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. ³ Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says “Let Jesus be cursed!” and no one can say “Jesus is Lord” except by the Holy Spirit.

⁴ Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵ and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶ and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷ To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸ To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹ to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰ to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹ All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

faith and life conversations

God the Tailor

Genesis 2:4b – 3:24. What does the second story tell us about the world, our human experience of it and the character of God? Why is the character in this story so different from the character in the first? What does this story tell us about the passionate and compassionate side of God? Conversations will be led by Bill Peterson.

Today after Worship

Mark Your Calendars!



**Congregational Meeting!
Sunday, Jan. 26**

Our annual congregational meeting is scheduled for Sunday, January 26 after worship! All hands are needed for this official meeting.

Upcoming Schedule

Sunday, Jan 19

10:15—10:45 am Sunday School Classes
and Faith and Life Conversations

Wednesday, Jan 22

1 pm Staff Meeting
6 pm Confirmation Supper and Classes

Thursday, Jan 23

3-6 pm Cannon Falls Food Shelf

Sunday, Jan 26

9 am Worship, Annual Congregational
Meeting Following
10:15—10:45 am Sunday School Classes

Wednesday, Jan 29

1 pm Staff Meeting
6 pm Confirmation Supper and Classes

Thursday, Jan 30

3-6 pm Cannon Falls Food Shelf

Music

The Gifts Christ Freely Gives

Author: Mark Knickelbein
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Open Our Eyes

Author: Bob Cull
© 1976 CCCM Music

Jesus, Come! For We Invite You

Author: Christopher Idle, b. 1938
Composer: Harold Friedell, 1905-1958

O Day of Peace

Author: C. Hubert Parry
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Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise

Liturgy of Joy
Composer: James M. Capers, b. 1948

Now We Join in Celebration

Author: Joel W. Lundeen, 1918-1990
Composer: Johann Cruger, 1598-1662

By Your Hand You Feed Your People

Author: Susan R. Briehl, b. 1952
Composer: Marty Haugen, b. 1950

Come with US, O Blessed Jesus

Author: John Henry Hopkins Jr. 1820-1891
Composer: Johann Schop, 1600-1665

The Thankful Heart Rejoices

Author: Edward Broughton
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(Please stand.)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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GOSPEL John 2:1-11

The gospel according to John.

People: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹ On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there.

² Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³ When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." ⁴ And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." ⁵ His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." ⁶ Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷ Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸ He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. ⁹ When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom ¹⁰ and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." ¹¹ Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

The gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, O Christ.

(Please be seated.)

SERMON

Pastor Luke Hollander

(Please stand.)

HYMN OF THE DAY "Jesus, Come! For We Invite You" ELW 312

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Pastor Luke Hollander

At the conclusion of each prayer, "God of Grace,"

People: Hear our prayer.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

(Please be seated.)

Meal

OFFERING

OFFERING MUSIC

"O Day of Peace"

by C. Hubert Parry

(Please stand.)

OFFERTORY RESPONSE "Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise" ELW 205

OFFERTORY PRAYER

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**All: 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.

(Please be seated.)

COMMUNION

LAMB OF GOD

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COMMUNION HYMN *"Now We Join in Celebration"* ELW 462

"By Your Hand You Feed Your People" ELW 469

(Please stand.)

COMMUNION PRAYER

Sending

BLESSING

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

People: Amen.

SENDING HYMN *"Come with Us, O Blessed Jesus"* ELW 501

DISMISSAL

Leader: Go in peace. Live in hope.

People: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

"The Thankful Heart Rejoices" by Edward Broughton

Worship Participants

Pastor Luke Hollander

Director of Children, Youth and Families: Maddie Patterson

Accompanist: Deb Stark

Ushers: Third Grade Families; Lay Reader: Kay Sabin

Offering Officer: Julie Gergen; Communion Assistants: Emily Peterson, Kay Sabin

Technical Team: Gary Anderson, Karen Anderson, Steve Gesme, Lynette Pagel

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