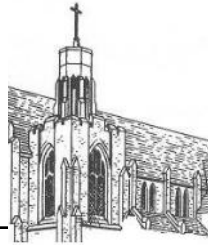




FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

January 21, 2024
8:30 am Spirited Traditional
Third Sunday after Epiphany



P = Pastor, R = Reader, C = Choir, **A = All**
* Stand = Stand As You Are Able

PRELUDE

Lord, You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore

arr. by J. Carter

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS ~ Stand *

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

A: Amen

P: Oh God of light and glory,

A: we confess that Jesus is the one in whom you revealed yourself to the nations. Yet there are times when we do not recognize his lordship over our lives. Forgive us, we pray, for anything that would stop us from seeing Christ in ourselves, others or the world. Help us to open our eyes that we might envision the abundant life you offer to us!

P: People of God, know that our Lord has heard our confession and offers forgiveness through Jesus Christ simply in our asking. May we worship with joyful hearts because of God's grace!

A: Amen

OPENING HYMN

Dear Lord and Father of Mankind
(Verses 1-4)

Green Book #506

GREETING

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

A: And also with you.

KYRIE (Sung)

C: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C: For the peace from above, and for our salvation,
let us pray to the Lord.

C: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being
of the Church of God, and for the unity of all,
let us pray to the Lord.

C: For this holy house, and for all who offer here
their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Green Book Page 57

A: Lord, have mercy.

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A: Amen

HYMN OF PRAISE (Sung) *I = Men, II = Women*

Green Book Page 60

A: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

*I: Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,
whose blood set us free to be people of God.*

A: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

II: Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing and glory are his.

A: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

*I: Sing with all the people of God and join in the hymn of all creation:
Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.*

A: This is the feast of victory for our God, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

II: For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.

A: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

R: Let us pray together...Almighty God,

A: by grace alone you call us and accept us in your service. Strengthen us by your Spirit, and make us worthy of your call, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

ANTHEM ~ Sit

Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)

arr. Raney

READING (White Insert)

R: A reading from...(the Lesson is read)...The word of the Lord.

A: Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL VERSE (Sung) ~ Stand *

Green Book Page 62

**A: Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.
Alleluia. Alleluia.**

GOSPEL (White Insert)

Green Book Page 63

P: The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the first chapter...

A: (Sung) Glory to you, O Lord.
(Gospel is read)

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

A: (Sung) Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON ~ Sit

Pastor Lehman

SERMON HYMN ~ Stand *

*You Have Come Down
to the Lakeshore
(Verses 1, 3 - 4)*

Blue Book #784

TITHES & OFFERINGS ~ Sit

*Come, My Way,
My Truth, My Life*

arr. by A.M. David

OFFERTORY (Sung) ~ Stand *

Green Book Page 75

**A: Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from
me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free
Spirit.**

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Green Book Page 67

P: Let us pray together...Merciful Father,

**A: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us – our selves,
our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for
the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Green Book Page 70

P: Blessed are you...as he comes to us in his holy supper.

A: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, gave thanks,
broke it and gave it to his disciples saying,

A: Take and eat, this is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

P: After supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink saying,

**A: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people
for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in remembrance of me.**

LORD'S PRAYER

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and hear us as we pray...

A: 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



LAMB OF GOD (Sung) ~ Sit

Green Book Page 72

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the World; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the World; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the World; grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION MUSIC

Blue Book #706, #752, #801

THE COMMUNION BLESSING ~ Stand *

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

A: Amen



THE PRAYERS AND COMMUNION PRAYER

P: Let us pray...Pour out upon us the spirit of your love, and unite the wills of those whom you have fed with one heavenly food; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

A: Amen

BENEDICTION (Sung)

Green Book Page 74

P: Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

A: Amen

CLOSING HYMN

Sent Forth by God's Blessing

Green Book #221

SENDING FORTH

P: Go in Peace! Serve the Lord!

A: Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

Here I Am, Lord

arr. by J. Carter

