

# Fourth Sunday after Epiphany ~ February 2, 2025

**Prelude** Chorale Prelude on a Shaker Hymn Tune James Southbridge Charles F. von Gunten

#### Welcome



# The Greeting

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy

Spirit be with you all.

Congregation: And also with you.

# **Confession and Forgiveness**

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

# *Silence is kept for reflection.*

P Merciful God,

C 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

P 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. **C: Amen.** 

# Hymn of Praise O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing - ELW 886 (vv. 1-4)



# **Prayer of The Day**

- P The Lord be with you, **C and also with you.** P Let us pray.
- P Almighty and ever-living God, your only-begotten Son was presented this day in the temple. May we be presented to you with clean and pure hearts by the same Jesus Christ, our great high priest, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

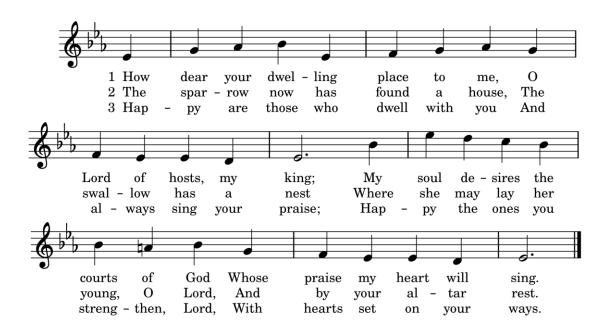
# C Amen

### Lesson Jeremiah 1:4-10

<sup>5</sup> "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations."
<sup>6</sup> Then I said, "Ah, Lord God! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy." <sup>7</sup> But the Lord said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a boy'; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you. <sup>8</sup> Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the Lord."

Reader: Word of God, Word of Life Congregation: Thanks be to God

Psalm 84 - ELW 756



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Now the word of the Lord came to me saying,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the Lord said to me, "Now I have put my words in your mouth.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

#### Lesson: 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

<sup>1</sup> If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. <sup>2</sup> And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. <sup>3</sup> If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

<sup>4</sup> Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant <sup>5</sup> or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; <sup>6</sup> it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. <sup>7</sup> It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

<sup>8</sup> Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. <sup>9</sup> For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; <sup>10</sup> but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. <sup>11</sup> When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. <sup>12</sup> For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. <sup>13</sup> And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

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Alleluia – ELW p. 151

(please stand)





Gospel: Luke 4:21-30

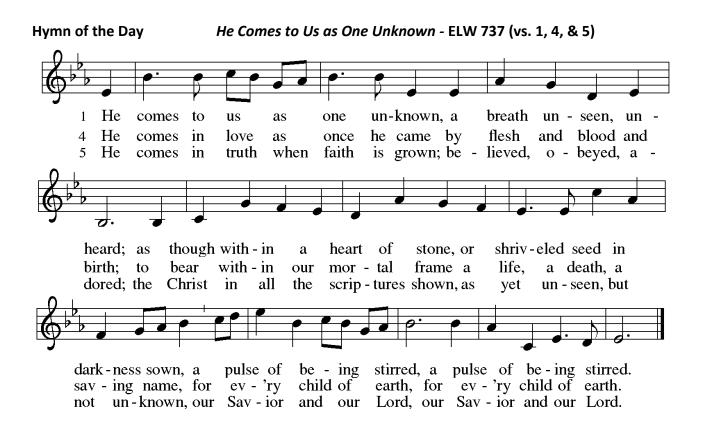
Response after the announcement: Glory to you, O Lord

<sup>21</sup> Then [Jesus] began to say to [all in the synagogue in Nazareth,] "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." <sup>22</sup> All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, "Is not this Joseph's son?" <sup>23</sup> He said to them, "Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, 'Doctor, cure yourself!' And you will say, 'Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.'" <sup>24</sup> And he said, "Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown. <sup>25</sup> But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; <sup>26</sup> yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. <sup>27</sup> There were also

many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian." <sup>28</sup> When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. <sup>29</sup> They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. <sup>30</sup> But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

Response after the conclusion of the reading: Praise to you, O Christ

**Sermon** Pastor Manuel Borbón (please be seated)



#### **Apostles' Creed**

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. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and 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**

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

# A brief silence

P God of generations, you instilled in Anna and Simeon faith, dreams, and the welcome of a child. Bless elders who embody faith and hope; bless the newly baptized. Energize us to share faith from generation to generation. God of grace,

# C hear our prayer.

P God of creation, in you the sparrow finds a home and we find lush valleys and living water. Bless the birds of the air, the animals of the valley, and renew our stewardship of this bountiful creation. God of grace,

# C hear our prayer.

P God of the nations, strengthen our resolve to care for all children and strive for peace among nations. Refine our nation where we have failed to root out racism (especially as we honor Black History Month) and guide us in truth-telling and reconciliation. God of grace,

# C hear our prayer.

P God of hope, many long to see your presence revealed amid challenging circumstances. We hold in prayer all longing for sustainable housing, secure employment, access to medical care, and health and wellness. God of grace,

# C hear our prayer.

P God of the people, you are made known in caring ministries. Bless those who serve as communion servers, homebound visitors, baptismal sponsors, confirmation mentors, and as prayer support. Reveal yourself in the neighborly care we give and receive. God of grace,

# C hear our prayer.

P God of life, we thank you for Jesus' life and for his death that has destroyed death. We remember the dearly departed, as they dwell with you in your holy courts now and forever. God of grace,

# C hear our prayer.

P We entrust our prayers to you, O God, in the sure and certain hope that your promise is revealed among the people.

#### C Amen.

#### The Peace

P The peace of Christ be with you always. **C** And also with you. We invite you to share a sign of God's peace with those around you.

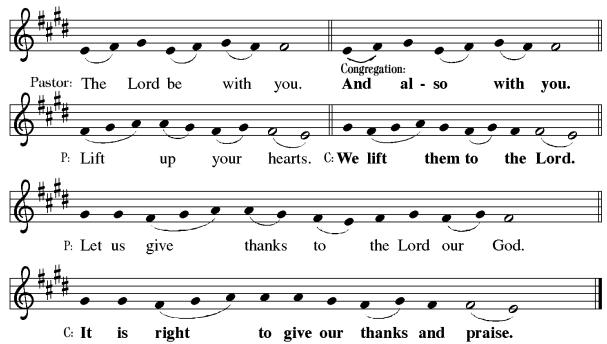
# Offering

Anthem Canticle of Peace John Purifoy Sanctuary Choir

The Offering Prayer (please stand)

C 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.

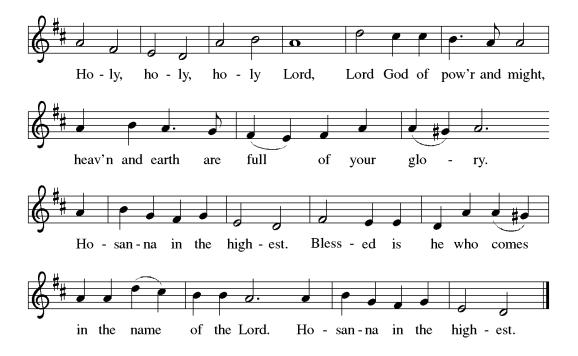
# The Great Thanksgiving



# **The Preface**

**Pastor Manuel:** It is indeed right, our duty.... We praise your name and join their unending hymn.

# **The Sanctus**



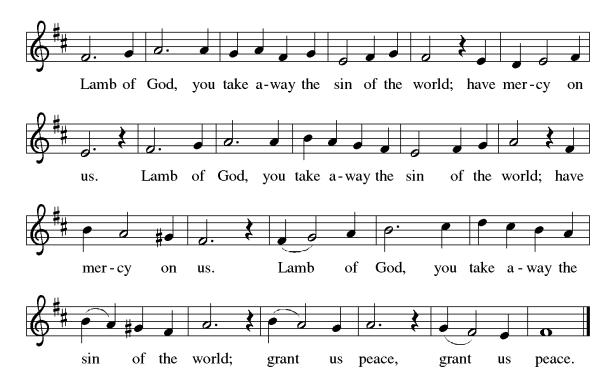
# **Words of Institution**

# **Lord's Prayer**

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.

Invitation to Communion (please be seated)

# The Agnus Dei Lamb of God - ELW p.154



**Distribution of Communion** will be around the altar. Please form a single line in the center aisle to come up to communion go up the steps to the altar, if you are not able to go up the stairs please come to the front of the steps or the pastor will come to you. Return to your seats using the side aisles.

Communion Voluntary Little Chorale Prelude on 'Slane' A.P Van Iderstine Charles F. von Gunten

# **Blessing after Communion**

P May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

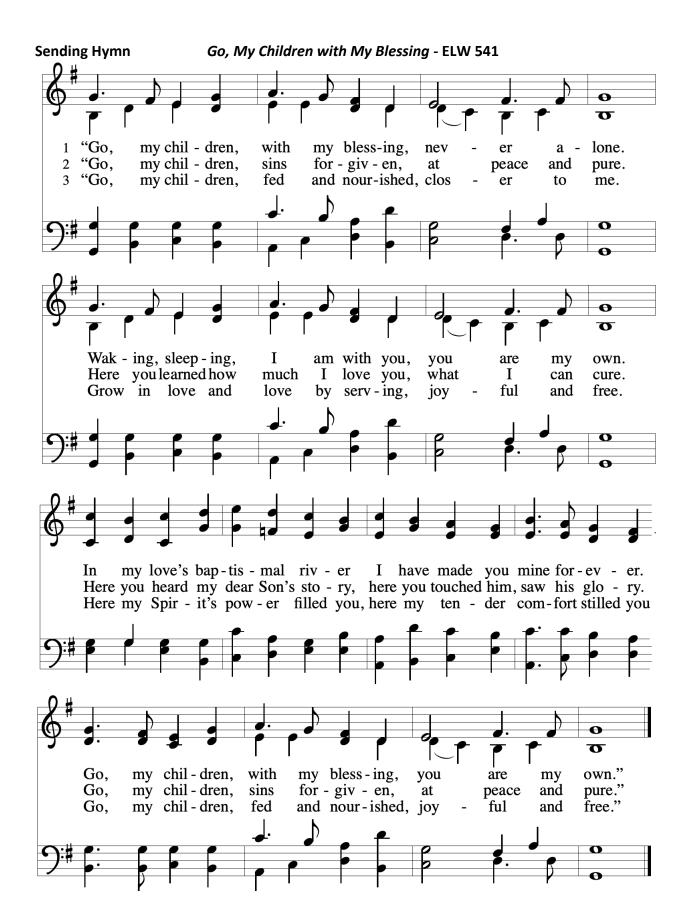
# **Prayer after Communion**

C 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.

#### **Announcements**

# Blessing (please stand)

P The Spirit of the triune God + bless you with joy, anoint you with compassion, and send you in love. **C** Amen.



Dismissal

P Go in peace. Live In hope.

C Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Simple Gifts Virgil Fox

Charles F. von Gunten

### **Serving Us Today**

Preaching: Pastor Manuel Borbón Choir Director: Katy Lundeen Organist: Charles F. von Gunten Reader: Rob Constantine

Communion Assistants: Bonita Martinez, Pam Allen, Lorri Carlsen, Gary Lange

Welcome Team: Pam Allen, Sandra Logan, Curtis Cline
Offering Couriers: Ruth Andersen, Teresa Muñoz
AV: Lewis John TenHulzen, Mitchell Little
Slides Creator: Lorri Carlsen

**All are Welcome!** As a community of faith the members of Clairemont Lutheran Church/ Iglesia Luterana Clairemont are called to include all people seeking a relationship with Jesus, regardless of age, economic status, ethnic background, physical or mental ability, sexual orientation, immigration status or marital status. We gather as one congregation, worshiping in two languages, celebrating many cultures. We affirm that in Christ "There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female" (Galatians 3:28)

**FIRST TIME HERE?** Welcome to Clairemont Lutheran Church. For those who are here for the first time we have a welcome gift for you on the table in the Narthex. Please see one of the greeters in the Narthex to receive your gift. Thank you for being with us today.

**FOR THOSE IN NEED** If you are facing challenges in life, we have cards with prayers for you, located on the table in the narthex on the following subjects. 1. Anxiety 2. Coping with the death of a loved one. 3. Dealing with discouragement and despair. 4. Hope. 5. Loneliness. 6. Need for forgiveness and 7. Patience.

Remember in Prayer: Sandy McCauley, Barb Coolong, Mark Nickel, Ruth Andersen, Laura Gabbard, Sue Brennecke, Adrienne Lenhoff, Paul Brown, Ken Hanson, Lee & Carol Shigley, Julie Stivers, Maria Medrano, Teresa Muñoz, Clark Carlson, Lucas T Bessa, Stella Penyak, Barb Kanneman, LaRae Rabe, Lewis TenHulzen, Renée Shepherd, Arlene Riordan, Peggy Ritchie, Annalisa Minitti, Lynn Ten Eyck, Bob Logan, and all the homebound members.

**Pulpit flowers are given to the Glory of God** by LeRoy Bannach we are blessed this day as Clairemont Lutheran Church, a Church in two languages, continues its new path with the Pastoral team of Senior Pastor Rev. Manual Borbón and associate Pastor Rev. Elena Enriquez.

**Lecturn flowers are given to the Glory of God** by Gary Lange dedicated to Pastor Borbon and his family in recognition of his installation.

Next Week's Lessons: Isaiah 6:1-8 [9-13], Psalm 138, 1 Corinthians 15:1-11, and the Gospel of Luke 5:1-11.

The Zoom studies for the Gospel readings for the coming Sunday led by Bill Fredericks are on Mondays at 4:00pm. You can contact Bill Fredericks at william.h.fredericks@gmail.com

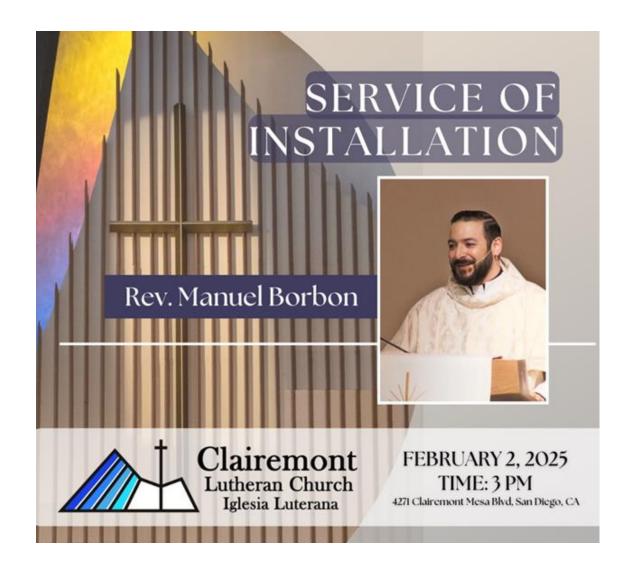
Interfaith Shelter Network: Mark the dates! Volunteers are needed for cooks and overnight chaperones! This year we will be hosting 01 - 15 February 2025 at Our Mother of Confidence (OMC) Catholic church. Sign up and information for those interested is available today in the Narthex. Sign-ups will begin immediately after the Christmas holiday!

Africa Empowering children: Thank you so much to the members of the Clairemont Lutheran for your continuous support. Your support helps the children continue in schools for food and boarding. This past year has been a struggle. Our food was swept away during this season's rains. Nick has traveled to study more about irrigation and how to practice it here in our community. He is in Arizona for a few months with the help of Ox Farm America which helps farmers and nonprofit organizations learn new techniques for food security. May God Bless you, Nick & Judy.



**Music Notes:** The choir anthem is a setting of the Nunc Dimittis, the Latin for the beginning of, 'Now Let Thy Servant Depart in Peace', also known as the Canticle of Simeon. These enduring words from the Gospel of Luke have been sensitively set in this quietly moving prayer song. The prelude, *Chorale Prelude on a Shaker Hymn Tune*, communion voluntary, *Little Chorale Prelude on 'Slane'*, and postlude, *Simple Gifts*, are contemporary settings of familiar hymn tunes illustrating the creative ways that music can influence the feelings from a well-known tune. Many of today's hymns are 'old favorites. A few will be 'dressed up' by harmonizations and introductions by John Ferguson, Professor of Music at St. Olaf College in Minnesota.





Fellowship afterward chicken and shrimp pasta with alfredo sauce, salad, bread. Cake will be served for dessert.

# StayCONNECTED

# **Monday February 3**

4:00pm Gospel Study on zoom 5-6pm Glee Choir, 6-7pm Esperanza Youth Choir, 7:30-8:45pm Sanctuary Choir

# **Tuesday February 4**

6:30pm Handbell rehearsal

# **Wednesday February 5**

4:00pm Stephen Ministry

# **Thursday February 6**

7:00am Sandwich ministry 5:30pm Cherub Choir

# **Friday February 7**

8am-12pm Food Distribution 1:00pm Bunco

# Saturday February 8

9:00am Altar Guild meeting
11:00 Greeters and Communion
Assistant meeting.

(If you are interested in helping out on Sunday's please join)