

*This weak person is . . .  
the brother for whom Christ died*

*1 Corinthians 8:11*



**Lord of Life Lutheran Church  
Plano, Texas**



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### **Our Mission Statement**

Bring people into a living relationship with Jesus Christ by

† reaching up to God in worship and prayer,

† reaching in to be empowered by God's Word as members of His family &

† reaching out at every opportunity with the Gospel of Christ.

### **A Prayer before Worship**

*Forgive all my sins, wherever I have done wrong. Surround me this day with Your holy angels. May You encircle me and cast a trench about me, that I may escape the snares and evil cunning of the enemy. I commend myself to Your goodness and mercy. Amen. (Johann Habermann, 1516-90)*

### **Large Print Bulletin and Children's Bulletin**

Copies of today's bulletin are available in LARGE PRINT. Children's Activity Bulletins are also available. Please ask an usher if you would like to use either of these options.

### **Nursery/Cry Room**

The nursery is available for families with young children ages 2 and under in Room 109. It is staffed during Bible class and during the 10:45 am service. Or, if you prefer, Room 100 also is available as a cry room and/or a room for nursing mothers. Please ask an usher if you need assistance or directions.

### **Education**

Sunday school, student and adult Bible classes are offered at 9:30 am. We encourage all worshipers to choose a class from the listing in our bulletin and actively study God's Word.

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## Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

January 28, 2024

8:00 AM and 10:45 AM

Matins – *LSB 219*

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### Prelude

*Stand*

### Entrance Hymn

“Jesus Has Come and Brings Pleasure”

*LSB 533*



1 Je - sus has come and brings plea - sure e - ter - nal,  
2 Je - sus has come! Now see bonds rent a - sun - der!  
3 Je - sus has come as the might - y Re - deem - er.  
4 Je - sus has come as the King of all glo - ry!



Al - pha, O - me - ga, Be - gin - ning and End;  
Fet - ters of death now dis - solve, dis - ap - pear.  
See now the threat - en - ing strong one dis - armed!  
Heav - en and earth, O de - clare His great pow'r,



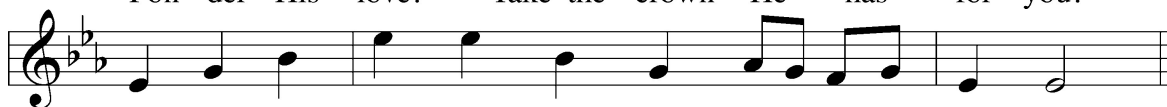
God - head, hu - man - i - ty, u - nion su - per - nal,  
See Him burst through with a voice as of thun - der!  
Je - sus breaks down all the walls of death's for - tress,  
Cap - tur - ing hearts with the heav - en - ly sto - ry;



O great Re - deem - er, You come as our friend!  
He sets us free from our guilt and our fear,  
Brings forth the pris - 'ners tri - um - phant, un - harmed.  
Wel - come Him now in this fast - fleet - ing hour!



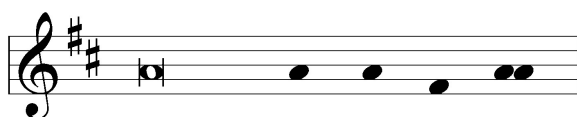
Heav - en and earth, now pro - claim this great won - der:  
Lifts us from shame to the place of His hon - or.  
Sa - tan, you wick - ed one, own now your mas - ter!  
Pon - der His love! Take the crown He has for you!



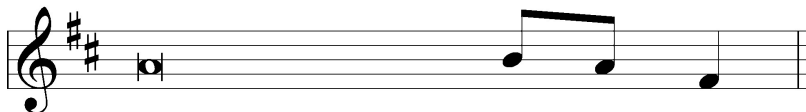
Je - sus has come and brings plea - sure e - ter - nal!  
Je - sus has come! Hear the roll of God's thun - der!  
Je - sus has come! He, the might - y Re - deem - er!  
Je - sus has come! He, the King of all glo - ry!

## Opening Versicles

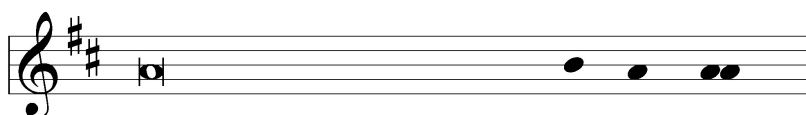
*Psalm 51:15, Psalm 70:1; LSB 219*



**L** O Lord, o - pen my lips,



**C** and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.



**L** Make haste, O God, to de - liv - er me;



**C** make haste to help me, O Lord.



**C** Glo-ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it;



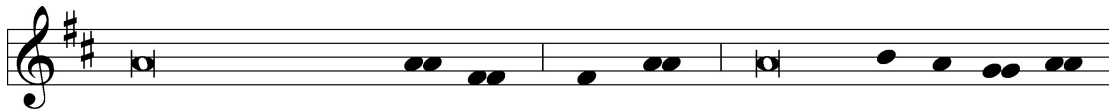
as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.



Praise to You, O Christ. Al - le - lu - ia.

## +++Psalmody + + +

## Antiphon



**L** Blessed be God, the Fa - ther, the Son, and the Ho - ly Spir - it.

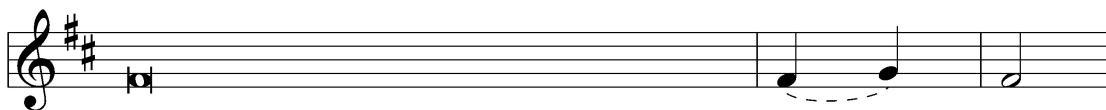


**C** O come, let us wor - ship Him.



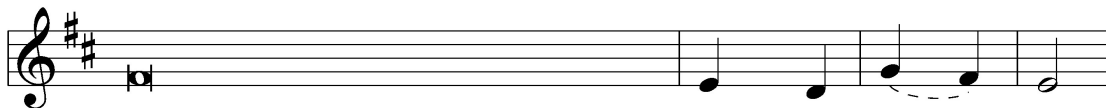
# Venite

Psalm 95:1-7; LSB 220



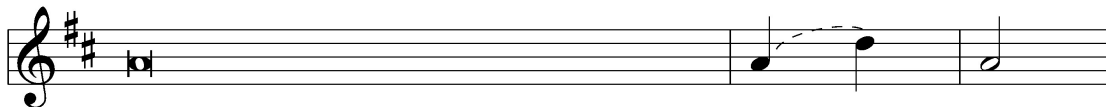
- C** 1 O come, let us sing . . . . . to the Lord,  
 2 For the Lord is a . . . . . great God  
 3 The sea is His, for He . . . . . made it,

5 Glory be to the Father and . . . . . to the Son

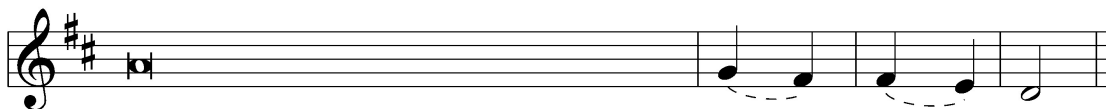


- 1 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal - va - tion.  
 2 and a great . . . . . king a - bove all gods.  
 3 and His hand . . . . . formed the dry land.

5 and to the . . . . . Ho - ly Spir - it;

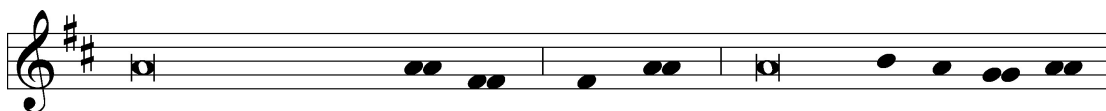


- 1 Let us come into His presence with thanks - giv - ing,  
 2 The deep places of the earth are . . . . . in His hand;  
 3 O come, let us worship and . . . . . bow down,  
 4 For He . . . . . is our God,  
 5 as it was in the be - gin - ning,



- 1 let us make a joyful noise to . . . . . Him with songs of praise.  
 2 the strength of the hills is . . . . . His al - so.  
 3 let us kneel before the . . . . . Lord, our mak - er.  
 4 and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand.  
 5 is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.

## Antiphon



- L** Blessed be God, the Fa - ther, the Son, and the Ho - ly Spir - it.

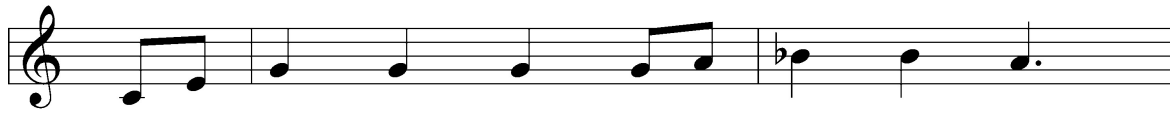


- C** O come, let us wor - ship Him.

## Office Hymn

“‘Away from Us!’ the Demon Cried”

LSB 541



1 “A - way from us!” the de - mon cried  
 2 But Je - sus spoke with God’s own pow’r;  
 3 O ris - en Christ, God’s liv - ing Word,  
 4 Drive out the doubt that cri - ples faith;  
 5 Then help us, Lord, to greet each day



When Christ, the Lord, drew near. “Our dark, dis - or - dered  
 “Come forth!” was His com - mand; For e - vil can - not  
 To us, we pray, draw near. Come, speak the truth that  
 Ex - pel our pride and greed That we, from pow’rs that  
 With hearts and wills made new And, when You call us



world is lost When You, the Light, ap - pear!”  
 bear the Light Nor sin, the Truth with - stand.  
 cleans - es sin With love that con - quers fear.  
 threat - en us, May, by Your grace, be freed.  
 forth to serve, To rise and fol - low You.

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## +++Readings + + +

### Old Testament

*Deuteronomy 18:15–20*

<sup>15</sup>“The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your brothers—it is to him you shall listen—<sup>16</sup>just as you desired of the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly, when you said, ‘Let me not hear again the voice of the LORD my God or see this great fire any more, lest I die.’<sup>17</sup>And the LORD said to me, ‘They are right in what they have spoken.’<sup>18</sup>I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their brothers. And I will put my words in his mouth, and he shall speak to them all that I command him.<sup>19</sup>And whoever will not listen to my words that he shall speak in my name, I myself will require it of him.<sup>20</sup>But the prophet who presumes to speak a word in my name that I have not commanded him to speak, or who speaks in the name of other gods, that same prophet shall die.”

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Psalm

*Psalm 111; antiphon: v. 3*



Full of splendor and majesty | is his work,\*  
and his righteousness endures for- | ever.

**Praise the LORD! I will give thanks to the LORD with my | whole heart,\*  
in the company of the upright, in the congre- | gation.**

Great are the works | of the LORD,\*  
studied by all who de- | light in them.

**Full of splendor and majesty | is his work,\*  
and his righteousness endures for- | ever.**

He has caused his wondrous works to be re- | membered;\*  
the LORD is gracious and | merciful.

**He provides food for those who | fear him;\*  
he remembers his covenant for- | ever.**

He has shown his people the power | of his works,\*  
in giving them the inheritance of the | nations.

**The works of his hands are faith- | ful and just;\*  
all his precepts are | trustworthy;**

they are established forever and | ever,\*  
to be performed with faithfulness and up- | rightness.

**He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant for- | ever.\*  
Holy and awesome | is his name!**

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good  
under- | standing.\*

His praise endures for- | ever!

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\*  
and to the Holy | Spirit;  
as it was in the be- | ginning,\*  
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

Full of splendor and majesty | is his work,\*  
and his righteousness endures for- | ever.



## Epistle

*1 Corinthians 8*

<sup>1</sup>Concerning food offered to idols: we know that “all of us possess knowledge.” This “knowledge” puffs up, but love builds up. <sup>2</sup>If anyone imagines that he knows something, he does not yet know as he ought to know. <sup>3</sup>But if anyone loves God, he is known by God.

<sup>4</sup>Therefore, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that “an idol has no real existence,” and that “there is no God but one.” <sup>5</sup>For although there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as indeed there are many “gods” and many “lords”—<sup>6</sup>yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

<sup>7</sup>However, not all possess this knowledge. But some, through former association with idols, eat food as really offered to an idol, and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. <sup>8</sup>Food will not commend us to God. We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. <sup>9</sup>But take care that this right of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. <sup>10</sup>For if anyone sees you who have knowledge eating in an idol’s temple, will he not be encouraged, if his conscience is weak, to eat food offered to idols? <sup>11</sup>And so by your knowledge this weak person is destroyed, the brother for whom Christ died. <sup>12</sup>Thus, sinning against your brothers and wounding their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. <sup>13</sup>Therefore, if food makes my brother stumble, I will never eat meat, lest I make my brother stumble.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

## Holy Gospel

*Mark 1:21–28*

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

**C** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>21</sup>They went into Capernaum, and immediately on the Sabbath [Jesus] entered the synagogue and was teaching. <sup>22</sup>And they were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one who had authority, and not as the scribes. <sup>23</sup>And immediately there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit. And he cried out, <sup>24</sup>“What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God.” <sup>25</sup>But Jesus rebuked him, saying, “Be silent, and come out of him!” <sup>26</sup>And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying out with a loud voice, came out of him. <sup>27</sup>And they were all amazed, so that they questioned among themselves, saying, “What is this? A new teaching with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him.” <sup>28</sup>And at once his fame spread everywhere throughout all the surrounding region of Galilee.


**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

## Responsory


*Psalm 119:89, 26:8, Luke 11:28; LSB 221*

*Verse* *To Refrain*



**L** 1 Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.  
2 Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep— it.  
3 Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it.

*Refrain*



**C** Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glo-ry dwells.

*Sit*

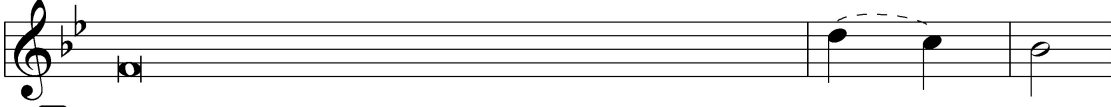
## Sermon

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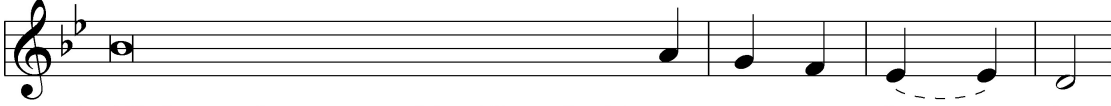
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## Te Deum

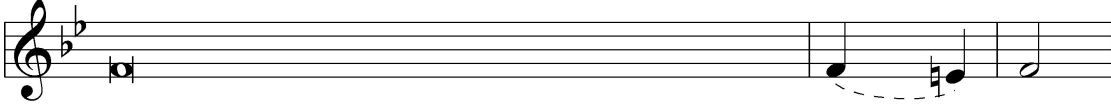
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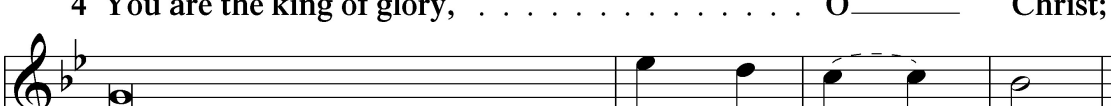
**C** 1 We praise You, O God; we acknowledge You to be the Lord.  
2 Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of . . . . . Sab - a - oth;  
3 The noble army of martyrs . . . . . praise— You.



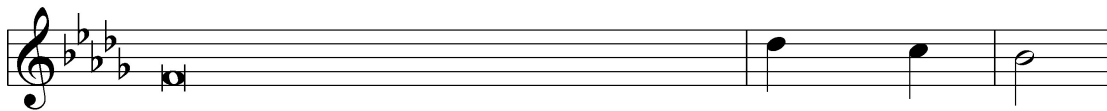
1 All the earth now worships You, the Fa-ther ev - er - last - ing.  
2 heaven and earth are full of the majes - ty of Your glo - ry.  
3 The holy Church throughout all the world does ac - knowl-edge You:



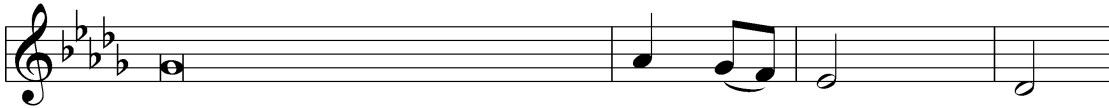
1 To You all angels cry aloud, the heavens and all the pow'rs there-in.  
2 The glorious company of the apostles . . . . . praise— You.  
3 The Father of an infinite majesty; Your adorable, true, and on - ly Son;  
4 You are the king of glory, . . . . . O— Christ;



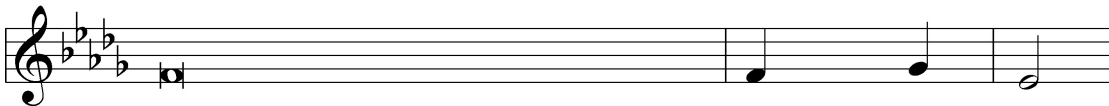
1 To You cherubim and seraphim con - tin - ual - ly do cry:  
2 The goodly fellowship of the . . . . . proph-ets praise— You.  
3 also the Holy . . . . . Ghost, the Com-fort - er.  
4 You are the everlasting Son . . . . . of the Fa - ther.



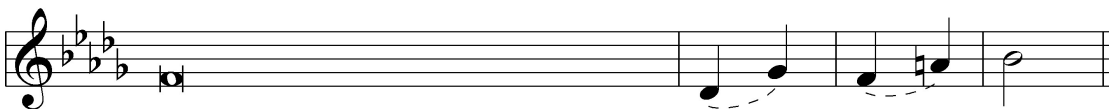
5 When You took upon Yourself to de - liv - er of man,  
6 You sit at the right . . . . . hand of God



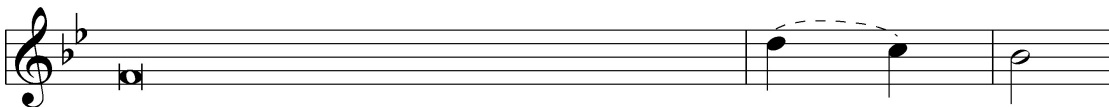
5 You humbled Yourself to be born of a vir - gin.  
6 in the glory . . . . . of the Fa - ther.



5 When You had overcome the . . . . . sharpness of death,  
6 We believe that . . . . . You will come



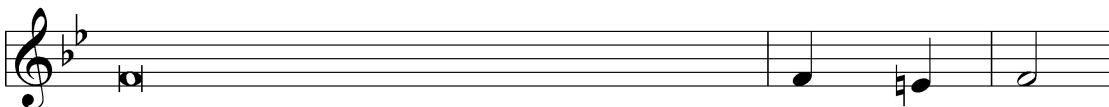
5 You opened the kingdom of heaven to all be - liev - ers.  
6 to . . . . . be our judge.



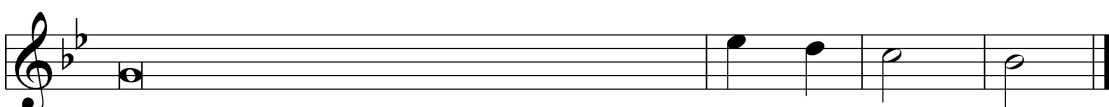
7 We therefore pray You to help Your . . . . . ser - vants,  
8 O Lord, save Your people and bless Your . . . her - i - tage.  
9 Grant, O Lord, to keep us this day with - out sin.



7 whom You have redeem - ed with Your pre - cious blood.  
8 Govern them and lift . . . . . them up for - ev - er.  
9 O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy up - on us.



7 Make them to be numbered . . . . . with Your saints  
8 Day by day we . . . . . magni - fy You.  
9 O Lord, let Your mercy be upon us, as our trust is in You.



7 in glory . . . . . ev - er - last - ing.  
8 And we worship Your name for - ever and ev - er.  
9 O Lord, in You have I trusted; let me never be con - found - ed.



Sit

*(Traditionally, this is the time to collect offerings, instead there is an offering plate at the rear of the sanctuary. Other giving options are through the mail or online from our website's "Giving" link. This QR code points there.)*



Stand

## Kyrie

Mark 10:47; LSB 227



**C** Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

## Prayer of the Church

### Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9–13

**C** 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.

### Collects

Psalms 102:1

**P** O Lord, hear my prayer.  
**C** And let my cry come to You.

### Collect of the Day

**P** Almighty God, whom to know is everlasting life, grant us to know Your Son, Jesus, to be the way, the truth, and the life that we may boldly confess Him to be the Christ and steadfastly walk in the way that leads to life eternal; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.  
**C** Amen.

### Collect for Grace

LSB 228

**P** O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, You have safely brought us to the beginning of this day. Defend us in the same with Your mighty power and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings, being ordered by Your governance, may be righteous in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.  
**C** Amen.

## Benedicamus

*Psalm 103:1*



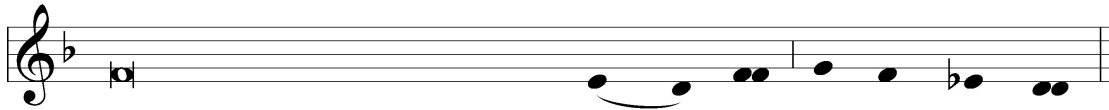
**L** Let us bless the Lord.

## Benediction

*2 Corinthians 13:14*



**P** The grace of our Lord ✠ Je - sus Christ and the love of God



and the communion of the Holy Spir - it be with you all.



**C** A - men.

## Recessional Hymn

*"Hope of the World"*

*LSB 690*



1 Hope of the world, Thou Christ of great com - pas - sion;  
2 Hope of the world, God's gift from high - est heav - en,  
3 Hope of the world, a - foot on dust - y high - ways,  
4 Hope of the world, who by Thy cross didst save us  
5 Hope of the world, O Christ, o'er death vic - to - rious,



Speak to our fear - ful hearts by con - flict rent.  
Bring - ing to hun - gry souls the bread of life,  
Show - ing to wan - d'ring souls the path of light,  
From death and dark de - spair, from sin and guilt,  
Who by this sign didst con - quer grief and pain,



Save us, Thy peo - ple, from con - sum - ing pas - sion,  
Still let Thy Spir - it un - to us be giv - en  
Walk Thou be - side us lest the tempt - ing by - ways  
We ren - der back the love Thy mer - cy gave us;  
We would be faith - ful to Thy Gos - pel glo - rious.



Who by our own false hopes and aims are spent.  
To heal earth's wounds and end our bit - ter strife.  
Lure us a - way from Thee to end - less night.  
Take Thou our lives and use them as Thou wilt.  
Thou art our Lord! Thou dost for - ev - er reign!

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*Sit*

## Announcements

### Dismissal

**P** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**G** Thanks be to God.

### Postlude

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An offering may be placed in the offering plate as you exit.

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### A Prayer after Worship

Almighty and merciful God, we have again worshiped in Your presence and received both forgiveness for our many sins and the assurance of Your love in Jesus Christ. We thank You for this undeserved grace and ask You to keep us in faith until we inherit eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

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### Sunday School - Children K - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

Sunday school classes begin at 9:25 am in Room 116 for music. At 10:30 am parents may pick up K – 5th graders from Room 113.

### Jr IMPACT Bible Class

Students meet in Room 119 with Scott Peters.

### Sr IMPACT Bible Class

Students meet in Room 122 with Catherine Borck for a study entitled, "Face 2 Face" which discusses our relationship to others as Christians.

### Special Needs Bible Class

Will not meet this week, but will be back next week.

### Adult Bible Class

Pastor Shaltanis leads a study, *Serving in God's Mission: A Bible Study in Strategic Planning*, in the fellowship hall at 9:30ish.

### Adult Bible Class Small Group Alternative

Karen Lund leads a study called, "The Cross" at 9:30 am in Room 115.





## **Mardi Gras Potluck on Sunday, February 11**

A Mardi Gras Potluck is scheduled for Sunday, February 11, following the late service. Sign-up sheets for food, volunteers, and attendance are located in the narthex. Please join us for some food, fun, and fellowship. If you have any questions, please contact Gail Senter at [gail.senter@yahoo.com](mailto:gail.senter@yahoo.com) or 972.672.5769. See you there!

## **Warm Outerwear Needed**

A local Plano Women's group (Plano Republican Women) is collecting winter coats of all sizes to donate to a Title I school in PISD where children reportedly have insufficient warm outerwear to endure the frigid temperatures. If you would consider donating any outerwear that is taking up space in your closets, we are collecting them to assist in this effort through the end of January. There will be a container in the narthex for this purpose. Contact Pat Greer if you have any questions.

## **Thrivent Charitable**

Our giving link has changed. Thrivent Charitable no longer supports a direct link to give through them to our church, so our giving link now goes directly to our Vanco Payments online giving portal as it has in the past. You may still give to Lord of Life through Thrivent, but it may not be without any of Vanco's ACH or credit card fees deducted from your donation.

## **2024 Flower Chart Available**

The 2024 pages for the flower chart have been added to the sign-up book located on the table in the narthex. Each monthly page has the date for each Sunday with a space for your name and the occasion you wish to recognize. Flower arrangements are \$40.00 each. You may pay for them when the occasion is near by placing a check in the offering plate with a "flowers" notation. After the late service, you may take your arrangement home with you.

## **A Life Thought in the Church Year**

Gospel-motivated voices have the privilege – and the responsibility – to proclaim the whole counsel of God. Those who speak otherwise dabble in judgment and condemnation (Deuteronomy 18:20). The Scriptures and the Savior have graciously made clear – with "shalls" and "shall-nots" – His jealous devotion to the survival and salvation of every human life. We get to repeat and rejoice in it, especially for the sake of the weaker ones (1 Corinthians 8:12).

## **CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUO.org**

Study 2 Corinthians 10-13 on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT), study Lamentations 2-4 plus Free Text First Friday on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT), and hear from Higher Things pastors on their journeys into church work on our Set Apart to Serve series on The Coffee Hour (2/2 at 9:00 a.m. CT). Find your favorite programs on demand at [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org) and the KFUO Radio app!

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## Serving Our Worship Today:

Pastor:	Rev. Joel Shaltanis
Organist:	Daniel Kim
Altar Guild:	Gail Senter, Beverly Moudy, Laurie George
Elders:	Mike Kunschke, Doug Hite
Alcolyte:	Ana Scarth, Margaret Duff
Greeter:	Don Bunger, Haley Moore
Ushers:	David Messinger, Joel Crumrine
Sound:	Kailyn Hacker, Ben Slater

## This Week at Lord of Life-Today, Jan. 28, 2024

8:00 am	Early Worship Service
9:30 am	Children's Sunday School (K-5th Gr, Room 113) Jr IMPACT Class (Room 119) Sr IMPACT Class (Room 122) No Special Needs Class Today Adult Bible Class (Fellowship Hall) Adult Bible Small Class (Room 115)
10:45 am	Late Worship Service

Tuesday, January 30

12:00 pm Ladies' Bible Study

Wednesday, January 31

10:00 am Midweek Bible Study

Friday, February 2

9:00 am Comfort Makers

Saturday, February 3

7:30 am Men's Bible Breakfast

## Next Sunday's Readings February 4, 2024

Old Testament:	Is. 40:21-31
Epistle:	1 Cor. 9:16-27
Gospel:	Mark 1:29-39



The flowers on the altar this morning are given to the Glory of God by the elders.



Epiphany

**About the Cover:** Paul shows us that our life of freedom resulting from the Gospel does not entail an individualistic freedom to trample upon the weaker brother. Sometimes, freedom means abstaining from what is permitted for the sake of the broader family of faith. We have a Lord who willingly gave His own life on the cross for our sake and our brothers and sisters in the faith in order to save us from our sins.