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**Sunday, January 14, 2024**  
**The Second Sunday after Epiphany**

Prelude  
Tower Bells and Welcome  
Announcements

*Visitors are welcome and encouraged to note their attendance by filling out the “Welcome” side (blue print) of the pew cards and putting the card into the offering plate.*  
*Offerings may be placed in the plates at the entrance before or after worship. Ushers will not pass offering plates between pews.*

Opening Hymn

*Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty*

**LSB 901**

Confession and Absolution (*stand*)

LSB 151

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

**C: Amen.**

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

Service of the Word

Introit Psalm 139:1-10

1 O LORD, you have searched me and known me!

2 You know when I sit down and when I rise up;

**you discern my thoughts from afar.**

3 You search out my path and my lying down **and are acquainted with all my ways.**

4 Even before a word is on my tongue, **behold, O LORD, you know it altogether.**

5 You hem me in, behind and before, **and lay your hand upon me.**

6 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; **it is high; I cannot attain it.**

7 Where shall I go from your Spirit?

**Or where shall I flee from your presence?**

8 If I ascend to heaven, you are there!

**If I make my bed in Sheol, you are there!**

9 If I take the wings of the morning

**and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,**

10 even there your hand shall lead me,

**and your right hand shall hold me.**

Kyrie (*sing*)

LSB 152

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

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

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: 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: Lord, have mercy.**

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

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

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

**C: Amen.**

Gloria in Excelsis (*sing*)

LSB 154

P: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.

**C: Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:**

**We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God:**

**You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**

**You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.**

**For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord,**

**You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,**

**in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

Salutation and Collect of the Day (*sing*) LSB 156

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Let us pray.

**ALL: Almighty and everlasting God, who governs all things in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the prayers of Your people and grant us Your peace through all our days; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**  
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Old Testament Reading      1 Samuel 3:1-20

1 Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD in the presence of Eli. And the word of the LORD was rare in those days; there was no frequent vision.

2 At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his own place. 3 The lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was.

4 Then the LORD called Samuel, and he said, "Here I am!" 5 and ran to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down.

6 And the LORD called again, "Samuel!" and Samuel arose and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." 7 Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him.

8 And the LORD called Samuel again the third time. And he arose and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. 9 Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down, and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant hears.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

10 And the LORD came and stood, calling as at other times, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant hears." 11 Then the LORD said to Samuel, "Behold, I am about to do a thing in Israel at which the two ears of everyone who hears it will tingle. 12 On that day I will fulfill against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end. 13 And I declare to him that I am about to punish his house forever, for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were blaspheming God, and he did not restrain them. 14 Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli's house shall not be atoned for by sacrifice or offering forever."

15 Samuel lay until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the LORD. And Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. 16 But Eli called Samuel and said, "Samuel, my son." And he said, "Here I am." 17 And Eli said, "What was it that he told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also if you hide anything from me of all that he told you." 18 So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. And he said, "It is the LORD. Let him do what seems good to him."

19 And Samuel grew, and the LORD was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. 20 And all Israel from Dan to Beersheba knew that Samuel was established as a prophet of the LORD. 21 And the LORD appeared again at Shiloh, for the LORD revealed himself to Samuel at Shiloh by the word of the LORD.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.      **C: Thanks be to God.**

Anthem      *Jesus Calls Us*

Epistle Reading

1 Corinthians 6:12-20

12 “All things are lawful for me,” but not all things are helpful. “All things are lawful for me,” but I will not be dominated by anything. 13 “Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food” — and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is not meant for sexual immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. 14 And God raised the Lord and will also raise us up by his power. 15 Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I then take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! 16 Or do you not know that he who is joined to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For, as it is written, “The two will become one flesh.” 17 But he who is joined to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. 18 Flee from sexual immorality. Every other sin a person commits is outside the body, but the sexually immoral person sins against his own body. 19 Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, 20 for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.   **C: Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia and Verse (*stand and speak*)

LSB 156

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

Holy Gospel

John 1:43-51

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

**C: (sing) Glory to You, O Lord.**

43 The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, “Follow me.” 44 Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. 45 Philip found Nathanael and said to him, “We have found him of whom Moses in the Law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.” 46 Nathanael said to him, “Can anything good come out of Nazareth?” Philip said to him, “Come and see.” 47 Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him and said of him, “Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom there is no deceit!” 48 Nathanael said to him, “How do you know me?” Jesus answered him, “Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you.” 49 Nathanael answered him, “Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!” 50 Jesus answered him, “Because I said to you, ‘I saw you under the fig tree,’ do you believe? You will see greater things than these.” 51 And he said to him, “Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C: (sing) Praise to You, O Christ.**

Apostles’ Creed

LSB 159

Sermon

Offertory

LSB 159

*Offering brought forward during Offertory.*

**What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me? I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people, in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.**

Prayer of Zion Lutheran Church

In peace, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For confidence in the Lord's truth, that we may not fear deceit or opposition, but sing and proclaim His wondrous deeds in Christ, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the Church, that as God called Samuel, Philip and Nathanael into His service, so He would be pleased now to call men into His ministry, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For delight in the Holy Scriptures, that by their light we may see and follow Jesus, the Son of God, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For Christian households, especially for fathers, mothers and children, that they may serve eagerly according to their station to the honor of Christ, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For all rulers and leaders, especially President Biden, and Governor DeWine, together with all legislators and judges, and local officials that in saving faith they may ascribe to God the glory due His name and govern their people wisely, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who help us in times of trouble, danger and need, for police and sheriff officers, national guard and border patrol and all other law enforcement workers, firefighters, all military, emergency and medical workers, that God would continuously protect them in their duties and keep them faithful, and that we always would be thankful to God for their work, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who stand in need of our prayers, [*especially \_\_\_\_\_*], that God would bring healing, comfort, strength, patience and certainty to every need; in thanksgiving for constant watch and merciful kindness; and that in every sorrow and every joy, God would not let our eyes be drawn from the greatest marvel of His kindness in Christ Jesus, by whose grace and forgiveness alone we receive every blessing, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

**Holy Lord, mighty God, You have shown us the face of Your mercy in Your Son, through whom all nations may find unity and life. Hear the prayers of Your people and grant what is needful to us and those for whom we pray, that trusting in Your mercy, our hearts may find perfect peace and rest; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

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**In Our Prayers** – *Contact Pastor Rockrohr for changes to the prayer list.*

Morning Prayer

**ALL: I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

Benediction

LSB 166

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

**C: (*sing*) Amen.**

Closing Hymn

*The Only Son from Heaven*

**LSB 402**

Silent Prayer, Extinguish Candles

Postlude

Depart in His Peace

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