



# *A Season* *for* **Sharing**

**CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH  
CRANFORD, NJ**

**After Epiphany Worship 2024**

**(Scriptures, Hymns, Prayers are included in the insert)**

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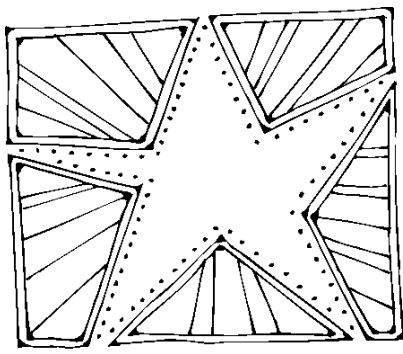
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# After The Epiphany

10:15 a.m. Holy Communion

## PRELUDE

## WORDS OF WELCOME

### ↑ THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

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

**C** Amen.

**P** Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, as we confess our sins this day, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

*Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister gives thanks.*

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight.

**A** Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

**C** We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

**P** To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## ↑OPENING HYMN

(insert)

## GREETING

**P** The grace of God in Christ Jesus, poured out in every gift of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

**C** And also with you.

## ↑HYMN OF PRAISE

*Christ, Be Our Light*  
*Refrain - Verse - Refrain*

*ELW #715*

*Verse 1 ~ January 7*

*Verse 2 ~ January 14*

*Verse 3 ~ January 21*

*Verse 4 ~ January 28*

*Verse 5 ~ February 4*



1 Long - ing for light, we wait in dark - ness. Long - ing for  
2 Long - ing for peace, our world is trou - bled. Long - ing for  
3 Long - ing for food, man - y are hun - gry. Long - ing for  
4 Long - ing for shel - ter, man - y are home - less. Long - ing for  
5 Man - y the gifts, man - y the peo - ple, man - y the



truth, we turn to you. Make us your own,  
hope, man - y de - spair. Your word a - lone  
wa - ter, man - y still thirst. Make us your bread,  
warmth, man - y are cold. Make us your build - ing,  
hearts that yearn to be - long. Let us be ser - vants



your ho - ly peo - ple, light for the world to see.  
has pow'r to save us. Make us your liv - ing voice.  
bro - ken for oth - ers, shared un - til all are fed.  
shel - ter - ing oth - ers, walls made of liv - ing stone.  
to one an - oth - er, signs of your king - dom come.

*Refrain*

Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the  
dark - ness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your  
church gath - ered to - day.

## SALUTATION AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

### ↓SCRIPTURE READINGS

*(insert)*

### ↑GOSPEL VERSE

*(Sing through twice)*

*Refrain*

Thy word is a lamp un-to my feet and a light un-to my path.

## GOSPEL READING

*(insert)*

## SERMON

### ↑HYMN OF THE DAY

*(insert)*

## **APOSTLES' CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended into hell.**

**On the third day he rose again.**

**He ascended into heaven,**

**and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again 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**

## **THE PRAYERS**

*(insert)*

**⇔ PEACE**

**[P]** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**[C]** And also with you.

**[P]** Let us share the peace.

**↓ OFFERING**

**MUSICAL OFFERING**

## OFFERTORY PRAYER

**A** Blessed are you, O God, Sovereign of the universe.

You offer us new beginnings and guide us on our journey.

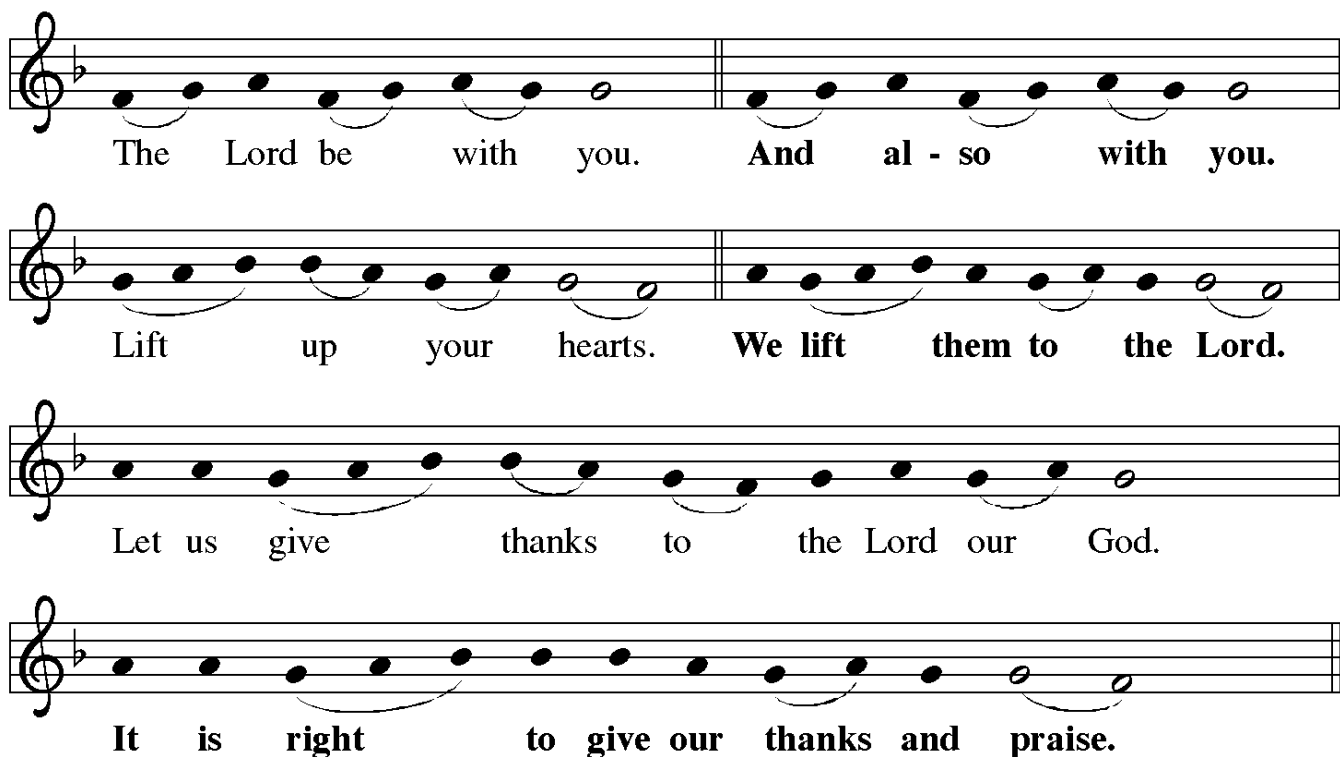
Lead us to your table, nourish us with this heavenly food,

and prepare us to carry your love to a hungry world,

in the name of Christ our light.

**C** Amen.

## GREAT THANKSGIVING



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

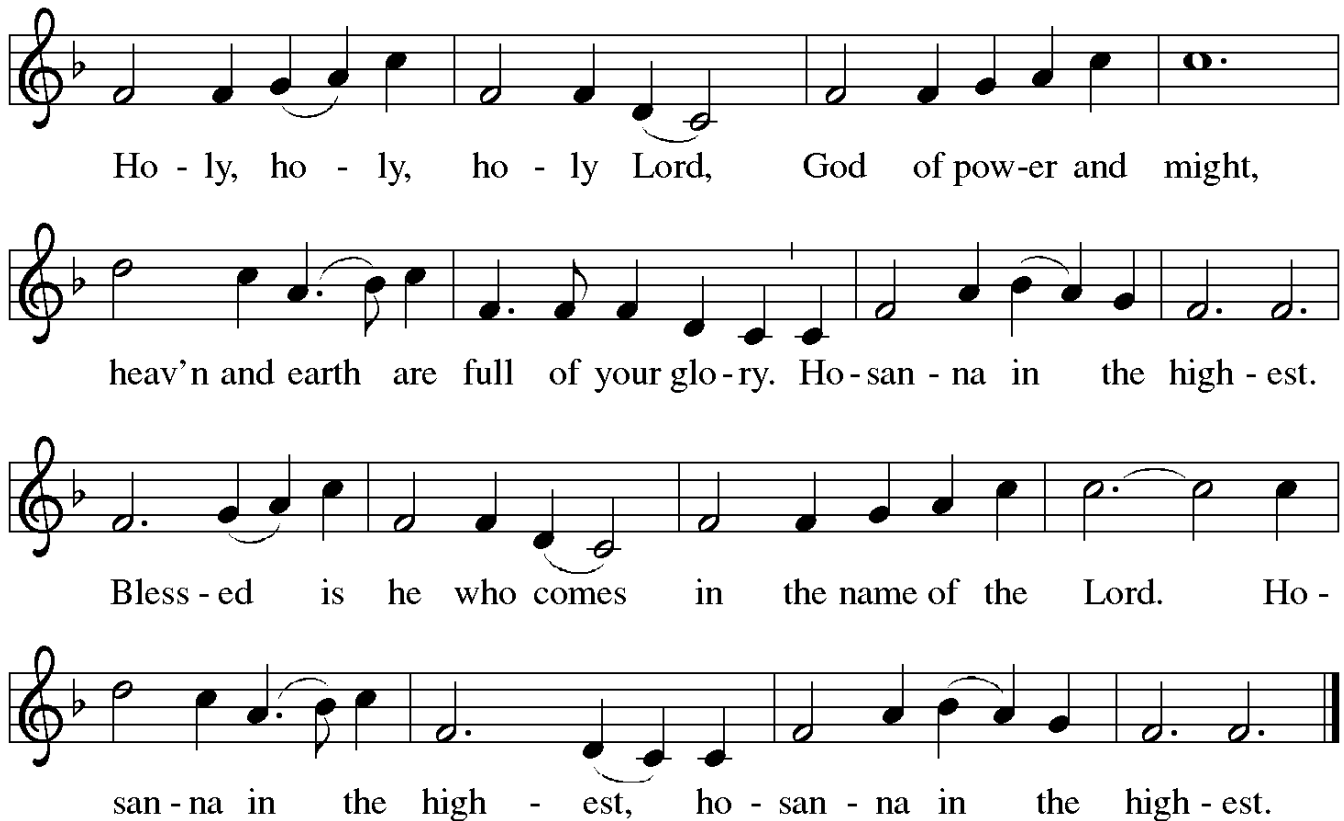
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

## PROPER PREFACE

**P** It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. By the leading of a star he was shown forth to all nations; in the waters of the Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son; and in the miracle of water turned to wine he revealed your glory. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,  
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is 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

**P** Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!  
Blessed are all who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

**C** Amen.



## ↓ DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

*In Christian fellowship you are welcome to the Lord's table. Come forward by the center aisle to receive the host and wine. (The pulpit side of the congregation communes first). If you prefer grape juice, the cups in the center of the tray are filled with juice. Wine is on the outside. Return to your pew using the side aisle after you have communed.*



*Children are encouraged to come forward to receive a blessing.*

## AGNUS DEI



- 1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
- 2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
- 3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.  
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.  
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

## ↑ POST COMMUNION BLESSING

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

**C** Amen

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

**A** Lord, it is good for us to be here, for we have tasted your glory in this holy meal. Continue your goodness as we go out from here. Open our eyes to see your face shining in every person, and send us to be your servants in every place, for you are the life and light of all, both now and forever.

**C** Amen

## BLESSING

**P** May the God of glory dwell in you richly, name you beloved, and shine brightly on your path; and the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always.

**C** Amen.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

↑ SENDING HYMN

*(insert)*

## DISMISSAL

**A** Go in peace. Christ is your light.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## POSTLUDE

<b><i>Prayers for the homebound</i></b>
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✝ Pray for our elderly members who are unable to attend worship and help us to minister to them faithfully (especially), Meta Brockmann, June Kaiser, Jean Kissack, Eddie Leicht, Rocky Metroka, Fred Miller, and Chuck Sherrick.

<b><i>Prayers for the military</i></b>
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✝ Protect and comfort our servicemen and women as they stand in harm's way (*especially*), Benjamin Aronson, Steven Bobrowski, Ian Hay, Jeff Hill and Phillip Spatz. We pray for families in conflict throughout the world.