

Worship  
Third Sunday in Epiphany

January 22, 2023  
9:45am



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## Welcome to Worship

Whether one's feet are big or small, fresh or worn, running or crawling  
Good Shepherd Lutheran Church is:  
**Together on the Journey, Sharing God's Love**

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREETING

P. The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light;  
those who lived in a land of deep darkness –  
on them light has shined.

**C. Thanks be to God.**

SONG           *"Arise, Your Light Has Come"*

**Arise, your light has come! The Spirit's call obey;  
show forth the glory of your God which shines on you today.**

**Arise, your light has come! Fling wide the prison door;  
proclaim the captive's liberty, good tidings to the poor.**

**Arise, your light has come! All you in sorrow born,  
bind up the brokenhearted ones and comfort those who mourn.**

**Arise, your light has come! The mountains burst in song!  
Rise up like eagles on the wing, God's pow'r will make us strong.**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P. Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for Reflection*

P. God, we have not done what is blameless and right,

**C. nor spoken truth from the heart with love.**

**We do not keep our word.**

**Our words and deeds cause pain.**

**Forgive us by the power of your mercy,  
that we might stand in the goodness of Christ  
and walk in the light of his love.**

**Amen.**

P. Friends, God is for us and not against us.

For that reason, God sent the Son into the world –  
not to condemn the world,

but that the world might be saved through him.

We declare the good news of the Gospel:

**C. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven  
and set free to live a new life in him.**

**Amen.**

SONG OF PRAISE     *"Here I am to Worship"*

**Light of the world, you stepped down into darkness, opened my eyes, let me see. Beauty that made this heart adore you, hope of a life spent with you. Here I am to worship, here I am to bow down, here I am to say that you're my God. You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy, altogether wonderful to me.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

C. **And also with you.**

L. Let us pray together,

C. **God, our light and our salvation, illumine our minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scripture is read and your Word is proclaimed our eyes may see your kingdom, our ears may hear the call of Jesus, and our hearts may know the joy of your salvation. Amen.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Glo---ria in excelsis Deo; glo---ria in excelsis Deo.**

BIBLE READING     Isaiah 9:1-4

Nonetheless, those who were in distress won't be exhausted. At an earlier time, God cursed the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but later he glorified the way of the sea, the far side of the Jordan, and the Galilee of the nations. The people walking in darkness have seen a great light. On those living in a pitch-dark land, light has dawned. You have made the nation great; you have increased its joy. They rejoiced before you as with joy at the harvest, as those who divide plunder rejoice. As on the day of Midian, you've shattered the yoke that burdened them, the staff on their shoulders, and the rod of their oppressor.

The Word of the Lord

C. **Thanks be to God**

MESSAGE             Pastor Leesa Soderlind

SONG                     *"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"*

**I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to follow Jesus. God set the stars to give light to the world. The star of my life is Jesus.**

*Refrain:*     **In him there is no darkness at all. The night and the day are both alike. The Lamb is the light of the city of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.**

**I want to see the brightness of God. I want to look at Jesus. Clear Sun of righteousness, shine on my path, and show me the way to the Father. *Refrain***

**I'm looking for the coming of Christ. I want to be with Jesus. When we have run with patience the race, we shall know the joy of Jesus. *Refrain***

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**We believe in one God, who is Creator, maker of all we see and all we don't see.**

**Who is Ruler of the universe: Source of all creation!**

*(Children) Source of all creation!*

**We believe in one God, who is Jesus Christ,  
God from God, Light from Light, true God and true human.  
He is one with the Creator; the Word made flesh, our Messiah:  
Savior of all creation!  
(Children) *Savior of all creation!***

**We believe in one God, who is Holy Spirit,  
Breath of God moving among us;  
who is one with the Creator; one with the Christ;  
our Comforter and our Guide: Mentor of all Creation!  
(Children) *Mentor of all creation! Amen.***

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

OFFERING RECEIVED

(Those who are able, please stand)

OFFERTORY SONG

**This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine;  
this little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine;  
this little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine, let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.**

HOLY COMMUNION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

SONG *"Father, I Adore You"*

**Father, I adore You. Lay my life before You, how I love You.**

**Jesus, I adore you. Lay my life before you, how I love you.**

**Spirit, I adore you. Lay my life before you, how I love you.**

SONG *"We Are Marching in the Light"*

**We are marching in the light of God, we are marching in the light of God. We are marching in the light of God, we are marching in the light of God. We are marching, oooo, we are marching in the light of God. We are marching, oooo, we are marching in the light of God.**

**We are dancing in the light of God, we are dancing in the light of God. We are dancing in the light of God, we are dancing in the light of God. We are dancing, oooo, we are dancing in the light of God. We are dancing, oooo, we are dancing in the light of God.**

**We are singing in the light of God, we are singing in the light of God. We are singing in the light of God, we are singing in the light of God. We are singing, oooo, we are singing in the light of God. We are singing, oooo, we are singing in the light of God.**

COMMUNION BLESSING

*Turn to your neighbor and say, "Remember Jesus loves you!"*

BLESSING

Leader: May the love of God uphold us;

**Children: the light of Christ guide us;**

**Adults: and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit fill us with joy.**

**All: now and forever. Amen.**

SONG *"Shine, Jesus Shine"*

*Refrain:* **Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory; blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire. Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy; send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light!**

**Lord, the light of your love is shining, in the midst of the darkness, shining; Jesus, light of the world, shine upon us, set us free by the truth you now bring us. Shine on me, shine on me. *Refrain***

DISMISSAL

L. Go forth, rejoicing in the light of God's love.

**C. Thanks be to God**

POSTLUDE

**This Week Please Pray For:**

Healing:

Renee Olson, stage 4 ovarian cancer