

Shepherd of the Mountains Lutheran Church

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Mission Statement:

Shepherd of the Mountains Lutheran Church is a community of faith grounded in love for God and love for our neighbors.



January 19, 2025

2nd Sunday after Epiphany

Ann Knipping, Accompanist

Prelude: "Christians, We Have Met to Worship" &

"Praise Him! Praise Him!" arr. by Mark Hayes

Take the time to center heart and mind on God's presence in worship.

Welcome, Friends in Christ,

*To assist in worship, this bulletin includes all portions of our service; prayers, readings, hymns, congregational responses in **bold**, as well as upcoming events.*

We also provide activity bags for children. You may request these from an usher.

Please know that everyone is invited to receive communion, where we are all guests at God's table.

Meeting you during the Sharing of the Peace, or after the service, would be our joy. Many of us come from other places before calling Estes Park home, and you never know when you'll find common threads.

Whether you are first time visitors or long time friends returning to share in worship with us, we are grateful for your presence today.

A note about our hymns:

When we are able, we show the harmony. If we are only able to share the melody, you may find the harmony in the red hymnal in your pew.

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Welcome and Introduction: Pastor Sheryl Kester Beyer

Call to Worship



(You may stand, in body or spirit)

Confession and Forgiveness

All may make the sign of the † cross, the sign marked at baptism, as we begin.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
alive in the world,
reviving creation,
arriving soon.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God of mercy,
we confess that we have sinned.
We trust earthly powers and human authority alone.
We grow fearful. We cling to false comforts.

God of might,
we confess that we have sinned.
We have turned away from our neighbors.
We have trusted false promises.

God in our midst,
we confess that we have sinned.
We plead: come to us.
Bring your mercy to birth in us.

A righteous branch springs forth:
it is Christ the Lord, our Savior,
in whom we have forgiveness, life, and mercy.
By the power of the Holy Spirit,
receive the grace and forgiveness of God
through † Christ Jesus, whose day draws near.

Amen.

Opening Hymn: "All are Welcome" Hymn 641

1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safe - ly
3 Let us build a house where love is found in wa - ter, wine and
live, a place where saints and chil - dren tell how
wheat: a ban - quet hall on ho - ly ground where
hearts learn to for - give. Built of hopes and dreams and
peace and jus - tice meet. Here the love of God, through
vi - sions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of
Je - sus, is re - vealed in time and space; as we share in
Refrain
Christ shall end di - vi - sions:
Christ the feast that frees us: All are wel - come,
all are wel - come, all are wel - come in this place.

Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950

Music: TWO OAKS, Marty Haugen

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Greeting

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

And also with you.

(You may be seated)

Kyrie

(Congregation sings the highlighted refrain)

Refrain

Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, on our world and on our way.

Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, ev-'ry day.

3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . . for
4 For your Spir-it to guide; that you cen-ter our lives in the

friends and fam-i-ly; for
wa-ter and the word; that you

life and for love, for our work and our play,
nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod-y and blood,

Refrain

let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

Canticle of Praise

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-t'ry for our God, for the



Lamb who was slain has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia.



1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be



peo-ple of God. Pow-er, rich-es, wis-dom, and strength, and



Refrain
hon-or, bless-ing, and glo-ry are his. This is the feast of



vic-t'ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has be-gun his reign. Al-



le-lu-ia. 2 Sing with all the peo-ple of God, and



join in the hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing, hon-or,



glo-ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men.

Final refrain

This is the feast of vic - t'ry for our God, for the
 Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

Prayer of the Day

Lord God, source of every blessing, you showed forth your glory and led many to faith by the works of your Son, who brought gladness and salvation to his people. Transform us by the Spirit of his love, that we may find our life together in him, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

First Reading: Isaiah 62:1-5

¹ For Zion's sake I will not keep silent,
 and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest,
 until her vindication shines out like the dawn,
 and her salvation like a burning torch.

² The nations shall see your vindication,
 and all the kings your glory;
 and you shall be called by a new name
 that the mouth of the Lord will give.

³ You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord,
 and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

⁴ You shall no more be termed Forsaken,
 and your land shall no more be termed Desolate;

but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her,
and your land Married;
for the Lord delights in you,
and your land shall be married.
⁵ For as a young man marries a young woman,
so shall your builder marry you,
and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride,
so shall your God rejoice over you.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 36:5-10

⁵ Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens,
and your faithfulness to the clouds.

⁶ **Your righteousness is like the strong mountains, your justice like the great deep; you save humankind and animals, O Lord.**

⁷ How priceless is your love, O God!
All people take refuge under the shadow of your wings.

⁸ **They feast upon the abundance of your house;
you give them drink from the river of your delights.**

⁹ For with you is the well of life,
and in your light we see light.

¹⁰ **Continue your lovingkindness to those who know you,
and your favor to those who are true of heart.**

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

¹ Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. ² You know that when you were pagans, you were

enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak.³ Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says “Let Jesus be cursed!” and no one can say “Jesus is Lord” except by the Holy Spirit.

⁴ Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵ and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶ and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone.

⁷ To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.

⁸ To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹ to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰ to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹ All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

(You may stand, in body or spirit)

Gospel Acclamation

Al-le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al-le - lu - ia.
Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.
Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Gospel: John 2:1-11

The holy gospel according to John Chapter 2. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹ On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ² Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³ When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." ⁴ And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." ⁵ His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." ⁶ Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷ Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸ He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. ⁹ When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom ¹⁰ and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." ¹¹ Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

(You may be seated)

Sermon: "They have no wine!"



Sermon Hymn: "Songs of Thankfulness and Praise" Hymn 310

1 Songs of thank-ful - ness and praise, Je - sus, Lord, to thee we raise;
2 Man - i - fest at Jor - dan's stream, proph-et, priest, and king su - preme;

man - i - fest - ed by the star to the sa - ges from a - far,
and at Ca - na wed - ding guest in thy God-head man - i - fest;

branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem in thy birth at Beth - le - hem:
man - i - fest in pow'r di - vine, chang - ing wa - ter in - to wine;

an - thems be to thee ad - dressed,
an - thems be to thee ad - dressed, God in flesh made man - i - fest.

Text: Christopher Wordsworth, 1807–1885, alt.

Music: SALZBURG, Jakob Hintze, 1622–1702; arr. Johann Sebastian Bach, 1685–1750

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 he 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.**

Intercessory Prayer

Each petition ends: "God of Grace,"

Response is "**hear our prayer.**"

Sharing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Offertory: "In This Very Room" by Ron and Carol Harris

Receiving of Gifts

(You may stand, in body or spirit)

Offering Prayer

God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with You.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

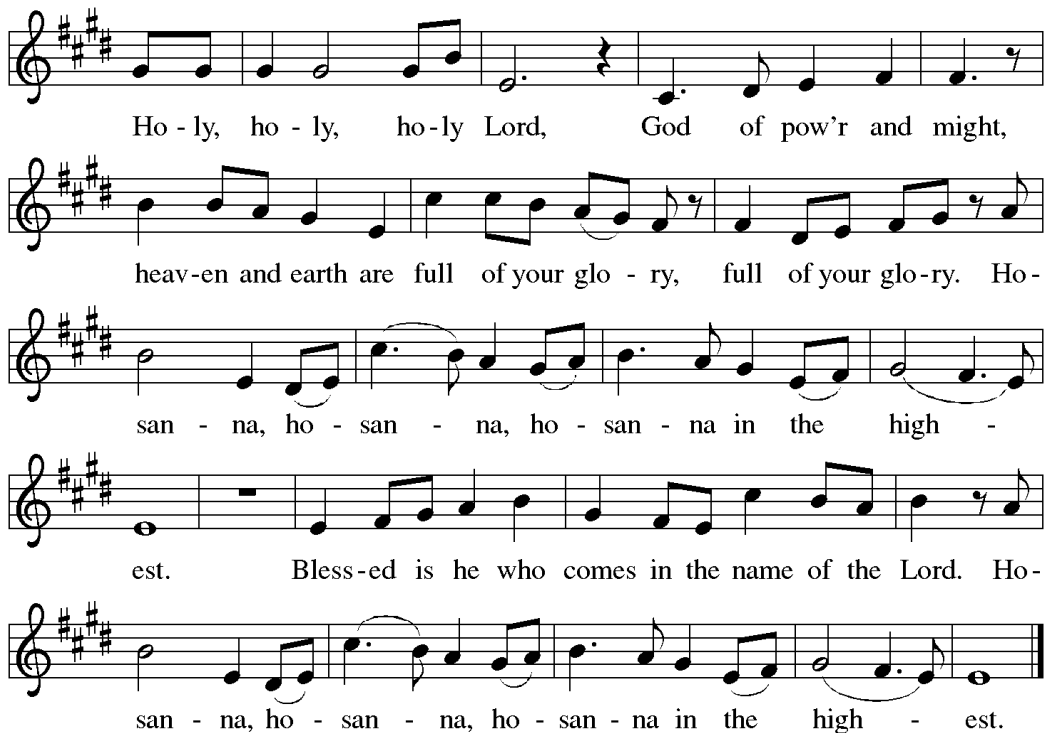
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Preface

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:

“Holy, Holy, Holy”



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

Eucharistic Prayer

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord,
 heaven and earth are full of your glory.
 In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,
 who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,

who preached good news to the poor,
and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.
In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension,
we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord,
and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food,
the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord;
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory, now and forever.

Amen.

The 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.**

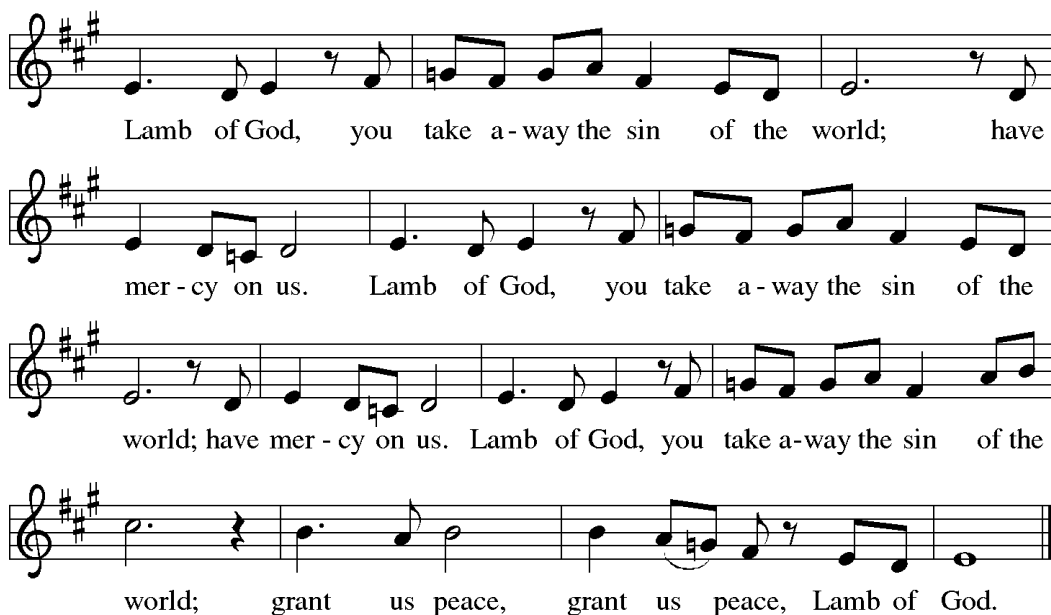
Invitation to Communion

A child has been born for us, a Son given to us.
Come, receive the gift of Jesus.

*We commune by 'Intinction', by dipping the wafer in wine or grape juice.
We are all guests at God's table. **Everyone** is invited to receive communion.*

(You may be seated)

Lamb of God



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.



Communion Hymn: "Now We Join in Celebration" Hymn 462

1 Now we join in cel - e - bra - tion at our Sav - ior's in - vi - ta - tion,
2 Lord, as round this feast we gath - er, fill our hearts with ho - ly rap - ture!
3 Lord, we share in this com - mu - nion as one fam - 'ly of God's chil - dren,

dressed no more in spir - it som - ber, clothed in - stead in joy and won - der;
For this bread and cup of bless - ing are for us the sure pos - sess - ing
rec - on - ciled through you, our broth - er, one in you with God our Fa - ther.

for the Lord of all ex - is - tence, put - ting off di - vine tran - scen - dence,
of your lov - ing deed on Cal - v'ry, of your liv - ing self, our vic - t'ry,
Give us grace to live for oth - ers, serv - ing all, both friends and strang - ers,

stoops a - gain in love to meet us, with his ver - y life to feed us.
pledge of your un - fail - ing pres - ence, fore - taste here of heav' n - ly glad - ness.
seek - ing jus - tice, love, and mer - cy till you come in fi - nal glo - ry.

Text: Joel W. Lundeen, 1918-1990
Music: Johann Crüger, 1598-1662
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Post Communion Blessing

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

Post Communion Prayer

**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.**

Ministry Highlights

On January 26, after the service, we will hold our financial annual meeting. This is a review of 2024 as well as a vote on the 2025 budget. Please plan to attend.

(You may stand, in body or spirit)

Blessing

The Spirit of the triune God
† bless you with joy,
anoint you with compassion,
and send you in love.

Amen.

Sending Hymn: "What Feast of Love" Hymn 487



1 What feast of love is of - fered here, what ban - quet come from heav - en?
3 What wine of love is of - fered here, what crim - son drink from heav - en?



What food of ev - er - last - ing life, what gra - cious gift is giv - en?
What stream of ev - er - last - ing life, what pre - cious blood is giv - en?



This, this is Christ the king, the bread come down from heav - en.
This, this is Christ the king, the sweet - est wine of heav - en.



Oh, taste and see and sing! How sweet the man - na giv - en!
Oh, taste and see and sing! The Son of God is giv - en!

Text: Delores Dufner, OSB, b. 1939

Music: GREENSLEEVES, English ballad, 16th cent.

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Dismissal

Go in peace. Live in hope.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude: "Come, Christians Join to Sing" arr. by Mark Hayes

Thank you for serving!

	<i>January 19</i>	<i>January 26</i>
<i>Leading Worship:</i>	Pastor Sheryl Kester Beyer	Pastor Sheryl Kester Beyer
<i>Accompanist:</i>	Ann Knipping	Ann Knipping
<i>Choir Director:</i>	Ann Knipping	Ann Knipping
<i>Greeter:</i>		Miriam Deffenbaugh
<i>Lector:</i>	Paula Stensvaag	Linda Schlitt
<i>Ushers:</i>	Mike Wold Gary Wallace	Mike Wold Randy Huber
<i>Tellers:</i>		Josh Young _____ OPEN
<i>Altar Care:</i>	Tara McConnell	Tara McConnell
<i>Communion Asst:</i>	Paula Stensvaag	Miriam Deffenbaugh _____ OPEN _____ OPEN
<i>AV Engineer:</i>	Bruce Adams	Bruce Adams
<i>Fellowship Host:</i>		_____ OPEN
<i>Flower Sponsor:</i>		Roxy Hause <i>IMO Lorene Hause</i>
<i>Flower Arranger:</i>	Sallie Brackman	Sallie Brackman

Calendar

<i>Monday, Jan 20</i>	Martin Luther King Jr. Day
<i>Tuesday, Jan 21</i>	10:00 a.m.—PEO HF Chapter
<i>Wednesday, Jan 22</i>	Pastor Sheryl in the office, all day 8:00 a.m.—Sacred Space 3:30 p.m.—Choir Rehearsal
<i>Thursday, Jan 23</i>	1:00 p.m.—Quilters