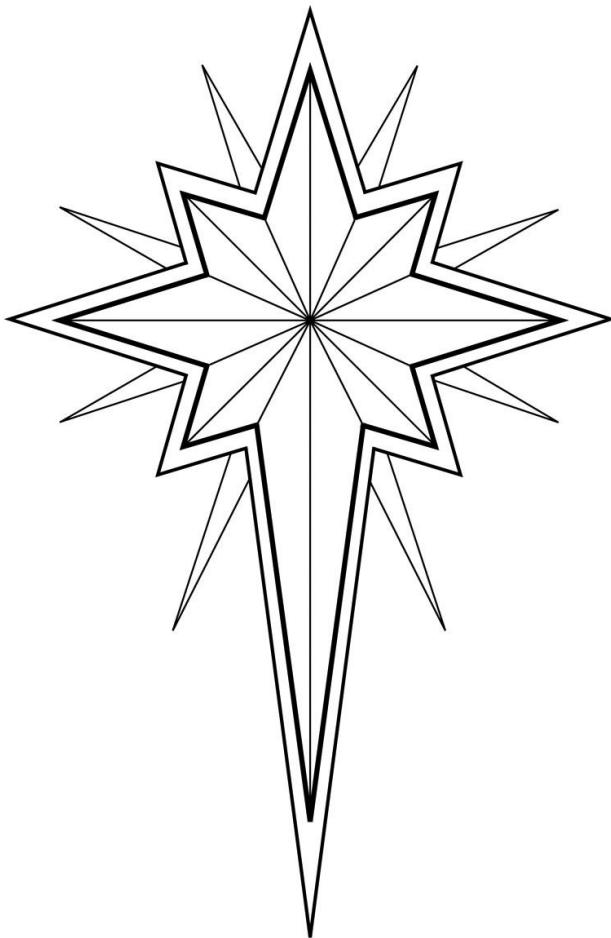


FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY  
FEBRUARY 8, 2026



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EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA  
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# **SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION**

***EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN WORSHIP, SETTING 3 (PAGES 138-145)***

*The liturgy is in the front of the ELW with numbers at the bottom of the pages. The hymns begin in the middle of the ELW with numbers at the top of the pages.*

**PRELUDE**

**RINGING OF THE BELL**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CONFESSiON AND FORGIVENESS**

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, <sup>☩</sup> one God, the Creator of heaven and earth, the Word who spoke life into being, the Wind stirring the waters.

**C: Amen.**

P: Let us turn in confession to the one who knows us completely.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: Mighty God, lover of justice,

**C: you call us to life in community, but we have served our own interests at the expense of our neighbors. We have sown deceit where honesty was needed. We say the right words, but our hearts are far from you. Turn us to seek your face. Knit us together and give us the mind of Christ, that we may do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God.**

**Amen.**

P: The former things have passed away, and new things God now declares: Like a spring of water that never fails, God covers you in the righteousness of Christ, and forgives your sin in <sup>☩</sup> Jesus' name. May the Spirit give you strength to live for others, and bless you with the gift of peace.

**C: Amen.**

**HYMN #510 “WORD OF GOD, COME DOWN ON EARTH”**

## **GREETING**

P: 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.**

### **♪ KYRIE [PAGE 138-139]**

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.**

## **CANTICLE OF PRAISE [PAGE 140-141]**

**♪ This is the feast of victory for our God.**  
**Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

**Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,  
whose blood set us free to be people of God.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God.**  
**Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

**Power, riches, wisdom, and strength,  
and honor, blessing, and glory are his.  
This is the feast of victory for our God.**  
**Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

**Sing with all the people of God  
and join in the hymn of all creation.  
Blessing, honor, glory and might  
be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.  
This is the feast of victory for our God.**  
**Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

**For the Lamb who was slain  
has begun his reign. Alleluia.  
This is the feast of victory for our God.  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**P:** The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

**P:** Let us pray. (*concluding...our Savior and Lord.*)

**C: Amen.**

### **READINGS**

#### **FIRST READING: ISAIAH 58:1-9A [9B-12]**

**L:** A reading from Isaiah.

Shout out; do not hold back! Lift up your voice like a trumpet! Announce to my people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins. Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways, as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God; they ask of me righteous judgments; they want God on their side. “Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?” Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day and oppress all your workers. You fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist. Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high. Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the LORD? Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the straps of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? Is it not to share your bread with the hungry and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them and not to hide yourself from your own kin? Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you; the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard. Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, “Here I am.” If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, “Here I am.” If you

remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. The LORD will guide you continually and satisfy your needs in parched places and make your bones strong, and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water whose waters never fail. Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

**L: The Word of the Lord.**

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 112:1-9 [10] | 1 CORINTHIANS 2:1-12 [13-16]**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION [PAGE 142]**

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

**GOSPEL: MATTHEW 5:13-20**

**P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 5<sup>th</sup> chapter.**

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

**P: The Gospel of the Lord.**

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

**YOUTH SERMON – REV. LEAH HOLLOWAY-NILSEN**

**SERMON – REV. LEAH HOLLOWAY-NILSEN**

**HYMN #688 “LORD OF LIGHT!”**

**CONFESION OF FAITH: APOSTLES’ CREED**

**P: With the whole church, let us confess our faith.**

**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.**

### **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

**P:** As God's beloved children united in Christ, let us pray for the church, the whole human community, and the well-being of the earth, our home.

*(Each petition ends: P: Merciful God, C: receive our prayer.)*

**P:** Confident that the Holy Spirit receives our prayers and answers us, we commend all for whom we pray for God's loving-kindness made known to us in Christ Jesus our Savior.

**C: Amen.**

### **SHARING OF THE PEACE**

**P:** The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

### **OFFERING**

#### **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

**P:** Let us pray. *(concluding...our Savior and Lord.)*

**C: Amen.**

## ♪ GREAT THANKSGIVING (*PAGE 144*)

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## PREFACE [*PAGE 144*]

P: It is indeed right...and join their unending hymn:

**C:**     ♪ **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,**  
          **heaven and earth are full of your glory.**  
          **Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**  
          **Hosanna in the highest.**

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

## 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

*All are welcome at the Lord's Table.  
Gluten-free wafers and white grape juice are available.*

**♪ Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
grant us peace.**

## HYMN #673 “GOD, WHOSE ALMIGHTY WORD”

### 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 HYMN [884]

**♪ Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heav'nly host;  
praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.**

### POST COMMUNION PRAYER

P: Let us pray. (*concluding...Jesus Christ our Lord.*)

**C: Amen.**

### BLESSING

P: May the Triune God, who has put a new song in your mouth and tuned your heart for praise <sup>☩</sup> bless you now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## HYMN #550 “ON WHAT HAS NOW BEEN SOWN”

### DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Do justice. Love mercy.

**C: Thanks be to God!**

### RINGING OF THE BELL

### POSTLUDE

**Those to keep in prayer:** Lydia Szelag, Mallory Bousselot, Cathy Goddard, the homebound: Carol Christensen, Delores Lahann, Myrna Kay Peterson, Vera St. John, and Bus Seastrand; and those serving in the military, Andrew Grau and Benjamin Baur.

**Pastor:** Rev. Leah Holloway-Nilsen

**Organist:** Jason Bousselot or Linda Whitman

**Acolyte:** Rachel Burke

**Lector:** Rachel Burke; **Next Week:** Brian Bousselot

**Communion Assistant:** Brian Bousselot

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**This Week At A Glance**  
**Week beginning February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

Tuesday, February 10 <sup>th</sup>	12:00 pm “Meet and Eat” at Buck’s Corner
Wednesday, February 11 <sup>th</sup>	10:00 am Naomi Circle at Marsha Witte’s home 6:00 pm Confirmation at Faith 7:00 pm Bible Jam at Faith 7:00 pm Education Committee Meeting at Faith
Thursday, February 12 <sup>th</sup>	6:30 pm Worship Committee at Our Savior’s 7:00 pm Joint Council meeting at Our Savior’s
Sunday, February 15 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 am Worship at Faith 9:25 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship at Our Savior’s <b>Bishop Current presides at both congregations</b>

**Announcements**

**February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2026 – Bishop Amy Current**

Bishop Amy Current will preside at Faith and Our Savior’s Worship Services on February 15<sup>th</sup>. Ida Jane Nilsen will be baptized at the 10:30 am worship at Our Savior’s. Cake reception will follow worship.

**First Communion Class**

First Communion Class will be held on March 3rd at 5:30 pm at Faith. Class is open to all ages. Especially encouraged for those who have never been. Please RSVP to Pastor, but anyone is welcome without RSVP.

### **House for Rent by Our Savior's**

Do you know anyone looking for a house to rent? The house by Our Savior's will be available for rent. There is no smoking, and pets are considered on a per case basis. If you know anyone interested in renting the house, please contact a member of Our Savior's Council or Nicole in the church office.

### **Mission Quilts and Fabric Kits**

**Our parish will gather Mission Quilts and Fabric Kits for Lutheran World Relief. Mission Quilts** provide quilts to people after a weather-related disaster or life-changing event. **Fabric Kits**

provide fabric and thread to people who create items to sell as a way to make a living. An information sheet which provides specific details for each item is available at both churches.

If you have questions, please contact:

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The **noisy offering** will be collected on Sunday, February 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Ash Wednesday will be February 18<sup>th</sup> at Faith at 7:00 pm.**

## Prayers of Intercession

Each Sunday when we gather for worship we have time of intercessory prayer. While this is an important part of our worship, we may not always know why we do it or what it means. Our prayers of intercession are, in short, asking God to be God to act in this world as God has promised us God will move and act in the world. These prayers are meant to be timely to current happenings at local, national, and global levels.

The Worship Committee and Pastor Leah have heard the request for members of our parish to offer up their own intercessions. This certainly fits in line with the meaning behind our prayers of intercession, because while we try to address the many things happening in our lives and world, we certainly cannot perfectly address them all. Here is how Worship Committee and Pastor Leah plan to honor this request...

- 1) Please submit in writing your prayer petition to Pastor Leah by the Wednesday preceding the upcoming Sunday.
- 2) Please be brief. 1-3 sentences will suffice.
- 3) Pastor Leah may edit or reject your petition. We are a parish filled with people of diverse opinions and experiences, and we hope our prayers reflect this reality. Pastor Leah will communicate any suggested edits, and the petition will not be prayed without full agreement from the writer and Pastor Leah.
- 4) We will start asking for petitions from members in January, with plans to include them in the prayers of intercession in February.
- 5) Honoring deaths within and connected to our community will still be prayed in the final petition where we give thanks to God for all those saints who have died.

The Worship Committee and Pastor Leah appreciate hearing from our parish on ways to enhance our communal worship life together. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to Pastor Leah or a member of the Worship Committee.

### **Pastor Leah and the Worship Committee**

**Faith:** Terri Bousselot, Brittany Hoffmann, Andrea Shelton

**Our Savior's:** Dan Burke, Jason Bousselot, Deb Detlefs, Linda Whitman