2nd Sunday after Epiphany

January 19, 2025



Dinkey Memorial Evangelical Lutheran Church

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God's work. Our hands.

To all who are lonely and need fellowship; to all who are discouraged and need good news; to all who mourn and need comfort; to all who are tempted and need help; to all who are sinners and need forgiveness; to all who are complacent and need disturbing; to all who thirst for the water of life; to all who love Christ and would follow Christ, Dinkey Memorial Evangelical Lutheran Church opens its arms and bids you welcome!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NOISY OFFERING

GATHERING

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,

our creator,

our protector,

our wellspring of life.

Amen.

Trusting that God receives our words and the meditations of our hearts, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God, you speak blessing and compassion into the world. Forgive us for the ways we act with judgment, cruelty, or indifference. We ignore the needs of our neighbors; we resist your call to oppose injustice; we give in to scarcity and fear; we assume the worst about one another. **Cleanse us from our faults** and release us from their grasp. Show us your lovingkindness. Restore our hearts and repair your world, that we may live in Christ's ways. Amen. God proclaims these words of assurance: "Do not fear, for I have redeemed you. I have called you by name. You are mine." In + Christ, you are forgiven. In the Spirit, you are made free. Refreshed by the waters of mercy,

live anew as beloved children of God.

Amen.

PEACE

The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ.

The peace of Christ be with you always.

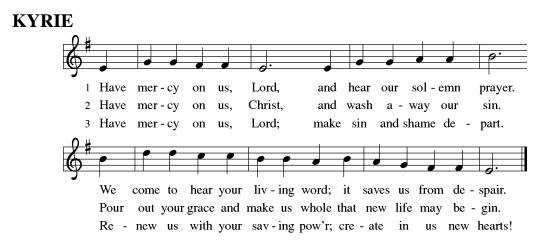
And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.

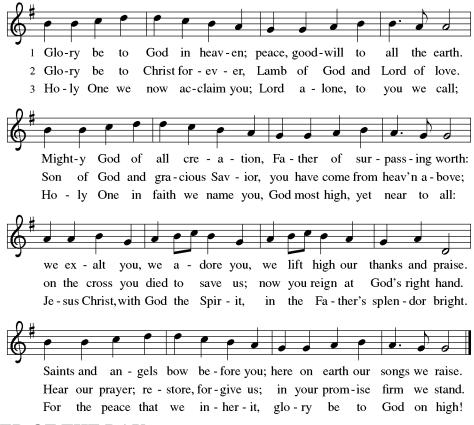
GATHERING SONG Songs of Thankfulness and Praise (ELW 310)

GREETING

During this time, the presiding minister and the assembly greet each other. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**



CANTICLE OF PRAISE



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

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.

WORD

FIRST READING: Isaiah 62:1-5

The reading may be announced:

A reading from Isaiah.

The people's return to Judah after the exile was marred by economic and political troubles. Nevertheless, the prophet declares, Jerusalem and Judah will be restored. God will rejoice over Jerusalem as a bridegroom rejoices over the bride, and the people are called to the celebration.

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.

The reading may be concluded: The word of the Lord. *The assembly responds:* **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 36:5-10

We feast upon the abundance of your house, O LORD. (Ps. 36:8)

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 ani- | mals, O LORD. R
- ⁷ How priceless is your ¹ 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. R

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

The reading may be announced:

A reading from 1 Corinthians.

The congregation at Corinth experienced division as people were comparing their spiritual gifts, thinking some to be superior to others. Paul invites this fractured community to trust that God's Holy Spirit has gifted them all perfectly for their mission together.

¹Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. ²You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. ³Therefore 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.

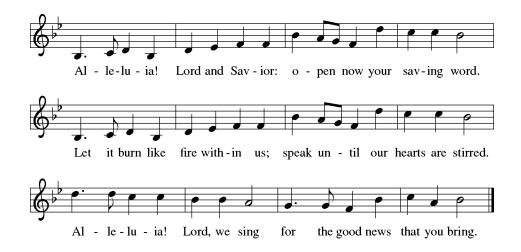
⁴ Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵ and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶ and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷ To each is

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.

The reading may be concluded: The word of the Lord. The assembly responds:

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: John 2:1-11

The gospel is announced. The holy gospel according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord.** Turning water to wine at the wedding at Cana is described as the first of Jesus' signs. Through many such epiphanies, Jesus reveals that he bears God's creative power and joyful presence into the world.

¹On 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." ⁶Now 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 concludes:

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY Now the Silence (ELW 460)

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.
PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

With the Spirit of Christ shining upon us, let us boldly pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

Giver of gifts, you form each member of the church to serve. Inspire us to boldly use gifts of welcome and healing, service and teaching, leading and preaching, for the sake of your work in the world. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Refuge of creatures, you place all the living under the shadow of your wings. Lead us in ways that tend to the needs of wild and domestic animals, creatures threatened by extinction, and the environment we share. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Voice of the oppressed, you call prophets throughout time. We remember the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., a voice for racial and economic justice and for peace. Guide our nation in continuing to heed your prophetic call. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

God of steadfast love, as Jesus celebrated at Cana, nurture marriages and relationships in mutual care; in times of separation or divorce hold tenderly broken hearts and broken dreams. Be present to all who are sick, grieving or in any need (*especially*). God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Spirit of peace, celebrating this Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, we pray for neighboring congregations and ministry sites. Nurture our shared commitment to embody Jesus' love, justice, and healing. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Wellspring of life, in living and dying we trust in you. We give thanks for the saints. Guide us in our living until, at last, we rest in you. God of grace, hear our prover

hear our prayer.

We entrust our prayers to you, O God, in the sure and certain hope that your promise is revealed among the people.

Amen.

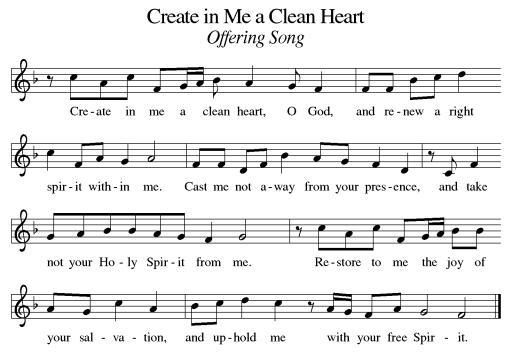
LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

MUSICAL SELECTION

OFFERING



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OFFERING PRAYER

God of grace, your love reaches to the heavens, and your abundance to the depths of the seas. Bless what we offer to your service: our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts. Let us overflow with gratitude and generosity, now and always. **Amen.**

SENDING

BLESSING

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

SENDING SONG Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus (ELW 802)

DISMISSAL

The worship has ended, let the service begin. Go in peace. Live in hope. **Thanks be to God.**

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DINKEY MEMORIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS January 19, 2025

The Altar Flowers are not sponsored today.

The Bulletins are sponsored today by Irene Wenner in memory of mother Helen Steigerwalt.

Flower and bulletin charts for **2025** are on the bulletin board above the stairs. You may either sign up on the charts or by calling the office at 610-377-4242. It is appreciated if you pay for your sponsorship by the end of the month that you have sponsored. All weeks are open for the Memorial Bowl. It is very important for flower sponsors to return the cans and plastic gold bowls that they take the flowers home in. Thank you very much for your cooperation.

Office Hours:

Monday, Thursday, Friday 9:00- 2:00 (610)377-4242

The Week Ahead:

Today	9:00AM	2 nd Sunday after Epiphany Worship
	10:15AM	Sunday School
Wednesday	9:00AM	Morning Prayer
Thursday	9:30AM	Bible Study
	6:30PM	Choir
Sunday	9:00AM	3rd Sunday after Epiphany Worship
	10:15AM	Sunday School

HAPPY BIRTHDAY January 19 to January 25

01/19 Shane Eckhart 01/19 Timothy Eckhart 01/19 Ernest Frack 01/19 Chelsea German 01/19 Zane Nolan 01/19 Maci Peffer 01/20 Debra Kuehner 01/20 Therersa Michalik 01/20 Andrea Schafer 01/21 Owen Eckhart 01/24 James Andreas 01/24 Emily Williams 01/25 Echo Bretz 01/25 Jackie Howard 01/25 Kyle Neff

Noisy offering to benefit the Lutheran Disaster Response for the Los Angeles wildfires.

<u>2025 Flower & Bulletin Chart</u>: The flower and bulletin charts for 2025 are on the bulletin board at the top of the stairs for anyone interested in sponsoring a date.

<u>Giant Gift Cards</u>: If you would like to purchase any Giant Gift Cards please see Kathy Steigerwalt. We receive 5% from each gift card sold.

Anniversary Celebration: In 2026 Dinkey Memorial will be celebrating the 175th Anniversary of the founding of the congregation in 1851. A team is being formed to coordinate the celebration and we are looking for people interested in sharing the history of the congregation and having some fun while doing so. If you are interested, please speak with Pr. Tony for more information.

<u>**Fundraising</u>**: Dinkey is selling Streak free cloths; \$5 each. Please contact Jan in the office if interested. Dinkey is also selling Zook's frozen meat pies; beef, chicken & sausage, \$5.00 each or 5 for \$20.00; pick up every Sunday from 10:00 - 11:30 in the social hall.</u>

<u>Seeker Sessions</u>: Seeker session will be today at 12:00 at St John's for anyone interested.

Fermenting our Faith: Join us on February 12, 2025, 7:00PM at St John's Mahoning to explore our faith in a relaxed setting. We will be ordering pizza and St John's will be providing drinks

<u>Altar Guild</u>: We are in need of people willing to help with the altar guild. Responsibilities include setting up and cleaning up communion, refilling candles, updating the hymn boards, and changing paraments. Our goal is to form altar guild teams that will rotate on a monthly basis. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Pr. Tony (610-377-4242 or prdinklc@ptd.net).

MILITARY PERSONNEL FROM OR ASSOCIATED WITH DINKEY MEMORIAL

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HOMEBOUND MEMBERS

Tess Hinger	Debbie Meckel	Alice Scitney
Ruth Keck	Gordon Scherer	Debbie Strohl

SICK/HOSPITALIZED/SPECIAL NEEDS MEMBERS AND FRIENDS

Family of Sherwood Andrews Eli Bowland Steve Bowman Willard Doll Lauren Dugan Candy Everett Joseph Gorman Sonny Hack Stephen Hoffman Joe Kluk Deb Lilly Family of Larry Markell Kenny Schleicher Lukas Schleicher Todd Schleicher Madalin Smale Sherry Smith Patti Walck Betty Weber

End of year reports for the Congregational meeting are due by January 26, 2025.

Ministers:	The Congregation	
Pastor:	Reverend Anthony Pagotto	
Music Director:	Bridgette Gorman	
<u>Greeters</u> :	Wetzel	
Acolytes:	Derek Spitzer	
Lector:	Brian Schell	
Worship Participants for January 26, 2025:		
<u>Greeters</u> :	Bierman	
Acolytes:	Mason Spitzer	
Lector:	Kurt Steigerwalt	

Songs of Thankfulness and Praise



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Now the Silence

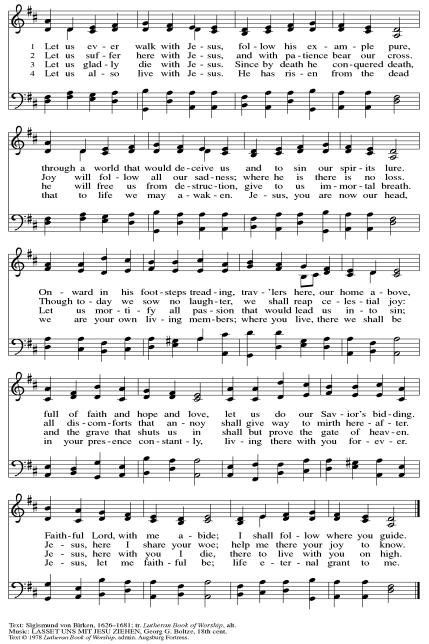


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