TABOR LUTHERAN CHURCH

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TABOR LUTHERAN CHURCH 5th Sunday after Epiphany

9:30 a.m.

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INTRODUCTION

The fifth Sunday after Epiphany continues to highlight unlikely instruments and circumstances appointed to reveal God's glory. "Who will go for us?" God asks. A person of unclean lips, a former persecutor of the church of God, and three fishermen who couldn't catch a thing. More surprising still, perhaps, is that we are also called.

PRELUDE

Announcements are on pages 18.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

A very warm welcome to all who worship here this morning, we thank God for sending you to Tabor.

Please stand if you are able.

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.**

GATHERING

GATHERING SONG

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty! ELW 413

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!



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GREETING

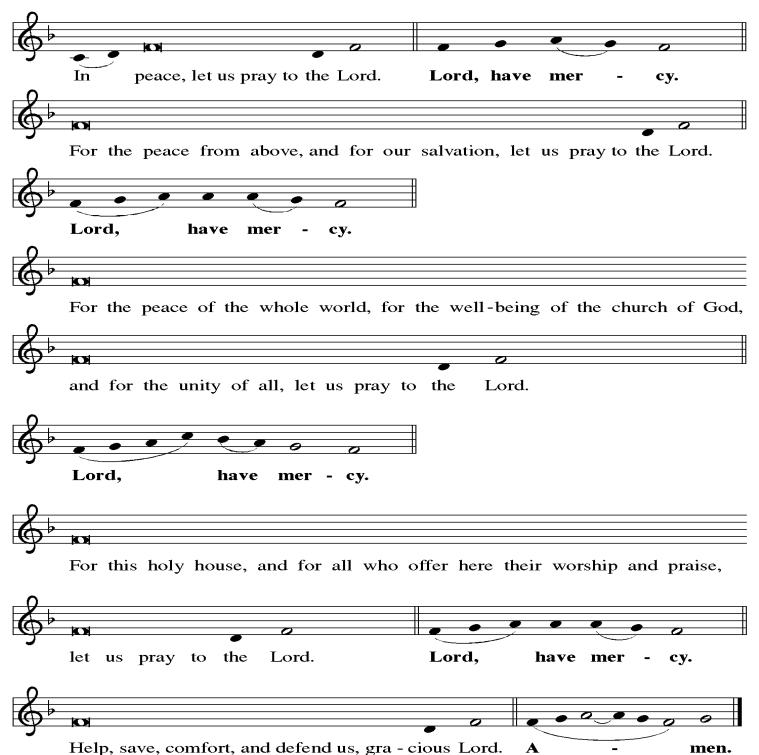
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

BLESSING OF BAGS AND ITEMS FOR THE HOMELESS

CHILDREN GO TO JAM

The Children are invited to come forward. The children are dismissed for Children's Jam, Sunday School, returning during the Peace.

KYRIE





PRAYER OF THE DAY

Most holy God, the earth is filled with your glory, and before you angels and saints stand in awe. Enlarge our vision to see your power at work in the world, and by your grace make us heralds of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

WORD

FIRST READING: Isaiah 6:1-8 [9-13] The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

Psalm: Psalm: 138 ¹I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with [|] my whole heart;

before the gods I will sing your praise.

²I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name, because of your steadfast ¹ love and faithfulness; for you have glorified your name and your word a-¹ bove all things.

³When I called, you ¹ answered me;

you increased my strength within me.

- ⁴All the rulers of the earth will praise [|] you, O LORD, when they have heard the words [|] of your mouth.
- ⁵They will sing of the ways ¹ of the LORD, that great is the glory ¹ of the LORD.
- ⁶The LORD is high, yet cares [|] for the lowly, perceiving the haughty [|] from afar.

⁷Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you ¹keep me safe; you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right ¹ hand shall save me.

⁸You will make good your pur-¹ pose for me; O LORD, your steadfast love endures forever; do not abandon the works ¹ of your hands

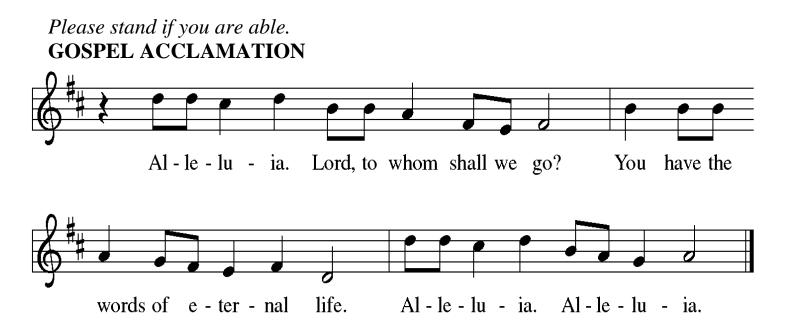
SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

¹Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, ²through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain.

³For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, ⁴and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, ⁵and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. ⁷Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. ⁸Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. ⁹For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. ¹¹Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!



The Holy gospel according to Luke, the 5th Chapter. Glory to you O Lord.

GOSPEL: Luke 5:1-11 The gospel of the Lord. Praise to you O Christ.

Please be seated.

SERMON

A brief silence for reflection.

Please stand if you are able HYMN OF THE DAY

Will You Come and Follow Me The Summons

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Pastor Karen Matuska

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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 into hell. 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.

Please be seated.

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

Each petition ends: God of grace, **Hear our prayer.**

Prayers conclude with:

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

Amen.

MEAL

PEACE 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.*

Please be seated.

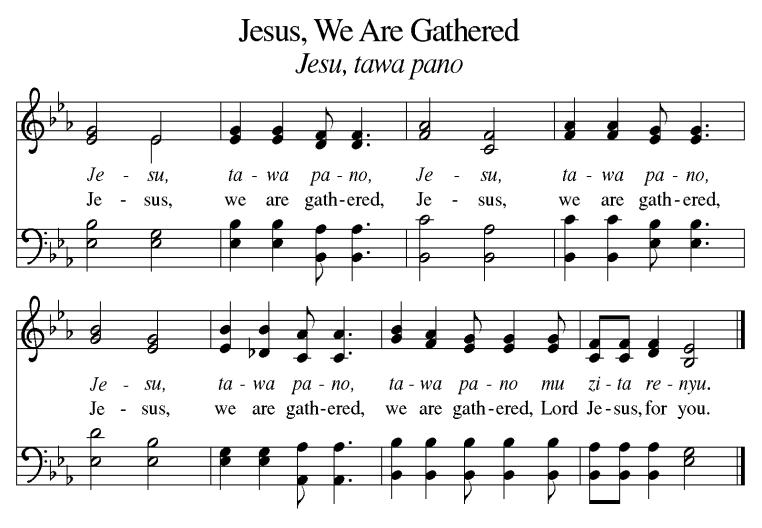
OFFERING OF GIFTS, TITHES AND MUSIC

Special Piano Music

Please stand if you are able.

OFFERTORY

Repeat



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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.**

DIALOGUE The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

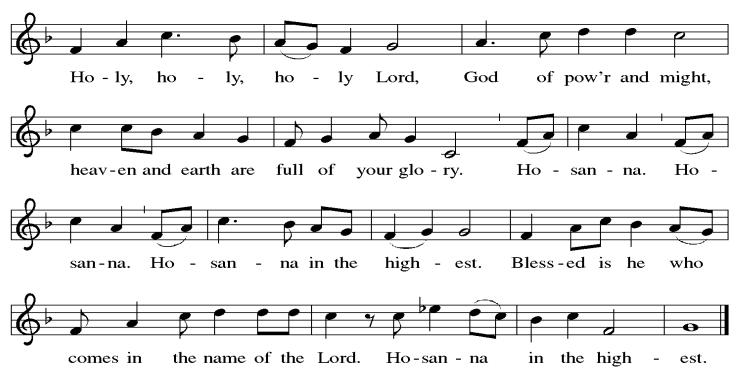
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

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



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life... ...Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again...

With this bread and cup... ...We look with hope for his coming: **Come, Lord Jesus.**

Holy God, we long for your Spirit... ...Bring the gift of peace on earth. **Come, Holy Spirit.**

All praise and glory are yours... ...one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The joy of the Lord is our strength. Come, eat this meal of gladness. **Thanks be to God!**

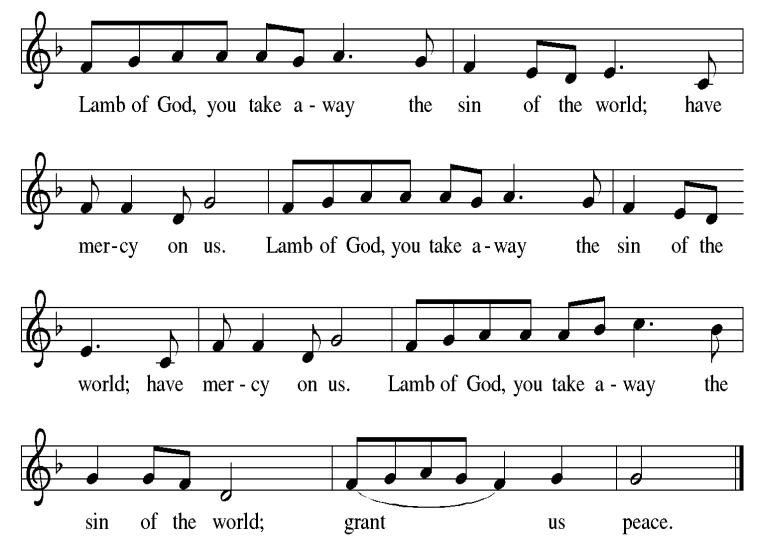
COMMUNION

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you. and each person may respond Amen.

The Lord's table is open to all worshipers from all denominations who wish to share in God's blessing of the sacrament of Holy Communion. The real presence of Christ is in the bread and wine. Please follow the directions of the ushers. Gluten free wafers and grape juice are available if you prefer.

Please let the usher know if you need assistance.

COMMUNION SONG



COMMUNION HYMN



Text: Taizé Community

Music: BERTHIER, Jacques Berthier, 1923–1994

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Please stand if you are able.

COMMUNION BLESSING

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

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

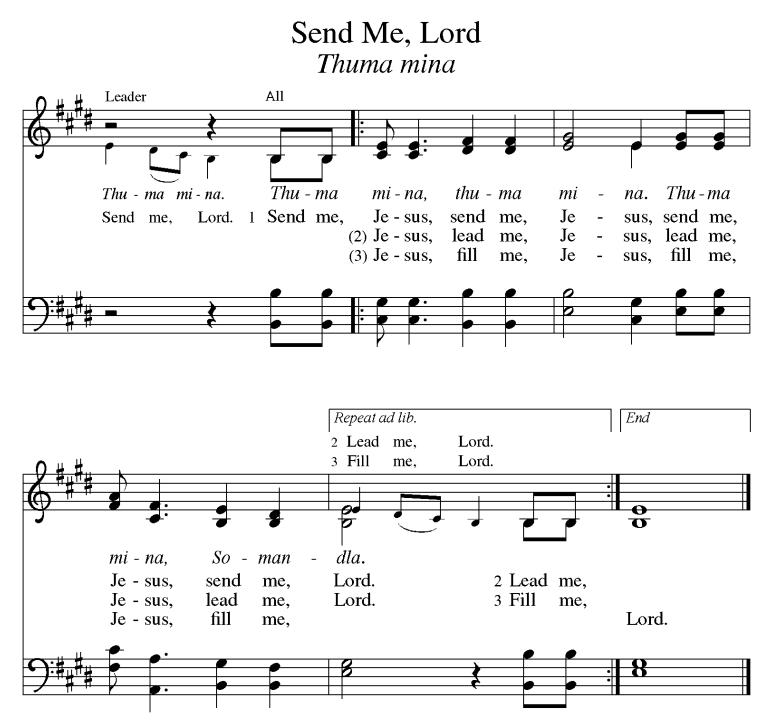
Nourishing God, at this table you have refreshed us with holy gifts of food and drink. Strengthen us for service, and send us out to embody your good news of liberation and healing for the sake of the world. In the name of Christ we pray, **Amen.**

SENDING

BLESSING

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

SENDING HYMN



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DISMISSAL Go in peace. Live in hope. **Thanks be to God!**

Disciples Serving:	Today	Next Sunday
Presider/Supply	Pastor Karen Matuska	Gwen Hedding
Assisting Minister:	Jerry Vargues	Cyrisse Cooley
Pianist:	Dr. J. Michael Beck	Dr. J. Michael Beck
Altar Guild:	Connie Wisthoff/Cassie Walgren	Connie Wisthoff/Cassie Walgren
Ushers/Greeters:	Marvin Wisthoff	Marvin Wisthoff
Counters:	Kathy Lambert/Cassie Walgren	Karen Dunton/Sue Kastelic
JAM:	Cyrisse Cooley/Emily Briggs	Stacie Bowens/Denise Tristano

PRAYERS

<u>Members, Friends and Relatives</u>	Added by Members
Doris Ask	People of Tabor
Shirley Bass	People of Tabor
Robert Bogusch	Nephew of Kathy Lambert
Pam Cardinal	Sister of Clay Kashner
John Centa	Bowens Family
Fred Cortese	Gwen Hedding
Shirley DeRungs	People of Tabor
Virgie Giannetto	Lynn Truxell
Nina Jesmain	People of Tabor
Sue Kastelic	People of Tabor
Will Nichols	Truxell & Vargues Families
Arlis Petersen	Mother of Leanne Neu
Andrea Pitre	Friend of Emily Briggs
Pam Salas	People of Tabor
Starcher Family	Friends of Emily Briggs
Caitlan Thorne & Family	Granddaughter of Kathy Lambert
Marvin Truxell	Truxell & Vargues Families
Charlotte Vargues	People of Tabor
Linda Wagner	Lynn Truxell

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Lay Ministry Meeting Schedule: February 13 at 6:30pm at Tabor, Liturgy Meeting - February 16 after worship.
- We will be having several upcoming Special Sundays. All are encouraged to attend.
 <u>February 9:</u> Healing with Pastor Karen Matuska
 <u>February 23</u>: Healing and short presentation with Pastor Dominic Palacios
 <u>March 9</u>: Healing with Pastor Karen Matuska
 <u>March 23</u>: Healing with Pastor Dominic Palacios