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ST. PHILIP'S LUTHERAN CHURCH **January 21, 2018**

Gathering

Welcome

Prelude "Reverie" by Claude Debussy

Gathering

Hymn "We Are Called"

ELW 720

Greeting ...be with you all.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Almighty God, by grace alone you call us and accept us in your **Day** service. Strengthen us by your Spirit, and make us worthy of your call, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Word

First Reading Jonah 3: 1 - 5, 10

The book of Jonah is a comedy starring a reluctant prophet who is given a one-sentence message: Nineveh will be destroyed in forty days. Much to Jonah's dismay, the people of Nineveh repent. The point of the story is to get the reader to wrestle with the question "On whom should God have mercy?"

¹The word of the LORD came to Jonah a second time, saying, 2"Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you." 3So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days' walk across. ⁴Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And he cried out, "Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" ⁵And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth. 10When God saw what they

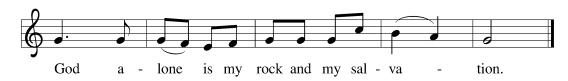
did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 62: Refrain

5 - 12



Tone



⁵For God alone I | wait in silence; truly, my hope | is in God.

⁶God alone is my rock and | my salvation, my stronghold, so that I shall nev- | er be shaken.

⁷In God is my deliverance | and my honor; God is my strong rock | and my refuge.

⁸Put your trust in God al- | ways, O people, pour out your hearts before the one who | is our refuge. R

⁹Those of high degree are but a fleeting breath; those of low estate can- | not be trusted.

Placed on the scales together they weigh even less | than a breath.

¹⁰Put no trust in extortion; in robbery take no | empty pride;

though wealth increase, set not your | heart upon it.

¹¹God has spoken once, twice | have I heard it, that power be- | longs to God.

¹²Steadfast love belongs to | you, O Lord, for you repay all according | to their deeds. R

Second 1 Corinthians 7: 29 - 31

Reading Paul does not disapprove of marriage or other human social institutions. He does, however, want Christians to live in the present in fervent anticipation of God's future, which even now has dawned through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

> ²⁹Brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short; from now on, let even those who have wives be as though they had none, ³⁰ and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no possessions, ³¹ and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

The Word of the Lord. L:

C: Thanks be to God.

Children's Message

Pastor Tuula Van Gaasbeek

Gospel Acclamation



Mark 1: P: The holy gospel according to St. Mark, the 1st chapter.

14 - 20 C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Before Jesus calls his first disciples, he proclaims a message that becomes known as "the gospel" or good news from God. God is ready to rule our lives. Those who realize this will respond with repentance and faith.

¹⁴Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, ¹⁵ and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news." ¹⁶As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into

the sea—for they were fishermen. ¹⁷And Jesus said to them, "Follow me and I will make you fish for people." 18 And immediately they left their nets and followed him. ¹⁹As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. ²⁰Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

P: The gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Choir

Anthem "Didn't My Lord Deliver Daniel?"

arr. by Larry Shackley

Sermon

Pastor Tuula Van Gaasbeek

Hymn of the

Day "You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore"

ELW 817

Prayers of P: Let us pray.

Intercession C: Have mercy, O God.

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

C: And also with you.

Meal

Offering

Hymn "We All Are One in Mission"

ELW 576

Prayer

Offering God of light and hope, we bring our gifts to further your work and ministry of love in all the world. May our gifts bring light and new opportunities to all. May our gifts and our lives bring great light into the pains and sorrows of the world. In the name of Jesus. Amen.

The Great P: The Lord be with you.

Thanksgiving C: And also with you.

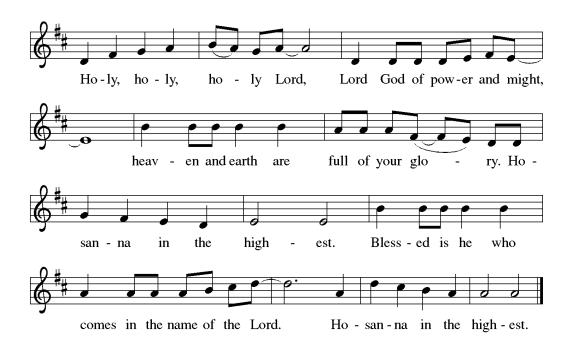
P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

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

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

P: It is indeed right...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



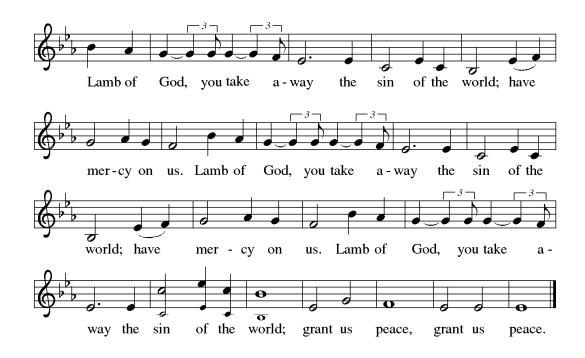
Thanksgiving

at the Table P: In the night...Amen.

Lord's C: 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.

Communion

Prayer



Communion "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light" **Hymns** "Goodness Is Stronger than Evil"

ELW 815 ELW 721

Prayer After Communion

We thank you, God, that you have fed us at your tables with bread and wine beyond compare. Send your Spirit with us now, that we may set the captive free, build one another up, and in everything reflect your glory revealed in Jesus Christ. Amen.

Sending

Blessing The God of glory dwell in you richly, name you beloved, and shine brightly on your path; and the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the \pm Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. *Amen*.

Sending Song "To Be Your Presence"

ELW 546

Dismissal P: Go in peace. Be the light of Christ.

C: Thanks be to God.

Organ

Postlude "Entrée" (Carillon)

by Léon Boëllmann

(Please remain seated or leave quietly. Thank you.)