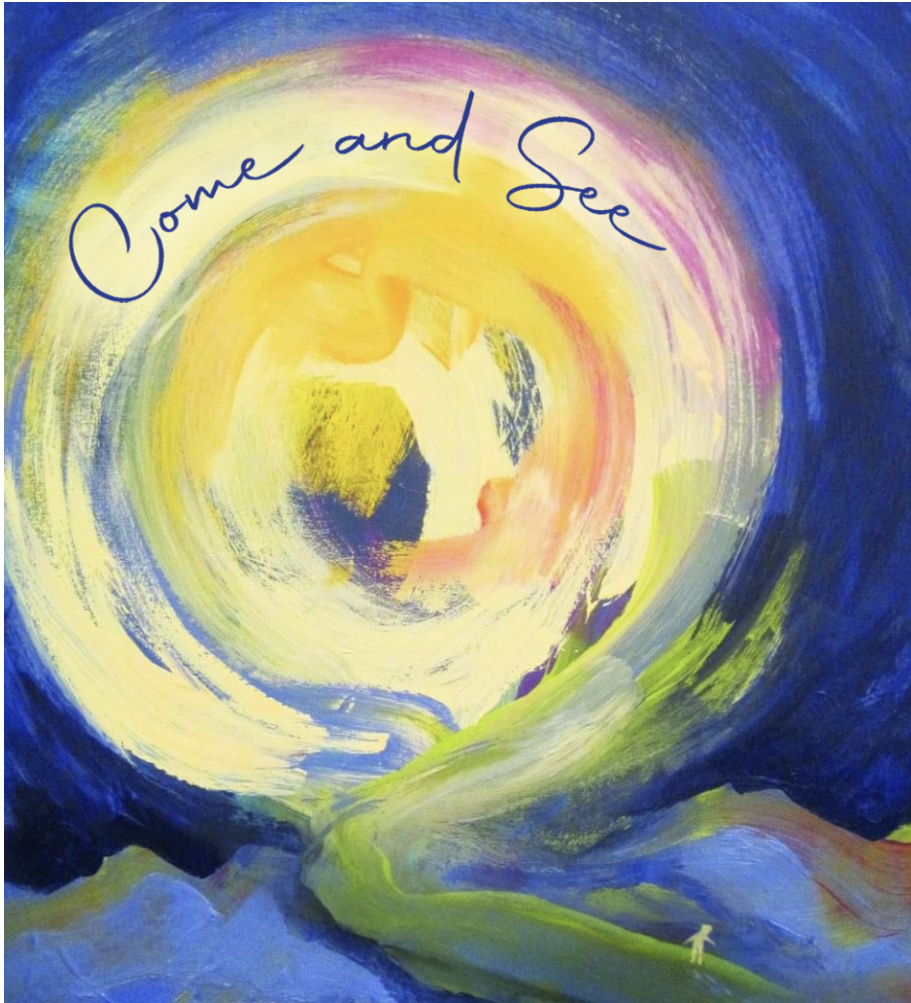


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**In our prayers this week:** Casey Austad, Linda Austad, Jerry Casterton, Rich Gronner, Jennifer Harris, Dee Levine, Charlie Olson, Dick Pelinka, Blanca Raniolo's sister Nelly, and Eric and Piper Roome.

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# NOKOMIS HEIGHTS LUTHERAN CHURCH (ELCA)

JANUARY 9, 2022

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

10:00 A.M.

## GATHERING

PRELUDE

“On a Cold Winter’s Day”

Keesecker

WELCOME

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

LEADER: In each of our hearts live pieces of brokenness—  
mistakes we have made and regrets long held.  
These things do not define us.  
Jesus shines in us and through us. This is the light that defines us—  
the light of Christ, the light of life, the Light of the World.

HYMN 715 (st. 1-2, 5)

“Christ, Be Our Light”



1 Long - ing for light, we wait in dark - ness. Long - ing for  
2 Long - ing for peace, our world is trou - bled. Long - ing for  
5 Man - y the gifts, man - y the peo - ple, man - y the



truth, we turn to you. Make us your own,  
hope, man - y de - spair. Your word a - lone  
hearts that yearn to be - long. Let us be ser - vants



your ho - ly peo - ple, light for the world to see.  
has pow'r to save us. Make us your liv - ing voice.  
to one an - oth - er, signs of your king - dom come.



*Refrain*  
Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the



dark - ness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your



church gath - ered to - day.

LEADER: The light shines in the darkness,  
 and the darkness has not overcome it.  
 Jesus says to you, child of God,  
 "Let your light so shine before others  
 that they may see your good works  
 and glorify your creator in heaven."

ALL: Amen

HYMN OF PRAISE

ACS S702



1 ¡Glo-ria a Dios, glo-ria a Dios, glo-ria en los cie - los!  
 1 Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry in the high - est!



¡Glo-ria a Dios, glo-ria a Dios, glo-ria en los cie - los!  
 Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry in the high - est!



¡A Dios la glo-ria por siem-pre! ¡A Dios la glo-ria por siem-pre!  
 To God be glo-ry for - ev - er! To God be glo-ry for - ev - er!



¡A - le - lu - ya! ¡A - mén! ¡A - le - lu - ya! ¡A - mén! ¡A - le - lu - ya! ¡A - mén!  
 Al - le - lu - ia! A - men! Al - le - lu - ia! A - men! Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!



¡A - le - lu - ya! ¡A - mén! ¡A - le - lu - ya! ¡A - mén! ¡A - le - lu - ya! ¡A - mén!  
 Al - le - lu - ia! A - men! Al - le - lu - ia! A - men! Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!



¡A - le - lu - ya! ¡A - mén! ¡A - le - lu - ya! ¡A - mén!  
 Al - le - lu - ia! A - men! Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

2 Glory to God, glory to God,  
 glory to Christ Jesus!

2 ¡Gloria a Dios, gloria a Dios,  
 gloria a Jesucristo!

3 Glory to God, glory to God,  
 glory to the Spirit!

3 ¡Gloria a Dios, gloria a Dios,  
 gloria al Espíritu!

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**ALL:** God of all people, you call us by name,  
inviting us to come and see where you stay.  
When we follow,  
we find that you stay right here with us  
guiding, loving, healing, and lighting our path.  
Open our eyes enough to see where you are leading. Amen

**WORD**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

ACS S703

A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya. A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya. El Se - ñor re - su - ci - tó.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ is ris - en, ris' n in - deed.

**THE GOSPEL**

**John 1:35-51**

**LEADER:** The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!" The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).  
The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found

Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

*The Word of the Lord.*

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**BLESSING SONG**

**"The Song of Blessing"**

Nelson/Weins

**May God give you eyes to see all that is good, all that is good,  
the courage for anything, may you be strong, may you be strong.  
May God give you ears to hear God's loving voice, God's loving voice  
speaking all around you, all around and deep inside.**

**SERMON**

**SERMON HYMN 629 ELW (st. 1,3)**

**"Abide with Me"**

1 A - bide with me, fast falls the e - ven - tide.  
 2 Swift to its close ebbs out life's lit - tle day;  
 3 I need thy pres - ence ev - 'ry pass - ing hour;

The dark - ness deep - ens; Lord, with me a - bide.  
 earth's joys grow dim, its glo - ries pass a - way;  
 what but thy grace can foil the tempt - er's pow'r?

*Continued on next page*

When oth - er help - ers fail and com - forts flee,  
 change and de - cay in all a - round I see;  
 Who like thy - self my guide and stay can be?

help of the help - less, oh, a - bide with me.  
 O thou who chang - est not, a - bide with me.  
 Through cloud and sun - shine, oh, a - bide with me.

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

### *Introduction*

LEADER: The spirit of the Lord is poured out upon us in abundance; so we are bold to pray for the church, the world, and all God has made.

Hear our prayer, hear our prayer, Lord, make us whole:  
 peace to all peo - ple, hope for each soul.  
 God of grace, in this place, hear now our prayer.

LEADER: By the Holy Spirit, you gather your church and send it out in mission to share the good news of Jesus. Inspire your faithful people to be fervent in prayer and service, that all people know they are precious in God's sight.

God of grace,

**ALL: hear our prayer**

LEADER: You reveal your love and power through water and the Spirit. Guard rivers, seas, and all bodies of water from destruction and pollution. Secure access to clean water for all and protect the land from drought and flood. Be with those in Colorado experiencing the devastation of a wildfire.

God of grace,

**ALL: hear our prayer**

LEADER: Establish among the nations the blessings of peace. Raise up leaders who will protect vulnerable people in their care. Strengthen advocates who risk reputation or retaliation for the sake of mercy and justice.

God of grace,

**ALL: hear our prayer**

LEADER: You protect us through the fires and troubled waters of this life. Assure us that we will not be cut off from you by illness or despair, anxiety or pain, confusion or weakness. Comfort all who are in need, *especially... (members and friends in need of prayer)*.

God of grace,

**ALL: hear our prayer**

LEADER: You created each of your saints for your glory. We give thanks for those you have called into your eternal embrace. Comfort us in grief and release us from fear.

God of grace,

**ALL: hear our prayer**

*Conclusion*

LEADER: Since we have such great hope in your promises, O God, we lift these and all our prayers to you in confidence and faith; through Jesus Christ our Savior.

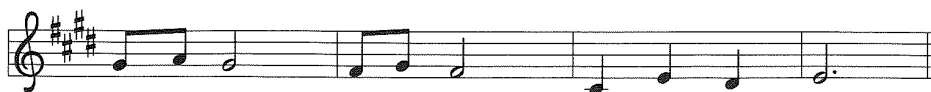
**ALL: Amen**



Hear our prayer, hear our prayer, Lord, make us whole:



peace to all peo - ple, hope for each soul.



God of grace, in this place, hear now our prayer.



**LORD'S PRAYER**

**ALL: 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**

**SHARING THE PEACE**

**LEADER: The peace of Christ be with you always. ALL: And also with you.**

**GENEROSITY MOMENT**

**OFFERING HYMN 677 ELW (st. 1)**

**"This Little Light of Mine"**

1 This lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine;  
this lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine;  
this lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine,  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "This Little Light of Mine". It consists of four staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is written on a treble clef staff. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a common time signature. The lyrics are: "1 This lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine;". The second staff continues the melody and lyrics: "this lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine;". The third staff continues: "this lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine,". The fourth staff concludes with: "let it shine, let it shine, let it shine." The music features a mix of quarter, eighth, and sixteenth notes, with some chords and rests.

**OFFERING PRAYER**

**ALL: Generous God,  
your goodness floods the earth with beauty and our hearts with love.  
Receive the gifts we bring—gifts of service, compassion, and resources;  
an overflowing of your goodness into the world. Amen**

## SENDING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN 817 ELW (st. 1-2)

“You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore”



1 Tú has ve - ni - do a la o - ri - lla, no has bus -  
1 You have come down to the lake - shore seek - ing  
2 You know full well what I have, Lord: nei - ther



ca - do ni a sa - bios ni a ri - cos; tan só - lo  
nei - ther the wise nor the wealth - y, but on - ly  
trea - sure nor wea - pons for con - quest, just these my



quie - res que yo te si - ga.  
ask - ing for me to fol - low.

*Refrain / Estribillo*



Se - ñor, me has mi - ra - do a los o - jos; son - ri - en - do,  
Sweet Lord, you have looked in - to my eyes; kind - ly smil - ing,



has di - cho mi nom - bre. En la a - re - na he de - ja - do mi  
you've called out my name. . . . On the sand I have a - ban - doned my



bar - ca; jun - to a ti bus - ca - ré o - tro mar.  
small boat; now with you, I will seek oth - er seas.

SENDING

LEADER: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

*Moment of silence*

POSTLUDE

“You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore”

Sedio

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