

Zion Lutheran Church, Aberdeen, SD  
Fifth Sunday after Epiphany  
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## INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

*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

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### GATHERING SONG

### *Revelation Song*

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain. Holy, Holy is He.  
Sing a new song to Him who sits on Heaven's mercy seat.

Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty  
Who was and is and is to come.  
With all creation I sing praise to the King of Kings,  
You are my everything and I will adore you.

Clothed in rainbows of living color, flashes of lightning, rolls of thunder.  
Blessing and honor, strength and glory and power  
To You the only wise king.

Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty  
Who was and is and is to come.  
With all creation I sing praise to the King of Kings,  
You are my everything and I will adore you.

Filled with love, awestruck wonder at the mention of your name.  
Jesus Your name is power, breath and living water,  
Such a marvelous mystery.

Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty  
Who was and is and is to come.  
With all creation I sing praise to the King of Kings,  
You are my everything and I will adore you.

## CONFESSING OUR SINS AND HEARING GOOD NEWS

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

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,  
who creates us, redeems us, and calls us by name.  
**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection and personal confession.*

Most merciful God,  
**we confess that we have sinned against you  
and your beloved children.**

We have turned our faces away from your glory  
when it did not appear as we expected.  
We have rejected your word  
when it made us confront ourselves.  
We have failed to show hospitality  
to those you called us to welcome.

Accept our repentance for the things we have done  
and the things we have left undone.  
For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.  
Forgive us and lead us, that we may bathe  
in the glory of your Son born among us,  
and reflect your love for all creation.  
Amen.

Rejoice in this good news:  
In ✠ Christ Jesus, your sins are forgiven.  
You are descendants of the Most High,  
adopted into the household of Christ,  
and inheritors of eternal life.  
Live as freed and forgiven children of God.  
Amen.

**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.**

**SONG OF PRAISE**

*He is Exalted*

He is exalted, the King is exalted on high;  
I will praise him.  
He is exalted, forever exalted, and I will praise his name.  
Jesus is Lord, forever his truth shall reign;  
Heaven and earth rejoice in his holy name.  
He is exalted, the King is exalted on high.

He is exalted, the King is exalted on high;  
I will praise him.  
He is exalted, forever exalted, and I will praise his name.  
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Heaven and earth rejoice in his holy name.  
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**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray together:  
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.

**KID’S TIME**

Pastoral Assistant Sandra

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

*There is a Longing in Our Hearts*  
Zion Choir Ladies Group

## FIRST READING

### Isaiah 6:1-8 [9-13]

<sup>1</sup>In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the LORD sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. <sup>2</sup>Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. <sup>3</sup>And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts;  
the whole earth is full of his glory."

<sup>4</sup>The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. <sup>5</sup>And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

<sup>6</sup>Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. <sup>7</sup>The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." <sup>8</sup>Then I heard the voice of the LORD saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!" <sup>9</sup>And he said, "Go and say to this people:

'Keep listening, but do not comprehend;  
keep looking, but do not understand.'

<sup>10</sup>Make the mind of this people dull,  
and stop their ears,  
and shut their eyes,  
so that they may not look with their eyes,  
and listen with their ears,  
and comprehend with their minds,  
and turn and be healed."

<sup>11</sup>Then I said, "How long, O LORD?" And he said:

"Until cities lie waste  
without inhabitant,  
and houses without people,  
and the land is utterly desolate;  
<sup>12</sup>until the LORD sends everyone far away,  
and vast is the emptiness in the midst of the land.

<sup>13</sup>Even if a tenth part remain in it,  
it will be burned again,  
like a terebinth or an oak  
whose stump remains standing  
when it is felled."  
The holy seed is its stump.

Word of God. Word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

## SECOND READING

### 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

<sup>1</sup>Now 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, <sup>2</sup>through 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.

<sup>3</sup>For 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, <sup>4</sup>and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, <sup>5</sup>and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. <sup>6</sup>Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. <sup>7</sup>Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. <sup>8</sup>Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. <sup>9</sup>For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. <sup>10</sup>But 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. <sup>11</sup>Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

Word of God. Word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

**ALLELUIA** *The Lord Almighty Reigns*

Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah the Lord reigns.  
Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah the Lord Almighty reigns.

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Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah the Lord Almighty reigns.

The holy gospel according to Luke.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

**GOSPEL** **Luke 5:1-11**

<sup>1</sup>Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, <sup>2</sup>he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. <sup>3</sup>He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. <sup>4</sup>When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." <sup>5</sup>Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." <sup>6</sup>When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. <sup>7</sup>So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. <sup>8</sup>But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" <sup>9</sup>For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; <sup>10</sup>and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." <sup>11</sup>When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

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

**SERMON** **Ann Fortin**

**SONG OF THE DAY** *You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore*

You have come down to the lakeshore  
Seeking neither the wise nor the wealthy,  
But only asking for me to follow.  
Sweet Lord, you have looked into my eyes;  
Kindly smiling, you've called out my name.  
On the sand I have abandoned my small boat;  
Now with you, I will seek other seas.

You know full well what I have, Lord:  
Neither treasure nor weapons for conquest,  
Just these my fish nets and will for working.  
Sweet Lord, you have looked into my eyes;  
Kindly smiling, you've called out my name.  
On the sand I have abandoned my small boat;  
Now with you, I will seek other seas.

You need my hands, my exhaustion,  
Working love for the rest of the weary -  
A love that's willing to go on loving.  
Sweet Lord, you have looked into my eyes;  
Kindly smiling, you've called out my name.  
On the sand I have abandoned my small boat;  
Now with you, I will seek other seas.

You who have fished other waters;  
You, the longing of souls that are yearning:  
O loving Friend, you have come to call me.  
Sweet Lord, you have looked into my eyes;  
Kindly smiling, you've called out my name.  
On the sand I have abandoned my small boat;  
Now with you, I will seek other seas.

Sweet Lord, you have looked into my eyes;  
Kindly smiling, you've called out my name.  
On the sand I have abandoned my small boat;  
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### APOSTLES' CREED

God has made us His people through our Baptism into Jesus the Messiah. Living together in trust and hope, we 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 THE PEOPLE

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 that God has made.

#### *Prayers of Intercession*

Since we have such great hope in your promises, O God, we lift these and all of our prayers to you in confidence and faith; through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord, who taught us to pray:

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 OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
And also with you.

## OFFERING

*Offering will be taken during worship through the passing of the offering plates. We encourage you to consider giving a gift online at [zionlutheranaberdeen.org/giving](http://zionlutheranaberdeen.org/giving) or by mail as you are able. If you would like, use the QR code scanner on your smart phone to give online.*



## OFFERING SONG

### *Give Thanks*

Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One,  
Give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ, his Son.  
Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One,  
Give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ, his Son.

And now, let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am rich,"  
Because of what the Lord has done for us.  
And now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am rich,"  
Because of what the Lord has done for us.  
Give thanks, give thanks, give thanks, give thanks!

## OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together:

Blessed are you, O God, Sovereign of the universe. You offer us new beginnings and guide us on our journey. Lead us to your table, nourish us with this heavenly food, and prepare us to carry your love to a hungry world, in the name of Christ our light. Amen.

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come to God's table. There is place for you and enough for all.

## COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

## COMMUNION SONG

### *My Savior, My God*

I am not skilled to understand  
What God has willed, what God has planned.  
I only know at His right hand  
Stands One who is my Savior.

I take Him at His word and deed.  
Christ died to save me, this I read.  
And in my heart I find a need  
Of Him to be my Savior.

That He would leave His place on high  
And come for sinful man to die.

You count it strange; so once did I  
Before I knew my Savior.

My Savior loves, My Savior lives, My Savior's always there for me.  
My God He was, My God He is, My God is always gonna be.  
My Savior loves, My Savior lives, My Savior's always there for me.  
My God He was, My God He is, My God is always gonna be.

Yes, living, dying, let me bring  
My strength, my solace from this spring.  
That He who lives to be my King  
Once died to be my Savior.

That He would leave His place on high  
And come for sinful man to die.  
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### **BLESSING**

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

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Let us pray together:

**We give you thanks, gracious God, for we have feasted on the abundance of your house. Send us to bring good news and to proclaim your favor to all, strengthened with the richness of your grace in your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

### **BLESSING**

God, who leads you in pathways of righteousness,  
who rejoices over you,  
and who calls you by name,  
✠ bless your going out and your coming in,  
today and forever. **Amen.**

### **SENDING SONG**

*I See the Lord*

I see the Lord, and He is seated on the throne.  
The train of His robe is filling the heavens.  
I see the Lord, and He is shining like the sun.  
His eyes full of fire, His voice like the waters.  
Surrounding His throne and thousands singing

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty.  
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**SENDING WORDS**

Go with Christ into a weary world. Share the good news.  
**Thanks be to God!**

**POSTLUDE**