



*FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY*

**FEBRUARY 8, 2026**

**WELCOME TO WORSHIP**

**THANK YOU** for joining us in God's house today! We cordially ask that our Guests with us today sign one of the guestbooks located at either the front or back entryways, or fill out a "Let's Get Acquainted" card located in the hymnal pew rack and place it in the collection plate.

**THANK OFFERING:** Members of Trinity give their offering as an expression of love and thankfulness to the Lord and to help support the Lord's work in our community and around the world. Visitors need not feel obligated to participate in this offering which supports our ministry.

**RESTROOMS** are located at the back of the upper level (the annex), and in the basement (down the back stairs of the sanctuary or annex). Handicap access is available, please ask an usher for assistance.

**YOUNG FAMILIES / TODDLER BAGS** – We are **GLAD YOU BROUGHT YOUR CHILDREN** to our worship service. Jesus said: *"Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these."* We know that having little children in church can be a challenge, but **DO NOT WORRY** about it. Many of your fellow worshippers have been in your shoes and are just happy you brought your children with you. For your convenience, we have reserved the back rows of seating for parents with small children. These areas provide more flexibility for your family, as well as, easy access to move downstairs if necessary. A closed-circuit TV system allows families to continue participating in the service while downstairs. Pre-school **toddler bags** and **children's bulletins** are available for their enjoyment. Ask an usher for one to use during the service and please return the toddler bag afterwards.

***SERVICE OF THE WORD***

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633 Speak, O Lord

CW 633



1 Speak, O Lord, as we come to you to re - ceive the food  
 2 Teach us, Lord, full o - be - di - ence, ho - ly rev - er - ence,  
 3 Speak, O Lord, and re - new our minds, help us grasp the heights



of your ho - ly Word; take your truth, plant it  
 true hu - mil - i - ty; test our thoughts and our  
 of your plans for us, truths un - changed from the



deep in us, shape and fash - ion us in your like - ness,  
 at - ti - tudes in the ra - di - ance of your pu - ri - ty.  
 dawn of time, that will ech - o down thro' e - ter - ni - ty.



that the light of Christ might be seen to - day in our acts of  
 Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see your ma - jes - tic  
 And by grace we'll stand on your prom - is - es, and by faith we'll



love and our deeds of faith. Speak, O Lord, and ful -  
 love and au - thor - i - ty. Words of pow'r that can  
 walk as you walk with us. Speak, O Lord, till your



fill in us all your pur - pos - es for your glo - ry.  
 nev - er fail, let their truth pre - vail o - ver un - be - lief.  
 Church is built, and the earth is filled with your glo - ry.

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*PLEASE STAND, IF YOU ARE ABLE*

## INVOCATION

- M:** The grace of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.
- C:** **And also with you.**

## CONFESSION OF SINS

- M:** We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.
- C:** **Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.**
- M:** God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.
- C:** **Amen.**

## PRAYER AND PRAISE

- M:** In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

C: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are  
they who take ref - uge in him. Your Word, O Lord, is e -  
ter - nal; it stands firm in the heav -  
ens. Your faith - ful - ness con - tin - ues for -  
ev - er. Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.  
Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him.

## Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you sent your one and only Son as the Word of life for our eyes to see and our ears to hear. Help us believe what the Scriptures proclaim about him and do the things that are pleasing in your sight; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## First Reading

Exodus 19:1–8a

<sup>1</sup>In the third month after the Israelites had left the land of Egypt, on that same day of the month, they came to the Wilderness of Sinai. <sup>2</sup>After they set out from Rephidim and came to the Wilderness of Sinai, they camped in the wilderness. Israel camped there in front of the mountain.

<sup>3</sup>Moses went up to God, and the LORD called to him from the mountain, “This is what you are to say to the house of Jacob and to tell the people of Israel: <sup>4</sup>‘You have seen what I did to the Egyptians and how I carried you on eagles’ wings and brought you to myself. <sup>5</sup>Now if you will carefully listen to my voice and keep my covenant, then you will be my special treasure out of all the nations, although the entire earth is mine. <sup>6</sup>You will be my kingdom of priests and my holy nation.’ These are the words that you are to speak to the Israelites.”

<sup>7</sup>Moses went and summoned the elders of the people, and he set before them all these words that the LORD had commanded him. <sup>8</sup>All the people answered together, “Everything that the LORD has said, we will do.”

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## CHOIR

## “In Christ Alone”

In Christ alone my hope is found;  
he is my light, my strength, my song;  
this cornerstone, this solid ground,  
firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!  
My Comforter, my all in all;  
here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh,  
fullness of God in helpless Babe;  
this gift of love and righteousness,  
scorned by the ones he came to save.  
Till on the cross as Jesus died,  
the wrath of God was satisfied;  
for ev’ry sin on him was laid;  
here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground his body lay,  
light of the world by darkness slain;  
then bursting forth in glorious day,  
up from the grave he rose again!  
And as he stands in victory,  
sin's curse has lost its grip on me;  
for I am his and he is mine,  
bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death,  
this is the pow'r of Christ in me;  
from life's first cry to final breath,  
Jesus commands my destiny.  
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man  
can ever pluck me from his hand;  
till he returns or calls me home,  
here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man  
can ever pluck me from his hand;  
till he returns or calls me home,  
here in the pow'r of Christ I stand.  
Here in the pow'r of Christ I stand.

## Second Reading

1 Peter 2:9–12

<sup>9</sup>But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, the people who are God's own possession, so that you may proclaim the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. <sup>10</sup>At one time you were not a people, but now you are the people of God. At one time you were not shown mercy, but now you have been shown mercy.

<sup>11</sup>Dear friends, I urge you, as aliens and temporary residents in the world, to abstain from the desires of the sinful flesh, which war against your soul. <sup>12</sup>Live an honorable life among the Gentiles so that even though they slander you as evildoers, when they observe your noble deeds, they may glorify God on the day he visits us.

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## VERSE OF THE DAY

Matthew 5:16

Alleluia. Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven. Alleluia.

C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

## Gospel

Matthew 5:13–20

<sup>13</sup>You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its flavor, how will it become salty again? Then it is no good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled on by people. <sup>14</sup>You are the light of the world. A city located on a hill cannot be hidden. <sup>15</sup>People do not light a lamp and put it under a basket. No, they put it on a stand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. <sup>16</sup>In the same way let your light shine in people's presence, so that they may see your good works and glorify your Father who is in heaven.

<sup>17</sup>Do not think that I came to destroy the Law or the Prophets. I did not come to destroy them but to fulfill them. <sup>18</sup>Amen I tell you: Until heaven and earth pass away, not even the smallest letter, or even part of a letter, will in any way pass away from the Law until everything is fulfilled. <sup>19</sup>So whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven. But whoever practices and teaches



them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. <sup>20</sup>Indeed I tell you that unless your righteousness surpasses that of the Pharisees and experts in the law, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise be to you, O Christ!**

## 630 Thy Strong Word

CW 630



1 Thy strong word did cleave the dark - ness; at thy  
2 Lo, on those who dwelt in dark - ness, dark as  
3 Thy strong Word be - speaks us right - eous; bright with  
4 From the cross thy wis - dom shin - ing break - eth



speak - ing it was done. For cre - at - ed light we  
night and deep as death, broke the light of thy sal -  
thine own ho - li - ness, glo - rious now, we press toward  
forth in con - qu'ring might; from the cross for - ev - er



thank thee while thine or - dered sea - sons run.  
va - tion, breathed thine own life - giv - ing breath.  
glo - ry, and our lives our hopes con - fess.  
beam - eth all thy bright re - deem - ing light.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to

(continued)

thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,  
 thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,  
 thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,  
 thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,  
 al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!  
 al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!  
 al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!  
 al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!

5 Give us lips to sing thy glory,  
 tongues thy mercy to proclaim,  
 throats to shout the hope that fills us,  
 mouths to speak thy holy name.  
 Alleluia, alleluia!  
 May the light which thou dost send  
 fill our songs with alleluias,  
 alleluias without end!

6 God the Father, light-creator,  
 to thee laud and honor be.  
 To thee, Light from Light begotten,  
 praise be sung eternally.  
 Holy Spirit, light-revealer,  
 glory, glory be to thee.  
 Mortals, angels, now and ever  
 praise the holy Trinity!

## SERMON

1 Corinthians 2:1–5

<sup>1</sup>As for me, brothers, when I came to you, I did not come with superior speech or wisdom in order to proclaim to you the testimony of God. <sup>2</sup>For I had no intention of knowing anything among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. <sup>3</sup>I came to you in weakness, in fear, and with much trembling. <sup>4</sup>My message and my preaching were not marked by persuasive words of human wisdom, but by a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, <sup>5</sup>so that your faith would not rest on human wisdom, but on God's power.

### *“A Demonstration of the Spirit's Power”*

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## THE APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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. The third day he rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the  
Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the  
dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

**C:** 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.

*PLEASE BE SEATED*

### 715 Let Me Be Yours Forever

CW 715



1 Let me be yours for - ev - er, my faith - ful God and Lord;  
2 Lord Je - sus, my sal - va - tion, my light, my life di - vine,  
3 O gra - cious Ho - ly Spir - it, my com - fort - er and guide,



let me for-sake you nev - er nor wan - der from your Word.  
my on - ly con - so - la - tion, to you I all re - sign,  
grant that in Je - sus' mer - it I al - ways may con - fide,



Lord, do not let me wa - ver but give me stead-fast - ness, and  
for you have dear - ly bought me with blood and bit - ter pain. Let  
him to the end con - fess - ing whom I have known by faith. Give



for such grace and fa - vor your ho - ly name I'll bless.  
me, since you have sought me, e - ter - nal life ob - tain.  
me your con - stant bless - ing and grant a Chris - tian death.

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## CLOSING PRAYER

**M:** Almighty God, we thank you for teaching us the things you want us to believe and do. Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we may be strengthened in faith, guided in holiness, and comforted in life and in death, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



## BENEDICTION

**M:** Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



PLEASE BE SEATED

## On Eagles' Wings



1 You who dwell in the shel - ter of the Lord, Who a -  
 2 Snares of the fowl - er will nev - er cap - ture you, And  
 3 For to his an - gels he's giv - en a com - mand To

bide in his shad - ow for life, Say to the Lord: "My  
 fam - ine will bring you no fear; Un - der his wings your  
 guard you in all of your ways; Up - on their hands they will

ref - uge, My rock in whom I trust!"  
 ref - uge, His faith - ful - ness your shield.  
 bear you up, Lest you dash your foot a - gainst a stone.

*Refrain*  
 And he will raise you up on ea - gles' wings, Bear you on the

The image displays a musical score for a two-part setting of the hymn 'On Eagles' Wings'. The score is written for a soprano or alto voice (treble clef) and a bass voice (bass clef). Both parts are in the key of D major, indicated by two sharps (F# and C#) on the key signature. The time signature is not explicitly shown but is implied to be common time (C) based on the note values. The lyrics are: 'breath of dawn, Make you to shine like the sun, And hold you in the palm of his hand.' The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a mix of quarter, eighth, and half notes. The accompaniment consists of block chords and simple harmonic lines. The score concludes with a double bar line at the end of the second system.

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hold you in the palm of his hand.

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