

# SERVICE OF THE WORD

Setting One

[Based on pp. 109–119 in the black  
hymnal— the Evangelical Lutheran  
Hymnary (ELH)]

## Call to Worship • Epiphany 2

[Psalm 66:4, 92:1 (EHV)]

☞ **ASTOR:** *Today we pray to the God who shows His humanity through His life and His glory through His miracles. As we witness Him turning water into wine, we see a true miracle. Through this sign of His glory, may He strengthen us to believe in Him more and more each day and to trust that He works all things for our good.*

*“All the earth bows down to you. They make music to you. They make music to your name.*

☞ **CONGREGATION:** **It is good to give thanks to the LORD, to make music to your name, O Most High.”**

## Hymn • “Song of Thankfulness and Praise”

[CW 82]

1. Songs of thankfulness and praise,  
Jesus, Lord, to You we raise;  
Manifested by the star  
To the wise men from afar,  
Branch of royal David’s stem  
In Your birth at Bethlehem:  
Anthems be to You addressed,  
God in man made manifest.
2. Manifest at Jordan’s stream,  
Prophet, Priest, and King supreme;  
And at Cana, wedding Guest,  
In Your Godhead manifest;  
Manifest in pow’r divine,  
Changing water into wine;  
Anthems be to You addressed,
3. Grant us grace to see You, Lord,  
Mirrored in Your holy Word.  
May our lives and all we do  
Imitate and honor You  
That we all like You may be  
At Your great epiphany  
And may praise You, ever blest,  
God in man made manifest.





**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it;**



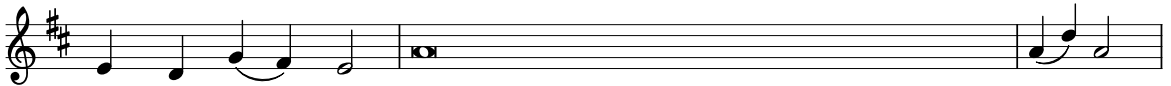
**As it was in the be - gin-ning is now and will be forever - more. A-men.**

### **Song of Praise • Venite Exaltamus**

*[Ps 95:1-7, (EHV)]*



**Come, let us sing joyfully to the LORD. Let us give a loud shout to the**



**Rock who saves us. Let us approach his presence with thanks - giv - ing.**



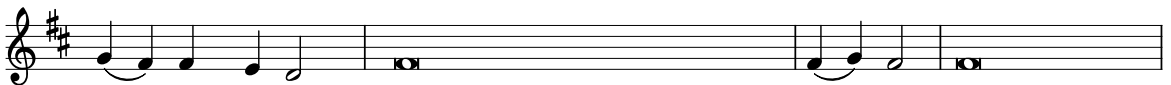
**With music we will shout to him. For the LORD is the great God**



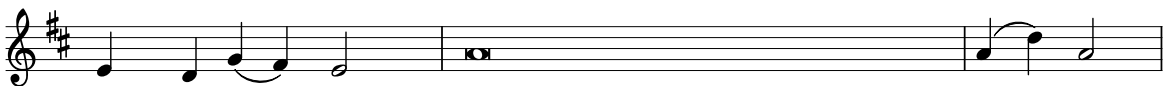
**and the great King a - bove all gods. He holds the unexplored places**



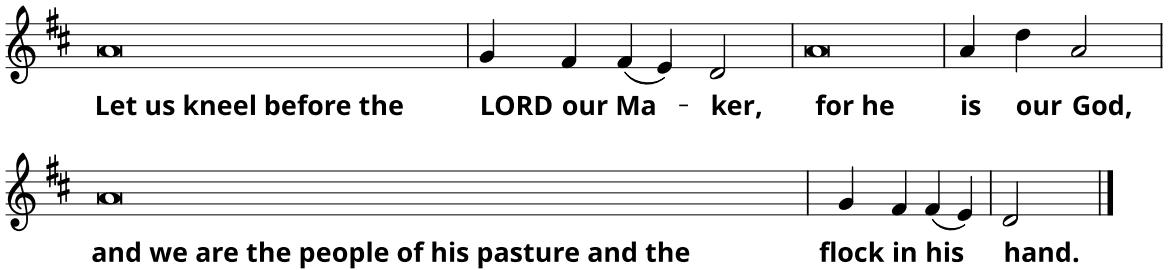
**of the earth in his hand, and the peaks of the mountains**



**be - long to him. The sea belongs to him, for he made it, and his hands**



**formed the dry\_ land. Come, let us bow down. Let us re - vere him.**



Let us kneel before the LORD our Ma - ker, for he is our God,  
and we are the people of his pasture and the flock in his hand.

### Prayer of the Day • Epiphany 2

☐ *Lord God, heavenly Father, You sent Your only-begotten Son to save us by taking our human nature on Himself and living in humility on earth. Yet through His miracles, He revealed His glory as true God and showed us the signs of His divinity. We pray that You increase our faith in Him as we see His miracles in Scripture. Help us to remember that even in times when things seem hopeless, He can take the dirty water of despair and turn it into the most delicious wine of rejoicing.*

☒ **We pray this through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our living Lord, who reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever. Amen.**

-Be seated-

### First Lesson • Exodus 15:22–27



While the Israelites wandered in the wilderness, they traveled to a place they called Marah, which means “bitter” in Hebrew. There God changed the undrinkable, bitter water into delicious drinking water. Through this He showed them His glory.

Then Moses led Israel on from the Red Sea, and they went out to the Wilderness of Shur. They traveled for three days in the wilderness but found no water. <sup>23</sup>When they came to Marah, they were not able to drink the waters of Marah, because they were bitter. That is why they named the place Marah. <sup>24</sup>The people grumbled against Moses, and they said, “What will we drink?” <sup>25</sup>Then Moses cried out to the LORD, and the LORD showed him some wood. Moses threw it into the water, and the water became fit to drink.

There the LORD made a decree and ruling for them, and there he tested them. <sup>26</sup>So he said, “If only you would listen to the voice of the LORD your God, and do what is right

in his eyes, and pay attention to his commandments, and keep all his regulations, I would not place on you any of the diseases that I placed on the Egyptians, for I am the Lord, who heals you.”

<sup>27</sup>Then they came to Elim where there were twelve springs of water and seventy palm trees, and they camped there by the waters. (EHV)

☞ *This is the Word of our Lord.*

☑ **Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm Hymn • Psalm 66**

*[text: Christoph Tietze • tune: CW 582]*

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| <p><b>1. Let all the earth praise You, O Lord,<br/>And worship You with one accord;<br/>May we, with song and melody,<br/>Praise Your great name, O Majesty!</b></p>     | <p><b>3. Proclaim to God, “Your deeds are great,<br/>Your enemies are soon dismayed.”<br/>All earth reveres and worship You,<br/>Adores, and sings Your praises, too.</b></p> |
| <p><b>2. All people of the earth, rejoice,<br/>Praise God, and raise a joyful voice,<br/>Sing psalms and glorify His name,<br/>Give joyful praises all the same.</b></p> |   |

### **Second Lesson • Romans 12:6–16**



As Jesus used His abilities to serve others, we should also use our abilities to serve others. However, we must be careful to use our abilities to glorify God and not pridefully glorify ourselves.

We have different gifts, according to the grace God has given us. If the gift is prophecy, do it in complete agreement with the faith. <sup>7</sup>If it is serving, then serve. If it is teaching, then teach. <sup>8</sup>If it is encouraging, then encourage. If it is contributing, be generous. If it is leadership, be diligent. If it is showing mercy, do it cheerfully.

<sup>9</sup>Do not just pretend to love others. Hate what is evil. Cling to what is good. <sup>10</sup>Be devoted to one another with brotherly love. Think of others as deserving more honor than yourselves. <sup>11</sup>Do not be lagging behind in zeal, but be fervent in spirit, as you continue to

serve the Lord. <sup>12</sup>Be joyful in hope. Endure trials patiently. Persist in prayer. <sup>13</sup>Share with the saints who are in need. Be quick to welcome strangers as guests.

<sup>14</sup>Bless those who persecute you; bless, and do not curse. <sup>15</sup>Rejoice with those who are rejoicing; weep with those who are weeping. <sup>16</sup>Have the same respect for one another. Do not be arrogant, but associate with the humble. Do not think too highly of yourselves. (EHV)

**P** *This is the Word of our Lord.*

**G** **Thanks be to God.**

-Stand-

### Gospel Acclamation • Epiphany 2

[Psalm 148:2 (EHV)]

**P** *Alleluia, alleluia. Praise him, all his angels. Praise him, all his armies. Alleluia!*



### Gospel • John 2:1–11



Jesus performs His first miracle at a wedding. This “sign” shows that He is more than just a human, but God Himself. Because He turns a bad situation into a good one, it also shows His love for his friends.

Three days later, there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee. Jesus’ mother was there. <sup>2</sup>Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding.

<sup>3</sup>When the wine was gone, Jesus’ mother said to him, “They have no wine.”

<sup>4</sup>Jesus said to her, “Woman, what does that have to do with you and me? My time has not come yet.”

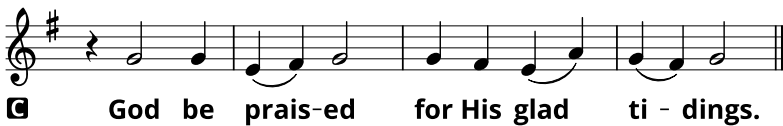
<sup>5</sup>His mother said to the servants, “Do whatever he tells you.”

<sup>6</sup>Six stone water jars, which the Jews used for ceremonial cleansing, were standing there, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. <sup>7</sup>Jesus told them, “Fill the jars with water.” So they filled them to the brim. <sup>8</sup>Then he said to them, “Now draw some out and take it to the master of the banquet.” And they did.

<sup>9</sup>When the master of the banquet tasted the water that had now become wine, he did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew). The master of the banquet called the bridegroom <sup>10</sup>and said to him, “Everyone serves the good wine first, and when the guests have had plenty to drink, then the cheaper wine. You saved the good wine until now!”

<sup>11</sup>This, the beginning of his miraculous signs, Jesus performed in Cana of Galilee. He revealed his glory, and his disciples believed in him. (EHV)

Ⓟ *This is the Gospel of our Lord.*



-Be seated-

## Hymn • “The Only Son from Heaven”

[CW 86]

1. The only Son from heaven,  
Foretold by ancient seers,  
By God the Father given,  
In human form appears.  
No sphere His light confining,  
No star so brightly shining  
As He, our Morning Star.
2. Oh, time of God appointed,  
Oh, bright and holy morn!  
He comes, the King anointed,  
The Christ, the virgin-born,  
Grim death to conquer for us,  
To open heav’n before us  
And bring us life again.
3. Awaken, Lord, our spirit  
To know and love You more,  
In faith to stand unshaken,  
In spirit to adore,  
That we, through this world moving,  
Each glimpse of heaven proving,  
May reap its fullness there.

**Sermon • John 2:1–11****Watch for Jesus' Signs***-Stand-***Apostles' Creed**

**P** *Having heard the Word of God, we confess our holy faith using the words of the Apostles' Creed:*

**A** **I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.**

**And 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 shall 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.**

**Reception of Offerings and Prayer**

Offerings are brought by those who are thankful to God for saving them through Jesus. Before the service starts we collect the offering in the designated areas in the entryway and Gathering Room.

For those who wish to give digitally, please use the link to our PayPal account to the left, or consult our Church Website: [www.trinityels.org](http://www.trinityels.org)

**Prayer of the Church***[CW p 127, alt.]*

**P** *O Lord, our God, You are wise and powerful, good and gracious. Your mercies are new every morning. Each day You open Your hand and provide for the needs of Your children on earth.*

**G** **We praise You for every grace and blessing.**

**P** *Strengthen Your Church in all the world. Let Your comforting message of salvation in Christ Jesus be proclaimed to troubled souls everywhere.*

**G** **Use our ministries and offerings to extend Your healing and Your hope.**



**P** *We bring You our requests for the various structures of our society. Bless our national, state, and local governments.*

**G** **Grant us civil servants who are worthy of honor and respect.**

**P** *Grant prosperity to our business and industries. Give employers a sense of fairness toward their workers, and employees a feeling of joy and pride in their workmanship.*

**G** **Help us find satisfaction in all work well done.**

**P** *Invigorate the schools of our land. Give success to every effort that helps students read, think, and communicate in ways that will promote an informed and responsible citizenry. Arouse curious minds to discover the wonders of Your created order.*

**G** **Give us teachers and students who pursue excellence.**

**P** *Strengthen the families of our country. Give fathers and mothers a renewed commitment to be good parents. Give children and young people the wisdom to regard their parents as Your representatives.*

**G** **Lead us to love one another as You have loved us.**

**P** *[Special petitions]*

**P** *Hear us, Lord, as we bring You our private petitions:*

*-Silence for personal prayer-*

**P** *Gracious Father, we pray boldly as Jesus taught, with the confidence that You will hear and with the faith that You will respond for our welfare.*

**G** **Amen.**

*-Be Seated-*

**Hymn of Praise** • *“Hail, O Source of Every Blessing”*

*[CW 87]*

**1. Hail, O Source of ev'ry blessing,  
Father of our human race!  
Gentiles now, Your grace possessing,  
In Your courts obtain a place.**

**2. Once far off but now invited,  
We approach Your sacred throne,  
In Your covenant united,  
Reconciled, redeemed, made One.**

**Grateful now, we fall before You,  
In Your Church rejoice to live,  
See Your glory and adore You,  
Thankful for the grace You give.**

**May we, body, soul, and spirit,  
Live devoted to Your praise,  
Glorious realms of bliss inherit,  
Grateful anthems ever raise.**

-Stand-

## **Prayer for God's Continued Mercy ~ Kyrie Eleison**

[Mk 10:47]

**☐** *Let us pray to the Lord:*

*We thank You, loving Father, that You have created us and still preserve us. Your greatest act of mercy was in giving Your only-begotten Son to be our substitute, so that we may not die, but live with You forever. For this we pray to You, Lord God the Father:*



**☐** **Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.**

**☐** *We thank You, O Christ, that You carried all our sins on Your sacred shoulders, and by Your blood have blotted away all our transgressions. Now You rule all things in heaven and earth for the good of Your Church. For this we pray to You, Lord Jesus Christ:*



**☐** **Christ, have mer - cy up - on us.**

**☐** *We thank You, gracious Comforter, that You have given us Your holy Word and blessed Sacraments. Through them You have created true faith in our hearts, that we know of nothing to trust for our salvation except Jesus Christ and Him crucified. For this we pray to You, Lord the Holy Spirit:*



**☐** **Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.**

**☐** *O Triune God, grant us Your grace so that we perfectly believe that all our sins are forgiven for the sake of the passion and death of our Lord Jesus Christ. Enlighten us by Your Holy Spirit so*

that, empowered by our Redeemer's death, we may turn away from sin every day, and never forsake Him until we see Him face to face in life eternal. For this we pray to You, O Holy Trinity:

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -  
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

### Lord's Prayer

[Mt 6:9-13]

**P** Hear us as we pray, O Lord:

**A** 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.

### Closing Prayer

[ELH p 118]

**P** Lord God, almighty and everlasting Father, you have brought us in safety to this new day. Preserve us with Your mighty power so that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome by adversity. In all we do, direct us to live as Your dear children, showing Your righteousness in all we do.

**C** We pray this through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

### Final Blessing ~ Apostolic Blessing

[ELH p 119; 2 Cor 13:14]

**P** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ...be with you all.

**C** Amen.

### Closing Hymn • "O Word of God, Incarnate"

[ELH 171]

1. O Word of God Incarnate,  
O Wisdom from on high,

2. O make Your Church, dear Savior,  
A lamp of burnished gold

**O Truth unchanged, unchanging,  
O Light of our dark sky,  
We praise You for the radiance  
That from the hallowed page,  
A lamp unto our footsteps,  
Shines on from age to age.**

**To bear before the nations  
Your true light, as of old;  
O teach Your wand'ring pilgrims  
By this their path to trace,  
Till, clouds and darkness ended,  
They see You face to face.**

### **Worship Notes**

- Preacher: Pastor Hartwig
- Organist: Thursday - Donna Moll Sunday – Kris Karnopp
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