



Celebration Lutheran Church
January 14, 2018
10:30am

The season of Epiphany, beginning with the showing of the star and the arrival of the magi which is celebrated on January 6, is a season of showing forth the light of Christ. During this season we will be focusing on the word "called." The dictionary defines this as the past tense of calling out words or to summon someone. We are both the called and the callers: we are called by name, called to something, called out, called in daily life and called to newness.

GATHERING

THE HOLY SPIRIT CALLS US TOGETHER AS THE PEOPLE OF GOD.

- PRELUDE **Chorale Prelude on "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming"** J. Brahms
- WELCOME
- GATHERING SONG **O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright** (ELW#308)
- GREETING *We greet one another in the name of God.*
- KYRIE (p. 98)
- HYMN OF PRAISE (p. 101)
- PRAYER OF THE DAY *We gather and center our hearts through prayer.*

THE WORD

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN SCRIPTURE, PREACHING AND SONG.

- FIRST READING 1 Samuel 3:1-10 (11-20)
After the reading:
 The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**
- SECOND READING Psalm 139
 Refrain: **LORD, you have searched me out; O LORD, you have known me.**
After the reading:
 The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**
- GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (p. 102)
- GOSPEL READING John 1:43-51
 The gospel according to... **Glory to you, O Lord.**
After the reading:
 The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON

OUR RESPONSE

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD IN ACTION, PRAYER, AND PEACE.

WORD SONG **Will You Come and Follow Me** (ELW#798)

APOSTLES' CREED (p.105)

PRAYER UPDATES

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

PEACE The peace of Christ be with you all.
And also with you.
You are invited to share a word and/or gesture of Christ's peace with your worshiping neighbor. "Peace be with you," "God's peace," and other words are appropriate. Handshakes, hugs, and the kiss of peace is also appropriate.

As you share the peace, please circle around the altar. Bring your tithes, offerings and financial covenants forward.

OFFERING *We receive your tithes and offerings for the church's mission as a sign of the giving of our whole selves in grateful response for all of God's gifts.*

OFFERTORY **Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

OFFERTORY PRAYER *The Table is set with God's gifts of bread and wine and we give thanks for all that has been gathered.*

THE MEAL

GOD FEEDS US WITH THE PRESENCE OF JESUS CHRIST

GREAT THANKSGIVING (p. 107)
Holy, Holy
Eucharistic Prayer
The Lord's Prayer

INVITATION TO THE TABLE *All who are seeking Jesus as their Savior and are in need of God's grace and forgiveness are welcome to the Table.*

DISTRIBUTION *We commune by intinction: receive the bread (or gluten free wafer); proceed to the cup, dip your bread into the cup.*

COMMUNION SONG **Lamb of God** (p. 112)

BLESSING *After all have communed, the congregation receives a blessing.*

PRAYER *We give thanks for God's presence and ask for God to send us as witnesses into the world.*

SENDING

GOD BLESSES US AND SENDS US IN MISSION TO THE WORLD.

ANNOUNCEMENTS *Opportunities for deepening discipleship are shared.*

BENEDICTION

SENDING SONG **Songs of Thankfulness and Praise** (ELW#310)

Stow *We "stow" the gospel in our heart for the week.*
Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, "Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.' " So Samuel went and lay down in his place. 1 Samuel 3:6

DISMISSAL Go in Peace. Christ is with you. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE **Bachiana** G. Young

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