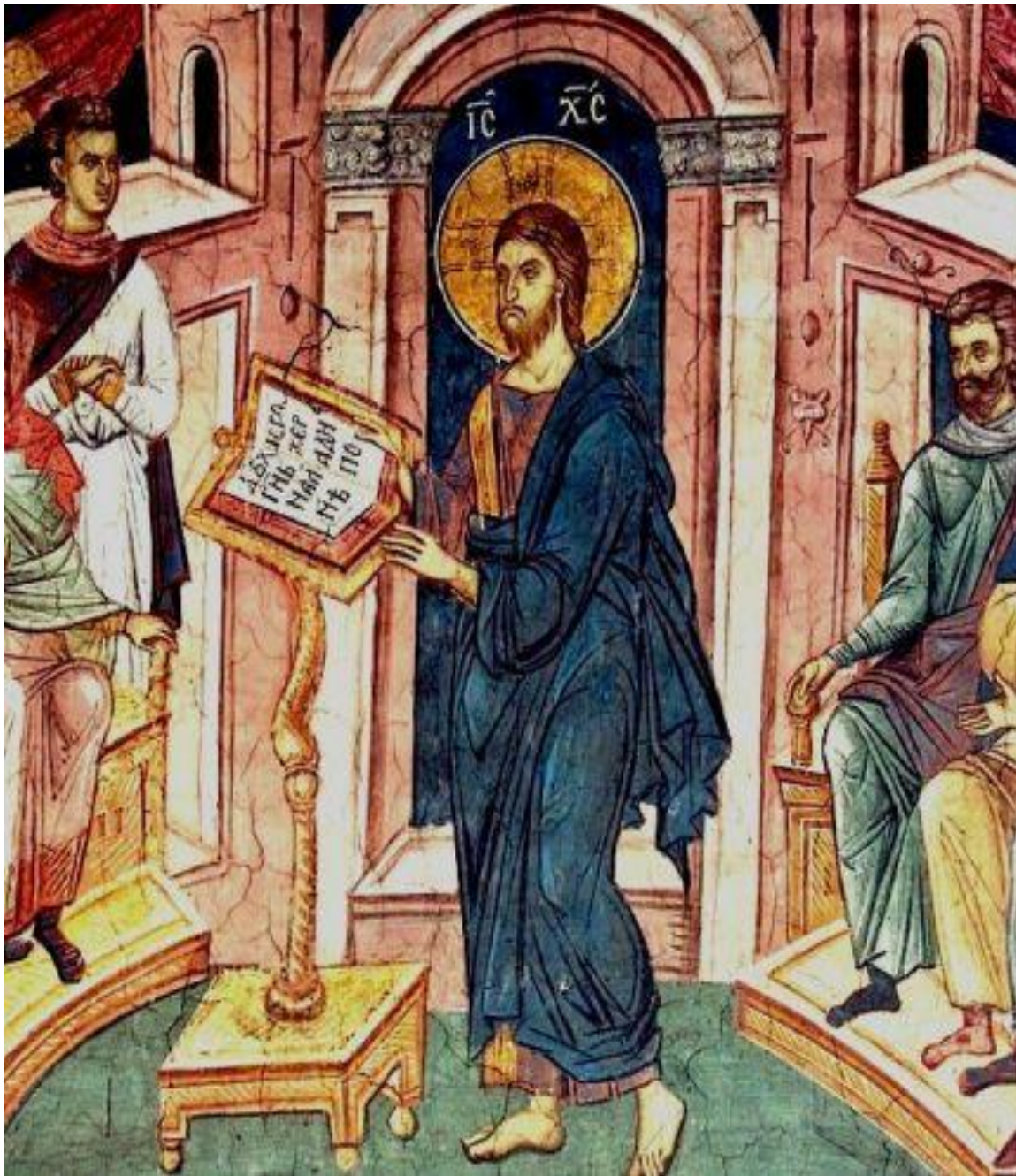


**St. John's Lutheran Church  
Third Sunday after Epiphany  
January 23, 2022**



**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME** on this third Sunday after Epiphany, God's glory is revealed when and where it is least expected. Take heed, lest the glory of God slip through our midst unnoticed.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

\*HYMN ~ *Beautiful Savior*

verses 1, 3 and 4 LBW # 518

## Beautiful Savior

518

1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion, Son of  
 2 Fair are the mead - ows, Fair are the wood - lands, Robed in  
 3 Fair is the sun - shine, Fair is the moon - light, Bright the  
 4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions, Son of

God and Son of Man! Tru - ly I'd love thee, Tru - ly I'd  
 flow'rs of bloom - ing spring; Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is  
 spar - kling stars on high; Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines  
 God and Son of Man! Glo - ry and hon - or, Praise, ad - o -

serve thee, Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.  
 pur - er, He makes our sor - rowing spir - it sing.  
 pur - er Than all the an - gels in the sky.  
 ra - tion, Now and for - ev - er - more be thine!

**\*CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS**

P In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen**

P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. C **Amen**

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

P Most merciful God,

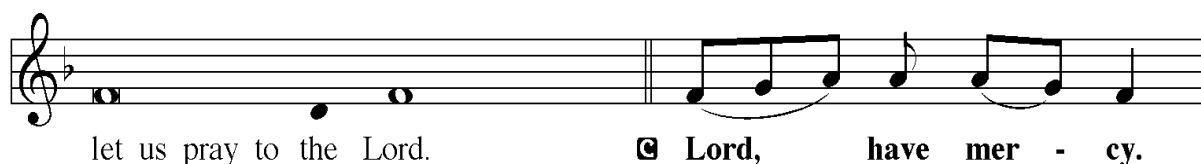
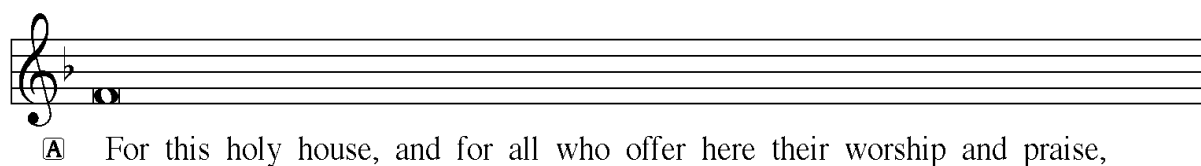
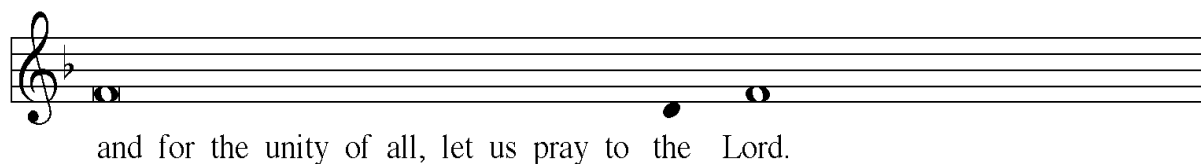
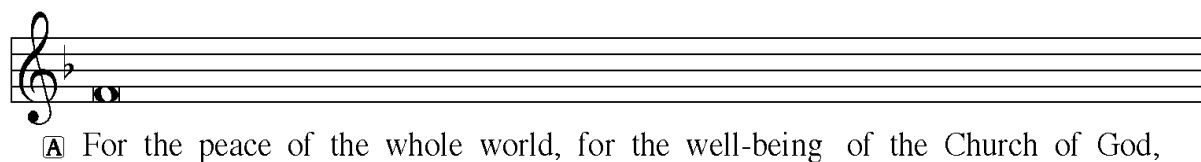
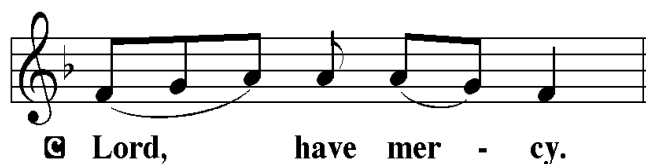
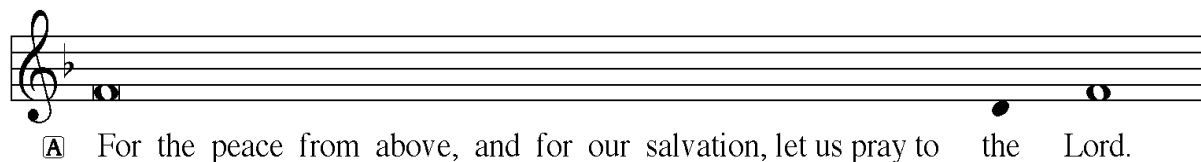
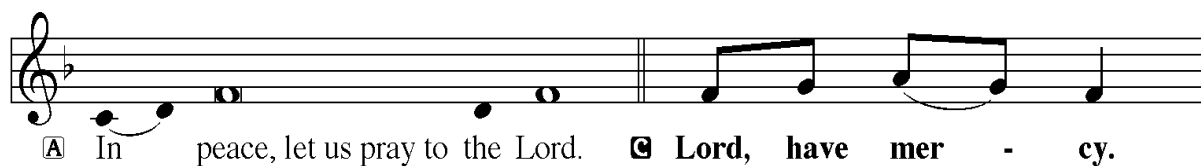
C **we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen**

P Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen**

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

**\*KYRIE**

**\*HYMN of PRAISE**

**A** Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



**B** Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - might - y God and Fa - ther:



We wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.



You are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men

**\*PRAYER of the DAY ~ (in unison)**

P Let us pray...

Blessed Lord God, you have caused the holy scriptures to be written for the nourishment of your people. Grant that we may hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that, comforted by your promises, we may embrace and forever hold fast to the hope of eternal life, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**LESSONS**

First Lesson ~ A reading from Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

*after the reading*

R The word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 19 ~ *with response*

*The psalm is announced, organ plays response 1x, cantor or pastor sings 1x, people join to sing response, then as psalm is read, congregation sings response at each R.*

Second Lesson ~ A reading from 1 Corinthians 12:12-31

*after the reading*

R The word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**



**\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Gospel Reading ~ P The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 4<sup>th</sup> chapter.

Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

*The Gospel is read. After the reading*

P The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.

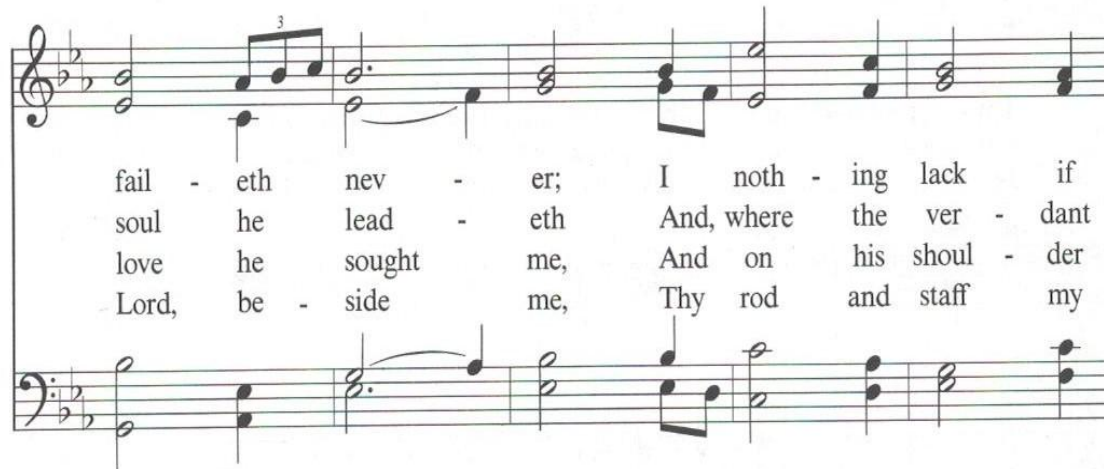
**MESSAGE**

HYMN ~ *The King of Love My Shepherd Is* Verses 1-4 LBW # 456

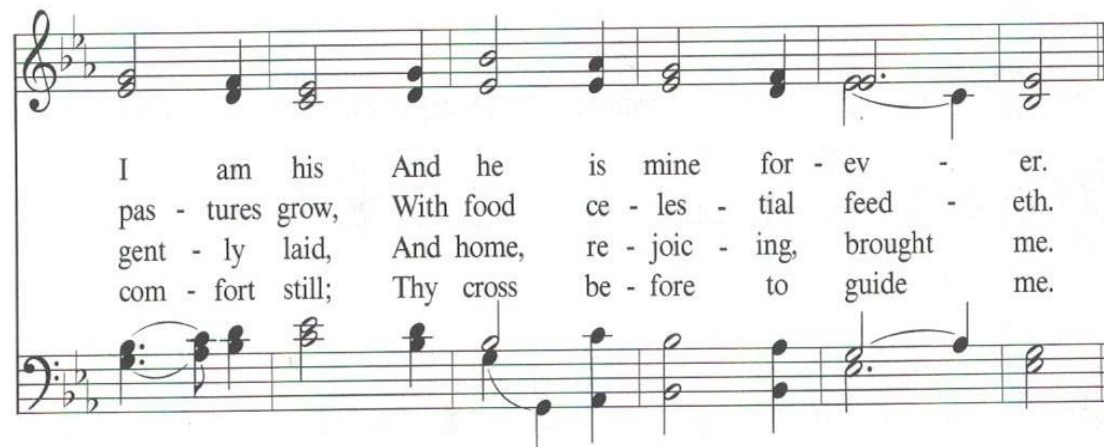
## The King of Love My Shepherd Is 456



1 The King of love my shep - herd is, Whose good - ness  
 2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, My ran - somed  
 3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, But yet in  
 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill, With thee, dear



fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if  
 soul he lead - eth And, where the ver - dant  
 love he sought me, And on his shoul - der  
 Lord, be - side me, Thy rod and staff my



I am his And he is mine for - ev - er.  
 pas - tures grow, With food ce - les - tial feed - eth.  
 gent - ly laid, And home, re - joic - ing, brought me.  
 com - fort still; Thy cross be - fore to guide me.



**\*APOSTLES' CREED**

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended into hell.\***

**On the third day he rose again.**

**He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again 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**

**OFFERING** ~ you may leave your gifts in one of the offering plates at the end of the front and back pews on your way out.

**\*OFFERTORY**


Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right spir -

it with-in me. Cast me not a-way from your pres-ence, and take

not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re-store to me the

joy of your sal-va - tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir - it.

**\*PRAYERS of the PEOPLE ~ See Celebrate**

P 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 has made.

*A brief silence.*

**\*THE LORD'S PRAYER**

P Let us pray as Jesus taught us:

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

**\*THE BLESSING**

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C Amen

\*HYMN ~ *Shall We Gather at the River*

WOV # 690

## Shall We Gather at the River

690

D A<sup>7</sup> A

1 Shall we gath - er at the riv - er, where bright an - gel feet have trod,  
 2 On the mar - gin of the riv - er, wash - ing up its sil - ver spray,  
 3 Ere we reach the shin - ing riv - er, lay we ev - 'ry bur - den down;  
 4 Soon we'll reach the shin - ing riv - er, soon our pil - grim - age will cease;

D A A<sup>7</sup> D

with its crys - tal tide for - ev - er flow - ing by the throne of God?  
 we will walk and wor - ship ev - er, all the hap - py gold - en day.  
 grace our spir - its will de - liv - er, and pro - vide a robe and crown.  
 soon our hap - py hearts will quiv - er with the mel - o - dy of peace.

Refrain G D A<sup>7</sup> D

Yes, we'll gath - er at the riv - er, the beau - ti - ful, the beau - ti - ful riv - er;

G D A A<sup>7</sup> D

gath - er with the saints at the riv - er that flows by the throne of God.

**\*DISMISSAL**

**P** Go in Peace. Serve the Lord

**R** Thanks be to God

**POSTLUDE**

**Pastor:** Reverend Ela J. Robertson Phone 740-338-7123

**Organist:** Seulki Susie Yoo

**Church Office:** 935-2032 **Email us at** [secretary@stjohnsbelleville.org](mailto:secretary@stjohnsbelleville.org)

**St. John's Christian Day Care:** 935-2959

**Today**

**Greeters:** Jay and Joy Byler; **Lay Reader:** Deb French

**Next Sunday, January 30**

**Greeters:** John and Brenda Boring; **Lay Reader: VOLUNTEER NEEDED**

***Our Mission Statement***

*We, the members of St. John's congregation, promise to share  
the good news of Jesus Christ, to worship and to love one another  
in our homes, church, community and the world.*

***Our Vision Statement***

*To be people who are welcoming and encourage God's love in our  
community through our prayer, devotion, benevolence and deeds.*

The Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God by  
Sandra Metz, with gratitude,  
for our organist, Susie.

Please remember in prayer ~ Calvin Baker, Don F. Smith, Camden Peachey  
(grandchild of Regina Peachey) Susan Keller, Steve Rodgers, Stacey Spicher,  
Samantha Smith, our members ~ Joyce Stuck (Ohesson), Betty Harmon  
(Elmcroft), Ev Young (Zion Home, Lititz), Pastor Kramm, Don Wolfe, Carol  
Yoder (VVH).

**FROM the PASTOR**

Jan 30 is a fifth Sunday - in consideration of the many with Covid this month and members and family members recovering from surgery and illness we will hold a service of Healing and Wholeness. Please bring your prayers for others, for yourself and the world to share. They may be brought forward as we receive

Chrism oil or may be included in the Pastor's prayers of intercession. Feb 6 - Communion will not be celebrated this day.

Feb 6 we welcome Chad Hershberger as our speaker. Director of Camp Mt. Luther and our tech coordinator for the Synod he will speak about Camp ministries and new ways to use technology to share ministry. Pastor Ela will be on break and at a friend's wedding Feb 1 - 8. Rev. Rick Adams may be contacted for emergency pastoral care during that time. He may be reached at: # 717-253-0235 and email: [richard.adams1230@gmail.com](mailto:richard.adams1230@gmail.com)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Last Thursday's council meeting has been rescheduled for tomorrow evening, Monday, January 26 at 6:30pm.

Volunteers are needed to help with Sunday morning duties. A sign-up can be found on the table in the narthex. Still needed this month ~ **Lay reader for next Sunday, January 30.**

St. John's has Meals on Wheels this week and next. Still needed is **5 quart of fruit salad for Tuesday, February 1.** Thank you to everyone who signed up to help provide our desserts.

Committee sign-up sheets can be found in the narthex. There are two new committees this year. They are Mission and Website. Please prayerfully consider serving on one...or possibly two!

The following dates are still available to sponsor 2022 altar flowers. Please contact the church office or sign-up in the narthex, if you are interested.

February 6 and 20, July 24

October 9 and November 27

**Please remember to notate** whether you would like to keep the flowers or have them delivered. At this time, the cost remains at \$40.00.

January 1 thru 20, 2022

Last week's attendance ~ 25 Offering ~ \$1,425.00

Checking acct balance 1/1/2022 ~ \$14,766.23

St. John's ~ Income \$ 9,250.07 Expense \$ 11,701.03

Net Income \$ -2,450.96

Checking acct balance 1/1/2022 ~ \$58,873.08

Daycare ~ Income \$ 9,990.28 Expense \$ 12,128.32

Net Income \$ -2,137.42