

**St. John's Lutheran Church  
Second Sunday after Epiphany  
January 15, 2023**

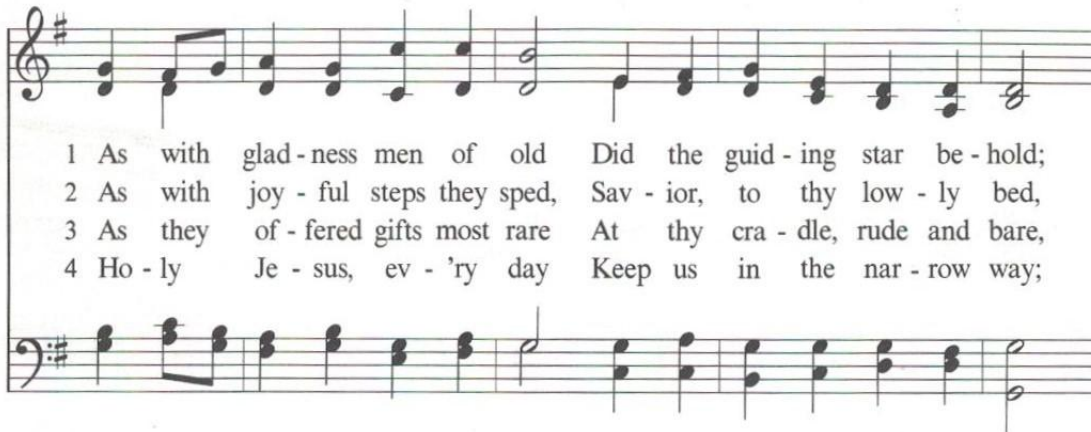


**PRELUDE  
WELCOME  
ANNOUNCEMENTS**

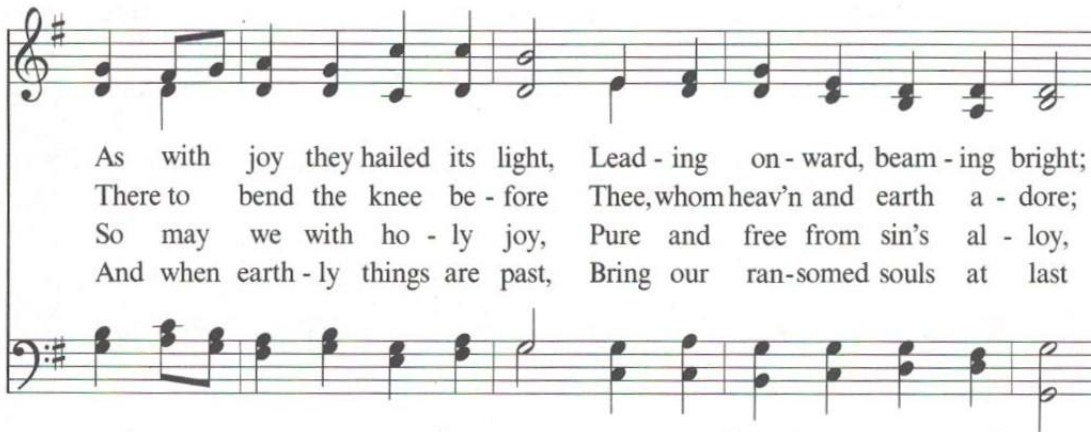
**\*HYMN ~ As with Gladness Men of Old**

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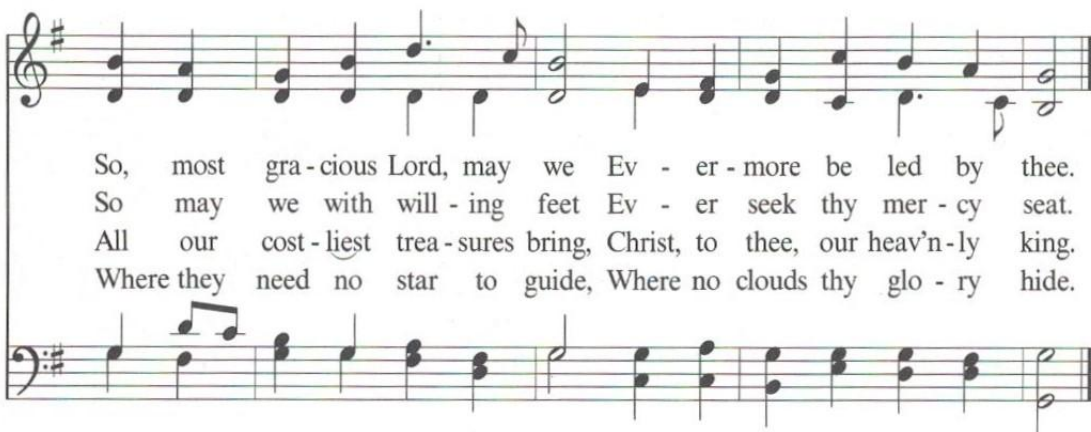
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**As with Gladness Men of Old**


1 As with glad - ness men of old Did the guid - ing star be - hold;  
 2 As with joy - ful steps they sped, Sav - ior, to thy low - ly bed,  
 3 As they of - fered gifts most rare At thy cra - dle, rude and bare,  
 4 Ho - ly Je - sus, ev - 'ry day Keep us in the nar - row way;



As with joy they hailed its light, Lead - ing on - ward, beam - ing bright;  
 There to bend the knee be - fore Thee, whom heav'n and earth a - dore;  
 So may we with ho - ly joy, Pure and free from sin's al - loy,  
 And when earth - ly things are past, Bring our ran - somed souls at last



So, most gra - cious Lord, may we Ev - er - more be led by thee.  
 So may we with will - ing feet Ev - er seek thy mer - cy seat.  
 All our cost - liest trea - sures bring, Christ, to thee, our heav'n - ly king.  
 Where they need no star to guide, Where no clouds thy glo - ry hide.

- 5 In the heav'nly country bright  
 Need they no created light;  
 Thou its light, its joy, its crown,  
 Thou its sun which goes not down;  
 There forever may we sing  
 Alleluias to our King.



**\*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,

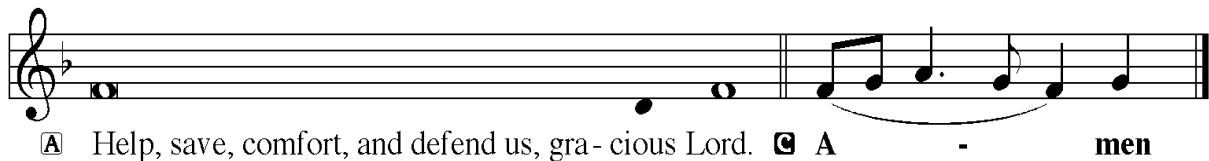
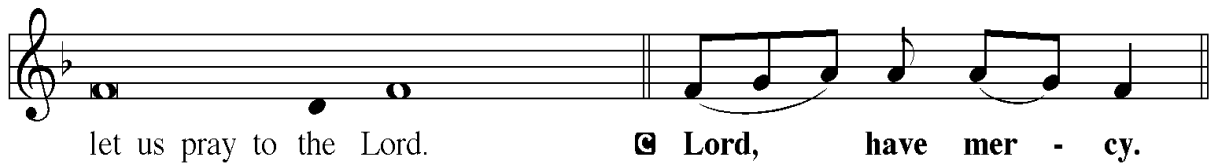
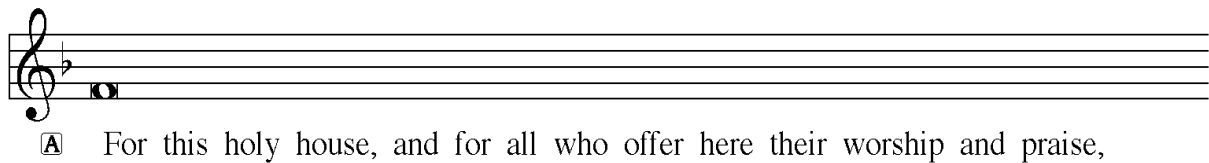
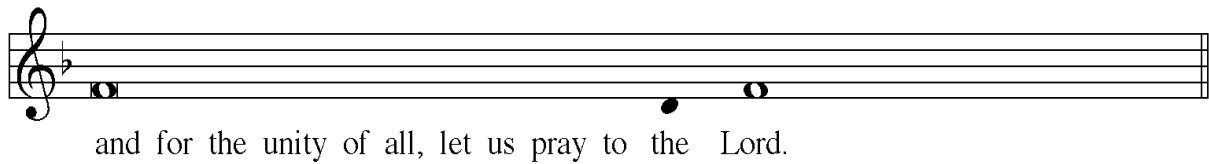
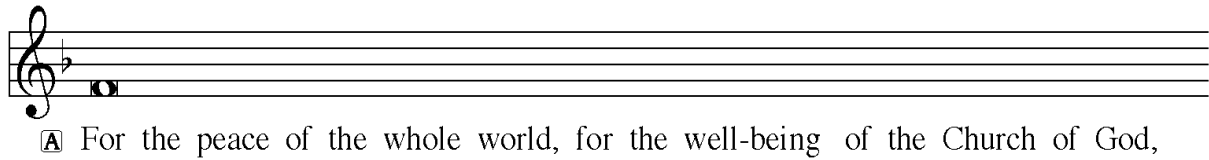
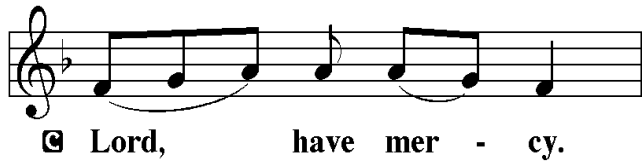
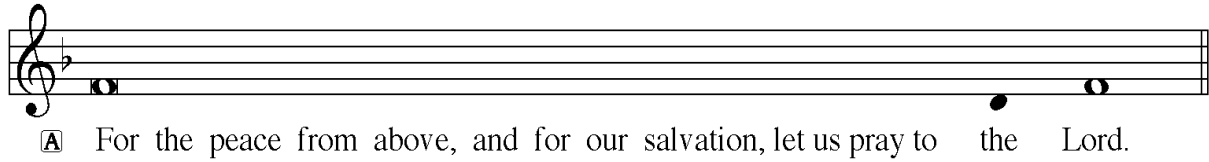
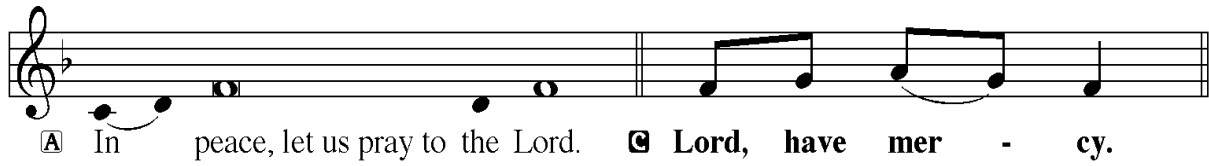
C **we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus 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 In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for his sake God forgives you all your sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ he gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them 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...

Holy God, our strength and our redeemer, by your Spirit hold us forever, that through your grace we may worship you and faithfully serve you, follow you and joyfully find you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

**LESSONS**

First Lesson ~ A reading from Isaiah 49:1-7

*after the reading*

R The word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 40:1-11 ~ *with response*

Second Lesson ~ A reading from 1 Corinthians 1:1-9

*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 John the 1<sup>st</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.

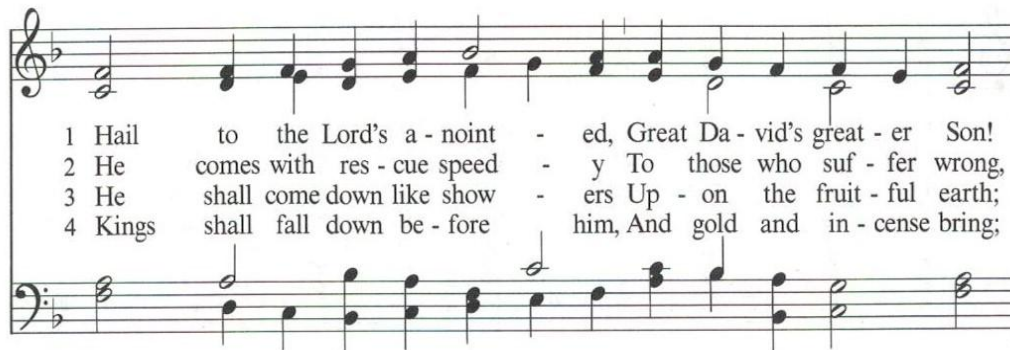
**MESSAGE**

HYMN ~ *Hail to the Lord's Anointed*

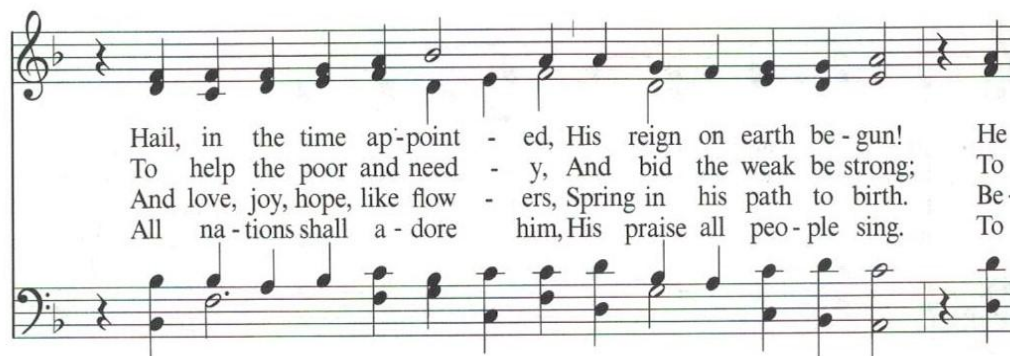
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## Hail to the Lord's Anointed

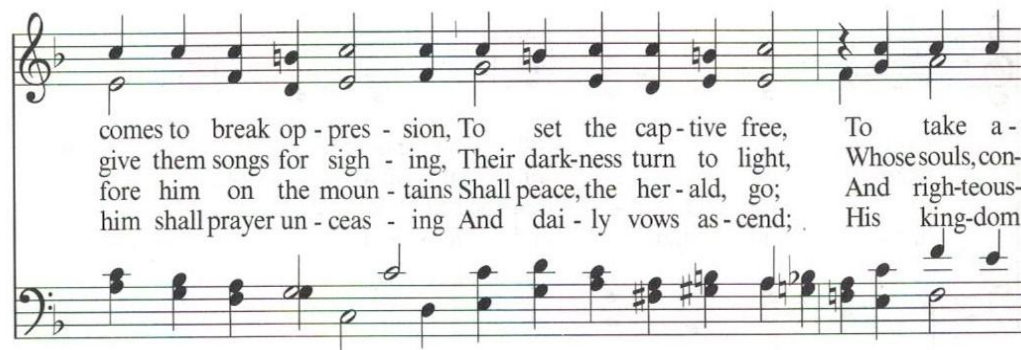
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1 Hail to the Lord's a - noint - ed, Great Da - vid's great - er Son!  
 2 He comes with res - cue speed - y To those who suf - fer wrong,  
 3 He shall come down like show - ers Up - on the fruit - ful earth;  
 4 Kings shall fall down be - fore him, And gold and in - cense bring;



Hail, in the time ap - point - ed, His reign on earth be - gun! He  
 To help the poor and need - y, And bid the weak be strong; To  
 And love, joy, hope, like flow - ers, Spring in his path to birth. Be -  
 All na - tions shall a - dore him, His praise all peo - ple sing. To



comes to break op - pres - sion, To set the cap - tive free, To take a -  
 give them songs for sigh - ing, Their dark - ness turn to light, Whose souls, con -  
 fore him on the moun - tains Shall peace, the her - ald, go; And righ - teous -  
 him shall prayer un - ceas - ing And dai - ly vows as - cend; His king - dom



way trans - gres - sion And rule in eq - ui - ty.  
 demned and dy - ing, Were pre - cious in his sight.  
 ness in foun - tains From hill to val - ley flow.  
 still in - creas - ing, A king - dom with - out end.



**\*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**

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

P Called together to follow Jesus, we pray for the church, the world, and all in  
need.      *A brief silence.*

**\*PEACE**

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C And also with you.**

P Let us extend the peace of Christ to those here and beyond the walls of our  
sanctuary.

P Peace of Christ.

**C Peace be with you.**

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

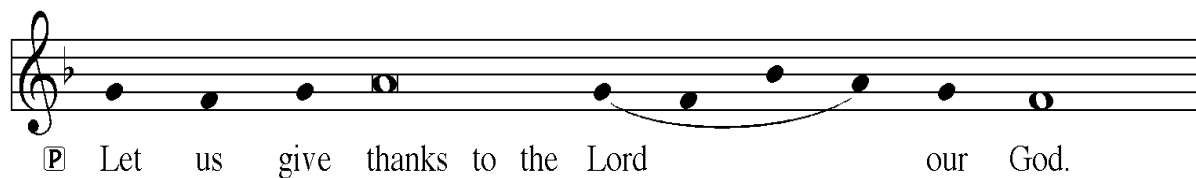
**\*OFFERTORY**

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our  
cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the  
seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.  
Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the  
prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your  
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

**\*OFFERTORY PRAYER**

**P** Let us pray. Merciful Father,

**C** we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us--ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

**\*GREAT THANKSGIVING****\*PREFACE**



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na. Ho - san - na.



Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

P In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

### **\*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

## COMMUNION

### Invitation to Communion:

P Partake of the banquet, for all is now ready, taste and see that the Lord is good.

P The Bread of Life. The body of Christ, given for you;

C Amen.

P The Cup of the Covenant: the blood of Christ, shed for you.

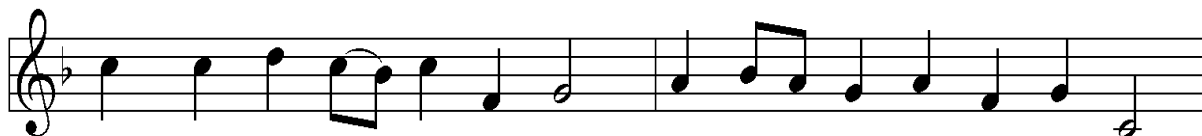
C Amen.

*(After all are seated)*

P May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen.

### \*POST COMMUNION CANTICLE



☒ Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear his name.



He re - calls his prom - is - es and leads his peo - ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.



**\*POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

**P** Let us pray.

We give you thanks, almighty God, that you refresh us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C 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 ~ Jesus Call Us; O'er the Tumult**

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COMMITMENT

**Jesus Calls Us; O'er the Tumult****494**

1 Je - sus calls us; o'er the tu - mult Of our  
 2 As of old St. An - drew heard it By the  
 3 Je - sus calls us from the wor - ship Of the  
 4 In our joys and in our sor - rows, Days of

life's wild, rest - less sea, Day by day his clear voice  
 Gal - i - le - an lake, Turned from home and toil and  
 vain world's gold - en store, From each i - dol that would  
 toil and hours of ease, Still he calls, in cares and

sound - ing, Say - ing, "Chris - tian, fol - low me."  
 kin - dred, Leav - ing all for his dear sake.  
 keep us, Say - ing, "Chris - tian, love me more."  
 plea - sures, "Chris - tian, love me more than these."

- 5 Jesus calls us! In your mercy,  
 Savior, make us hear your call,  
 Give our hearts to your obedience,  
 Serve and love you best of all.

**\*DISMISSAL**

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

**R** Thanks be to God

**POSTLUDE**

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

**Pianist:** Diane Shetler

**Today:**

**Altar Care:** Brenda Boring; **Flower Delivery:** Brenda Boring

**Greeter:** Ed Bilich; **Lay Reader:** Ed Bilich

**Sound:** Jay Byler

**Next Sunday, January 22**

**Altar Care:** Brenda Boring; **Flower Delivery:** Brenda Boring

**Greeters:** Jay and Joy Byler; **Lay Reader:** Joe Kanagy

**Sound:** Jay Byler

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

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

***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 Rev. Ela Roberstson in honor of St. John's  
council, committees and congregation.

Please remember in prayer ~ Jim Buchanan, John Boring, Desa Keiser, Kathy Eckley, Fred Rodgers, Elliana Byler, Kyung Sun Yim, Bob Treaster, Don F. Smith, Samantha Smith, our members ~ Joyce Stuck (Greenwood Village), Betty Harmon (Celebration Villa) and Don Wolfe (VVH). Families of Richard Byler and Carol Yoder.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Thank you so much for all the cards, prayers and any other acts of kindness you have shown to us the past couple weeks. We appreciate our church family!*  
*Jay and Joy*

*During my sickness and stay in the hospital, I want to thank you all for your prayers, phone calls, cards and concerns. I'm still recuperating with a cough and taking therapy.*

*Jim and Georgianna Buchanan*

The 2022 contribution statements have been placed in member mailboxes. Any still remaining after next Sunday will be mailed out.

The January/February newsletter is available in the mailboxes of those members who do not receive it by email.

The Property Committee will be meeting tomorrow evening at 6:30pm in the blue room. All members are urged to attend.

**REMINDER** ~ We have discovered that the company who supplies our offering envelopes mistakenly ran the first 20 boxes of our 2023 order with the information for another church. If your box is in the **#1-20 range** please throw it away or bring it back. **New envelopes have been placed in your mailbox.**

There are still quite a few dates left to place altar flowers for this year. Sign-ups can be found in the narthex. **Please remember to notate** whether you would like to keep the flowers or have them delivered. Currently, the cost remains at \$40.00.

January 1 thru January 12, 2023

Last week's attendance ~ 24    Offering ~ \$ 1,995.00

St. John's ~ Income \$7,287.10    Expense \$12,090.18

Net Income - \$4,803.08

Daycare ~ Income \$10,302.16    Expense \$3,240.31

Net Income \$7,061.85