



Come and See

Grace Lutheran Church

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Epiphany 2
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GREETING

L: 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 AND ABSOLUTION

L. 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.

L. 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

L: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

♫ **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!**

(Christian Worship 334)

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

Lord God, through your Son you made the heavens and the earth; through him you continue to rule over all things, providing all that we need for life. Make us, your chosen people, witnesses of your power and heralds of your glory to the praise of your unfailing love; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

GOD'S WORD

FIRST READING

1 Samuel 3:1-10

"Speak LORD, your servant is listening." This is one of the amazing things in Jesus' call to us: It creates a willingness to say: I don't know what is coming and what you will require of me; but whatever it is, I want to listen to you and to follow you! You and your Word are everything I need!

The boy Samuel ministered before the LORD under Eli. In those days the word of the LORD was rare; there were not many visions.

²One night Eli, whose eyes were becoming so weak that he could barely see, was lying down in his usual place. ³The lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the house of the LORD, where the ark of God was. ⁴Then the LORD called Samuel.

Samuel answered, "Here I am." ⁵And he ran to Eli and said, "Here I am; you called me."

But Eli said, "I did not call; go back and lie down." So he went and lay down.

⁶Again the LORD called, "Samuel!" And Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, "Here I am; you called me."

"My son," Eli said, "I did not call; go back and lie down."

⁷Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD: The word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. ⁸A third time the LORD called, "Samuel!" And Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, "Here I am; you called me."

Then Eli realized that the LORD was calling the boy. ⁹So Eli told Samuel, "Go and lie down, and if he calls you, say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

¹⁰The LORD came and stood there, calling as at the other times, "Samuel! Samuel!"

Then Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

*Samuel said,
"Speak, for your
servant is
listening."*

HYMN

SPEAK O LORD (#735)

- 1 Speak, O Lord, as we come to you
To receive the food of your Holy Word.
Take your truth, plant it deep in us;
Shape and fashion us in your likeness
That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us
All your purposes for your glory.**

- 2 Teach us, Lord, full obedience,
Holy reverence, true humility.
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
In the radiance of your purity.
Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority.
Words of pow'r that can never fail,
Let their truth prevail over unbelief.**

- 3 Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;
Help us grasp the heights of your plans for us.
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time,
That will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on your promises,
And by faith we'll walk as you walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, as your Church is built
And you fill the earth with your glory.**

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GOSPEL READING

JOHN 1:43-51

⁴³The next day Jesus decided to leave for Galilee. Finding Philip, he said to him, "Follow me."

⁴⁴Philip, like Andrew and Peter, was from the town of Bethsaida. ⁴⁵Philip found Nathanael and told him, "We have found the one Moses wrote about in the Law, and about whom the prophets also wrote—Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph."

⁴⁶"Nazareth! Can anything good come from there?" Nathanael asked.

"Come and see," said Philip.

⁴⁷When Jesus saw Nathanael approaching, he said of him, "Here truly is an Israelite in whom there is no deceit."

⁴⁸"How do you know me?" Nathanael asked.

Jesus answered, "I saw you while you were still under the fig tree before Philip called you."

⁴⁹Then Nathanael declared, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God; you are the king of Israel."

⁵⁰Jesus said, "You believe because I told you I saw you under the fig tree. You will see greater things than that." ⁵¹He then added, "Very truly I tell you, you will see 'heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending on' the Son of Man."



This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH and LORD'S PRAYER

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.

M: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

M: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

C: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

M: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. In the past he spoke to us through the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, who is the radiance of his glory.

Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY
Sanctus

M: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power, God of might: heav'n and earth are full of your glory.

C: **Hosanna in the highest.**

M: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

C: **Hosanna in the highest.**

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C: **O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. and grant us your peace. Amen.**

Following the distribution, there is a prayer and closing blessing.

BLESSING

- M: 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.
- C: **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

#379 Amazing Grace

FOUND AND
SEEING...
AMAZING!

- 1 Amazing grace—how sweet the sound—That saved a wretch like me!
 I once was lost but now am found, Was blind but now I see.
 - 2 The Lord has promised good to me; His Word my hope secures.
 He will my shield and portion be As long as life endures.
 - 3 Through many dangers, toils, and snares I have already come;
 'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far, And grace will lead me home.
 - 4 When we've been there ten thousand years, Bright shining as the sun,
 We've no less days to sing God's praise Than when we'd first begun.
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*Text: John Newton,
1725–1807, st. 1-3,
abr.; John P. Rees,
19th century, st. 4.*

PRAYERS

Anabelle – heart surgery

Virginia – knee surgery tomorrow

CALENDAR

Thursday – Zoom Bible Study – at 10 AM or 7 PM – Jonah – not a fish story

SUNDAY – Worship – online or 9:30 AM in the breezeway

Confirmation class

Email Congregational Meeting



Gathering around Grace – Growing in Grace – Going with Grace

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