

**4th Sunday after Epiphany
January 28, 2024—10am**



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Our Mission Statement:

We are a community of believers in Christ called to be servants to all people.

Page numbers (p.) are in front half of the hymnal.
Hymn numbers (#) are in back half of the hymnal.
Everyone is invited to join in **bolded responses**.
+ Please stand as you are able.

+ Gathering +

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Prelude

“There Is a Balm in Gilead” arr. Lynette Maynard

+ Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✚ one God, creator of darkness and light, word of truth, wind sweeping over the waters. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God, our rock and refuge, **we pour out our hearts before you. We have known you but have not always loved you. We have wounded one another and sinned against you. We have not always recognized the Holy Spirit dwelling in each of us. Remember your covenant. Renew your creation. Restore us, that we might proclaim your good news to all. Amen.**

The voice of the Lord is upon the waters. God has spoken: The time of grace is now. In Jesus, the reign of God has come near. By the authority of ✚ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are God's beloved. **Amen.**

+ Gathering Song

“Great Are You, Lord”

You give life. You are love. You bring light to the darkness. You give hope. You restore ev'ry heart that is broken. And great are You Lord. Great are You, Lord.

It's Your breath in our lungs, so we pour out our praise, we pour out our praise. It's Your breath in our lungs, so we pour out our praise to You only. Great are You, Lord. Great are You, Lord.

And all the earth will shout Your praise. Our hearts will cry, these bones will sing, “Great are You, Lord!”

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+ Greeting

ELW p.98

+ Prayer of the Day

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+Word+

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

First Reading

Deuteronomy 18:15-20

Psalm 111

ELW #111

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 8:1-13

+ Gospel Acclamation

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+ Gospel Reading

Mark 1:21-28

Young at Heart Message & Sermon

The Rev. Leslie D. Weber

+ Song of the Day

"You Are God Alone (Not a god)"

You are not a god created by human hands,
You are not a god dependent, on any mortal man.
You are not a god in need of, anything we can give.
By Your plan, that's just the way it is.

Refrain: You are God alone, from before time began,
You were on Your throne, You are God alone.
And right now in the good times and bad,
You are on Your throne, You are God alone.

You're unchangeable, You're unshakable,
You're unstoppable, that's what You are.

You're the only God whose power none can contend.
You're the only God whose name and praise will never end.
You're the only God who's worthy, of ev'rything we can give.
You are God that's just the way it is.

And right now in the good times and bad,
You are on Your throne You are God alone

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+ Apostles' Creed

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+ Prayers of Intercession

...God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

+ Peace

+Meal+

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Offering

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+ Offering Prayer

+ Great Thanksgiving

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+ Proper Preface

+ Sanctus

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+ Thanksgiving at the Table (X)

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+ Lord's Prayer (sins)

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+ Invitation to Communion

Agnus Dei

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Notes about Communion Distribution at Grace

When we're gathered around the table, there is enough food, drink, blessing, space and time for all to share in Holy Communion! GLC practices Eucharistic hospitality since we trust that God welcomes all who come to the table where Christ is both host and meal.

Wine (red) and grape juice (white) are distributed in individual cups.

Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

If you prefer to stay in the pew, there are prepackaged kits (wine, juice, and gluten free options) available at the sanctuary doors.

If you prefer not to receive the wafer and wine/grape juice, you may kneel or stand at the rail with arms folded across your chest to receive a blessing.

Distribution Song

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+ Table Blessing

+ Prayer after Communion

+ Sending +

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

+ Blessing

Announcements

+ Sending Song

ELW # 886

+ Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

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