

# 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany—February 20, 2022



## Grace Lutheran Church

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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**

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**+ Confession and Forgiveness**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who creates us, redeems us, and calls us by name. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sinfulness before God and one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Most merciful God, **we confess that we have sinned against you and your beloved children. We have turned our faces away from your glory when it did not appear as we expected. We have rejected your word when it made us confront ourselves. We have failed to show hospitality to those you called us to welcome. Accept our repentance for the things we have done and the things we have left undone. For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us and lead us, that we may bathe in the glory of your Son born among us, and reflect your love for all creation. Amen.**

Rejoice in this good news: In † Christ Jesus, your sins are forgiven. You are descendants of the Most High, adopted into the household of Christ, and inheritors of eternal life. Live as freed and forgiven children of God. **Amen.**

**+ Gathering Song**

“To Be Alive”

To be alive is to live the love that is alive in God’s saving son who brought us back from a life of death to be alive!

There is nothing I can do to save me. Only God carries us home.  
So we live mercy, hope, and freedom, loving one another to be whole.

Join the singing, join the celebration. Jesus lives, we are restored.  
Love alive, giving and forgiving, loving one another to be whole.

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**+ Greeting**

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**+ Prayer of the Day**

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**+ Word +**

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

**First Reading**

Genesis 45:3-11, 15

**Psalm 37:1-11, 39-40**

ELW #37:1-11, 39-40

**Second Reading**

1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50

**+ Gospel Acclamation**

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**+ Gospel Reading**

Luke 6:27-38

**Young at Heart Message & Sermon**

The Rev. Leslie D. Weber

**+ Song of the Day**

W&P 95 "Make Me a Channel of Your Peace"  
(see next page)

# Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

## Prayer of St. Francis



1 Make me a chan - nel of your peace.  
 2 Make me a chan - nel of your peace.  
 4 Make me a chan - nel of your peace.



Where there is ha - tred, let me bring your love;  
 Where there's de - spair in life, let me bring hope;  
 It is in par - don - ing that we are par - doned,

*Last time to coda* ⊕



where there is in - ju - ry, your par - don, Lord;  
 where there is dark - ness, . . . . . on - ly light;  
 in giv - ing of our - selves that we re



and where there's doubt, true faith in you.  
 and where there's sad - ness, ev - er joy.



3 O Mas - ter, grant that I may nev - er seek so



much to be con - soled as to con - sole, to be



un - der - stood as to un - der - stand, to be

*D.C. (stanza 4) al coda*



loved as to love with all my soul.



ceive, and in dy - ing that we're born to e - ter - nal life.

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**+ Apostles' Creed**

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**+ Prayers of Intercession**

...God of grace, **hear 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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**+ Thanksgiving at the Table**

**+ Lord's Prayer** (*sins*)

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**Communion**

Come to God's table. There is a place for you and enough for all.

*Where possible, commune one another saying "the body of Christ, given for you" and "the blood of Christ, shed for you."*

**Distribution Song**

"We Remember You"

In broken bread and the cup that we share, we remember you.  
In broken bread and the cup that we share, we remember you.  
We remember you, Jesus. We remember your love for us.  
We remember the blood you shed. We remember you.

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**+ Prayer after Communion**

**+Sending+**

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

**+ Blessing**

**Announcements**

**+ Sending Song**

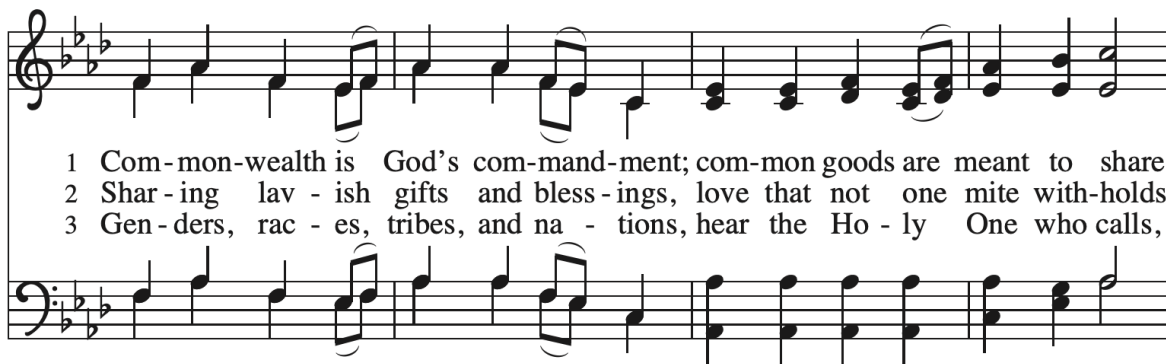
ACS#1036 "Commonwealth is God's Commandment"  
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**+ Dismissal**

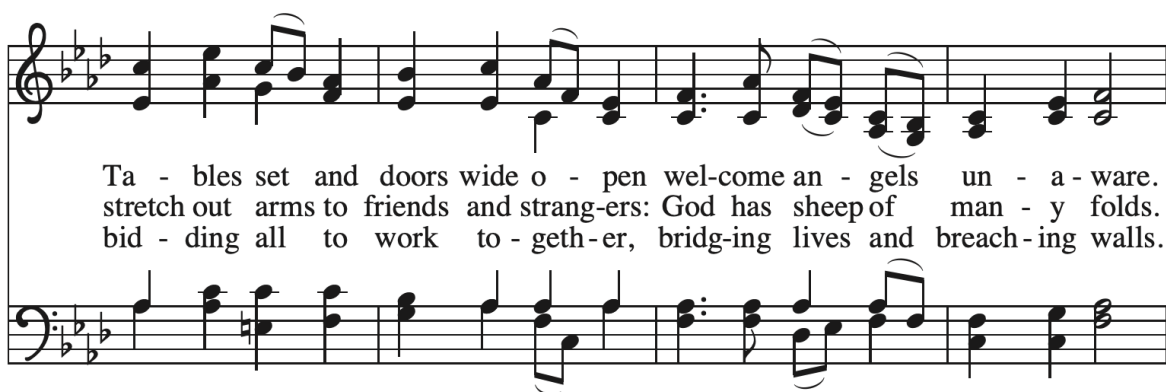
Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude**

# Commonwealth Is God's Commandment

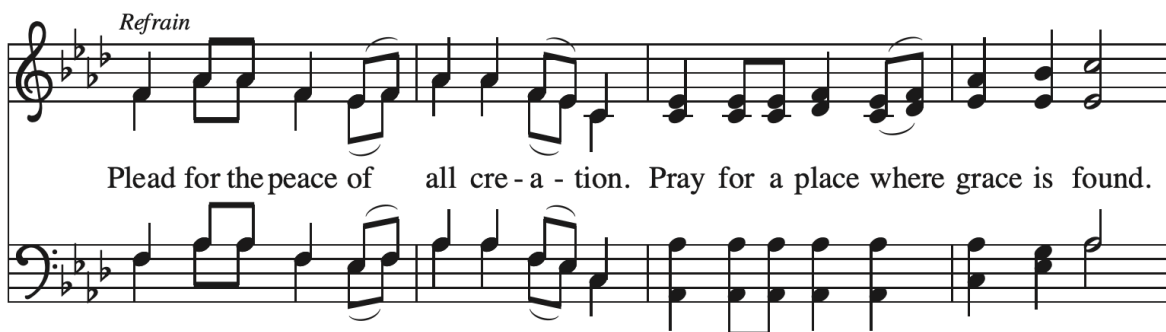


1 Com-mon-wealth is God's com-mand-ment; com-mon goods are meant to share.  
2 Shar-ing lav-ish gifts and bless-ings, love that not one mite with-holds,  
3 Gen-ders, rac-es, tribes, and na-tions, hear the Ho-ly One who calls,



Ta-bles set and doors wide o-pen wel-come an-gels un-a-ware.  
stretch out arms to friends and strang-ers: God has sheep of man-y folds.  
bid-ding all to work to-geth-er, bridg-ing lives and breach-ing walls.

*Refrain*



Plead for the peace of all cre-a-tion. Pray for a place where grace is found.



*Shan-ti, pax, sha-lom, mas-la-ha:* com-mon good is ho-ly ground.

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