

# **St. Matthew's Ev. Lutheran Church**

1615 N. Wauwatosa Ave., Wauwatosa, WI 53213

February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023

8:30 am & 11:00 am Services

## *5<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Epiphany*

**Worship Notes:** Light shines in the darkness for the upright, the psalmist sings. Isaiah declares that when we loose the bonds of injustice and share our bread with the hungry, the light breaks forth like the dawn. In another passage from the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus, the light of the world, calls his followers to let the light of their good works shine before others. Through baptism we are sent into the world to shine with the light of Christ.

### **Season of Epiphany – Global/World Music**

*“Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you... Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn.” (Isaiah 60:1, 3)*

Epiphany is the time of the church year when we celebrate the revealing of Christ to the world.

During this season, we celebrate the arrival of the One who is the light of the world: a light that brings life, a light that brings hope. This light shines its brightest when we are in community —with God and with one another. During this time we explore Global/World music in worship; using Responses, Hymns Anthems that are based on a global theme.

Global Christian music is defined as any music found in the Christian Church worldwide.

Particularly, it specializes in cultural musics from the non-Western world. We hope you enjoy the music and text from around the world that unifies all Christians together.

Prelude

*Variations on “Enviado”* by Wayne Wold

Welcome and Announcements

Pastor Ann Williams

## Call to Worship

## God Is Here Today

*This song of Invitation comes to us from Javier Gracías Mateo, theologian and musical composer, born in Albacete (Spain) in 1956, currently resides in Zaragoza, where he continues to compose his new songs. God is here is the news of "good news." A resounding affirmation of God's presence not only in the heavens, but also in nature and in the creatures of the earth thirsting for their Creator.*



Dios es - tá a qui, tan cier-to co-mo el ai - re  
 God is here to - day; as cer - tain as the  
 que res - pi - ro, tan cier-to co-mo la ma - ña - na se le -  
 air I breathe, as cer - tain as the morn-ing sun that  
 van ta, tan cier-to co-mo que le can - to y me pue-de o - ir.  
 ris - es, as cer - tain when I sing you'll hear my song.

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Gathering

*Please stand as you are able.*

## Confession &amp; Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, who stretches out the heavens, who sends light to the nations, who gives breath to us all.

**Amen.**

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

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Loving God,

**we confess that we have turned from your way to follow our own ways. Forgive us for the times we have spoken or acted too quickly; we have not spoken or acted at all; we have hurt those closest to us; we have hurt those we have yet to know; we have thought more about ourselves than others; we have thought less of ourselves than we ought. Turn us around, and give us a fresh start, so that we can live again as your children. Amen.**

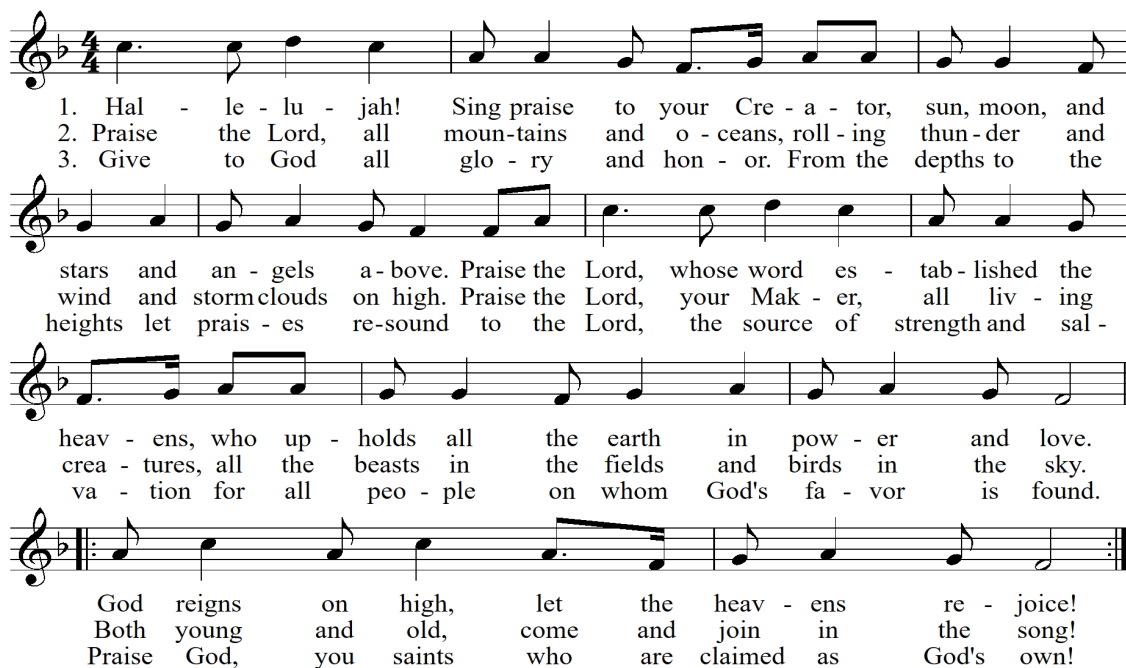
Even when we have done wrong, God makes us right. Even when we have messed up, God puts us together. God's love never runs out. God never tires of calling us beloved children. Hear God say to you now: Your sins are forgiven, for the sake of † Jesus Christ our Savior.

**Amen.**

### Gathering Song

### Hallelujah! Sing Praise to Your Creator

*This hymn of praise and thanksgiving is based on Psalm 148. This is a traditional Batak melody, Toba, Indonesia. Batak is a collective term used to identify a number of closely related Austronesian ethnic groups predominantly found in North Sumatra, Indonesia, who speak Batak languages.*



1. Hal - le - lu - jah! Sing praise to your Cre - a - tor, sun, moon, and  
 2. Praise the Lord, all moun-tains and o - ceans, roll - ing thun - der and  
 3. Give to God all glo - ry and hon - or. From the depths to the  
 stars and an - gels a - bove. Praise the Lord, whose word es - tab - lished the  
 wind and stormclouds on high. Praise the Lord, your Mak - er, all liv - ing  
 heights let prais - es re-sound to the Lord, the source of strength and sal -  
 heav - ens, who up - holds all the earth in pow - er and love.  
 crea - tures, all the beasts in the fields and birds in the sky.  
 va - tion for all peo - ple on whom God's fa - vor is found.  
 God reigns on high, let the heav - ens re - joice!  
 Both young and old, come and join in the song!  
 Praise God, you saints who are claimed as God's own!

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### Litany for the Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Jesus said, “You are the salt of the earth,” and “You are the light of the world.”

**May we live according to that call.**

As God's people in the world, we can make a difference.

**We can be like lamp light that shines throughout our homes.**

When God's plan for us is unrecognizable in the world's darkness,  
**Christ's light shining forth from us helps us identify what challenges lie ahead.**  
 Let the light of the Lord within you  
**touch the lives of those we love.**

### Apostolic Greeting

Arise shine; for the Light has come!

**The glory of the Lord has risen upon us!**

The grace of God that extends to all nations in Christ Jesus through the work of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

### Hymn of Praise

### A New Way Has Opened – Gloria be to God

*This Cuban song speaks of light coming into the world for justice and peace. The refrain offers us a version of the Gloria.*

1. Un ca - mi - no se a-bre ha- cia la luz a - nun - cia vi - da y  
 1. A new way has o-pened toward the light an-nounc- ing life and  
 2. Vis - tas shine with har - mo - ny and faith, a - bun-dance ov - er

sue - ña li - ber - tad, ges - tan - do un tiem - po de jus - ti - cia y paz,  
 dreams of li - ber - ty, and birth - ing times of jus-tice and of peace,  
 flow-ing lies a - head sus - tained by strength in the com - mu - ni - ty.

1. un pue - blo u-ni - do ce - le - bran - do va.l. Des - te - llos so - mos de tu luz.  
 when God's own peo-ple feastin un - i - ty. 2. We are the spar-kles of your light.

¡Glo-ria en lo al - to a Dios y en la tie - rra vi - da nue - va y paz!  
 Glo-ry be to God on high and on earth new life and last - ing peace!

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## Prayer of the Day

Lord God, with endless mercy you receive the prayers of all who call upon you. By your Spirit show us the things we ought to do and give us the grace and power to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

Word

## First Reading

Isaiah 58:1-9a

*Shortly after the return of Israel from exile in Babylon, the people were troubled by the ineffectiveness of their fasts. God reminds them that outward observance is no substitute for genuine fasting that results in acts of justice, such as feeding the hungry, sheltering the homeless, and clothing the naked.*

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Second Reading

1 Corinthians 2:1-12

*Though people such as the Corinthians are enamored with human philosophy and wisdom, Paul continuously presents God's hidden wisdom which is Jesus Christ crucified. True spiritual maturity involves judging ourselves and others in light of God's revelation in the cross.*

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as you are able.*

## Gospel Acclamation

## Syrian Hallelujah

*To sing a song from Syria in these days when Syrians have been displaced from their homes by violence offers a reminder of the ancient and beautiful worship practices of Syrian Christians and Jews and makes this Hallelujah both a song of praise and a song of solidarity.*



Hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah, Hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah.

Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah. \_\_\_\_\_

Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu jah, hal - le - lu - jah!

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## Gospel

## Matthew 5:13-20

*In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus encourages his followers to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world, doing good works and keeping God's commandments.*

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 5<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

The Gospel of the Lord for you this day.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## Sermon

Pastor Ann Williams

*Please stand as you are able.*

Hymn of the Day

# You Are the Seed – Sois la semilla

*(Prayer Cards will be collected during the Hymn of the Day)*

*This hymn, written by Spanish priest Cesáreo Gabarain is based on Matthew 5:13-16. The translator was Mexican born Skinner Chavez-Melo, an organist, conductor, and composer.*

1. You are the seed that will grow a new sprout; you're a  
 2. You are the flame that will light - en the dark, so re -  
 3. "You are the friends that I chose for my - self, you're the

star that will shine in the night; you are the yeast and a  
 splen - dent with hope, faith and love; you are the shep - herds to  
 word that I want to pro - claim. You are the new reign of

small grain of salt, a bea - con to glow in the dark.  
 lead the whole world to wa - ters and pas - tures of peace.  
 God built on rock, where jus - tice and truth are at home."

*Refrain*

A. Go, my friends, go to the world, pro - claim the  
 B. Be, my friends, a loy - al wit - ness, from the

great love of God; mes - sen - gers to tell the way of life,  
 dead Christ a - rose; "Lo, I'll be with you for - ev - er - more,

1. Repeat back to "B" 2.  
 peace and par - don for all. till the end of the world."

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Profession of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

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*Usher Volunteers gather for Offering Collection at the Welcome Center.*

Prayers of Intercession

Called together to follow Jesus, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

...Merciful God,

**Receive our prayer.**

We bring to you our needs and hopes, O God, trusting your wisdom and power revealed  
in Christ crucified. **Amen.**

Sharing the Peace of Christ

The peace of the Lord be with you all.

**And also with you.**

*Please be seated.*

## Meal

Offering

8:30

*When the Poor Ones* arr. David Cherwien

– Senior Choir with Chris Kent, Guitar

*When the poor ones, who have nothing, still are giving; When the thirsty pass the cup,  
water to share; When the wounded offer others strength and healing; We see  
God, here by our side, walking our way; We see God, here by our side, walking  
our way.*

*When compassion gives the suffering consolation; When expecting brings to birth hope  
that was lost; When we choose love, not the hatred all around us; We see God,  
here by our side, walking our way; We see God, here by our side, walking our  
way.*

*When our spirits, like a chalice, brim with gladness; When our voices, full and clear, sing  
out the truth; When our longings, free from envy, seek the humble; We see God,  
here by our side, walking our way; We see God, here by our side, walking our  
way.*

*When the goodness poured from heaven fills our dwellings; When the nations work to  
change war into peace; When the stranger is accepted as our neighbor; We see  
God, here by our side, walking our way; We see God, here by our side, walking  
our way.*

11:00

*Concerto in A Minor, Opus 3, No. 6* - by A. Vivaldi

Daniel Zello, Violin



*Please stand as you are able.*

# Canticle of Thanksgiving

## Come and Sing the Praise of the Lord

*This traditional Hebrew song of praise and thanks comes to us from Israel.*

English Come and sing the praise of the Lord, sing hal - le -  
 Hebrew Ha - l' - lu' - hu, ha - l' - lu - hu b' - zil - z' -

lu jah! Come and sing the praise of the  
 le sha - ma. Ha - l' - lu - hu, ha - l' - lu -

Lord, sing hal - le - lu - jah!  
 hu b' - zil - z' - le t'ru - a.

Let all that lives, all that has breath, sing the praise of  
 Kol ha - n'sha - ma t' - ha - lel ja, ha - l' - lu -

God, hal - le - lu - jah! Let all that lives,  
 ja, ha - l' - lu - ja. Kol ha - n'sha - ma

all that has breath, sing the praise of God.  
 t' - ha - lel ja, ha - l' - lu - ja.

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## Offering Prayer

You call us to shine, O God, to shine with your holiness, to shine with your perfect love.  
 Yet, we cannot shine without you. So make us mirrors, O God. Help us to reflect  
 the light and love that come only from you, even as these gifts are reflections of  
 our gratitude. Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## Words of Institution

## Lord's Prayer

(8:30 Service)

*First Communion*

We celebrate with Colette Schrubbe her First Communion today.

Today this community of faith rejoices because Sunday is the day Christ arose from the dead. Once again Jesus calls us to join him for a meal. We celebrate with those who today, join in sharing of the Lord's Meal—Holy Communion.

**We welcome you to the Table for the Sacrament of Holy Communion. We thank God for your life. We pray that you will find joy and strength in this meal. Come among us, O God, as we gather to worship you.**

(8:30 &amp; 11:00 Services Continue Here)

## Invitation to Communion

We who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread.

**We join in the feast.**

Come. Be filled with light and life.

*Please be seated.*

## Call to Communion

**In This Feast of Love – *Tässä pösässä***

*This contemporary Communion invitation, from 2017, comes to us from Finnish author and composer Jarkko Maukonen.*

1. Täs - sä pöy - däs - sä, in this feast of love, in this bread and wine, sä syn - ti - sil - le it - se - si - love, Lord, you share your blood and your wine, you have prom - ised, Lord, to be an - nat, Ju - ma - lan Ka - rit - sa! bod - y, Je - sus, Lamb of God. with us, Lamb of God div - ine.

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Communion Anthem 8:30

*Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness* [ELW 489]  
- Senior Choir

Communion Hymn

**We Come Now to Your Table, Lord**

*This spirited Communion song from the Caribbean is based on John 6:51; "I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."*

1. We come now to your ta - ble, Lord, you are the Liv - ing Bread.  
2. We drink the cup; it was for us your sa - cred blood was shed;  
3. A ho - ly feast trans - form - ing us, the sa - cred bread and wine;  
We come now to your ta - ble, Lord, let ev - 'ry soul be fed.  
we drink the cup, it was for us you suf - fered pain and bled.  
a ho - ly feast trans - form - ing us, that makes our lives di - vine.  
You are the Liv - ing Bread, let ev - 'ry soul be fed:  
Your sa - cred blood was shed, you suf - fered pain and bled;  
The sa - cred bread and wine, that makes our lives di - vine;  
and now may ev - 'ry soul be fed with Liv - ing Bread.  
we drink the cup, it was for us your blood was shed.  
a ho - ly feast trans - form - ing us, this bread and wine.

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*Please stand as you are able.*

Communion Response

May the body of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and keep you in his light and grace.  
**Amen.**

Prayer after Communion

Filled with you, O Christ, we are ready to shine! Strengthen in us, by the power of this holy supper, the desire to shine with your own borrowed light. We are a city on a hill. Let us never be hid! We bless you now and evermore.

**Amen.**

## *Sending*

### Blessing

The God who faithfully brings forth justice and breaks the oppressor's rod bless,  
strengthen, and uphold you, today and always. Almighty God the Father, the Son,  
and the Holy Spirit bless you now and forever.

**Amen.**

### Sending Song

**#538 The Lord Now Sends Us Forth**

*/Enviado soy de Dios*

### Dismissal

Go forth as light into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

**Thanks be to God.**

### Postlude

**FIRST READING: Isaiah 58:1-9a [9b-12]**

[not printed]

**Psalm 112:1-9 [10]****SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 2:1-12 [13-16]**

When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. <sup>2</sup>For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. <sup>3</sup>And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. <sup>4</sup>My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, <sup>5</sup>so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God.

<sup>6</sup>Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. <sup>7</sup>But we speak God's wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. <sup>8</sup>None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. <sup>9</sup>But, as it is written,

“What no eye has seen, nor ear heard,  
nor the human heart conceived,  
what God has prepared for those who love him”—

<sup>10</sup>these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. <sup>11</sup>For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. <sup>12</sup>Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God. [<sup>13</sup>And we speak of

these things in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual things to those who are spiritual.

<sup>14</sup>Those who are unspiritual do not receive the gifts of God's Spirit, for they are foolishness to them, and they are unable to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. <sup>15</sup>Those who are spiritual discern all things, and they are themselves subject to no one else's scrutiny.

<sup>16</sup>“For who has known the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?”

But we have the mind of Christ.]

**GOSPEL: Matthew 5:13-20**

[Jesus said:] “You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

<sup>14</sup>“You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. <sup>15</sup>No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. <sup>16</sup>In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

<sup>17</sup>“Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. <sup>18</sup>For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter will pass from the law until all is accomplished. <sup>19</sup>Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. <sup>20</sup>For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.”

**Next Sunday's Readings:** Deuteronomy 30:15-20 or Sirach 15:15-20; Psalm 119:1-8; 1 Corinthians 3:1-9; Matthew 5:21-37.

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