



West Middleton Lutheran Church

God's work. Our hands.

Welcome to Worship

Second Sunday after Epiphany

January 11, 2018

6:00 p.m.

Join WMLC! If you have been worshipping with us and are interested in formally becoming an active member here at WMLC, please see a member following one of our worship services or indicate your intention on our Welcome cards.

Hearing Devices & Large Print Bulletins Available: If you would like to use either of these aids, please speak with an usher.

Restrooms are located beyond the Sanctuary doors and across from the coat racks.

The Nursery is located next to the restrooms. It is staffed by Red Cross certified babysitters for your use on Sundays during the service.



Join us on Facebook! Our page is public so you don't need your own Facebook account to join in the fun. See pictures of events and stay current on things that are happening at church!

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Please stand, as you are able.

Confession and 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 for reflection and self-examination.

☐ 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 of 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.**

Greeting

- 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

LBW p. 57

- P** In peace, let us pray to the Lord.
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**

- P** For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**

- P** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**

- P** For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**

- P** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- C** **Amen.**

You Are Holy

ELW 525

1

You are ho - ly, you are whole. You are al - ways ev - er more
than we ev - er un - der - stand. You are al - ways at hand.
Bless - ed are you com - ing near. Bless - ed are you com - ing here
to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.

2

You are ho - ly, you are whole - ness,
you are pres - ent. Let the cos - mos praise you, Lord!
Sing ho - san - na in the high - est!
Sing ho - san - na! Sing ho - san - na to our God!

The musical score is written in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. It consists of two systems of four staves each. The first system is marked with a '1' and the second with a '2'. The lyrics are placed below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

Prayer of the Day

☩ Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, most merciful redeemer, for the countless blessings and benefits you give. May we know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day praising you, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

☩ **Amen.**

Please be seated.

1 Samuel 3:1-10

The reading concludes:

☩ The word of the Lord

☩ **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand, as you are able.

Gospel Acclamation

Do This, p. 10



Al - le - lu - ia.

Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of ev - er - last - ing

life! Al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia!

John 1:43-51

- The holy gospel according to John.
- Glory to you, O Lord.**

The reading concludes:

- The gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please be seated.

Sermon

Living in the Thin Place

Pastor Bonnie Vize

Please stand, as you are able.

Will You Come and Follow Me

ELW 978

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1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call
5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call



your name? Will you go where you don't
my name. Let me turn and fol - low



know and nev - er be the same?
you and nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown, will you let my
In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and



name be known, will you let my life be
foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and



grown in you and you in me?"
grow in you and you in me.

The Prayers of Intercession

The petitions conclude:

- A** Lord in your mercy,
- C** hear our prayer.

The Great Thanksgiving

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** **And also with you.**
- P** Lift up your hearts.
- C** **We lift them to the Lord.**
- P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C** **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**
- P** It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus

ELW Setting Six

Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow-er and might,
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. 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.

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

See screens

Please be seated.

Distribution

As a community that believes in the real presence of Christ, all are welcome and invited to receive communion.

Please come forward by the center aisle to receive communion and return to your place by the side aisle. Grape juice is available for those requesting it from the distributing ministers. Gluten-free communion wafers are also available. Please indicate to Pastor that you need one and help yourself.

Lamb of God

Do This, p. 15

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world: have mer - cy on us.
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world: grant us your peace, grant us your peace.

Post Communion Blessing & Prayer

Sending of Communion Ministers to Homebound Members


Benediction

Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises

ELW 535

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Refrain— sung twice each time



Hal - le - lu - jah! We sing your prais - es, all our



hearts are filled with glad - ness. Hal - le - lu - jah! We sing your




prais - es, all our hearts are filled with glad - ness. *End*



1 Christ the Lord to us said: I am wine, I am bread,
2 Now he sends us all out, strong in faith, free of doubt,

Repeat stanza, then sing refrain



I am wine, I am bread, give to all who thirst and hun - ger.
strong in faith, free of doubt. Tell to all the joy - ful gos - pel.

Peace

- Ⓐ Almighty God, you have made yourself known in your Son, Jesus, redeemer of the world. We pray that his birth as a human child will set us free from the old slavery of our sin; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- ☪ **Amen. It's God's work. Our hands.**
- Ⓟ The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- ☪ **And also with you.**
- Ⓟ Let us greet each other as a sign of that peace.

Postlude