

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany February 9, 2025



Welcome to Diamond Lake Lutheran Church!

We are so glad you are here!

If you'd like more information about this community of faith, please fill out a Welcome card (found in the pew pockets near the hymnals) and place it in the offering plate or hand it to Pastor Andrea or an usher following worship. Take the Grow card with you if you wish! We invite you to enjoy coffee and Bogart's Doughnuts in the Commons before and after worship. Please leave your nametag on during the fellowship time.

Children in Worship

Children are encouraged to be present for worship—build-your-own activity bags are located in the narthex, along with children's bulletins. Children are invited to use the Pray-Ground at the front of the sanctuary. A nursery is located on the lower level if you need it. Please ask an usher for directions. If you are a nursing parent, you are welcome to nurse anywhere. If you would like privacy, there is a nursing room in the nursery downstairs.

Special Assistance

Hearing devices and large print bulletins are available. Please see the ushers for assistance.

Participating in Today's Service

Pastor Andrea Roske-Metcalfe Assisting Minister: Nick Schmidt

Acolyte: Lyle Dean

Greeter:

Reader: Adelaide Brent

Communion Servers: Iris McKigney, Kirk Gallup Ushers: Julie Schmidt, Theo Brent, Ken Oulman

A/V Tech: John Nelson, Gene Zemske

Pianist/Organist: Dr. Kevin Hobbs Choir Director: Dr. Bruce Gleason

Nursery: Mary Teurman

Coffee Hosts: Harley & Lana Hanson

Pursers: Bob Gustafson Pray-Ground Cleanup:

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

The Messiah has arrived at last. The season of Epiphany celebrates how God is revealed in Jesus. Simeon and Anna proclaim baby Jesus as the savior. Jesus returned to the temple as a boy, revealing his deep understanding of God to the teachers. Jesus was named God's beloved Son at his baptism, the one whom John the Baptist had announced. Jesus reveals his own mission in Nazareth, declaring that he is the fulfillment of prophecy. He then sets about the work of the kingdom as he calls his disciples and challenges the religious leaders.

We invite those who are able to stand each time the ‡ symbol appears.

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WORDS OF WELCOME

TRINITY CHIMES

CALL TO WORSHIP Matthew 25:34 Aaron David Miller

‡ CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, our creator, our protector, our wellspring of life.

C: Amen.

P: Trusting that God receives our words and the meditations of our hearts, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Merciful God,

C: you speak blessing and compassion into the world.

Forgive us for the ways we act

with judgment, cruelty, or indifference.

We ignore the needs of our neighbors;

we resist your call to oppose injustice;

we give in to scarcity and fear;

we assume the worst about one another.

Cleanse us from our faults

and release us from their grasp.

Show us your loving kindness.

Restore our hearts and repair your world,

that we may live in Christ's ways.

Amen.

P: God proclaims these words of assurance: "Do not fear, for I have redeemed you. I have called you by name. You are mine." In Christ, you are forgiven. In the Spirit, you are made free. Refreshed by the waters of mercy, live anew as beloved children of God.

C: Amen.

‡ GATHERING HYMN

God Is Here!

#526 vs. 1,4

‡ GREETING

L: 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.

‡ PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Let us pray.

C: Healing Lord,

by your goodness you healed many who were ill, even raising the dead to life. Restore us to new life, healing our hearts, minds, and spirits, so that we may proclaim praise and gratitude for your compassion to all who will hear. In the name of the one who is himself new life, Jesus Christ our savior. Amen.

SERMON ON THE STEPS

‡ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



‡ GOSPEL Luke 7:1-17

R: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 7th chapter.

C: Glory to you, Lord.

¹ After Jesus had finished all his sayings in the hearing of the people, he entered Capernaum. ² A centurion there had a slave whom he valued highly and who was ill and close to death. ³ When he heard about Jesus, he sent some Jewish elders to him, asking him to come and heal his slave. 4 When they came to Jesus, they appealed to him earnestly, saying, "He is worthy to have you do this for him, 5 for he loves our people, and it is he who built our synagogue for us." ⁶ And Jesus went with them, but when he was not far from the house, the centurion sent friends to say to him, "Lord, do not trouble yourself, for I am not worthy to have you come under my roof; ⁷ therefore I did not presume to come to you. But only speak the word, and let my servant be healed. 8 For I also am a man set under authority, with soldiers under me, and I say to one, 'Go,' and he goes, and to another, 'Come,' and he comes, and to my slave, 'Do this,' and the slave does it." 9 When Jesus heard this he was amazed at him, and, turning to the crowd following him, he said, "I tell you, not even in Israel have I found such faith." 10 When those who had been sent returned to the house, they found the slave in good health.

¹¹ Soon afterward he went to a town called Nain, and his disciples and a large crowd went with him. ¹² As he approached the gate of the town, a man who had died was being carried out. He was his mother's only son, and she was a widow, and with her was a large crowd from the town. ¹³ When the Lord saw her, he was moved with compassion for her and said to her, "Do not cry." ¹⁴ Then he came forward and touched the bier, and the bearers stopped. And he said, "Young man, I say to you, rise!" ¹⁵ The dead man sat up and began to speak, and Jesus gave him to his mother. ¹⁶ Fear seized all of them, and they glorified God, saying, "A great prophet has risen among us!" and "God has visited his people!" ¹⁷ This word about him spread throughout the whole of Judea and all the surrounding region.

R: The Gospel of the Lord.
C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON Rev. Andrea Roske-Metcalfe

HYMN OF THE DAYHealer of Our Every III #612, vs. 1,2,4

LITANY FOR RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

May Reffsgaard Lesley and Dan Krizan, daughter Lillian Greg Slover and Greta Egge, children Beau and Wells

‡ PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

L: With the Spirit of Christ shining upon us, let us boldly pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

L: God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

L: We entrust our prayers to you, O God, in the sure and certain hope that your promise is revealed among the people.

C: Amen.

‡ SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you all.

C: And also with you.

You may share the peace with those around you.

DIAMOND LAKE LUTHERAN CHURCH MATTERS TO ME

James Powell

OFFERING Down to the River to Pray

Medema/McDonald Choir

General Fund

We give thanks for all the ways members and friends of Diamond Lake Lutheran Church contribute to the mission and vision of this congregation - gifts of time, gifts of participation and expertise, as well as finances. Financial gifts to the general fund help to make possible both in-house and outreach ministries, as well as sharing of our resources with the wider community.

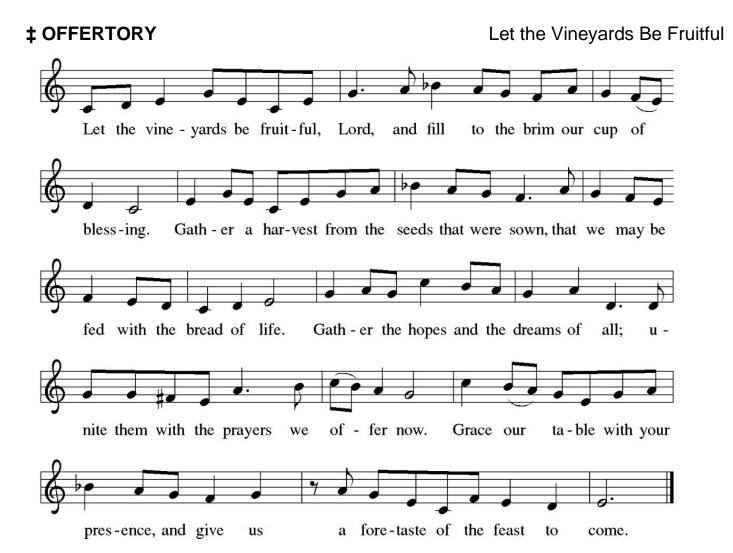
February Mission of the Month: LA Wildfires-Lutheran Disaster Response In early January, multiple wildfires broke out across Los Angeles County in California, with over 150,000 people under evacuation orders. Sparked by dry conditions, strong winds, and a limited water supply, these fires have destroyed more than 12,000 homes and businesses, and have led to injuries and loss of life. Though we don't yet know the full impact of the fires, Lutheran Disaster Response is present to support the families and communities that will be rebuilding their lives. Lutheran Disaster Response is coordinating with the Southwest California Synod and Pacifica Synod to assess the needs of people impacted by the wildfires. These groups are working together to provide for immediate needs amid the destruction as well as to assist with recovery efforts for months and years to come.

Give to the Mission of the Month

To make a gift to Lutheran Disaster Response, you may write a check payable to Diamond Lake Lutheran Church with "Mission of the Month" in the memo line and drop in an offering plate. Alternately, you may visit "Give Back" page at www.dllc.org or scan the QR Code and choose "Mission of the Month" from the drop-down menu.

To contribute to either of these funds, use the QR code, visit https://dllc.breezechms.com/give/online





± **OFFERING PRAYER**

L: Let us pray.

God of grace, your love reaches to the heavens, and your abundance to the depths of the seas. Bless what we offer to your service: our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts. Let us overflow with gratitude and generosity, now and always.

C: Amen.

± WORDS OF INSTITUTION

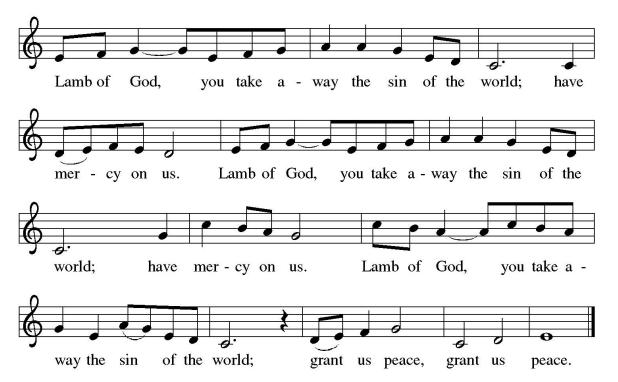
‡ LORD'S PRAYER

C: 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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: The joy of the Lord is our strength. Come, eat this meal of gladness.

LAMB OF GOD



DISTRIBUTION

As Christ offered himself without restriction to those gathered at the last supper, so too he invites all gathered here to partake in this meal. If you wish to receive the sacrament, come forward with your hands outstretched to receive the bread, and dip it either in the red wine or the white grape juice (both offered in each chalice).

If you wish to receive a blessing from the pastor instead, come forward with your hands over your heart.

Gluten-free wafers are available upon request, and a chalice of grape juice is provided for gluten-free intinction. If it is difficult for you to come forward, please inform an usher, and the pastor will bring the sacrament to you in your seat.

COMMUNION HYMN

There Is a Balm in Gilead

#614

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Nourishing God, at this table you have refreshed us with holy gifts of food and drink.

Strengthen us for service, and send us out to embody your good news of liberation and healing for the sake of the world.

C: Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

P: The Spirit of the triune God bless you with joy, anoint you with compassion, and send you in love.

C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN

Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer

#618

‡ DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Live in hope.

C: Thanks be to God.

‡ CHORAL AMEN (Please remain in place until the choir is finished.)

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We acknowledge that we gather as Diamond Lake Lutheran Church on the traditional land of the Wahpekute band of the Santee division of the Dakota people past and present.

Our mission: Stirred by the Spirit of Christ to learn, follow, and serve.

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