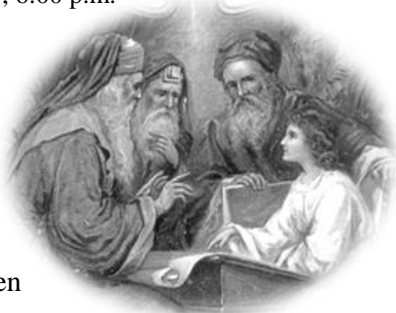


First Sunday after the Epiphany
Bethlehem Ev. Lutheran Church, Altamont, IL
1861-2021 - Zum Kripplein Christi - 160 years

Sunday, January 10, 2021, 9:30 a.m.
Wednesday, January 13, 2021, 6:00 p.m.

Rev. Marcus Manley
Elder: Ron Koester
Organist & Choir Dir.: Dean Manuel
Acolyte: Dayton Tabbert; Book Bearer: Garrett Flood
Ushers: Jeff Alwardt, Jason Caraway, Mike Wolff



Ringing of Bells

Prelude "Joyful, Joyful We Adore You!"

Tune: Ode to Joy - Ludwig van Beethoven

✠ **MATINS** ✠

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(Please stand)

♪ **Versicles** (Common)

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PSALMODY ♪

♪ **Antiphon** (Epiphany)

P: The Christ has ap-peared to us.

C: **O come, let us wor-ship Him.**

♪ **Venite** – "O Come Let Us Sing"

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♪ **Antiphon** (Epiphany)

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Ps. 50:1-15 (Antiphon v.15) (respond with the words in **bold**)

¹⁵and call upon me in the day of | trouble;*

I will deliver you, and you shall glo- | rify me."

¹The Mighty One, God the LORD,

speaks and sum- | mons the earth*

from the rising of the sun to its | setting.

²Out of Zion, the perfection of | beauty, *

God | shines forth.

³Our God comes; he does not keep | silence;*

before him is a devouring fire,

around him a mighty | tempest.

⁴He calls to the heav- | ens above*

and to the earth, that he may judge his | people:

⁵"Gather to me my | faithful ones, *

who made a covenant with me by | sacrifice!"

⁶The heavens declare his | righteousness,*
for God him- | self is judge!

⁷“Hear, O my people, and I will speak;
O Israel, I will testify a- | gainst you.*
I am | God, your God.

⁸Not for your sacrifices do I re- | buke you;*
your burnt offerings are continually be- | fore me.

⁹I will not accept a bull | from your house*
or goats | from your folds.

¹⁰For every beast of the for- | est is mine,*
the cattle on a | thousand hills.

¹¹I know all the birds | of the hills,*
and all that moves in the | field is mine.

¹²“If I were hungry, I would not | tell you,*
for the world and its full- | ness are mine.

¹³Do I eat the | flesh of bulls*
or drink the | blood of goats?

¹⁴Offer to God a sacrifice of thanks- | giving,*
and perform your vows to the | Most High,

¹⁵and call upon me in the day of | trouble;*
I will deliver you, and you shall glo- | rify me.”

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

¹⁵and call upon me in the day of | trouble;*
I will deliver you, and you shall glo- | rify me.”

(Please be seated)

Office Hymn #410 *Within the Father's House*

Readings from Holy Scripture

P: A reading from 1 Kings, the eighth chapter.

1 Kings 8:6-13

⁶Then the priests brought the ark of the covenant of the LORD to its place in the inner sanctuary of the house, in the Most Holy Place, underneath the wings of the cherubim. ⁷For the cherubim spread out their wings over the place of the ark, so that the cherubim overshadowed the ark and its poles. ⁸And the poles were so long that the ends of the poles were seen from the Holy Place before the inner sanctuary; but they could not be seen from outside. And they are there to this day. ⁹There was nothing in the ark except the two tablets of stone that Moses put there at Horeb, where the LORD made a covenant with the people of Israel, when they came out of the land of Egypt. ¹⁰And when the priests came out of the Holy Place, a cloud filled the house of the LORD, ¹¹so that the priests could not stand to

minister because of the cloud, for the glory of the LORD filled the house of the LORD.

¹²Then Solomon said, “The LORD has said that he would dwell in thick darkness. ¹³I have indeed built you an exalted house, a place for you to dwell in forever.”

P: O Lord, have mercy on us.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

P: A reading from Romans, the twelfth chapter.

Romans 12:1-5

¹I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. ²Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

³For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. ⁴For as in one body we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function, ⁵so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another.

P: O Lord, have mercy on us.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

P: A reading from St. Luke, the second chapter.

Luke 2:41-52

⁴¹Now his parents went to Jerusalem every year at the Feast of the Passover. ⁴²And when he was twelve years old, they went up according to custom. ⁴³And when the feast was ended, as they were returning, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem. His parents did not know it, ⁴⁴but supposing him to be in the group they went a day’s journey, but then they began to search for him among their relatives and acquaintances, ⁴⁵and when they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem, searching for him. ⁴⁶After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. ⁴⁷And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. ⁴⁸And when his parents saw him, they were astonished. And his mother said to him, “Son, why have you treated us so? Behold, your father and I have been searching for you in great distress.” ⁴⁹And he said to them, “Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father’s house?” ⁵⁰And they did not understand the saying that he spoke to them. ⁵¹And he went down with them and came to Nazareth and was submissive to them. And his mother treasured up all these things in her heart.

⁵²And Jesus increased in wisdom and in stature and in favor with God and man.

P: O Lord, have mercy on us.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

♪ Responory (*Common*)

P: Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.

C: **Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.**

P: Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.

C: **Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.**

P: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

C: **Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.**

Sermon Text: Luke 2:41-52

(Please stand)

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Offering – *Offering plates will be located at the entrance of the sanctuary, you may place your gifts in the offering plates as you exit the building.*

Offering Hymn #781 *We Give Thee But Thine Own* v. 1 & 2

Prayer

♪ **Kyrie**

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The Lord's Prayer

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♪ **Collects**

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Collect for The First Sunday after the Epiphany

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of Your people who call upon You and grant that they both perceive and know what things they ought to do and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfill the same; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. C: ♪ **Amen.**

Additional Collects of Intercession and Thanksgiving

Response after each petition of the prayer:

P: Through Jesus Christ our Lord,

C: **Amen.**

Collect for Grace

P: O Lord, our heavenly Father...

C: ♪ **Amen.**

♪ **Benedicamus - ♪ Benediction**

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Announcements

Hymn to Depart #862 *Oh, Blest the House*

♪ **Closing Prayer**