

The Theme of Today's Liturgy

The Lord is your Help, your Salvation, and the God who never forsakes you (*Introit*). This compassion and mercy of Our Lord never fails (*Old Testament*). He prepares for them that love Him such good things as surpass our understanding (*Collect*). This compassion in turn encourages us to have compassion fearlessly and courageously toward others. (*Epistle*). Moreso, the compassion of Our Lord gives us the courage both to confess our sinfulness, and go wherever His gospel calls us (*Gospel*).

Introit

Psalm 27:1a, 11-12, 14; antiphon: Psalm 27:7, 9b



- P** Hear, O Lord, when I cry aloud; be gracious to me and | answer me! *
O You who have been my Help, forsake me not, O God of my Sal- |
vation!
- P** The Lord is my Light and my Sal- | vation; *
whom | shall I fear?
- C** Teach me Your way, | O Lord, *
and lead me on a level path because of my | enemies.
- P** Give me not up to the will of my adver- | saries; *
for false witnesses have risen against me, and they breathe out |
violence.
- C** Wait | for the Lord; *
be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait | for the Lord!
- C** 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.
- P** Hear, O Lord, when I cry aloud; be gracious to me and | answer me! *
O You who have been my Help, forsake me not, O God of my Sal- |
vation!

Collect of the Day

O God, who has prepared for them that love You such good things as pass man's understanding, pour into our hearts such love toward You that we, loving You above all things, may obtain Your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Old Testament Reading

1 Kings 19:11-21

At that time the Lord said, "Go out and stand on the mount before the Lord." And behold, the Lord passed by, and a great and strong wind tore the mountains and broke in pieces the rocks before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind. And after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake. And after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire. And after the fire the sound of a low whisper. And when Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. And behold, there came a voice to him and said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He said, "I have been very jealous for the Lord, the God of hosts. For the people of Israel have forsaken Your covenant, thrown down Your altars, and killed Your prophets with the sword, and I, even I only, am left, and they seek my life, to take it away." And the Lord said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus. And when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael to be king over Syria. And Jehu the son of Nimshi you shall anoint to be king over Israel, and Elisha the son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah you shall anoint to be prophet in your place. And the one who escapes from the sword of Hazael shall Jehu put to death, and the one who escapes from the sword of Jehu shall Elisha put to death. Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Psalm 84:9, 8

- P** Behold, our Shield, | O God; *
look on the face of Your a- | nointed!
- C** O Lord, God of hosts, | hear my prayer; *
give ear, O God of | Jacob!

Epistle Reading

1 Peter 3:8-17

Beloved: All of you have unity of mind, sympathy, brotherly love, a tender heart, and a humble mind. Do not repay evil for evil or reviling for reviling, but on the contrary, bless, for to this you were called, that you may obtain a blessing. For, "Whoever desires to love life and see good days, let him keep his tongue from evil and his lips from speaking deceit; let him turn away from evil and do good; let him seek peace and pursue it. For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous, and His ears are open to their prayer. But the face of the Lord is against those who do evil."

Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good? But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you will be blessed.

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Welcome to Epiphany Lutheran Church!

Here is where Jesus answers His promise to be with us always, by coming to us in His living and active Word and the Blessed Sacrament of His Body and Blood.

Parents of Small Children:

We are very happy that you are here today, honoring Our Lord's Words: "Let the little children come to Me and do not hinder them, for the Kingdom of God belongs to such as these" (Lk. 18:16). If you feel you must step out with a fussy child, please hurry back! Like Jesus, we want your children in the Divine Service, not out.

Visitors:

So we can get to know you better, please fill out one of the attendance cards in the hymnal rack in your pew and introduce yourself to Pastor Beffrey and the congregation! We hope you'll come back to Founders Hall after the service to share a cup of coffee and snack with us.

Who may Commune at Epiphany?

The Sacrament of the Altar is offered at Epiphany in every Service. The normal communicant is a confirmed member of a congregation of The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod (LCMS). Under no circumstances should an un-baptized person commune. If you are not a member of an LCMS congregation, or have not communed at Epiphany before, please speak with the Pastor or an Elder before the service begins.

Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect, having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God's will, than for doing evil.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel Reading

St Luke 5:1-11

P The Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke, the fifth chapter.

C (♪) **Glory to You, O Lord.**

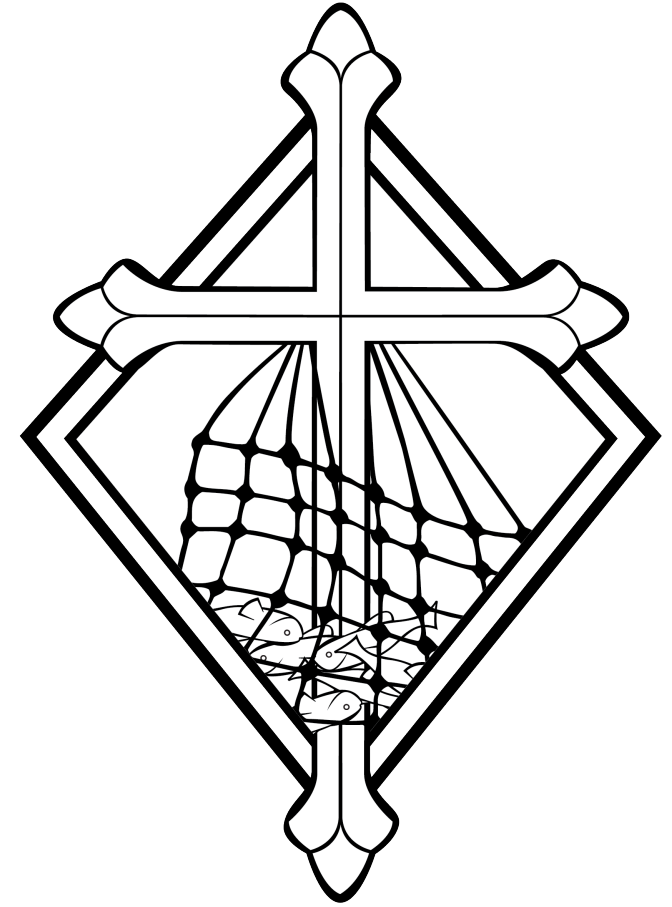
At that time, while the crowd was pressing in on Jesus to hear the Word of God, He was standing by the lake of Gennesaret, and He saw two boats by the lake, but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. Getting into one of the boats, which was Simon's, He asked him to put out a little from the land. And He sat down and taught the people from the boat. And when He had finished speaking, He said to Simon, "Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch." And Simon answered, "Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at Your word I will let down the nets." And when they had done this, they enclosed a large number of fish, and their nets were breaking. They signaled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord." For he and all who were with him were astonished at the catch of fish that they had taken, and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men." And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed Him.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C (♪) **Praise to You, O Christ.**

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No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.

—Luke 9:62

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