

Seventh Sunday After Epiphany

February 20, 2022

WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT WE LIVE AND WORSHIP ON THE UNCEDED TRADITIONAL TERRITORY OF THE KWIKWETLEM FIRST NATION, WHICH LIES WITHIN THE SHARED TERRITORIES OF THE TSLEIL-WAUTUTH, KATZIE, MUSQUEAM, SQUAMISH AND STÓ:LÖ NATIONS. WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE CARED FOR THIS LAND SINCE TIME IMMEMORIAL AS WE SEEK TO JOURNEY TOWARDS A MEANINGFUL RECONCILIATION.

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God

Welcome & Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,
who creates us,
redeems us,
and calls us by name.

C: **Amen.**

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,

C: **we confess that we have sinned against you
and your beloved children.**

**We have turned our faces away from your glory
when it did not appear as we expected.**

**We have rejected your word
when it made us confront ourselves.**

**We have failed to show hospitality
to those you called us to welcome.**

**Accept our repentance for the things we have done
and the things we have left undone.**

For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.

**Forgive us and lead us, that we may bathe
in the glory of your Son born among us,
and reflect your love for all creation.**

Amen.

L: Rejoice in this good news:

In ✝ Christ Jesus, your sins are forgiven.
God's abundant graces washes you clean
to live as freed and forgiven children of God.

C: **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn ACS # 1043 Spirit, Open My Heart

Refrain: Spirit, open my heart to the joy and pain of living.
As you love may I love, in receiving and in giving.
Spirit, open my heart.

God, replace my stony heart
with a heart that's kind and tender.
All my coldness and fear
to your grace I now surrender. **Refrain**

Write your love upon my heart
as my law, my goal, my story.
In each thought, word, and deed,
may my living bring you glory. **Refrain**

May I weep with those who weep;
share the joy of friend and neighbor.
As I live from day to day,
love will be my finest labor. **Refrain**

Greeting

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the light of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Kyrie

4
Lord, have mer - cy, mer-cy on_ me. Shape my life as it_ should, be.

9
2
Lord, have mer - cy, mer-cy on_ me... Christ, have mer - cy,

14
mer-cy on_ me, Grow my faith and set_ me_ free, Build my hope and

18
pour_ Your_ love on me_ Rain your Spi - rit

22
down. on_ me, Hope for all e - ter_ ni_ ty, Grace and love for -

26
e_ ver_ set me free_ Lord, have mer - cy,

30

 mer-cy on me, Christ, have mer - cy, mer-cy on me, Lord, have mer - cy

34

 mer - cy on me... **3**

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Gloria

Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God on

8

 high! Glo-ry to God and hope for all peo - ple on earth. Glo-ry to God ,

14

 Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God on high! Glo-ry to God and peace to all peo - ple on

19

 earth. Your grace sanc - ti - fies us, Your love calls us

24

 in, Your word and Your Spi - rit trans - form. Glo-ry to God ,

30

 Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God on high! Glo-ry to God and hope for all peo - ple on

35

 earth.

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P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Word

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song

Children's Time

First Reading Genesis 45:3-11, 15

Many years after being sold into slavery by his jealous brothers, Joseph reveals himself to them. Now the second-in-command in Egypt, Joseph reassures his brothers that God has used their evil intentions for good to preserve life during a devastating famine, and Joseph forgives them.

Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence.

Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. I will provide for you there—since there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.'"

And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 37:1-11, 39-40 (Refrain - # 210 Blessed Be God, the Source of All Life)

Refrain:



Bless-ed be God, the source of all life, the word of sal -



va - tion, the spir - it of mer - cy.

L: Do not fret because of the wicked;
do not be envious of wrongdoers,
for they will soon fade like the grass,
and wither like the green herb.
Trust in the LORD, and do good;
so you will live in the land, and enjoy security.
Take delight in the LORD,
and he will give you the desires of your heart.

Commit your way to the LORD;
trust in him, and he will act.
He will make your vindication shine like the light,
and the justice of your cause like the noonday.

C: Refrain

L: Be still before the LORD, and wait patiently for him;
do not fret over those who prosper in their way,
over those who carry out evil devices.
Refrain from anger, and forsake wrath.
Do not fret — it leads only to evil.
For the wicked shall be cut off,
but those who wait for the LORD shall inherit the land.
Yet a little while, and the wicked will be no more;
though you look diligently for their place, they will not be there.
But the meek shall inherit the land,
and delight themselves in abundant prosperity.

C: Refrain

L: The salvation of the righteous is from the LORD;
he is their refuge in the time of trouble.
The LORD helps them and rescues them;
he rescues them from the wicked, and saves them,
because they take refuge in him.

C: Refrain

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50

In the Apostles' Creed, we speak of the "resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting." Using the metaphor of a planted seed and the story of Adam, Paul preaches passionately about the mystery of following Christ's perfect life into eternity.

But someone will ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?" Fool! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. And as for what you sow, you do not sow the body that is to be, but a bare seed, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body.

So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. It is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body. Thus it is written, "The first man, Adam, became a living being"; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. But it is not the spiritual that is first, but the physical, and then the spiritual. The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. As was the man of dust, so are those who are of the dust; and as is the man of heaven, so are those who are of heaven. Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we will also bear the image of the man of heaven.

What I am saying, brothers and sisters, is this: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation:

You are the way_ You are the truth. You are the light_ of my life_

You are the word, speak to my heart_ and my soul. 1. 2. soul.

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L: The holy Gospel according to Luke, the sixth chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Gospel Reading: Luke 6:27-38

Jesus continues to address a crowd of his disciples. He invites his followers to shower radical love, blessing, forgiveness, generosity, and trust even on enemies and outsiders. Living in harmony with God's intent brings the reward of overflowing blessing.

[Jesus said:] "But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

"If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

"Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back."

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Hymn of the Day ACS # 1062 Build a Longer Table

Build a longer table, not a higher wall,
feeding those who hunger, making room for all.
Feasting together, stranger turns to friend,
Christ breaks walls to pieces; false divisions end.

Build a safer refuge, not a larger jail;
where the weak find shelter, mercy will not fail.
For any place where justice is denied,
Christ will breach the jail wall, freeing all inside.

Build a broader doorway, not a longer fence.
Love protects all people, sparing no expense.
When we embrace compassion more than fear,

Christ tears down our fences: all are welcome here.

When we lived as exiles, refugees abroad,
Christ became our doorway to the reign of God.
So must our tables welcome those who roam.
None can be excluded; all must find a home.

Apostles Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen**

Prayers of the People

After each petition, the Pastor will say "God of Infinite Grace" and the congregation will respond, "Hear our prayer".

Sharing of the Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

All greet one another with a gesture of peace.

Meal

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ

Offering Prayer

P: Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God,
Sovereign of the universe.
You offer us new beginnings
and guide us on our journey.
Accept the gifts we offer
from our stores of treasure
and use them to bless all

who live in fear and want.
in the name of Christ our light.

C: Amen

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 our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

C

♩ = 60 4/4

8 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are You God.

9 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are You God,

13 ho - ly are You God.

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Thanksgiving at the Table

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

Lord's Prayer

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8 Our Fa-ther in hea-ven Ho-ly is Your name. Help us move our

16 heav'n. Help sup-ply us dai-ly, with thanks for what is giv'n. Please for - give our

22 sins as we for - give those done to us, and lead us from temp - ta-tion, from ev'-ry e-vil

28

keep us. For Yours is the king-dom, Lord, help us to see, Your po - wer and Your

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glo - ry, for - e - ver let it be. A _____ men. _____

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P: This is God’s table.
There is a place for you and enough for all.

Lamb of God

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Lamb of God, oh Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the

8 world. Lamb of God, oh, Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the

12 world. Lamb of God, oh, Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the

16 world. Grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.

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Communion is distributed

Directions for Communion: Any adult or child who believes that Christ is present in this meal is welcome to participate. At the Pastor’s direction, you are invited to eat the wafer distributed to you in the baggie.

Song After Communion

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With thank - ful hearts we praise _____ Your Name,

7 Filled, re - freshed, re - stored _____

8 _____ a-gain, Love ig - nites us in _____ its flame with hope a - new.

8) You turn to us with gift of grace, Trans - form us as we leave -

16 8) — this place, Cre - ate in us a ho - ly space for You.

20 8) Strength - en us each day, For what comes

24 8) our way. Help us al - ways turn to You.

28 8) With thank - ful hearts we praise Your Name, Filled, re - freshed, re - stored -

32 8) — a - gain, May we live with hope a - gain, hope in You,

36 8) Hope and Life in You!

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Prayer after Communion

P: We give you thanks, gracious God,
for we have feasted on the abundance of your love.
Send us to bring good news
and to proclaim your favor to all,
strengthened with the richness of your grace
in your Son, Jesus Christ.

C: Amen.

Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world

Blessing

4
8) And now it's time to go, but there's one thing we

8) know God's love and hope are with us when we part.

And so, to you my friends, un - til we meet a -
gain, may Je - sus keep you trea - sured in His heart.

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Sending Hymn # 866 We Are Marching

We are marching in the light of God,
we are marching in the light of God.
We are marching in the light of God,
we are marching in the light of God.

We are marching, (marching, we are marching, marching,)
we are marching in the light of God.
We are marching, (marching, we are marching, marching,)
we are marching in the light of God.

Additional stanzas ad lib:

We are dancing . . .
We are praying . . .
We are singing . . .

Dismissal

P: Go with Christ into a weary world. Share the good news.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Baptism Celebration Recessional Song # 212 We Belong to Christ

We be - long to Christ, in whom we have been bap - tized.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

February 20, 2022

(To open hyperlinks, try right-clicking your mouse while on the link and select Open Hyperlink or Control-Click)

Flowers: The flowers are placed on the altar in praise and thanksgiving to Jesus for his ways of resurrection and life.

Baptismal Photo Challenge: We are once again inviting you to submit photos which we will include in our worship services throughout Lent. This time we are focusing on those promises we make when we affirm our baptism, that is...

*to live among God's faithful people,
to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper,
to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed,
to serve all people, following the example of Jesus,
and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth*

You are invited to submit photos that speak to you of what it looks like to live out any of those promises. They could be your own photos or photos you find online. Or maybe they are your own artistic creation. All entries are welcome and can be emailed to the church.

The Book Club: will meet on Wednesday, **February 23, at 7:15 p.m.** at Hansens'. The book to be discussed is "A Man Called Ove" by Fredrik Backman. The book for March is "The Mouth of the Donkey: reimagining Biblical animals" by Laura Duhan-Kaplan.

ELCIC Bible Book Club: We will be gathering at 9 am on Sunday, **March 6th** to look at the book of **Ephesians**. Click here to view the introduction to Ephesians, and list of questions to be considered on that day can be accessed by clicking here.

ELCIC Lenten Study Guide: Beginning **March 2nd**, all are invited to participate in a weekly Lenten devotional study using the Gospel texts for Ash Wednesday and the Sundays, along with select days from *Praying the Catechism* for your personal or small group study. Please [click here](#) for a PDF overview of the Lenten study.

LWF Statement on Ukraine: [The Lutheran World Federation](#) (LWF) statement calls for prayer and action to find a peaceful solution for Ukraine. LWF is calling on the international community to take immediate action to avert further conflict and war between Russia and Ukraine. To read the news, please [click here](#).

Doctrine of Discovery Lenten Series: All are invited as part of your Lenten Spiritual Practice, to join us on Zoom for 6 Thursday evenings starting **March 3rd** as we take an in-depth look at the Doctrine of Discovery, a document that has shaped western attitudes towards indigenous people for the past five centuries. Organized by the *Journey Towards Reconciliation Group* each evening will start with a 20 minute Lenten Vespers (Evening Worship) led by different congregations in the BC Synod. Then we take a short break before we dive into a one hour discussion with video on the Doctrine of Discovery. What do you know about? Come and learn! Please sign up [here](#) on Eventbrite so we can get an idea of how many people are coming. Come to one or all for free.

Black History Month: February is Black History Month in Canada. It is a time to celebrate examples of Black excellence but also listen to and recognize the daily struggles Black neighbours face. You can prayerfully support the work of the *ELCIC Task Force Addressing Racism, White Supremacy and Issues of Racial Injustice*, who are expected to release their report in late 2022. Here is a link to some of the events for BC Black History Month happening in Vancouver, Victoria, and online. <https://bcblackhistory.ca/events/> The Government of Canada has prepared a Black History Month Toolkit accessible by clicking [here](#).

Planning Update on *Let there be Greening Assembly – July 2022*: A joint letter by ELCIC National Bishop Susan Johnson and Anglican Church of Canada (ACC) Archbishop and Primate Linda Nicholls on an assembly planned between our two churches has been prepared. In their message, both leaders expressed that "Through all this uncertainty, we remain a people of hope, addressing these challenges with creativity and faithfulness." To read the full letter, please [click here](#).

Call for Nominations to National Church Council and Court of Appeal: The ELCIC Committee on Nominations has sent out a call for nominations for vacant positions to be filled in the National Church Council and Court of Appeals. Elections will take place at the upcoming National Convention on July 12-15 in Calgary, Alberta. To read the full information and to complete an online form, please [click here](#).

Interfaith "AnOther" Story Sharing Project: [The Canadian Interfaith Conversation](#) is calling for story contributions for a Canada-wide interfaith project for UN World Interfaith Harmony Week 2022 beginning February 1, 2022. The **AnOther Story** project invites you to share your local community's stories of interfaith cooperation, individual community's contributions, tension and disconnection, and your community's heroes. Tell your story at: www.another-story.org. Questions: tellyourstory@another-story.org. Deadline for story submissions is **on Sunday, March 13, 2022**. Submissions may be entered for a draw to receive a \$100 donation to a charity of their choice.

Luther Manor Society - Notice of AGM & Call for Nominations: The Board of Directors of the Lutheran Manor Society of Vancouver BC calls the Annual General Meeting of the Society for **Tuesday April 5, 2022, at 7:00 PM**. It will be a hybrid meeting— both in-person at 375 W. 10th Avenue, Vancouver, and online over Zoom. Pursuant to the Society's Bylaws, all members of ELCIC-BC Synod congregations and all members of parishes of the Anglican Church of Canada in British Columbia are eligible to become members of the Society. Read more [here](#).

ELCIC In Mission for Others Leadership Award: Nominations for the **ELCIC In Mission for Others Leadership Award** are now open. This award recognizes the outstanding contributions of rostered and lay members in service to the wider church. This award will be presented at Assembly 2022 in July to an individual committed to advancing the mission & ministry of the ELCIC and demonstrating leadership *In Mission for Others*. To download a nomination form, please [click here](#) & postmark by **February 28, 2022**.



ELCIC In Mission For Others
Leadership Award

Give discipleship
Supporting
Spirited mission
contribution
Outstanding
congregation
NOMINATION
Service
Ministry
active
Life
church
Worship
Community

Living our Faith: Following National Bishop Susan Johnson's suggestion to emphasis worship this year as we journey on with **Living our Faith** - as together we **pray, read, worship and love** (www.elcic.ca/LivingOurFaith), Would **you** be willing to share with us a tip, suggestion, or inspiration on how you make worship a daily practice, how you fit devotions into your life and/or how you actively seek to deepen your devotional practice? We are looking for just a sentence or two (40-60 words) and we welcome resource suggestions as well. [To share your thoughts and ideas now, please fill out this quick and easy form.](#)

See the latest of these bi-weekly suggestions/inspirations on page 16, this one by Rev. Anne Anderson.

VANCOUVER SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY COURSE OFFERINGS: Some upcoming lectures & Academy courses over Zoom are:

- **Hawking, Dawkins & God: Engaging Christian Theology with Science for Contemporary Mission and Ministry:** This course will explore how Christian faith engages some of the big issues of modern science to enable theological reflection, effective apologetics and an exploration of science as gift. Learn more [here](#).

CREATION CARE:

- **Joanna Macy: Climate Crisis as a Spiritual Path:** This 20-minute interview with Joanna Macy explores the question: “How are we going to live our lives fully, with inner peace and courage (and even joy) as we confront a world that is destroying itself?” [Watch the full interview here.](#)
- **Green Leadership Workshop series:** Three workshops out of Luther Seminary in Minneapolis are designed to help you lead an environmental stewardship, climate hope and water justice life! [Register now](#) for one or all three of these workshops. Each workshop is 2 hours in length and there is a fee to register.
Workshop 1: Monday, March 21, 6-8 pm CST: Faith, Hope and Love for your watershed.
Workshop 2: Monday, April 4, 6-8 pm CST: Vocation and Pollination with Native Plantings
Workshop 3: Monday, April 25, 6-8 pm CST: Ecotheology & Energy
- **For the Love of Creation:** FLC is a network set out to make a meaningful contribution to the climate movement. This year, FLC is presenting many opportunities to take part in its journey in building a faith-based contribution rooted in decolonization, equity, and justice for all. Click [here](#) for upcoming events.
- **Invitation to join CJAG:** The BC Synod Climate Justice Action Group invites you to join them as plan strategies to reduce our carbon footprint through travel, achieve zero waste whenever we gather or have conventions throughout the Synod, and to assist all parts of the BC Synod to eliminate single use plastics in our ministries. Contact GSLC member Louis Giguere If you are interested in more information, or would like to join our group <louislouisgiguere@gmail.com>
- **The Story of Plastic:** The documentary *The Story of Plastic* is now available for viewing at the following [link](#) .

RECONCILING RELATIONSHIPS:

- **ELCIC Taskforce on Ableism Survey:** You are invited to participate in a survey for gathering stories and experiences of disabled/different-abled people in the church. If you would like to share your story or your experience from the perspective of a disabled/different-abled person or a care-giver of a disabled/different-abled person, please complete [the survey](#) by February 1st, 2022.

SOCIAL JUSTICE RESOURCES:

- **Thursdays in Black Bible Studies and Out of the Shadows Resources:** The [World Council of Churches](#) provides several resources to support *Thursdays in Black*: a global movement for a world without rape and violence. This includes a series of Bible studies for individual and congregational reflection. For more information and to download this series of Bible studies, please [click here](#).
- **A Call for Canada to Pass Corporate Accountability Legislation**
Join [KAIOS](#) in calling on the Canadian government to hold Canadian companies accountable for human rights and environmental violations, particularly by supporting mandatory human rights and environmental due diligence legislation. [Learn more and sign the petition here.](#)

REGENT COLLEGE SPRING AND SUMMER PROGRAM OFFERINGS:

- **RC's Spring and Summer courses** have now been published. Registration opens on February 16th. Click [here](#) for course details.

PACIFIC JUBILEE OFFERINGS

- **Touched by Words: the Companionship of Poets:** Tim Scorer will be leading a series of five 150-minute reflective and affirming Zoom sessions on Tuesday evenings @ 6 pm beginning March 8th, where the work of fine poets will act as guides in our consideration of many things that are on our hearts and minds these days. A variety of poems for discussion, organized around five themes, will be sent out to registrants in advance of each session. To learn more and to register [click here](#).

- **Belonging to the Earth - Eco-Spirituality Retreat: Friday, April 1 – Thursday, April 7, 2022**, with Cherie Westmoreland, Larry Butler, Margie Savigny and Toni Pieroni @ Rivendell Retreat Center, Bowen Island, BC. For more information about this event, please click [here](#).

“The Earth is not a problem to be solved; it is a living being to which we belong. The Earth is part of our own self and we are part of its suffering wholeness. Until we go to the root of our image of separateness, there can be no healing. And the deepest part of our separateness from creation lies in our forgetfulness of its sacred nature, which is also our own sacred nature.”

- Llewellyn Vaughan-Lee, editor of *Spiritual Ecology: The Cry of the Earth*

This Week At Church (Note 1)

This Sunday.... Bible Study at 9 am
 Worship Service live-streamed at 10:30 am with registered attendees –
Seventh Sunday After Epiphany (View [here](#) for GSLC’s YouTube Channel)
 Sunday School online at 1:30 pm

Wednesday.... Prayer Gathering at 1 pm ([Click here](#))
 Book Club at 7:15 pm at the Hansen’s home discussing

Thursday..... Happy Hour at 4 pm ([Click here](#))

Friday..... Youth service prep at 6:30 pm

Saturday..... Youth for Climate Justice Event at 9:30 am

Next Sunday... Bible study at 9 am
 Worship Service live-streamed at 10:30 with registered attendees –
Transfiguration of Our Lord (View [here](#) for GSLC’s YouTube Channel)

Note 1: Most events are pre-recorded or ZOOM events. Links to these events will be sent out weekly. Contact the office if you do not receive these email links.

Last Week at Church

Financial information from February 13, 2022

Total Offering	\$ 1,548.95
- General Offering	\$ 1,288.95
- Designated Gifts	\$ 260.00

Living Our Faith series focus on WORSHIP Another suggestion for deepening our worship experience when the community gathers, and to deepen our individual practice of daily devotion is...

Living our **FAITH**
PRAY READ WORSHIP LOVE



I have a book of prayers/prose, usually my “go to” for the season. Right now it’s *A Rhythm of Prayer ed.* by Sarah Bessy.

A prayer to start the day as I enter into work and life!

-Rev. Anne Anderson



Welcome to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

We welcome you to worship today. It is our prayer that you sense the joy that is present in Jesus Christ. God loves and values each of you without conditions attached. We bring our joys and needs before God, trusting in God's presence.

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
10:00 – 2:00	10:00 – 2:00	10:00 – 2:00	10:00 – 2:00	10:00 – 2:00

We always recommend phoning before stopping by.



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