

## 5th Sunday after Epiphany

***February 4th, 2024***

**Opening Hymn: "How Shall They Hear," Who Have Not Heard**

LSB 831

**Divine Service Setting Four**

LSB 203

**Confession and Absolution**

**Introit**

Psalms 13:3–5; antiphon: v. 6



I will sing | to the LORD,\*

because he has dealt bountifully | with me.

**Consider and answer me, O | LORD my God;\***

**light up my eyes, lest I sleep the | sleep of death,**

lest my enemy say, "I have prevailed | over him,"\*

lest my foes rejoice because I am | shaken.

**But I have trusted in your | steadfast love;\***

**my heart shall rejoice in your sal- | vation.**

**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.**

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because he has dealt bountifully | with me.

**Kyrie**

LSB 204

**Gloria in Excelsis**

**Salutation and Collect of the Day**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**G** **And also with you.**

**P** Let us pray.

O Lord, keep Your family the Church continually in the true faith that, relying on the hope of Your heavenly grace, we may ever be defended by Your mighty power; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**G** **Amen.**

**Old Testament Reading**

Isaiah 40:21–31

<sup>21</sup>Do you not know? Do you not hear?

Has it not been told you from the beginning?

Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth?

<sup>22</sup>It is he who sits above the circle of the earth,

and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers;

who stretches out the heavens like a curtain,

and spreads them like a tent to dwell in;

<sup>23</sup>who brings princes to nothing,

and makes the rulers of the earth as emptiness.

<sup>24</sup>Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown,  
scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth,  
when he blows on them, and they wither,  
and the tempest carries them off like stubble.

<sup>25</sup>To whom then will you compare me,  
that I should be like him? says the Holy One.

<sup>26</sup>Lift up your eyes on high and see:  
who created these?

He who brings out their host by number,  
calling them all by name,  
by the greatness of his might,  
and because he is strong in power  
not one is missing.

<sup>27</sup>Why do you say, O Jacob,  
and speak, O Israel,

“My way is hidden from the LORD,  
and my right is disregarded by my God”?

<sup>28</sup>Have you not known? Have you not heard?

The LORD is the everlasting God,  
the Creator of the ends of the earth.

He does not faint or grow weary;  
his understanding is unsearchable.

<sup>29</sup>He gives power to the faint,  
and to him who has no might he increases strength.

<sup>30</sup>Even youths shall faint and be weary,  
and young men shall fall exhausted;

<sup>31</sup>but they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength;  
they shall mount up with wings like eagles;

they shall run and not be weary;  
they shall walk and not faint.

 This is the Word of the Lord.

 **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle Reading

1 Corinthians 9:16–27

<sup>16</sup>If I preach the gospel, that gives me no ground for boasting. For necessity is laid upon me. Woe to me if I do not preach the gospel! <sup>17</sup>For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward, but not of my own will, I am still entrusted with a stewardship. <sup>18</sup>What then is my reward? That in my preaching I may present the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my right in the gospel.

<sup>19</sup>For though I am free from all, I have made myself a servant to all, that I might win more of them. <sup>20</sup>To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though not being myself under the law) that I might win those under the law. <sup>21</sup>To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (not being outside the law of God but under the law of Christ) that I might win those outside the law. <sup>22</sup>To the weak I became weak, that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people,

that by all means I might save some. <sup>23</sup>I do it all for the sake of the gospel, that I may share with them in its blessings.

<sup>24</sup>Do you not know that in a race all the runners compete, but only one receives the prize? So run that you may obtain it. <sup>25</sup>Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable. <sup>26</sup>So I do not run aimlessly; I do not box as one beating the air. <sup>27</sup>But I discipline my body and keep it under control, lest after preaching to others I myself should be disqualified.


 This is the Word of the Lord.

 **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia and Verse

Holy Gospel

Mark 1:29–39

 The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.

 **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>29</sup>Immediately [Jesus] left the synagogue and entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. <sup>30</sup>Now Simon’s mother-in-law lay ill with a fever, and immediately they told him about her. <sup>31</sup>And he came and took her by the hand and lifted her up, and the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

<sup>32</sup>That evening at sundown they brought to him all who were sick or oppressed by demons. <sup>33</sup>And the whole city was gathered together at the door. <sup>34</sup>And he healed many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons. And he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him.

<sup>35</sup>And rising very early in the morning, while it was still dark, he departed and went out to a desolate place, and there he prayed. <sup>36</sup>And Simon and those who were with him searched for him, <sup>37</sup>and they found him and said to him, “Everyone is looking for you.” <sup>38</sup>And he said to them, “Let us go on to the next towns, that I may preach there also, for that is why I came out.” <sup>39</sup>And he went throughout all Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and casting out demons.

 This is the Gospel of the Lord.

 **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Children’s Message

Sermon Hymn: On Galilee’s High Mountain

LSB 835 sts. 1-4

Sermon

Response Hymn: O Christ, Our True and Only Light

LSB 839

Apostles’ Creed

Offering

Prayer of the Church

Lord’s Prayer

Collect for the Word

Benedicamus & Benediction

LSB 212

Closing Hymn: Jesus Shall Reign

LSB 832

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**February 4, 2024 – Fifth Sunday after Epiphany**

## ***The Son of God, Christ Jesus, Makes Us a New Creation***

The Lord alone *“is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth”* (Is. 40:28). He *“sits above the circle of the earth”* and *“stretches out the heavens like a curtain”* (Is. 40:22). Yet, His almighty power is demonstrated chiefly by His mercy and compassion. *“He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength”* (Is. 40:29). The only begotten Son of the Father, the very Word by whom all things were made, becomes flesh and takes all the poverty and weakness of our sin and death upon Himself, bearing it in His body to the cross. As He dies for us there, He also raises us up, a new creation, in His resurrection from the dead. Thus, by the preaching of this Word, He heals *“many who were sick with various diseases,”* and He casts out *“many demons”* (Mark 1:34, 39). And His preaching continues through those whom He has sent, who are *“entrusted with a stewardship”* to *“preach the gospel”* (1 Cor. 9:16–17). Thus, we are set free by the Word of Christ, and we exercise our freedom in loving service to others.



**WE WELCOME ALL** who worship today, especially guests and visitors, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Guests are invited to sign our guest register. Please include your phone number and address in the guest book located in the Narthex. Thank you for visiting.

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** Today's altar flowers are provided by the Floral Fund.

## **IN RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE:**

01/28/2024 Sunday Service

## **Attendance**

99

## **Contributions**

**THE LUTHERAN HOUR:** Did you know that we sponsor *The Lutheran Hour* locally? As you are getting ready for church or if you are unable to attend worship, consider tuning in to The Lutheran Hour. It can be found on KRLN 1400AM at 8:00am Sunday mornings.



**MISSIONARIES:** Please remember JP and Aimee Cima, the missionaries that our congregation have adopted, asking God to protect them and use them to spread His gospel.

**CONGREGATIONAL SHUT-INS:** Orgene Reimers and Ada Pendarvis

**CONGREGATIONAL SERVICE MEMBERS:** Ryan Lehmpuhl and Jake Langley

**SITTING AND STANDING IN CHURCH:** It is customary to stand during the worship service when we address God directly (*Confession, Prayers, etc.*) or out of respect (*Gospel Reading, Creed, etc.*). These actions have purpose and meaning; but they are not meant to be painful or difficult. In contrast, Psalm 51:17 says, *“The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.”* If at any time during the service, it is too difficult or painful to stand, please remain seated. Our Lord knows your heart.

**SPECIAL PRAYERS:** Please call Pastor prior to the Sunday service for special prayers.

**NEED A RIDE TO CHURCH?** If you or another member who you know needs transportation to church on Sundays, please call Ken Davidson at 719-429-4919.



## **PLEASE PRAY FOR: Sick and/or Recovering:**

Ted Schmidt  
Zoe Ward (family member of Chris Pushchak)  
Janie Crites (Nate Harms' Aunt)  
Chuck Poehlein  
Gary Hashman (Toni Davidson's Brother in law)  
Debbie Ledbetter (Carol Skoda's friend)

Jake Whiteley (Pat Schuch's Son)  
Pat Schuch  
Rod Willard  
Mark (Heather Pegor's Uncle)  
Doug Westlund  
Savannah Sundell (Carol Skoda's Daughter)

**PRAYER CHAIN:** If you have a prayer concern and would like to send it through a prayer chain, we have 2 options.

- To send the prayer through a phone prayer chain, please contact Mary Richardson at 719-269-1426.
- To send the prayer via email, please contact Carolyn Westlund at her email address: [1956cew@gmail.com](mailto:1956cew@gmail.com).

If you would like to join either prayer chain, please contact Mary or Carolyn respectively. If you would like a Christian greeting card from St. John sent to your loved one listed on the above prayer list, please contact Mary Richardson with the address where it should be sent.

**THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN -- FEBRUARY 4, 2024- FEBRUARY 11, 2024**

Office Hours: Monday through Friday — 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**Sunday, February 4, 2024**

- 9:00 a.m. Divine Worship
- 10:15 a.m. Fellowship
- 10:30 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible Class
- 11:30 a.m. Elder’s Meeting

**Monday, February 5, 2024**

- 4:00 p.m. Canon City Youth Choirs
- 6:30 p.m. Confirmation

**Tuesday, February 6, 2024**

Pastor Dan Out of the Office – Circuit Pastors' Meeting

**Wednesday, February 7, 2024**

- 10:00 a.m. Bible Study
- 6:00 p.m. Youth Group

**Thursday, February 8, 2024**

- 9:00 a.m. Quilters

**Saturday, February 10, 2024**



*Valerie Langley*

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- 9:00 a.m. Divine Worship with Holy Communion
- 10:15 a.m. Fellowship
- 10:30 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible Class
- 11:30 a.m. Council Meeting



*Lenny Williams*



**BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Please send all announcements for bulletins to [office@StJohnCanonCity.org](mailto:office@StJohnCanonCity.org). Thank You.

**DEVOTIONS:** Lent Devotion booklets are now available in the Narthex.

**CHURCH NURSERY:** Parents may use the nursery in back of the church. Our monitor with remote control has now been installed to watch the service. Changing tables are available in three of our restrooms.

**CHURCH PUBLICITY:** If you have a meeting or event for the St. John website and / or Facebook page please notify Gail at 720-201- 8743 or [kirkegaard1998@charter.net](mailto:kirkegaard1998@charter.net). Also let her know if it is changed or canceled so our information is correct. Thank you.

# Sermon Notes

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