

## LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE CROSS OF VICTORIA

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### THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

#### Reconciling in Christ Sunday

January 25, 2026 - 10:00 AM

Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Holy Communion Setting One

Worship in-person and livestream

*Today we renew our commitment as a Reconciling in Christ congregation,  
lifting up the 2SLGBTQIA+ community in the church and beyond.*

### GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome

**Land Acknowledgement** *see insert*

**Gathering Song** **Gather Us In** *red book* **No. 532**

Greeting The grace of Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

**Hymn of Praise** **Glory to God** *red book* Page 99

Prayer of the Day

Children's Message

### WORD

First Reading **Isaiah 9:1-4**

**Psalm 27:1, 4-9** *on the back cover, sung responsively with the refrain*

Second Reading **1 Corinthians 1:10-18**

**Gospel Acclamation** **Alleluia** *red book* Page 102

Gospel Reading **Matthew 4:12-23**

Sermon

**Hymn of the Day** **God, We Gather as Your People** *blue book* **No. 1038**

Prayers of the People Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Peace Sharing The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

### MEAL

Offering of Gifts

**Offering Song** **Come Now, O God** *blue book* **No. 902**

Prayer

**Great Thanksgiving** *red book* Page 107

**Holy** *red book* Page 108

Thanksgiving Prayer *red book* Page 110

The Lord's Prayer *red book* Page 112

### Lamb of God

*All are welcome at Christ's table. The wine is served in individual glasses and the common cup.*

*Red grape juice is in the centre of the trays. Gluten-free bread is available by asking the server.*

*You may commune with bread or wine alone or ask for a blessing.*

*Those worshipping online are invited to commune where you are.*

**Communion Songs** Improvisation  
**As a Mother Comforts Her Child** *blue book* **No. 1015**

Prayer

### SENDING

Announcements

Blessing

**Sending Song** **We Are Marching in the Light** *red book* **No. 866**

Dismissal **...Thanks be to God!**

*Everyone present is invited to a time of hospitality in the Upper Hall following worship.*

*Thank you to Martin & Judy Bergbusch, Wes & Joanne Solomonson, Vera Epp, and Bob Kohlert*

*for hosting. Special thanks to Inclusive Christians at UVic for assisting with worship today.*

### Worship Assistants

Assisting Minister and Preacher

Jashan Khandal

Kantor

Nathan McDonald

Musician

Cloud Iris

Choral Scholars

DJ McGrath, Madison Blackman

Livestream

Braeden McKenzie

Readers

Liz Babbick, Skylar Smith

Communion

Marge Adams, Jane Wicksteed, Vicki Zilene

Ushers

Jack Braniff, Don Storch

*You are invited to Holy Communion Worship, Sundays, 10AM PT in-person and online.*

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*for the Crossroads newsletter, calendar, and events.*

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