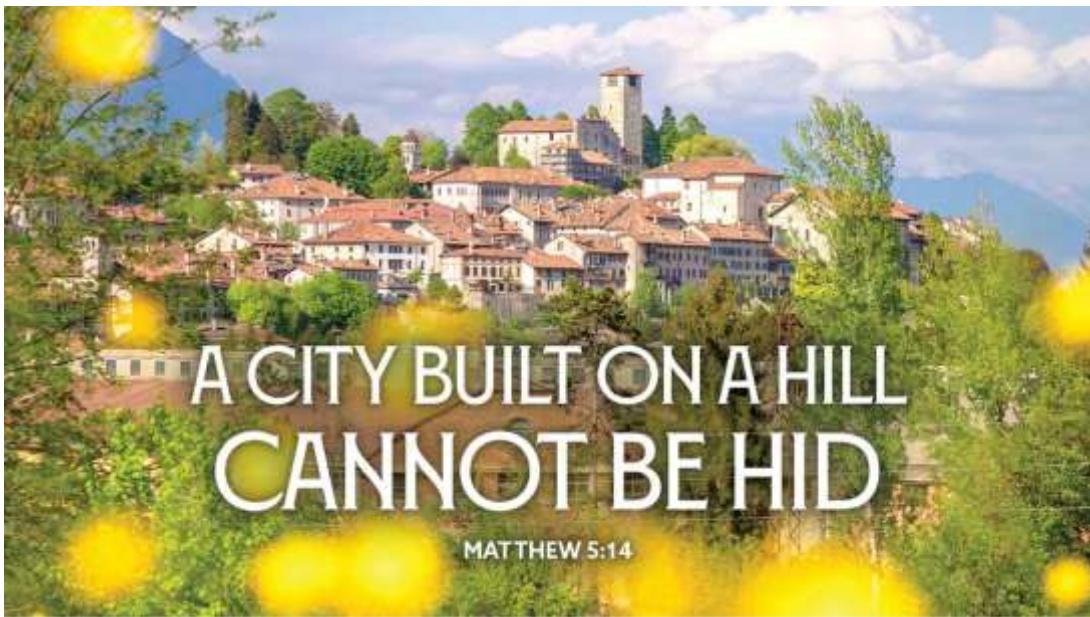


Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

08 February 2026

9:30 AM- Livestream



Worship Team- 9:30 AM

Presiding Minister- Pr. Ben Colahan

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Equipping Minister- Carol Grandy

Healing Ministry- Maureen Hopson

Lector- Sherrill Heinz

Musicians- FLC Contemporary Team

Parking Lot- David Brown, Steve Hall, & Pat Snyder

Sunday School- Alyssa Manes & Kaylen Wilson

Ushers- Suzie Ernest & Carol Grandy

Welcome Table- Holly Orognen & Judy Sitton

Cantor- Luke Nicolay

Thank you!

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GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God

Prelude

Praeludium [e-Moll]

Arnold Matthias Brunckhorst

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Welcome

The PRESIDING MINISTER welcomes everyone.

[Camera- Talk (7)]

Gathering Hymn

ELW 715 Christ, Be Our Light

Text: Bernadette Farrell, b. 1957

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[Camera- Musicians (12), Congregation Left (16), Congregation Right (17)]

Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people,
light for the world to see.

Refrain

Christ, be our light!
Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in your church gathered today.

Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has pow'r to save us.
Make us your living voice. *Refrain*

Longing for food, many are hungry.
Longing for water, many still thirst.
Make us your bread, broken for others,
shared until all are fed. *Refrain*

Longing for shelter, many are homeless.
Longing for warmth, many are cold.
Make us your building, sheltering others,
walls made of living stone. *Refrain*

Many the gifts, many the people,

many the hearts that yearn to belong.
Let us be servants to one another,
signs of your kingdom come. *Refrain*

Greeting

[Camera- Talk (7)]

Lead the Greeting and Prayer of the Day from the front center of the assembly
The PRESIDING MINISTER and assembly greet each other

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

Confession and Forgiveness

Pr. Ben Colahan

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins

**L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,
the Creator of heaven and earth,
the Word who spoke life into being,
the Wind stirring the waters.**

C: Amen.

L: Let us turn in confession to the one who knows us completely.

Silence is kept for reflection

L: Mighty God, lover of justice,

C: you call us to life in community,
but we have served our own interests
at the expense of our neighbors.
We have sown deceit where honesty was needed.

We say the right words,
but our hearts are far from you.
Turn us to seek your face.

Knit us together and give us the mind of Christ,
that we may do justice, love mercy,
and walk humbly with you, our God.
Amen.

**L: The former things have passed away,
and new things God now declares:**

**Like a spring of water that never fails,
God covers you in the righteousness of Christ,
and forgives your sin in + Jesus' name.
May the Spirit give you strength to live for others,
and bless you with the gift of peace.**

Amen.

Prayer of the Day

The PRESIDING MINISTER leads the prayer in these or similar words.

Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept.

Lord God, with endless mercy you receive the prayers of all who call upon you. By your Spirit show us the things we ought to do, and give us the grace and power to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

The assembly is seated.

WORD

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

Children's Sermon

Josh Edwards

[Camera- Talk (7)]

Children's Response

ELW 290 Go Tell It on the Mountain

v. 1

Text: African American spiritual, refrain; John W. Work Jr., 1872-1925, stanzas, alt.

Music: African American spiritual

[Camera- Musicians (12), Congregation Left (16), Congregation Right (17)]

Refrain

Go tell it on the mountain,
over the hills and everywhere;
go tell it on the mountain
that Jesus Christ is born!

While shepherds kept their watching
o'er silent flocks by night,
behold, throughout the heavens
there shone a holy light. *Refrain*

First Reading

1 Corinthians 2:1-12

Sherrill Heinz

[Camera- Lectern Center (8)]

A reading from 1 Corinthians.

¹ When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the testimony of God to you with superior speech or wisdom. ² For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. ³ And I came to you in weakness

and in fear and in much trembling.⁴ My speech and my proclamation were made not with persuasive words of wisdom but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power,⁵ so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God.

⁶ Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are being destroyed. ⁷ But we speak God's wisdom, a hidden mystery, which God decreed before the ages for our glory⁸ and which none of the rulers of this age understood, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory.⁹ But, as it is written,

"What no eye has seen, nor ear heard,
nor the human heart conceived,
what God has prepared for those who love him"—

¹⁰ God has revealed to us through the Spirit, for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. ¹¹ For what human knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. ¹² Now we have received not the spirit of the world but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand now for the reading of the gospel.

[Camera- Talk (7)]

Gospel Acclamation

ELW Setting 6, p. 171a

[Camera- Musicians (12), Congregation Left (16), Congregation Right (17)]



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

Gospel

Matthew 5:13-20

The PRESIDING MINISTER proclaims the gospel.

Pr. Ben Colahan

[Camera- Talk (7)]

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ¹³ "You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything but is thrown out and

trampled under foot.

¹⁴ “You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. ¹⁵ People do not light a lamp and put it under the bushel basket; rather, they put it on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. ¹⁶ In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

¹⁷ “Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. ¹⁸ For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. ¹⁹ Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. ²⁰ For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Pr. Ben Colahan

[Camera- Talk (7)]

Hymn of the Day

VT 297 You Are the Salt for the Earth

Text: Marty Haugen (USA), b. 1950, 1985, Gather, 1988

Music: Marty Haugen, b. 1950, 1985, Gather, 1988

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[Camera- Musicians (12), Congregation Left (16), Congregation Right (17)]

You are salt for the earth, O people:
salt for the Kingdom of God!
Share the flavor of life, O people:
life in the Kingdom of God!

Refrain

Bring forth the Kingdom of mercy,
bring forth the Kingdom of peace;
bring forth the Kingdom of justice,
bring forth the City of God!

You are a light on the hill, O people:
light for the City of God!
Shine so holy and bright, O people:
shine for the Kingdom of God! *Refrain*

You are a seed of the Word, O people:
bring forth the Kingdom of God!
Seeds of mercy and seeds of justice,
grow in the Kingdom of God! *Refrain*

We are a blest and a pilgrim people:
bound for the Kingdom of God!
Love our journey and love our homeland:
love is the Kingdom of God! *Refrain*

Prayers of Intercession

Rev. William Stomski

Response: O Lord, Hear My Prayer
Taizé Community

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[Camera- Lectern (8)]

Lead the Prayers of Intercession, Peace, and Welcome from the front center of the assembly.

The ASSISTING MINISTER invites the assembly into prayer.

The prayers are prepared locally for each occasion. The following examples may be adapted or used as appropriate.

As God's beloved children united in Christ, let us pray for the church, the whole human community, and the well-being of the earth, our home.

A brief silence.

Your church does ministry in many and various ways. Keep the baptized true to the mind of Christ, that our works and witness bring hope to a troubled world. Give your bold spirit of servant leadership to all who guide the church, especially for our bishops, Yehiel and Jeff.

Sung Response: O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call, answer me. O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and listen to me.

Your marvelous creation cries out to you. Restore polluted air, soil, and water sources to wholeness. Guard honeybees, elephants, great whales and songbirds from harm, and renew the face of the earth.

Sung Response: O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call, answer me. O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and listen to me.

Your people in every nation suffer injustice, poverty, and the threat of violence. Guide those in authority to govern with compassion, and bring peace to war zones especially for those whom we name before you...

Pause for 15 seconds to allow assembly to speak or type those names.

We pray for those whom we disagree with. Grant fear of the Lord to all in authority that they may govern with wisdom, especially our president, Donald, and our governor, Gavin.

Sung Response: O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call, answer me. O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and listen to me.

Your blessings are poured out for all in need. Help and heal any who experience trauma, discrimination, disease, hunger, abuse, or persecution. Comfort those who are sick or grieving *especially for those whom we name before you...*

Pause for 15 seconds to allow assembly to speak or type those names.

Sung Response: O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call, answer me. O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and listen to me.

Your wisdom guides this congregation and its ministries. Sustain our ordained leaders, staff, lay leaders, and volunteers. Form us to be salt and light for the neighbors we serve, following the example of Christ.

Sung Response: O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call, answer me. O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and listen to me.

People of God, for what else do we pray or give thanks?

Pause for 15 seconds to allow assembly to speak or type those names.

The person offering the prayer or the ASSISTING MINISTER may conclude each petition:

Sung Response: O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call, answer me. O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and listen to me.

Your saints rejoice at your heavenly banquet. We give thanks for their lives of faith, trusting that we also will be embraced by your eternal love.

Sung Response: O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call, answer me. O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and listen to me.

Confident that the Holy Spirit receives our prayers and answers us, we commend all for whom we pray to God's loving-kindness made known to us in Christ Jesus our Savior.

Amen.

Baptism of Zachary England

Pr. Ben Colahan

[Camera- Talk (7)]

Candidates for baptism, sponsors, and parents gather with the ministers at the font. The assembly is seated.

The presiding minister may address the assembly in these or similar words:

God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

Sponsors for each candidate, in turn, present the candidates:

I present Zachary Bryant England for baptism.

The presiding minister addresses candidates who are able to answer for themselves:

Zachary, called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to be baptized into Christ?

Each candidate responds: I do.

The presiding minister addresses sponsors:

Sponsors, do you promise to nurture Zachary in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help *him* live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

Response: I do.

The presiding minister addresses those making public affirmation of baptism.

Do you intend to live in the covenant God makes with you in holy baptism: 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?

Response: I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

The presiding minister addresses the assembly:

People of God, do you promise to support Zachary and pray for *him* in his new life in Christ?

Response: We do.

The assembly stands.

Profession of Faith

The presiding minister addresses candidates for baptism as well as the parents and sponsors of young children. The assembly may join in the responses.

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

Response: I renounce them.

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

Response: I renounce them.

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

Response: I renounce them.

The presiding minister addresses the candidates and the assembly.

L: Do you believe in God the Father?

C: We believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

L: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

C: We 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.

L: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

C: We 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.

Thanksgiving at the Font

Water may be poured into the font before or during the thanksgiving. At the font, the presiding minister begins the thanksgiving:

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that those who are washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

The assembly may be seated.

Baptism

The presiding minister baptizes each candidate. The candidate is immersed into the water, or water is poured on the candidate's head, as the presiding minister says:

Zachary, I baptize you in the name of the Father,

*The candidate is immersed or water is poured on the candidate's head a second time:
and of the Son,*

*The candidate is immersed or water is poured on the candidate's head a third time:
and of the Holy Spirit.*

Amen.

**You belong to Christ,
in whom you have been baptized.**

Alleluia.

Clothed with Christ in baptism, the newly baptized may receive a baptismal garment.

The presiding minister continues:

Let us pray.

**We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give
your daughters and sons new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to
eternal life.**

Laying both hands on the head of each of the newly baptized, the minister prays for each:

**Sustain Zachary with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and
understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the
fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.**

Amen.

*The presiding minister marks the sign of the cross on the forehead of each of the baptized. Oil
prepared for this purpose may be used. As the sign of the cross is made, the minister says:*

**Zachary, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked
with the cross of Christ forever.**

Amen.

Welcome

*A lighted candle may be given to each of the newly baptized (to a sponsor of a young child) as a
representative of the congregation says:*

**Let your light so shine before others
that they may see your good works
and glorify your Father in heaven.**

*The ministers and the baptismal group face the assembly. A representative of the congregation leads
the assembly in the welcome.*

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Sharing of the Peace

Pr. Ben Colahan

L: The peace of Christ be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Welcoming of Visitors

Pr. Ben Colahan

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ

Offering

Pr. Ben Colahan

[Camera- Talk (7)]

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Great Thanksgiving

[Camera- Altar Right (5)]

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

And now I invite you to join me in celebrating the mystery of communion, the revelation of Christ physically with us. Please hold your bread and your cup and repeat after me the words that Jesus command us to use in remembrance of him.

**On the night he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread,
Gave thanks, blessed it, broke it
and gave it to his disciples saying,
“This is my body, given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me.”**

**Again after supper,
Jesus took the cup,
gave thanks, blessed it**

and gave it for all to drink,
saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people
for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me."

The Lord's Prayer

[Camera- Altar Right (5)]

Remembering him therefore, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

Agnus Dei

ELW Setting 10, p. 208

[Camera- Lectern (8)]



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;

2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;

3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer - cy now, we pray.

you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer - cy now, we pray.

e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

Communion Songs

Lord I Need You

Christy Nockels, Daniel Carson, Jesse Reeves, Kristian Stanfill, Matt Maher

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[Camera- Processional (3), Congregation Left (16), Congregation Right (17)]

Lord I come, I confess
Bowing here I find my rest.
Without you I fall apart,
You're the one that guides my heart.

Lord I need you, oh I need you.
Every hour I need you.
My one defense, my righteousness,
Oh God how I need you.

Where sin runs deep,
Your grace is more.
Where grace is found,
Is where you are.

Where you are,
Lord I am free.
Holiness
Is Christ in me.

Lord I need you, oh I need you.
Every hour I need you.
My one defense, my righteousness,
Oh God how I need you.

So teach my song to rise to you
When temptation comes my way.
When I cannot stand I'll fall on you;
Jesus you're my hope and stay.

Lord I need you, oh I need you.
Every hour I need you.
My one defense, my righteousness,
Oh God how I need you.

You're my one defense, my righteousness,

Oh God how I need you.
My one defense, my righteousness,
Oh God how I need you.

In God Alone/Mon âme se repose
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In God alone my soul can find rest and peace,
in God my peace and joy.
Only in God my soul can find its rest,
find its rest and peace.

Prayer after Communion

Rev. William Stomski
[**Camera- Lectern (8)]**

L: Let us pray.

**Radiant God, we have seen your glory in the face of Jesus Christ.
In the sacrament of his body and blood
you have drawn us to your heart.
Send us from this table with delight,
that our lives may reflect the beauty of your love,
and bear witness to all we have seen and heard,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

Amen.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world

God's Work, Our Hands

Pr. Ben Colahan

Sending Song

ELW 866 We Are Marching in the Light of God

Text: South African traditional; tr. *Freedom Is Coming*, 1984
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[Camera- Musicians (12), Congregation Left (16), Congregation Right (17)]****

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 ...
We are marching ...

Blessing

Pr. Ben Colahan

[Camera- Narthex (15)]

The assembly stands. The PRESIDING MINISTER proclaims God's blessing to the assembly.

Receive God's blessing:

A brief silence is kept.

**May the triune God,
who has put a new song in your mouth
and tuned your heart for praise
☩ bless you now and forever.**

Amen.

Dismissal

Rev. William Stomski

The ASSISTING MINISTER sends the assembly into mission.

L: Go in peace. Do justice. Love mercy.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Sinfonia from Cantata No. 29

J. S. Bach

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[Camera- Organ (11), Processional (3), Organ (11)]

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