

**Teach me Your holy ways, O Lord,
so I can walk in your truth.
Teach me Your holy ways, O Lord
and make me wholly devoted to You.**

**Open my eyes so I can see
the wonderful things that You do.
Open my heart up more and more,
and make it wholly devoted to You.**

Words & music by Terry Butler ©1991 Mercy Publishing.
Used by Permission CCLI#788077.

The Greeting

Pastor: From God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, grace and
peace be with you all.

People: **And also with you.**

Hymn of Praise *“Glory And Praise to Our God”*

**Refrain: Glory and praise to our God, who alone gives light to our
days. Many are the blessings he bears to those who trust in
his ways.**

**We, the daughters and sons of him who built the valleys and
plains, praise the wonders our God has done in ev’ry heart
that sings. Refrain**

**In his wisdom he strengthens us, like gold that’s tested in
fire. Though the power of sin prevails, our God is there to
save. Refrain**

**Ev’ry moment of ev’ry day our God is waiting to save,
always ready to seek the lost, to answer those who pray.
Refrain**

Prayer of the Day

WORD

First Reading: Isaiah 9:1-4

Psalm 27:1, 4-9

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:10-18

The Gospel: Matthew 4:12-23

Children’s Message

ELW 817 *"You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore"*

Sermon: Pastor Heinrich

ELW 798 *"Will You Come and Follow Me"*

Apostles' Creed

Prayers of Intercession (*after each petition*)

Pastor: God of mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

MEAL

Offering

The Offering Prayer

Pastor: Merciful God, receive the gifts we bring, our selves, our time, and our possessions. Through this meal unite us as your body, shining with the light of your justice and mercy; for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

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 God thanks and praise.

Words of Institution/Eucharistic Prayer

In the night...remembrance of me.

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

**Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

Invitation to Communion

The Distribution

ELW 574 *“Here I Am Lord”*

The Post Communion Blessing and Prayer

Pastor: O God, as a parent comforts a child, so you comfort your people, carrying us in your arms and satisfying us with this food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Send us now as your disciples, announcing peace and proclaiming that the reign of God has come near; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

People: Amen.

SENDING

Blessing

Pastor: May the God of glory dwell in you richly, name you beloved, and shine brightly on your path; and the blessing of Almighty God, the Father, the † Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always.

People: Amen.

Sending Song: *“Follow Me”*

Refrain:

**Anyone who wants to come with me deny yourself,
take up your cross and follow me, follow me, follow me, follow me.**

**Follow me to the ugly edges leave the comfortable zone;
follow me to the broken borders, where I am is your home.
You’ll never walk alone. (Sing Refrain)**

**Jesus lead me to where you want me, help me hear what you say;
take my fear of the unfamiliar, build my trust ev’ry day.
I want to go your way. (Sing Refrain)**

Lose your life and save it. Give it up and get it back. (4 times)

(Words and Music by Robin Mann copyright 1994 robindormann@ozemail.com.au)
Used by permission CCLI License #788077

Dismissal

Pastor: Go in peace. Share the light of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God.

(A time to reach out and share the peace of the Lord.)



FIRST Lutheran Church
is a Christ-centered community committed to being
Faithful In Receiving and Sharing The Lord.

Third Sunday after Epiphany
January 22, 2017– 11:00 a.m.

Prelude
Welcome and Announcements
Temple Talk- Steve Fishwild
A Moment of Silence as We Prepare for Worship

GATHERING

Confession and Forgiveness

Pastor: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who stretches out the heavens, who sends light to the nations, who gives breath to us all.

People: Amen.

Pastor: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
(Silence is kept for reflection.)

Pastor: Loving God,

People: we confess that we have turned from your way to follow our own ways. Forgive us for the times we have spoken or acted too quickly; we have not spoken or acted at all; we have hurt those closest to us; we have hurt those we have yet to know; we have thought more about ourselves than others; we thought less of ourselves than we ought. Turn us around, and give us a fresh start, so that we can live again as your children. Amen.

Pastor: Even when we have done wrong, God makes us right. Even when we have messed up, God puts us together. God's love never runs out. God never tires of calling us beloved children. Hear God say to you now: Your sins are forgiven, for the sake of † Jesus Christ our Savior.

People: Amen.

Gathering Song *“Cry of My Heart”*

**It is the cry of my heart to follow You.
It is the cry of my heart to be close to You.
It is the cry of my heart to follow
all of the days of my life.**