



## SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

JANUARY 19, 2025

10:00 A.M.

OAK GROVE LUTHERAN CHURCH  
7045 LYNDAL AVE. SOUTH, RICHFIELD, MINNESOTA

# WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT OAK GROVE LUTHERAN CHURCH

## Our Mission Statement

*To Put the Love of Jesus into Action,  
As We Welcome, Serve and Love All People.*

### PRELUDE

*O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright*

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CALL TO WORSHIP

*Voices*

*Joy Bells*

*Narrator: Randy Hummel*

*Do you hear the voice of one alone, a small voice that sighs within?  
Do you hear the cries of voices two, who brave the stiff, strong winds?  
Do you hear the vows of friend and foe joining hearts as love begins?*

*Do you hear the voices, sore oppressed, struggling still for freedom's breath?*

*Do you hear that empty promise of change that's not addressed?*

*Do you hear the prayers of young and old, dreaming visions new and fresh?*

*May you listen to the voices, whether one or two or more.*

*May you listen to the wisdom of those who've gone before.*

*May you listen to the Voice of One, who Welcomes and Transforms.*

*Karen Lakey Buckwalter, July 2020*

### OPENING RESPONSES

When Israel was in Egypt's land...

**Let my people go!**

Oppressed so hard they could not stand...

**Let my people go!**

So spoke God to Moses.

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+ *Please stand as you are able.*

**So spoke Moses to Pharaoh.**

So spoke Jesus in his hometown.

**So spoke Martin Luther King, Jr., to the entranced powers of American society.**

So God calls to us in this time and place,

**to continue the work of redeeming- setting free- raising up all God's children,  
not in some far-off imagined heaven**

**but in the here and now for all to see and celebrate.**

Come, let us worship the God

**whose goodness, promises and blessings extend from generation to generation.**

**+ GATHERING HYMN**      *O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright*      ELW 308  
vss. 1, 3 & 4

**+ GREETING AND PRAYER OF THE DAY**

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.**

Let us pray, Wonder-working Jesus,

**as you once turned water into wine, astounding wedding-goers by reviving the party, so turn the water of our sweat and tears into the wine of gladness; then embolden us to follow your example by doing everything we can to renew, repair, restore those who've known only the dregs and disappointment and draining of life, until all can freely taste the sweetness of life. Amen.**

**PSALM**      Psalm 36:5-10

*Read responsively.*

Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds.

**Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains, your judgments are like the great deep; you save humans and animals alike, O LORD.**

How precious is your steadfast love, O God! All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

**They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them drink from the river of your delights.**

For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light.

**O continue your steadfast love to those who know you, and your salvation to the upright of heart!**

### **NEW TESTAMENT READING** 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

+ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Alleluia*

ELW 175

Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The image shows a musical score for an Alleluia acclamation. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature has one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are 'Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.' The first system ends with a double bar line, and the second system also ends with a double bar line. There are some decorative flourishes in the piano part, including a large circle around a chord in the final measure of each system.

+ GOSPEL John 2:1-11

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the second chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

The Gospel of the Lord.  
Praise to you, O Christ.

**SERMON**

*NEW WINE – NEW WAY*

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

*Lift Every Voice and Sing*  
vss. 1 & 3

ELW 841

**+ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

We believe in God above us,  
maker and sustainer of all life,  
of sun and moon, of water and earth,  
of male and female.

We believe in God beside us,  
Jesus Christ, the word made flesh,  
born of a woman, servant of the poor,  
tortured and nailed to a tree.  
A man of sorrows, he died forsaken.

He descended into the earth  
to the place of death.  
On the third day he rose from the tomb.  
He ascended into heaven,  
to be everywhere present,  
and his kingdom will come on earth.

We believe in God within us,  
the Holy Spirit of Pentecostal fire,  
life-giving breath of the Church,  
spirit of healing and forgiveness,  
source of resurrection and of eternal life.  
Amen.

**+ PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Each petition concludes with:  
God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

*Iona Worship Book*

## **+ SHARING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of the risen Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

## **OFFERING**

### **+ OFFERING PRAYER**

God of grace,  
**your love reaches to the heavens,  
and your abundance to the depths of the seas.**  
**Bless what we offer to your service:  
our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts.**  
**Let us overflow with gratitude and generosity,  
now and always.**  
**Amen.**

## **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 our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**+ SANCTUS**

*Holy, Holy, Holy*

*ELW p. 207*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

**+ WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**+ 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.**



**+ LAMB OF GOD**

vss. 1 & 3

ELW p. 208



1 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.

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

**INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION**

**DISTRIBUTION**

*Now We Join the Celebration*

ELW 462

**BLESSING**

**+ PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Nourishing God, at this table you have refreshed us  
with holy gifts of food and drink.

Strengthen us for service,

and send us out to embody your good news

of liberation and healing for the sake of the world.

In the name of Christ we pray,

**Amen.**

**+ BENEDICTION**

The Spirit of the triune God  
‡ bless you with joy,  
anoint you with compassion,  
and send you in love.

**Amen.**

**+ SENDING FORTH HYMN**

*We All Are One in Mission*  
vss. 1 & 3

*ELW 576*

**+ DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Live in hope.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**

**Oak Grove Core Values Statement**

**Love** one another with compassion and care, just as Christ loves us.

**Welcome** all people into fellowship with hospitality.

**Accept** others as they are, treating each person with respect and dignity.

**Worship** God through music and ministry, reflecting our Lutheran heritage while embracing new ways of worship.

**Grow** in faith rooted in the Gospel, both as individuals and as a faith community.

**Serve** the Lord by generously sharing our faith, time, talents, and resources with the community and the world.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Gracias!**

Many thanks to Tapestry Ministry for their generous gift of \$5,000 in 2024. We divided that gift to add \$2,500 to the Enduring Gifts Fund and included the remainder in our operating income for the year.

We are blessed to continue being in relationship with Tapestry and their ministry.

### **Congregational Annual Meeting**

The annual meeting of the congregation will be held next Sunday, January 26, at 11:00 am – after the regular worship service in the Sanctuary. Annual Reports are available in the narthex. Please take a few minutes to review this information before the meeting.

### **Youth Bake Sale**

When: Next Sunday, January 26

Time: 9:00am - 9:50am and right after the 10:00am worship service (until the start of the annual meeting)

Please help our youth raise funds to attend Camp Wapo this summer. We are having a bake sale on Sunday, January 26! Please come that day and support our youth! Thank you! *Kelli Olson & Your Oak Grove Youth*

### **Mid-Week Lenten Messages**

This year, Pastor Lee would like to base his Wednesday Lenten messages on your questions. You are invited to submit questions on the Christian faith and life that are of importance/interest to you, and you feel would speak to others as well.

Pastor will select some of the questions to preach on during our mid-week Lenten worship. Also, your questions will help him know what is on your heart and mind as he prepares other sermons while he is at Oak Grove.

Please submit your questions in one of two ways:

1. Email your question to: [pastorlee@oakgrovelutheran.org](mailto:pastorlee@oakgrovelutheran.org)
2. Write your question on a piece of paper and place it in the small box in the church narthex.

## **Congregational Devotional Book for Lent**

Bless others in the congregation this Lent by sharing a devotion! Your devotion can be anything related to the faith that is meaningful to you, and you feel would bless others. You can base it on a Bible verse, a hymn, a personal experience, etc. (If you feel you would rather not compose something yourself, consider sharing another devotion that has been meaningful to you.) Please keep your devotion to about 150-250 words. You don't need to submit your devotion to Pastor Lee until February 23 ([pastorlee@oakgrovelutheran.org](mailto:pastorlee@oakgrovelutheran.org)) but please let him know soon if you will be willing to serve God in this way.

## **Nomination Form**

Nomination forms to nominate a pastoral candidate are available in the office. Please submit nominations by **February 28** by placing them in the envelope in the church office.

## **Sponsor a Camper!**

Your support is always appreciated, especially this year with the cost of attending camp going up 8% for Camp Wapo. The Youth will have multiple fundraisers this year but if you are able to sponsor a camper or two, that would be very helpful. Please reach out to Kelli Olson for more information. Thank you all so much for your ongoing support of our youth! *Kelli Olson & Your Oak Grove Youth*

## **Rebirth of the Property Commission**

As you know, our beloved engineer Scott is retiring in January. We have been looking at ways to get the things at Oak Grove done that Scott has been doing. We will hire a part-time cleaning service but there are many other things Scott does that we think a Property Commission could help with. Some things would only occasionally need to be done (small paint jobs, change lightbulbs, test AED and replace batteries as needed...). Others would be on a more regular basis (mow the lawn, shovel the sidewalks...). And there would be other things as needed. If you are interested, please contact Julie Tvet (612-750-2589) or at church on Sunday.

## **We need your help!**

We have been thinking of things that need doing after Scott retires in January. Do any of these things sound of interest to you or are there things that need doing that you think you could help with? Here are just a few:

- Shovel sidewalks after it snows during the week (this would be on a rotating schedule and so you would only need to shovel periodically)
- Set up seasonal decorations
- Trim bushes and shrubs
- And many other jobs as well, of course

Also, if you have a background in plumbing or electrical work, we'd love to hear from you!

If any of this sounds of interest or if you need more information, please contact Julie Tvette (612-750-2589) or at church on Sundays. Your help with this will greatly help Oak Grove!

### **2024 Contribution Statements**

Contribution Statements for 2024 are available for pick-up in the narthex. Any statements not picked up by January 26 will be mailed out the following week. Please save a stamp and pick up if possible!

### **2025 Offering Envelopes**

Offering envelopes for 2025 are available for pick-up in the narthex. The envelope numbers remain unchanged from last year and the packets are labeled. If you wish to start using envelopes, but have not used them previously, please sign-up on the pad next to the envelopes and a packet will be available for you next week.

### **Building Key Inventory Project**

Do you have your own key(s) for Oak Grove? Many keys are out there in circulation, and we need to get a more accurate idea of who has access to the building. We are taking an inventory of all building keys that have been issued, compiling a list of key holders, and adding a reference number to each.

Please check your key rings and locate any keys you may have at home. Keys may be brought to Amy in the office for numbering and recording on a key card. If you know of others who have keys and are not using them, please help to get the word out – those keys may be turned in. Working together, we can make Oak Grove a more secure building!

## **Stewardship**

There is still time to return your Statement of Intent to Oak Grove Lutheran. Pledge cards may be placed in the offering basket or dropped off in the office. If you're interested in the Vanco Simply Giving program, an automatic electronic way to give, please pick up an enrollment form in the office.

## **OAK GROVE EVENTS THIS WEEK**

### **Sunday, January 19**

9:00 am      Budget Discussion & Coffee, Fellowship Hall  
10:00 am      Worship Service, Sanctuary  
11:00 am      Sunday School, SS Rooms

### **Monday, January 20**

MLK Holiday — Offices Closed

### **Tuesday, January 21**

9:30 am      Staff Meeting, Library  
10:00 am      Care Club, Fellowship Hall  
1:00 pm      Bible Study, Fireside Room  
7:00 pm      Esther Circle Meeting, Fireside Room

### **Wednesday, January 22**

9:30 am      Bible Study, Fireside Room  
6:30 pm      Confirmation, Fireside Room & SS Room  
7:00 pm      Chorale, Sanctuary

### **Thursday, January 23**

### **Friday, January 24**

Offices Closed

### **Saturday, January 25**

8:00 am      Men's Bible Study, Library  
9:00 am      Joy Bells Practice, Sanctuary

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Sunday, January 26**      Congregational Annual Meeting, 11 am

## Worship Leaders for Sunday, January 19

**Assisting Minister:** Lisa Hoyne

**Scripture Reader:** Margaret Swanson

**Communion Servers:** Scott Olson and Barb Olson

## Worship Leaders for next Sunday, January 26

**Assisting Minister:** Mike Tveite

**Scripture Reader:** Carol Swenson

**Communion Servers:** Nickie Wigdahl and John Wigdahl

**Media - Facebook Live:** Les & Becky Hanson, Julie, Curt and Elisa Tveite,  
Pam Krause, and Kathie Curry

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*Oak Grove Lutheran Church sits on traditional lands of the Dakota people.  
We acknowledge, with gratitude, the many blessings we receive from this land.*

*Children are always welcome in worship. Activity bags are available  
in the library or ask an usher for help in locating them.*

**Restrooms:** *Located downstairs near the fellowship lounge.*

**Hearing devices:** *Personal hearing devices are available through the ushers.*

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