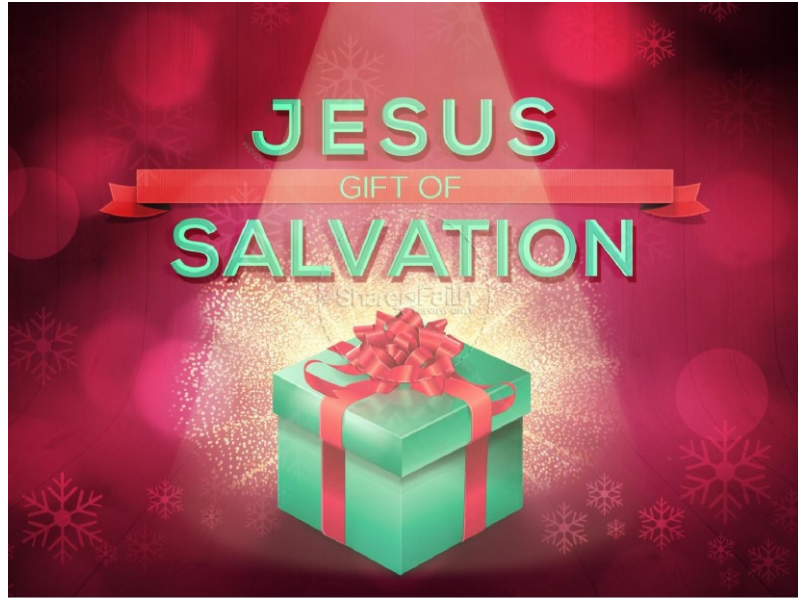




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# Welcome

to St. John Lutheran Church and our Contemporary Worship Service. We are so glad you have chosen to join us today and we pray your time with us will fill you with the love our Lord has for you.

May God bless your worship with us today,  
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*Our Vision is to inspire the vibrant experience of Christian faith in our community, to all generations, wherever they may be'*

## **Second Sunday after Epiphany**

## **A Time of Preparation**

### **Prelude**

### **"Trust in God"**

Blessed assurance Jesus is mine  
He's been my fourth man in the fire Time after time  
Born of His Spirit Washed in His blood  
And what He did for me on Calvary Is more than enough

I trust in God My Savior The One who will never fail  
He will never fail

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He will never fail

Perfect submission All is at rest I know the author of tomorrow  
Has ordered my steps So this is my story And this is my song  
I'm praising my risen King and Savior All the day long

I trust in God My Savior The One who will never fail  
He will never fail

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He will never fail

I sought the Lord and He heard and He answered  
I sought the Lord and He heard and He answered  
I sought the Lord and He heard and He answered  
That's why I trust Him That's why I trust Him  
I sought the Lord and He heard and He answered  
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That's why I trust Him That's why I trust In God

My Savior The One who will never fail He will never fail  
I trust in God My Savior The One who will never fail  
He will never fail

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## Welcome, Sharing of the Peace and Call To Worship

### Opening Song

### “Same God”

I'm calling on the God of Jacob Whose love endures through generations

I know that You will keep Your covenant

I'm calling on the God of Moses The one who opened up the ocean

I need you now to do the same thing for me

I'm calling on the God of Mary Whose favor rests upon the lowly

I know with You all things are possible

I'm calling on the God of David Who made a shepherd boy courageous

I may not face Goliath But I've got my own giants

Oh God my God I need You Oh God my God I need You now

How I need You now

Oh Rock oh Rock of ages I'm standing on Your faithfulness

You heard Your children then You hear Your children now

You are the same God You are the same God

You answered prayers back then And You will answer now

You are the same God You are the same God

You were providing then You are providing now

You are the same God You are the same God

You moved in power then God move in power now

You are the same God You are the same God

You were a healer then You are a healer now

You are the same God You are the same God

You were a Savior then You are a Savior now

You are the same God You are the same God

Oh God my God I need You Oh God my God I need You now

How I need You now

Oh Rock oh Rock of ages I'm standing on Your faithfulness

You freed the captives then You're freeing hearts right now

You are the same God You are the same God

You touched the lepers then I feel Your touch right now  
You are the same God You are the same God  
I'm calling on the Holy Spirit Almighty river come and fill me again  
Come and fill me again Come and fill me again

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## Confession and Forgiveness

### Song of Praise

### “This is Amazing Grace”

Who breaks the power of sin and darkness  
Whose love is mighty and so much stronger  
The King of Glory the King above all kings  
Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder  
And leaves us breathless in awe and wonder  
The King of Glory the King above all kings  
This is amazing grace This is unfailing love  
That You would take my place  
That You would bear my cross  
You laid down Your life That I would be set free  
Oh Jesus I sing for all that You've done for me  
Who brings our chaos back into order  
Who makes the orphan a son and daughter  
The King of Glory the King of Glory  
Who rules the nations with truth and justice  
Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance  
The King of Glory the King above all kings  
This is amazing grace This is unfailing love  
That You would take my place  
That You would bear my cross  
You laid down Your life That I would be set free  
Oh Jesus I sing for all that You've done for me  
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain

Worthy is the King who conquered the grave  
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Worthy is the Lamb who was slain  
Worthy worthy worthy  
Oh this is amazing grace This is unfailing love  
That You would take my place  
That You would bear my cross  
You laid down Your life That I would be set free  
Oh Jesus I sing for all that You've done for me  
All that You've done for me

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## First Reading

1 Corinthians 12:1-11

<sup>1</sup> Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers, I do not want you to be uninformed. <sup>2</sup> You know that when you were pagans you were led astray to mute idols, however you were led. <sup>3</sup> Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking in the Spirit of God ever says "Jesus is accursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except in the Holy Spirit. <sup>4</sup> Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; <sup>5</sup> and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; <sup>6</sup> and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone. <sup>7</sup> To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. <sup>8</sup> For to one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, <sup>9</sup> to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, <sup>10</sup> to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the ability to distinguish between spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. <sup>11</sup> All these are empowered by one and the same Spirit, who apportions to each one individually as he wills.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**G** **Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Reading

Matthew 7:7-11

<sup>7</sup>“Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. <sup>8</sup>For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened. <sup>9</sup>Or which one of you, if his son asks him for bread, will give him a stone? <sup>10</sup>Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a serpent? <sup>11</sup>If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask him!

**L** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**G** Thanks be to God.

## Children's Message

### Message Song

### “Good, Good Father”

Oh, I've heard a thousand stories of what they think You're like,  
but I've heard the tender whisper of love in the dead of night.  
And You tell me that You're pleased and that I'm never alone.

You're a good, good Father. It's who You are,  
it's who You are, it's who You are, and I'm loved by You.  
It's who I am, it's who I am, it's who I am.

Oh, and I've seen many searching for answers far and wide.  
But, I know we're all searching for answers only You provide,  
'cause You know just what we need before we say a word.

You're a good, good Father. It's who You are,  
it's who You are, it's who You are, and I'm loved by You.  
It's who I am, it's who I am, it's who I am.

Because You are perfect in all of Your ways.

You are perfect in all of Your ways.

You are perfect in all of Your ways to us.

You are perfect in all of Your ways.

You are perfect in all of Your ways.

You are perfect in all of Your ways to us.

Oh, it's love so undeniable I, I can hardly speak.

Peace so unexplainable I, I can hardly think  
as You call me deeper still, as You call me deeper still,  
As You call me deeper still into love, love, love.

You're a good, good Father. It's who You are,  
it's who You are, it's who You are, and I'm loved by You.  
It's who I am, it's who I am, it's who I am.

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## “Re-Gifting”

## Prayer of the Church

### Lord's Prayer

**☩ 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.**

## Blessing

**℟** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

**☩ Amen.**

## Sending Song

## “I Thank God”

Wandering into the night Wanting a place to hide  
This weary soul This bag of bones  
I try with all of my might But I just can't win the fight  
I'm slowly drifting a vagabond  
And just when I ran out of the road  
I met a man I didn't know  
And He told me that I was not alone

You picked me up You turned me around  
And placed my feet on solid ground  
I thank the Master I thank the Savior  
Because You healed my heart You changed my name  
Forever free I'm not the same  
I thank the Master I thank the Savior I thank God  
I cannot deny what I've seen Got no choice but to believe  
My doubts are burnin' Like ashes in the wind  
So so long to my old friends Burden and bitterness  
You can just keep them moving *Nah you ain't welcome here (Spoken)*  
From now till I walk streets of gold  
I'll sing of how You saved my soul  
This wayward son has found his way back home  
You picked me up You turned me around  
And placed my feet on solid ground  
I thank the Master I thank the Savior  
Because You healed my heart You changed my name  
Forever free I'm not the same  
I thank the Master I thank the Savior I thank God  
Hell lost another one I am free I am free I am free  
Hell lost another one I am free I am free I am free  
Hell lost another one I am free I am free I am free  
Hell lost another one I am free I am free  
You picked me up You turned me around  
And placed my feet on solid ground  
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