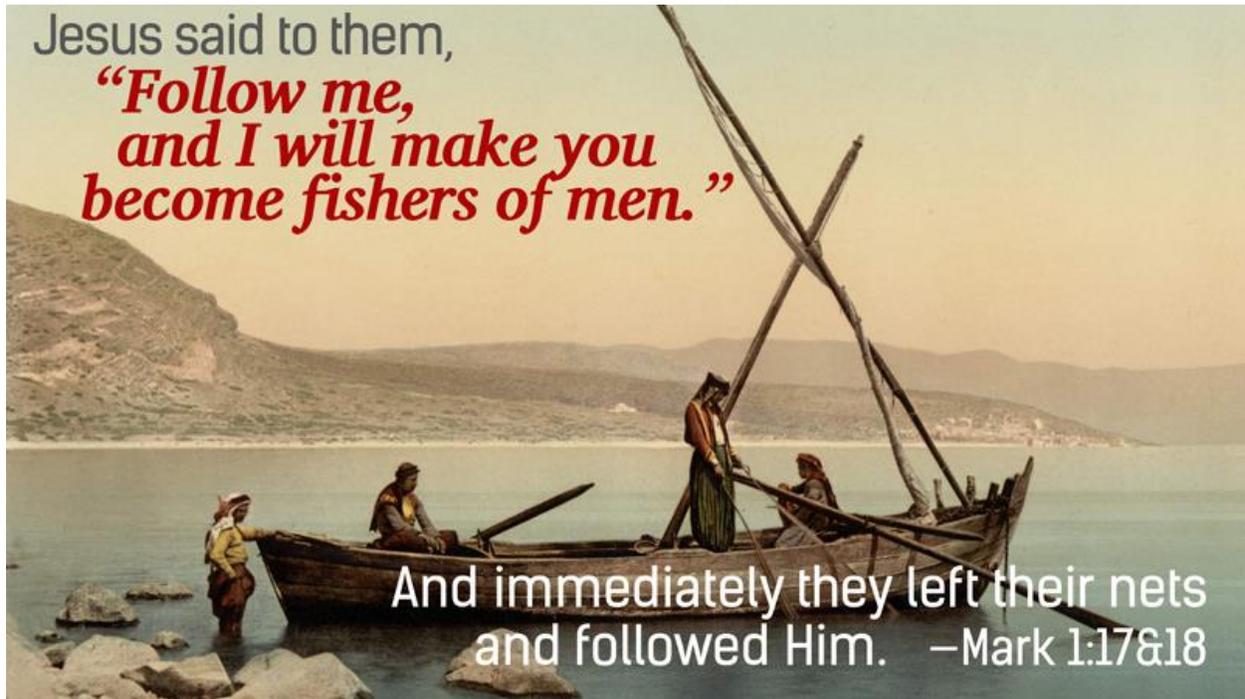


# OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH

February 6, 2022 – Fifth Sunday after Epiphany



Thought: The fifth Sunday after Epiphany continues to highlight unlikely instruments and circumstances appointed to reveal God’s glory. “Who will go for us?” God asks. A person of unclean lips, a former persecutor of the church of God, and three fishermen who couldn’t catch a thing.

More surprising still, perhaps, is that we are also called! To say – “Here I am send me,” is obedience, stepping out and yes, risk. We are who we are, but God wants us also to be His “instrument” for others. It’s not what we know, but WHOSE we are.

## Prelude

## Welcome and Announcements

## Prayer Concerns

## Sharing of the Peace

## Call to Worship

A: As the Lord has done so many times before,

**C: he calls forgiven people like us to be ambassadors.**

A: As so many followers have done before,

**C: may we respond to his call saying, "Here I am! Send me!"**

A: As time spreads before us,

**C: may our eyes be open to the opportunities we have to share the Gospel with others.**

A: And as more people seek to know the Lord,

**C: may news of him be made known to them all, so that they, too, may know the joy of the Lord.**

## Gathering Hymn – "Here I Am Lord" ELW 574

<https://youtu.be/EcxOkht8w7c>

Here I Am Lord – Eric Tom

## Invocation

### Prayer of Confession and Forgiveness

P: God is light; in him there is no darkness at all.

**C: If we walk in the light as God is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ, God's Son, cleanses us from all sin.**

P: The Lord of hosts who calls us is the holy, holy, holy One, and we are people of unclean lips.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination*

P: Almighty God,

**C: You dwell in light unapproachable. Unprotected, we perish in your presence. For our hearts are darkened, our minds beclouded; we have loved darkness rather than the light.**

P: Jesus Christ is the light of the world, the light no darkness can overcome.

**C: For his sake we beg forgiveness.**

P: For his sake God hears your prayer. Your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.

**C: We have seen the Lord's glory; we have heard the Lord's voice.**

P: Walk, then, as children of light, in the name of the Father and of the +Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

### Greeting

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

**C: And also with you.**

### Kyrie

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**Amen and Amen.**

### Hymn of Praise – “Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God Almighty” ELW 413 vs. 1

*Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.  
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!*

## Prayer of the Day

A: Most holy God, the earth is filled with your glory, and before you angels and saints stand in awe.

**C: Enlarge our vision to see your power at work in the world, and by your grace make us heralds of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.  
Amen.**

## The Word

### Old Testament reading – Isaiah 6:1-8 (9-13)

*Isaiah says, Here am I; send me*

<sup>1</sup>In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. <sup>2</sup>Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. <sup>3</sup>And one called to another and said:

“Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory.” <sup>4</sup>The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. <sup>5</sup>And I said: “Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!” <sup>6</sup>Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. <sup>7</sup>The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: “Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.” <sup>8</sup>Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” And I said, “Here am I; send me!” [<sup>9</sup>And he said, “Go and say to this people: ‘Keep listening, but do not comprehend; keep looking, but do not understand.’<sup>10</sup>Make the mind of this people dull, and stop their ears, and shut their eyes, so that they may not look with their eyes, and listen with their ears, and comprehend with their minds, and turn and be healed.”<sup>11</sup>Then I said, “How long, O Lord?” And he said: “Until cities lie waste without inhabitant, and houses without people, and the land is utterly desolate;<sup>12</sup>until the LORD sends everyone far away, and vast is the emptiness in the midst of the land.<sup>13</sup>Even if a tenth part remain in it, it will be

burned again, like a terebinth or an oak whose stump remains standing when it is felled.” The holy seed is its stump.)

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 138**

*I will bow down toward your holy temple*

<sup>1</sup>I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with my whole heart;  
before the gods I will sing your praise.

<sup>2</sup>**I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name, because of your steadfast love and faithfulness; for you have glorified your name and your word above all things.**

<sup>3</sup>When I called, you answered me, you increased my strength within me.

<sup>4</sup>**All the rulers of the earth will praise you, O LORD, when they have heard the words of your mouth.**

<sup>5</sup>They will sing of the ways of the LORD, that great is the glory of the LORD.

<sup>6</sup>**The LORD is high, yet cares for the lowly, perceiving the haughty from afar.**

<sup>7</sup>Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me.

<sup>8</sup>**You will make good your purpose for me; O LORD, your steadfast love endures forever; do not abandon the works of your hands.**

**Epistle reading – 1 Corinthians 15:1-11**

*For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received*

<sup>1</sup>Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand,  
<sup>2</sup>through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain. <sup>3</sup>For I

handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, <sup>4</sup>and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, <sup>5</sup>and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. <sup>6</sup>Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. <sup>7</sup>Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. <sup>8</sup>Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. <sup>9</sup>For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. <sup>10</sup>But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. <sup>11</sup>Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

### **Gospel Acclamation:**

P: Lord, to whom shall we go?

C: **You have the words of eternal life.**

### **Holy Gospel – Luke 5:1-11**

*Jesus calls the disciples to fish for people*

<https://youtu.be/Em4vaThaoDs>

The Holy Gospel according to Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, <sup>2</sup>he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. <sup>3</sup>He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. <sup>4</sup>When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, “Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch.” <sup>5</sup>Simon answered, “Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets.” <sup>6</sup>When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. <sup>7</sup>So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help

them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. <sup>8</sup>But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" <sup>9</sup>For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; <sup>10</sup>and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." <sup>11</sup>When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

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

**Stories for children**

[https://youtu.be/o7Q\\_DhQNLW8](https://youtu.be/o7Q_DhQNLW8)

**Homily – “Yes,” to God’s very general  
‘I could ask you to do anything’ call”**

<https://youtu.be/Pv-mSW9-aSc>

**Hymn of the Day – “Will You Come and Follow Me” ELW 798**

<https://youtu.be/o469PRLdbHU>

Will You Come and Follow Me – The Summons

**2<sup>nd</sup> Article of the Nicene Creed**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
and became truly human.  
**Amen.**

## Prayers of Intercession

P: The Spirit of the Lord is poured out upon us in abundance; so we are bold to pray for the church, the world, and all that God has made.

*A brief silence.*

A: Equip your church to proclaim the good news that we have first received: the forgiveness and grace shown to us through Jesus Christ. Send us out as apostles, sharing the hope of your salvation with a waiting world. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

A: Holy are you, O God of hosts. Heaven and earth are filled with your glory. Reveal your splendor in fiery sunsets and in deep blue twilights. Teach us to recognize you in the beauty of our natural world. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

A: Soften the hearts of rulers and governments that they perceive and tend to the needs of their people. Remove corruption and the impulse toward violence. Protect first responders and military personnel who risk their lives in service of others. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

A: Your steadfast love endures forever; do not abandon those who look to you for hope and healing. Bless doctors, nurses, social workers, therapists, and all caregivers. Draw near to those who are scared, sick, or in pain (*especially*). God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

A: The disciples received help from partners as they brought in an abundant catch of fish. So strengthen this congregation's partnerships with community organizations and ministries (*especially*). Multiply our shared efforts and bring joy to our relationships. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

A: We give thanks for our ancestors in faith who boldly answered your call. By their example give us courage to live in faith and to proclaim your mercy until the day that you gather us into your glory. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: Since we have such great hope in your promises, O God, we lift these and all of our prayers to you in confidence and faith; through Jesus Christ our Savior.

**Amen.**

## Offering

### Offertory Prayer

A: By your grace we have been granted all things.

**C: Accept now, Lord, these humble gifts.**

A: And with them accept our lives of ever-streaming praise,

**C: that we might be bold to troll the rivers of peoples, the tributaries of future generations, the seas of nations. Make us, Lord, good fishers of people.**

A: Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

### The Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: 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**

### Preface

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise...

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world. Breathe new life into us. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love.

**C: Come Holy Spirit.**

**“Here is Bread” ELW #483**

<https://youtu.be/GgysV3EzKas>

Here is Bread – Chet Valley Churches

## Words of Institution

### The 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,  
the power and the glory,  
for ever and ever.  
Amen.

### Distribution

### Music for Communion

### Post Communion Blessing – Pastor

### Post Communion Prayer

A: Lord Jesus Christ, what sort of fisherman are you? You have set the hook, you have reeled us in, you have netted us and gathered us together.

**C: Yet you allow us, your catch, to feast on you! We thank you for this gift of life.**

A: Now open us to your call to go out.

**C: “Here we are, Lord; send us.”**

A: We praise you now and evermore.

**C: Amen.**

### Benediction – Numbers 6

## Sending Hymn – “Jesus Calls Us; o’er the Tumult” ELW #696

<https://youtu.be/zl2m9JHwaSA>

Jesus Calls Us; o’er the Tumult – Leeds Episcopal Church

### **Dismissal**

A: Go in peace. Share the good news.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### **Postlude**

