

# ***LUTHERAN CHAPEL***



**Genesis 32:22-32 and Luke 5:1-11**

***"Fishers of People"***

**ANTECOMMUNION  
5TH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY  
FEBRUARY 9, 2025**

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**LUTHERAN CHAPEL  
SERVICE OF ANTE COMMUNION**

*BOLD indicates congregational responses - \* Indicates that all who are able should stand to honor God.*

**GATHER**

**PRELUDE**

*"O Salutaris Hostia"*

Alex Guilmont

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P: In the name of the Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

*Matthew 28:19b*

**C: Amen.**

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

*1 John 1:8-9*

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P: Let us recite the gift of the Ten Commandments and the Great Commandment and use these teachings to examine our lives.

**THE TEN COMMANDMENTS**

*Exodus 20:1-17*

- 1. You shall have no other gods.**
- 2. You shall not make wrongful use of the Name of the LORD your God.**
- 3. Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.**
- 4. Honor your father and mother.**
- 5. You shall not murder.**
- 6. You shall not commit adultery.**
- 7. You shall not steal.**
- 8. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.**
- 9. You shall not covet your neighbor's house.**
- 10. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife or (husband).**

**THE GREAT COMMANDMENT**

*Mark 12:28-31*

**You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength...you shall love your neighbor as yourself.**

P: Let us kneel or sit for a time of silent confession and self-examination.

P: Most merciful God,

**C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by His authority. I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

\*THE APOSTOLIC GREETING

2 Corinthians 13:13

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.

\*THE KYRIE

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\*GLORY TO GOD

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\*PRAYER OF THE DAY

(In Unison)

P: The Lord be with you. C: And also with you.

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

WORD

MESSAGE FOR ALL OF GOD'S PEOPLE

All who want to come forward for the Message are welcome to do so.

STORY OF SALVATION LESSON

GENESIS 32:22-32

<sup>22</sup>The same night he got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. <sup>23</sup>He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. <sup>24</sup>Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. <sup>25</sup>When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. <sup>26</sup>Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." <sup>27</sup>So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." <sup>28</sup>**Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed."** <sup>29</sup>Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. <sup>30</sup>So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." <sup>31</sup>The sun rose upon him as he passed Peniel, limping because of his hip. <sup>32</sup>Therefore to this day the Israelites do not eat the thigh muscle that is on the hip socket, because he struck Jacob on the hip socket at the thigh muscle.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

STORY OF SALVATION TIMELINE

The timeline below offers an overview of the Story of Salvation lesson from Genesis to Revelation. The + marks where we are now. Memory verse is in bold.

Creation : Fall : **Promise** : Exodus : Conquest : Judges: Kings and Prophets : Exile :  
Restoration : 2<sup>nd</sup> Temple : **JESUS** : +Apostles : Last Day : New Creation

## PSALM 138



- <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.

### *Refrain*

- <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.

### *Refrain*

## SECOND LESSON

## 1 CORINTHIANS 15:1-11

<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.

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*John 6:68*

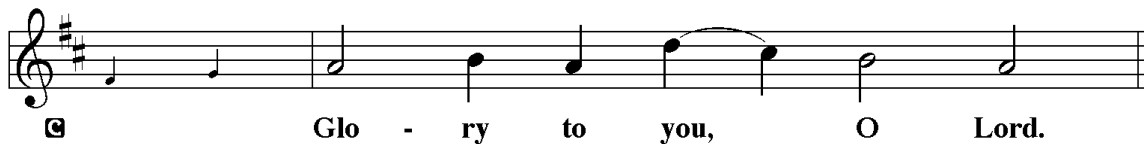
**Alleluia. Lord to who shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.**

**\*GOSPEL**

**LUKE 5:1-11**

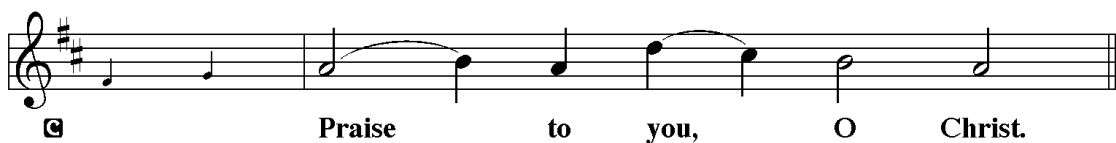
*Those who are able may stand to honor Christ during the reading of the Gospel.*

Response after the announcement:



<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.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.



**On Jacob's New Name - Israel  
To Be Fishers of People**

*The Law is an aspect in the Word that shows our brokenness, sin and need for Jesus' saving power: Do we fish for people at all? Or do I just keep the good news and gifts of God to myself?*

*The Gospel is an aspect in the Word that gives strength, wisdom and hope in Jesus' ultimate saving power: The LORD calls us to fish giving us the privilege and opportunity to catch people from the mess of this world for the peace of His eternal Kingdom.*

*So What?* Invite family, a friend, a neighbor, an acquaintance to worship with you and receive the gifts of God's Word. Recognize spiritual wrestling is part of following Christ – where have you wrestled? With what are you wrestling now?

**\*HYMN OF THE DAY**     *"Will You Come and Follow Me", The Summons*

**ELW #798**

**\*THE APOSTLES' CREED**

*All are invited to confess our faith in God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. If you have not received the gift of baptism or would like to affirm your faith in Jesus and join His mission here, please indicate on the attendance registry and talk to an usher or the pastor.*

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.**

**The third day He rose again from the dead.**

**He ascended into heaven and**

**sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.**

**From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,**

**the holy Christian Church,**

**the communion of saints,**

**the forgiveness of sins,**

**the resurrection of the body**

**and the life + everlasting. Amen.**

**\*THE SHARING OF THE PEACE**

*Philippians 4:7*

P: The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

**TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

*Malachi 3:10, Matthew 23:23, 2 Corinthians 9:7-8*

**MUSICAL OFFERING**

*"Prayer for Guidance"*

Alan Pote

**\*OFFERTORY**

*"Create in Me a Clean Heart"*

*Psalm 51:10-1*

**Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.  
Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.  
Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.**

**\*THE OFFERTORY PRAYER**

*(In Unison)*

**C: Blessed are You, O God, maker of all things. Through Your goodness You have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered in feeding the world with Your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

*1 Timothy 2:1-4*

AM: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

*A brief silence may be kept. Each prayer will conclude: Lord in Your mercy, and the congregation may respond* **Hear our prayers.**

*Prayers are commended in Jesus' Name.*

AM: All these prayers and whatever else You see that we need we ask in the Name of Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

**\*THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*Matthew 6:9-13*

AM: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

**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.**

**SENDING**

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*RECESSIONAL HYMN**

*"Holy God, We Praise Your Name"*

**ELW #414**

**\*DISMISSAL**

P: Go in peace, serve the Lord!

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**

*"Allegro"*

*Robert J. Powell*



**OUR ALTAR FLOWERS** are given by her children in memory of Othell Carpenter

**THOSE SERVING AT LUTHERAN CHAPEL TODAY**

Ministers.....	People of Lutheran Chapel
Pastor.....	Michael Comer
Administrative Assistant.....	Susan Hibschi
Director of Music Ministries.....	Kathie Riebe
Choir Accompanist.....	Anna Gilreath
Assistant Minister.....	Adam DeLuca
Lector.....	Maddie Potter
Acolyte.....	Luke Hoffman
Crucifer.....	Maddie Potter
Head Ushers.....	Steve Clark and Ervin Hoffman
First Aid/AED/CPR.....	Ervin Hoffman
Council Members of the Month.....	Perry Linkous and Seth Myers





# Upcoming EVENTS

**GENERAL INFORMATION:** If your family is in need of a **nursery** attendant during the 10:00 service, please let our ushers know and they will contact one of our attendants. **Restrooms** are located on the bottom floor of the Sanctuary. Additional restrooms are located in the Educational Building and *do not require the use of stairs*. If needed, please see an usher for assistance in locating them.

**TO GIVE TITHES AND OFFERINGS ONLINE:** This QR code goes straight to the “Easy Tithe” page on the website that accepts tithes and offerings electronically.



**LOVE OFFERING FOR FEBRUARY:** The love offering for February will go to the **Backpack Weekend Food Program**. For the past 13 years Lutheran Chapel Church along with other partners have helped the BWFP provide more than 2 million meals to needy students in Gaston County. Recent studies indicate nearly 31 percent of children in Gaston County live in low-income households with nearly 16 percent of children in our county living in households without a reliable source of food to eat. At the present we at Lutheran Chapel are providing food for 10 children at Robinson Elementary and 3 children at Hawks Nest. We supply this food for \$341 per child per school year. Please consider a gift to the February Love Offering so that we can continue to provide food for these children.

**THE SOUPER BOWL OF CARING:** This is a time to support local charity as many celebrate Super Bowl Sunday. We will be raising funds for the Back Weekend Food Program. The youth of the fellowship will have signs for the two teams this year (not the Panther’s unfortunately) for anyone who chooses to give a gift. Contribute to the team you are pulling for in the game.

**CLOTHING GIVEAWAY:** The next clothing giveaway will be on **Saturday, February 22** from **9 am-12 pm**. This will be the last winter giveaway.

**SHROVE TUESDAY:** The Men of the Church will be sponsoring a pancake supper on **Tuesday, March 4** at the Family Life Center beginning at 6 pm. This supper will be held in conjunction with Shrove Tuesday. Pastor Comer will have a brief presentation explaining the origin of Shrove Tuesday and its meaning.

**GASTONIA LIONS CLUB:** There will be a donation box beside the CAM box for used, no longer needed eyeglasses, hearing aids, and cell phones. Thank you!

**CRISIS ASSISTANCE MINISTRIES:** Please remember that we will continue to collect food for the Crisis Assistance Ministry throughout the year. You may place food in the blue collection box in the hallway near our fellowship hall and in the CAM basket in the narthex of the sanctuary. The Social Ministry team will deliver to CAM when the box is full – so keep us busy! Thank you so much!

**CONCORDIA CHOIR:** The world-renowned Concordia Choir of Moorhead, Minnesota, under the direction of Dr. Michael Culloton, will perform in Charlotte at First United Methodist Church on Sunday, March 2 at 4 p.m. and in Spartanburg at First Presbyterian Church on Tuesday, March 4 at 7 p.m. From the music of J.S. Bach to familiar hymn arrangements, The Concordia Choir will amaze you with their technical mastery and incredible sound. Visit [ConcordiaTickets.com](http://ConcordiaTickets.com) for more information.

# *Weekly* **CALENDAR**



<b>Sunday, February 9</b>	8:30 am	Fellowship
	9:00 am	Sunday School
	10:00 am	Worship (Sanctuary)
	11:00 am	Confirmation
	11:30 am	Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)
	8:00 pm	Faith Group (Fellowship Hall)
<b>Monday, February 10</b>	8:30 am	Preschool
	6-9:30 pm	Via De Cristo
<b>Tuesday, February 11</b>	8:30 am	Preschool
	10:00 am	Clothing Closet Workday
	5:30 pm	Chapel Ringers (Sanctuary)
<b>Wednesday, February 12</b>	8:30 am	Preschool
	7:00 pm	Vespers (Chapel)
<b>Thursday, February 13</b>	8:30 am	Preschool
	9:00 am	Bible Study (Library)
<b>Friday, February 14</b>	9:00 am	Men's Community Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)
<b>Saturday, February 15</b>	9:30 am	Hungry Peeps in (Fellowship Hall)

# Let's **PRAY**



**DAILY PRAYER - A HOME ALTAR ALTERS THE HOME!:** Sunrise, noon, sunset and at meals are times for daily prayer (*Psalm 1, 55:17*). *May God bless you as you turn to Him day by day.*

## **THE BIBLE IN A YEAR - Week 6—February 9 to February 16, 2025**

02/09 Morning Reading: Matthew 25:1-30—Evening Reading: Leviticus 6, 7

02/10 Morning Reading: Matthew 25:31-46—Evening Reading: Leviticus 8, 9, 10

02/11 Morning Reading: Matthew 26:1-25—Evening Reading: Leviticus 11, 12

02/12 Morning Reading: Matthew 26:26-50—Evening Reading: Leviticus 13

02/13 Morning Reading: Matthew 26:51-75—Evening Reading: Leviticus 14

02/14 Morning Reading: Matthew 27:1-26—Evening Reading: Leviticus 15, 16

02/15 Morning Reading: Matthew 27:27-50—Evening Reading: Leviticus 17, 18

02/16 Morning Reading: Matthew 27:51-66—Evening Reading: Leviticus 19, 20

**This QR** code goes straight to the Daily prayers page on the website that lists the commemorations and Psalms appointments for the week.



**PRAYER LIST FOR FELLOWSHIP:** Braylon Beam, Ron Behringer, Steve Bell, Pauline Bradley, Shirley Bradley, Buddy Carothers, Miles Carpenter, Renee Dockery, Kathy Finch, Baker Hampton, Nancy Homovich, Barbara Peacock, Trish Ratchford, Doug Rhyne, Kay Robinson, Pat & Barbara Robinson, **Joe Veale**, and Gene & **Myra Weaver**.

**FRIENDS OF THE FELLOWSHIP:** John Austin, Kyle Banes, Rick Belton, Kathy Bradley, Peggy Button, Deborah Carpenter, Jeff Cobb, Zandra Chavis, Doris Coggins, Tucker Doyne, Jameson Franklin, Jerry Green, Jennifer Hart, Sherry McCart, Bobby Myers, Paul Nordberg, Rita Pasour, **Park Peak**, Dillard Phillips, Josie Putnam, Joye Rankin, Randy Reel, Bill Riddle, Morgan Rosser, Dorothy Slessman, “Spike” Stevens, Christy Carpenter Smith, Charlene Sorenson, Judy Turner, Becky Van Dyke, Jimmy Watlington, Jennifer Widner, and recovery in the North Carolina mountains.

*To share concerns and updates for the prayer list you can contact the church office (704-864-6491) or call/text Pastor Comer (704-787-6439)*

## **NEXT WEEK’S LESSONS**

**Wednesday, February 12 ~ Evening Prayer Service**

Psalm 57 “*Falling Into Traps*”

**Thursday, February 13 ~ Story of Salvation Bible Study**

Genesis 32:22-32 “On Israel”

**Sunday, February 16 ~ Holy Communion**

Genesis 37:12-35 and Luke 6:17-26



### **Relevance: Gift of the Apostles' Creed**

The Apostles' Creed is a confession of faith in God: Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit based on many Scripture texts. The Christian Church has used this confession at Holy Baptism since 150 AD or possibly earlier. The Creed is placed in the Holy Communion Service to constantly reaffirm our faith in the Triune God revealed by Jesus Sunday by Sunday until the Last Day comes.

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

**Scripture texts:** Genesis 1 and 2, Psalm 100, John 1

**Commentary:** God gives us the good creation, order and our very being.

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.  
The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven and  
sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**Scripture texts:** Isaiah 9 and 53, Daniel 7, Psalm 22, Mark 15 - 16, Acts 1, 1 Peter 3


**Commentary:** God redeems us from sin, death, and devil in Jesus Christ. God loves you and calls us to trust Him day by day that He will put all things right ultimately.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life + everlasting. Amen.**

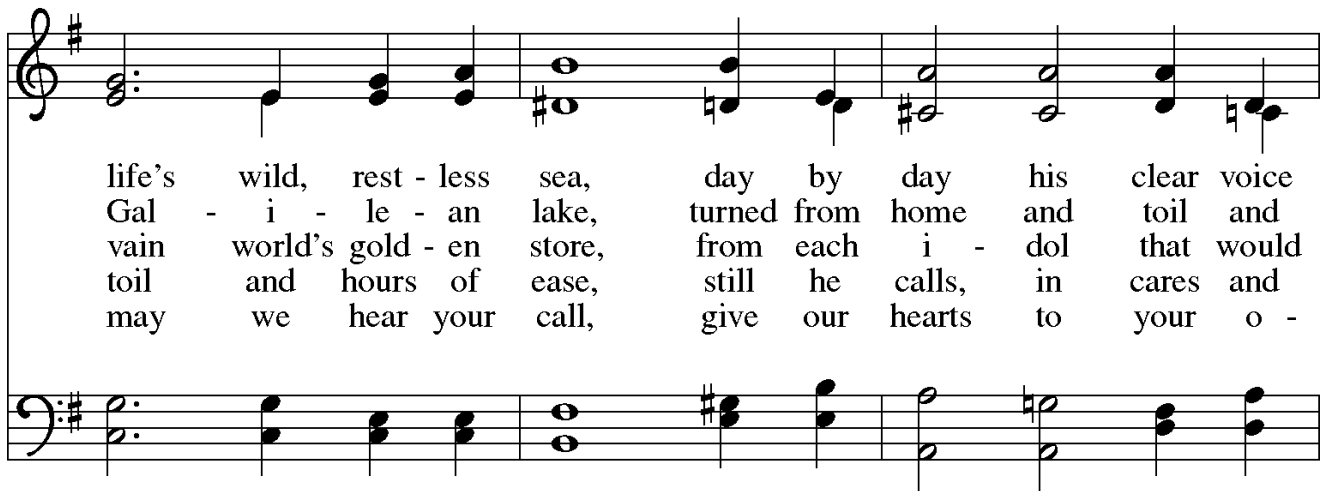
**Scripture texts:** Psalm 16, 1 Corinthians 15, Ephesians 4, Hebrews 11-12, Revelation 21-22

**Commentary:** God makes us holy by the gift of His Holy Spirit, gathers us as His Church, forgives our sins, and will bring us to the fulfillment of eternal life.

# Jesus Calls Us; o'er the Tumult



1 Je - sus calls us; o'er the tu - mult of our  
 2 As of old Saint An - drew heard it by the  
 3 Je - sus calls us from the wor - ship of the  
 4 In our joys and in our sor - rows, days of  
 5 Je - sus calls us! By your mer - cy, Sav - ior,



life's wild, rest - less sea, day by day his clear voice  
 Gal - i - le - an lake, turned from home and toil and  
 vain world's gold - en store, from each i - dol that would  
 toil and hours of ease, still he calls, in cares and  
 may we hear your call, give our hearts to your o -



sound - ing, say - ing, "Chris - tian, fol - low me":  
 kin - dred, leav - ing all for Je - sus' sake.  
 keep us, say - ing, "Chris - tian, love me more."  
 plea - sures, "Chris - tian, love me more than these."  
 be - dience, serve and love you best of all.

Text: Cecil Frances Alexander, 1818-1895  
 Music: GALILEE, William H. Jude, 1851-1922



# Holy God, We Praise Your Name

1 Ho - ly God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we  
 2 Hark! The glad ce - les - tial hymn an - gel choirs a -  
 3 Lo, the ap - os - tol - ic train join your sa - cred  
 4 Ho - ly Fa - ther, ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spir - it,

bow be - fore you. All on earth your scep - ter claim,  
 bove are rais - ing; cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim,  
 name to hal - low; proph - ets swell the glad re - frain,  
 three we name you, though in es - sence on - ly one;

all in heav'n a - bove a - dore you. In - fi - nite your  
 in un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing, fill the heav'ns with  
 and the white - robed mar - tyrs fol - low; and from morn to  
 un - di - vid - ed God we claim you and, a - dor - ing,

vast do - main, ev - er - last - ing is your reign.  
 sweet ac - cord: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!"  
 set of sun through the church the song goes on.  
 bend the knee while we own the mys - ter - y.

Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820-1900  
 Music: GROSSER GOTT, *Katholisches Gesangbuch*, Vienna, 1774