



# Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Immanuel Lutheran Church  
Forest City, Iowa

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*Building community in the name and likeness of Jesus Christ.*

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*Light shines in the darkness for the upright, the psalmist sings. Isaiah declares that when we loose the bonds of injustice and share our bread with the hungry, the light breaks forth like the dawn. In another passage from the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus, the light of the world, calls his followers to let the light of their good works shine before others. Through baptism we are sent into the world to shine with the light of Christ.*

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

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### PRELUDE

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who makes all things new, whose mercy endures forever.

**C: Amen.**

L: Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

L: Holy One, source of our renewal,

**C: we confess that we are wrapped up in sin, and cannot free ourselves. We have not practiced your righteousness. Our hearts have turned away from you. For the sake of the world you so love, forgive us, that we may be reconciled to one another for the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

L: Thus says our God: "The former things have come to pass and new things I now declare." God's mercy makes us new. We are forgiven in the name of † Christ our Savior.

**C: Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN: "**Rise, Shine, You People!**"

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### GREETING

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.**

### KYRIE

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HYMN OF PRAISE: "**Joyous Light of Heavenly Glory**"

#561 (vs. 1)

*Joyous light of heav'nly glory, loving glow of God'w own face,  
You who sing creation's story, shine on ev'ry land and race.  
Now as morning dawns upon us, we shall raise our songs to you.  
God of daybreak, God of shadows, come and light our hearts anew.*

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Lord God, with endless mercy you receive the prayers of all who call upon you. By your Spirit show us the things we ought to do, and give us the grace and power to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

FIRST READING: Isaiah 58:1-9a *The fast God chooses*

PSALM: Psalm 112:1-10 [read responsively by whole verse]

<sup>1</sup>Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the LORD  
and have great delight in God's commandments!

<sup>2</sup>**Their descendants will be mighty in the land;  
the generation of the upright will be blessed.**

<sup>3</sup>Wealth and riches will be in their house, and their righteousness will last forever.

<sup>4</sup>**Light shines in the darkness for the upright;  
the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.**

<sup>5</sup>It is good for them to be generous in lending  
and to manage their affairs with justice.

<sup>6</sup>**For they will never be shaken;  
the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.**

<sup>7</sup>They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; their heart is steadfast, trusting in the LORD.

<sup>8</sup>**Their heart is established and will not shrink,  
until they see their desire upon their enemies.**

<sup>9</sup>They have given freely to the poor, and their righteousness stands fast forever;  
they will hold up their head with honor.

<sup>10</sup>**The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth and pine away;  
the desires of the wicked will perish.**

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 2:1-12[13-16] *God's wisdom revealed through the Spirit*

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GOSPEL: Matthew 5:13-20 *The teaching of Christ: salt and light*

*Announcement: **Glory to you, O Lord.** Conclusion: **Praise to you, O Christ.***

CHILDREN'S SERMON / SERMON Pastor Rod

HYMN OF THE DAY: "**Jesus Calls Us; o'er the Tumult**" #696

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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION: *L: Merciful God, C: receive our prayer.*

**Ruby Sue** Albertsen

**Barb** Johnson

**Ashley** Rayhons

**Liam** Bartleson

**Sonja** Johnson

**Tim** Schmidt

**Hazel** Barloon

**Ron** Kvale

**Marge** Solberg

**Dorothy** Berg

**Jill** (Lewison) Nedved

**Jennie** Spencer

**Hayden** Despenas

**Stross** Newcom

**Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Magallanes**

**Clara** Eisenmann

**Lisa** Overlie

**Missionary Karen** Anderson

**Christa** Frank

**family of Max** Paulson

SHARING OF THE PEACE: *L: The peace of Christ be with you always. C: And also with you.*

OFFERING: "Shines the Light"

Choir

Piano: Riley Walton, acoustic guitar: Dave Melby, acoustic bass: Geno Lopes; keyboard violin: Tasha Banta

OFFERTORY: **"Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart"**

*Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One;*

*Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His son. [repeat 2 lines]*

*And now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am rich"*

*Because of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks.*

OFFERING PRAYER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

COMMUNION:

**"Lamb of God"**

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**"Lord Whose Love in Humble Service"**

#712

**"Let Justice Flow Like Streams"**

#717

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

SENDING HYMN: **"This Little Light of Mine"**

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BLESSING

DISMISSAL: Go in peace. Follow the way of Jesus.

**Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

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**Worship Participants:**

Assisting Minister: Olivia Banta

Altar Care: Jeanette Neuman

Greeter: Shirley Rollefson

Scripture Reader: Ken Hansen

Ushers: Jim Lund, Gary McCarthy, Tina Berg

Sound/Video Techs: Karl Wooldridge/Ken Ferjak

Piano/Organ: Audrey Olmstead

Song Leaders: Steve Olmstead, Cindi Lehmann

Communion Servers: Kathy Jerome, Melanie Westerberg, Katherine Squier

Communion Set Up: Ruth Melby

February Coffee: Do Day Group

**Today's worship is broadcast** at 11:00am over KLOW 107.3 FM. Broadcast is given in memory of Roger Schaefer from Mary Schaefer and family.