

January 14, 2024

Second Sunday after  
**Epiphany**  
Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church

**PRELUDE**

*Here I Am, Lord*

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. Let us confess our sin to God, who is faithful and just, and who has promised to forgive our sin and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for Reflection

Pastor: Most merciful God,

**All: have mercy on us.**

**We confess to you that 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 trusted you with our whole heart; we have not loved one another in deed and in truth. In your compassion, forgive our sin, and uphold us by your Spirit, that we may live and serve you in newness of life. Through Jesus Christ our light and our truth. Amen.**

Pastor: With joy, I proclaim to you that Almighty God, rich in mercy, abundant in love, forgives you all your sin and grants you newness of life in Jesus Christ.

All: Thanks be to God!

## **KYRIE & *Now the Feast***

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

## **WELCOME/LIFE IN COMMUNITY** [shephills.org/Events](http://shephills.org/Events)

Announcements: Realm and Installation Invite

## **SCRIPTURE READING...1 SAMUEL 3:1-10** NRSV

Assisting Minister: Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread. At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was.

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Then the LORD called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. The LORD called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again."

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Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy.

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Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place. Now the LORD came and stood there,

calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

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This is the Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

### **NTF: GOSPEL VERSE**

#### **GOSPEL VERSE...JOHN 1:43-51** NRSV

Leader: The Holy Gospel according to St. John.

**All: Glory to you, O Lord.**

The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter.

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Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see."

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When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!"

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Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

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This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**All: Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **MESSAGE** Joel Timmons

**HYMN OF THE DAY #574**      *Here I Am, Lord*

## **APOSTLES' CREED**

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*after each petition... Lord in your mercy,*

**All: Hear our prayer.**

## **SHARING OF THE PEACE**

**Pastor:**      The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**All:**            **And also with you.**

## **THANK OFFERING**

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- By mail, send to 3525 Bee Caves Rd, Austin, TX 78746



Passing of the plates

**OFFERING SONG NTF: *As the Grains of Wheat***

**OFFERING MUSIC** 10:45 Andrei Zimbalist

## **OFFERING PRAYER**

**Pastor:**      Let us pray. Merciful God,

**All:**            **everything in heaven and on earth belongs to you. We joyfully release what you have entrusted to us. May these gifts be signs of our whole lives returned to you, dedicated to the healing and unity of all creation, through Jesus Christ. Amen.**

## **NTF: GREAT THANKSGIVING**

## **NTF: PREFACE**

## **NTF: HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**

## **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

## **COMMUNION INVITATION**

As we celebrate this sacrament, all are invited to receive the  
Risen presence of Jesus.

*God is really present—in bread and wine—forgiving sins and promising  
new life.*

*Hear these words:*

*Bread/wafer— "The body of Christ given for you";*

*Wine— "The blood of Christ shed for you."*

## **NTF: *Lamb of God***

**COMMUNION MUSIC**    *Thee We Adore* arr. Ralph Johnson

10:45 Choir

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## **POST-COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER**

## **BENEDICTION**

## **SENDING SONG NTF: *Praise to You, O God of Mercy***

## **COMMISSIONING**

Assisting Minister: "Come and see." May we invite others to bear witness to what God is doing as we go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**All:**            **Thanks be to God, and we WILL!**

## POSTLUDE

## *Toccata in C* Johann Pachelbel

### PRAYERS

**We pray** for Rodney Varner, Dale Petersen, Betty Lueders and Anita Knight.

**God of new life**, we give thanks for the birth of Huck Alexander Dawson, son of Brian and Jessica, grandson of Bill and Sara, niece of Doug and Sara. We pray for Huck to grow in faith, hope, and love throughout his life. Use us to surround Huck with your love.

**We pray** for Joan Byrne on the death of her father, Craig Johnson. Give peace and comfort to Joan, Clay, Chris, and all the family as they grieve this loss, and may the promise of resurrection be our hope.

**God of Unity**, we thank you for the many different people and perspectives that fill your world and our lives each day. We pray that our church may continue to live out true inclusion of all people, and that the welcoming love of Jesus may always be our message. As the root of conflict is so often misunderstanding and judgment of others, may we be instruments of your peace as you open our minds and hearts to see every person as your beloved.

**Holy God**, as war has once again broken out in the Holy Land, we lift to you prayers for peace and resolution to this age-old conflict among your people. Draw near to the victims, and inspire leaders to seek your will and your guidance.

**Almighty God**, you inspire and equip us to serve your people, both here in our community and around the world. We thank you for our mission partners of Austin City Lutherans and the ministries of Mariposa Family Learning Center, Bread for All, and Upbring Ministries. We thank you for our sister congregation in Aurora 8 de Octubre, Guatemala, and the ministry of ILAG. We thank you for the mission of Charis in Haiti. We thank you for our Butterfly Christian Preschool and the many young minds and hearts that are formed in faith here. May we be your hands and feet!

*\*Prayers for family and friends are listed for 2 weeks,  
unless we are notified otherwise.*

## **WORSHIP TEAM**

<b>Pastor</b>	Pr. Lauren Dow Wegner
<b>Director of Worship/Arts</b>	Kevin McClure
<b>Accompanist</b>	Andrei Zimbalist
<b>Acolyte (8:15), (10:45)</b>	
<b>Altar Steward (8:15)</b>	Sandy Wikelius; (10:45) Linda Roesle
<b>Assisting Minister (8:15)</b>	Larry Wikelius; (10:45) Alana Oehler
<b>AV</b>	Bill Dawson, Dave Wegner, Pete Forsberg, Jamie Nichols, Peter Walsh, Jonathan Wolff, Erin Courtney, Devon Schueppert and Vince Yokubaitis
<b>Bread</b>	Kitt Richter
<b>Communion Assistant (8:15)</b>	Sandy and Larry Wikelius, Joel Timmons; (10:45) Alana and Charlie Oehler, Linda Roesle
<b>Food For Fellowship</b>	Linda Roesle and Cathy Thompson
<b>Hosts/Tellers (8:15)</b>	Terrie Thomas, Kitt Richter; (10:45) Donna Auby, Pam and Jeff Petterson
<b>Admin &amp; Community Life Coordinator</b>	Amanda Forsberg
<b>Campus Superintendent</b>	Philip Perry
<b>Children's Ministry Coordinator</b>	Megan Getman
<b>Communications Director</b>	Dabney Gomes
<b>Digital Ministry &amp; IT</b>	Dave Wegner
<b>Executive Director</b>	Bill Dawson
<b>Finance Controller</b>	Kevin Marlow
<b>Program Ministry Coordinator</b>	Joel Timmons
<b>Spiritual Wellness and Spiritual Director</b>	Rebecca Guengerich

***HAVE A BLESSED WEEK!***

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