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PRELUDE Aria, (op. 51) – Flor Peeters

GATHERING

WELCOME & PARISH NOTICES

CONFESS AND FORGIVENESS

C: Amen.

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GATHERING HYMN Arise, Your Light Has Come # 314

Arise, your light has come!
The Spirit's call obey;
show forth the glory of your God
which shines on you today.

Arise, your light has come!
Fling wide the prison door;
proclaim the captive's liberty,
good tidings to the poor.

Arise, your light has come!
All you in sorrow born,
bind up the brokenhearted ones
and comfort those who mourn.

Arise, your light has come!
The mountains burst in song!
Rise up like eagles on the wing,
God's pow'r will make us strong.

GREETING **And also with you.**

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KYRIE AND CANTICLE OF PRAISE

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Amen.

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WORD

First Reading: Isaiah 49:1-7

¹ Listen to me, O coastlands;
pay attention, you peoples from far away!
The Lord called me before I was born;
while I was in my mother's womb he named me.

² He made my mouth like a sharp sword;
in the shadow of his hand he hid me;
he made me a polished arrow;
in his quiver he hid me away.

³ And he said to me, "You are my servant,
Israel, in whom I will be glorified."

⁴ But I said, "I have labored in vain;
I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity;
yet surely my cause is with the Lord
and my reward with my God."

⁵ And now the Lord says,
who formed me in the womb to be his servant,
to bring Jacob back to him,
and that Israel might be gathered to him,
for I am honored in the sight of the Lord,
and my God has become my strength—

⁶ he says,
"It is too light a thing that you should be my servant
to raise up the tribes of Jacob
and to restore the survivors of Israel;
I will give you as a light to the nations,
that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth."

(continued...)

⁷ Thus says the Lord,
the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One,
to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations,
the slave of rulers,
“Kings shall see and stand up;
princes, and they shall prostrate themselves,
because of the Lord, who is faithful,
the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.”

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: 40:1-11

¹ I waited patiently up-¹ on the LORD,
who stooped to me and ¹ heard my cry.

² **The LORD lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the ¹ miry clay,
and set my feet upon a high cliff, making my ¹ footing sure.**

³ The LORD put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise ¹ to our God;
many shall see, and stand in awe, and put their trust ¹ in the LORD.

⁴ **Happy are they who trust ¹ in the LORD!
They do not turn to enemies or to those who ¹ follow lies. R**

⁵ Great are the wonders you have done, O LORD my God! In your plans for us,
none can be com-¹ pared with you!

Oh, that I could make them known and tell them! But they are more than ¹ I
can count.

⁶ **Sacrifice and offering you do ¹ not desire;
you have opened my ears: burnt-offering and sin-offering you
have ¹ not required. R**

(continued...)

⁷ And so I said, “Here I ¹ am; I come.
In the scroll of the book it is writ- ¹ ten of me:

⁸ ‘I love to do your will, ¹ O my God;
your law is ¹ deep within me.’ ”

⁹ I proclaimed righteousness in the ¹ great assembly;
I have not restrained my lips, O ¹ LORD, you know.

¹⁰ I have not hidden your righteousness in my heart; I have spoken of your faithfulness and ¹ your deliverance;
I have not concealed your steadfast love and truth from the ¹ great assembly.

¹¹ You are the LORD; do not withhold your compas- ¹ sion from me;
may your steadfast love and your truth continually ¹ keep me safe. R

SECOND READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 1:1-9

¹ Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes,

² To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours:

³ Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴ I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, ⁵ for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind ⁶ just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you ⁷ so that you are not lacking in any gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁸ He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹ God is faithful, by whom you were called into the partnership of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

(sung)

L: The Holy Gospel according to...

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

GOSPEL: JOHN 1:29-42

²⁹ [John the Baptist] saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!” ³⁰ This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’ ³¹ I myself did not know him, but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.” ³² And John testified, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. ³³ I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ ³⁴ And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Chosen One.”

³⁵ The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, ³⁶ and as he watched Jesus walk by he exclaimed, “Look, here is the Lamb of God!” ³⁷ The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. ³⁸ When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, “What are you looking for?” They said to him, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?” ³⁹ He said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon. ⁴⁰ One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. ⁴¹ He first found his brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated Anointed). ⁴² He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas” (which is translated Peter).

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY Jesus Calls Us, O'er The Turm

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Jesus calls us; o'er the tumult
of our life's wild, restless sea,
day by day his clear voice sounding,
saying, "Christian, follow me":

As of old Saint Andrew heard it
by the Galilean lake,
turned from home and toil and kindred,
leaving all for Jesus' sake.

Jesus calls us from the worship
of the vain world's golden store,
from each idol that would keep us,
saying, "Christian, love me more."

In our joys and in our sorrows,
days of toil and hours of ease,
still he calls, in cares and pleasures,
"Christian, love me more than these."

Jesus calls us! By your mercy,
Savior, may we hear your call,
give our hearts to your obedience,
serve and love you best of all.

Text: Cecil Frances Alexander, 1818-1895

APOSTLES CREED

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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

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L: Merciful God, C: receive our prayer.

THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

MEAL

OFFERING

OFFERTORY HYMN To God Our Thanks We Give # 682

GREAT THANKSGIVING PG. 190

SANCTUS **Holy, Holy, Holy Lord** (*sung*) PG. 190

THE LORD'S PRAYER PG. 191

COMMUNION PG. 191

AGNUS DEI **Lamb Of God** (*sung*)

O Lord, now let your servant
depart in heav'ly peace,
for I have seen the glory
of your redeeming grace:
a light to lead the Gentiles
unto your holy hill,
the glory of your people,
your chosen Israel.

Then grant that I may follow
your gleam, O glorious Light,
till earthly shadows scatter,
and faith is changed to sight;
till raptured saints shall gather
upon that shining shore,
where Christ, the blessed daystar,
shall light them evermore.

Text: Ernest E. Ryden, 1886-1981, alt.
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SENDING

BLESSING

Amen.

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SENDING HYMN

We Are Marching In The Light Of God

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We are marching in the light of God,
we are marching in the light of God.
We are marching in the light of God,
we are marching in the light of God.

We are marching, (marching, we are marching, marching,)
we are marching in the light of God.

We are marching, (marching, we are marching, marching,)
we are marching in the light of God.

Text: South African traditional; tr. *Freedom Is Coming*, 1984
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DISMISSAL L: Go in peace, serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Siyahamba (*We Are Marching in the Light Of God*) -

arr.

John A. Behnke

IN OUR PRAYERS

If you or a family member is going into hospital, please let us know so that a Pastor can plan to visit.

We pray for those in our community especially Geraldine Wigelsworth, Teresa Hamilton, Rosemary Christensen, Jean Krautner, Mary Anne Stewart, Kathy Hough, Don Cook, Nancy Hickling, Barb Hamilton and Fred Schmidt.

We also pray for healing and comfort for those close to our congregation as we name - Deborah & Bobby, daughter and son of Sharon Mantle, Edward Schmidt, brother of Fred; Mavis Copeman, sister of Jean Hohnstein, Steve Hodgins and Margy Mantz, wife of Pastor Frank Mantz.

We pray for Bishop Carla Blakley and the Eastern Synod Office and Support Staff.

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PARISH NOTICES

WELCOME We are happy that you have chosen to join us today. You have increased our joy with your presence, and we hope you will return again soon.

OUR THANKS to Pastor Paul Sodtke for his leadership this morning.

FLOWER CHART If you would like to provide flowers for the altar on a specific day, please add your name to the sign-up sheet next to the Pastor's office.

THE ANNUAL LUTHERAN SOCIAL SERVICES (LONDON) MEET AND GREET will be held Today, Sunday January 18th at 2 pm at Trinity Lutheran Church. All are welcome to come and hear speakers from four of the agencies that LSSL supported in 2025 and tell how this support served the citizens of London.

Anyone wishing to become a member of LSSL or wanting to learn more about its mission can contact Linda Reynolds at 519-432-4832.

THE MISSION STORE IS ASKING FOR DONATIONS of warm winter clothes, hoodies and footwear. Donations can be dropped off in the office with Angela.

MY SISTER'S PLACE Please leave donations at the My Sister's Place box in Koehler Hall. Some of the most needed items include toilet paper, paper towels, Kleenex, laundry detergent, hand soap, cleaning supplies, full sized toiletries, feminine hygiene products, granola bars, fruit cups and gift cards for grocery stores, Tim Hortons, Giant Tiger and pharmacies. Gift Cards can be left in the office with Angela.

ELEVATOR ASSISTANCE is now available before and after the service. Please ask the elevator host for assistance.

Celebrant: Pastor Paul Sodtke

Director of Music: Ross McDonald

Reader: Lydia Reinhard

Crucifer: George Cooper Jr

Acolyte: Kebbeh Cooper

Cantor: Wendy Inch

Communion Assistant: The Inch Family

Percussion: Rob Inch

Greeters: The Hinnah Family

Coffee Host: Linda Reynolds

Elevator Host: Alan Day