



“Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.”

John 1:51

Second Sunday after Epiphany

January 14, 2018

8:30 A.M. and 11:00 A.M.

All the baptized have a calling in God’s world. God calls not just the clergy but also the youngest child, like Samuel. The story of the calling of Nathanael plays with the idea of place. Nathanael initially dismisses Jesus because he comes from Nazareth. But where we come from isn’t important; it’s where—or rather whom—we come to. Jesus refers to the story of the vision of Jacob, who called the place of his vision “the house of God, and . . . the gate of heaven” (Gen. 28:17). Jesus says he himself is the place where Nathanael will meet God.

*The mission of Augsburg Evangelical Lutheran Church is to glorify God
by proclaiming the gospel of Jesus Christ through
worship, witness, education, service and fellowship.*

HOLY COMMUNION

Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW) Setting Three

✠ GATHERING ✠

ACCLAMATION

William Stevens

Alleluia. We have found the Messiah:
Jesus Christ, who brings us grace and truth. Alleluia.

OPENING VOLUNTARY Brightest and Best of the Stars

arr. Bruce Tippette

Adult Handbell Choir

We stand.

ACCLAMATION

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

We stand. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

In the name of the Father,
and of the ✠ Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hid:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you
and worthily magnify your holy name,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,

**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.

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.

Amen.

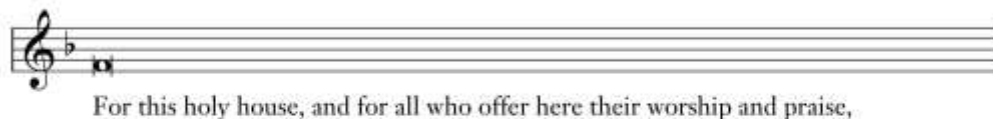
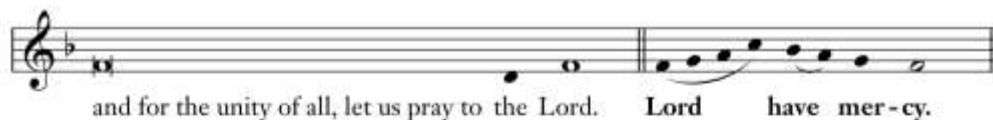
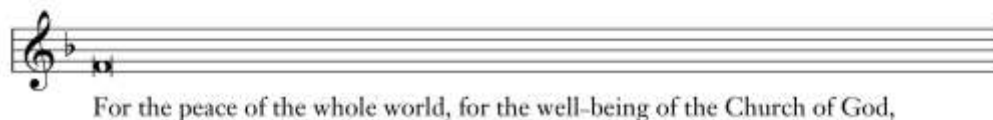
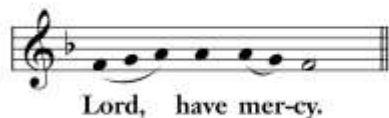
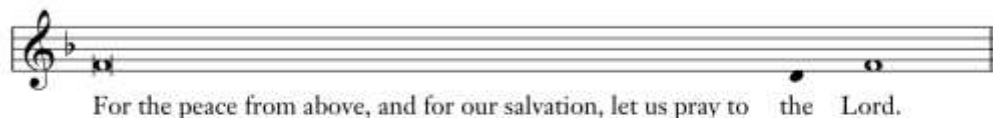
The assembly turns to face the cross as it enters the sanctuary, following the cross as we have followed Jesus into this holy place and time of corporate worship.

GATHERING HYMN 520 Dearest Jesus, at Your Word LIEBSTER JESU, WIR SIND HIER

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



GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

Lord God, hea-ven-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa-ther,

we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.

Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;

you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer.

For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,

you a-lone are the most high, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,

in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. *A brief silence is kept before the prayer.*

After the prayer the assembly responds: Amen.

We sit.

✠ WORD ✠

WELCOME

FIRST READING 1 Samuel 3:1-20

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. 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." 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. 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." Then the LORD said to Samuel, "See, I am about to do something in Israel that will make both ears of anyone who hears of it tingle. On that day I will fulfill against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end. or I have told him that I am about to punish his house forever, for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were blaspheming God, and he did not restrain them. Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli's house shall not be expiated by sacrifice or offering forever." Samuel lay there until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the LORD. Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. But Eli called Samuel and said, "Samuel, my son." He said, "Here I am." Eli said, "What was it that he told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also, if you hide anything from me of all that he told you." So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. Then he said, "It is the LORD; let him do what seems good to him." As Samuel grew up, the LORD was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. And all Israel from Dan to Beer-sheba knew that Samuel was a trustworthy prophet of the LORD.

The word of the Lord. *The assembly responds: Thanks be to God.*

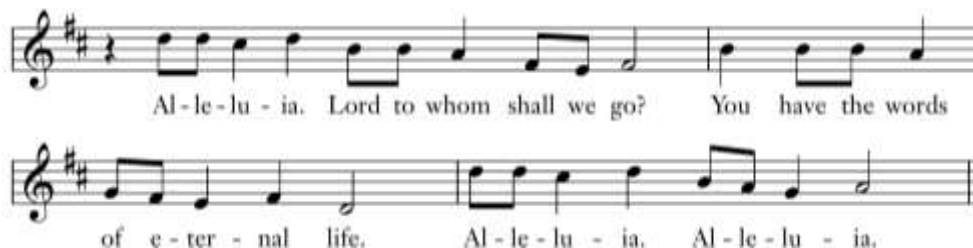
SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 6:12-20

“All things are lawful for me,” but not all things are beneficial. “All things are lawful for me,” but I will not be dominated by anything. “Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food,” and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is meant not for fornication but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. And God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Should I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! Do you not know that whoever is united to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For it is said, “The two shall be one flesh.” But anyone united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. Shun fornication! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body; but the fornicator sins against the body itself. Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body.

The word of the Lord. *The assembly responds:* **Thanks be to God.**

We stand.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord to whom shall we go? You have the words
of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL John 1:43-51

The holy gospel according to Saint John.



Glo-ry 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. 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.” 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!” 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.”

The gospel of the Lord.



Praise to you, O Christ.

We sit.

CHILDREN’S SERMON

SERMON

Pastor Carter

We stand.

HYMN OF THE DAY 580 How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord

REPTON

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Confident that God our light and our salvation hears us when we pray, let us offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all people in need.

Each portion of the prayers concludes:

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Merciful God, you hear our prayers even before we speak them. Receive them for the sake of the one through whom you have revealed your goodness, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

PEACE

The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ.

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

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say Peace be with you or similar words.

Please be considerate of those who may be reluctant to shake hands in this flu season.

We sit.

✠ MEAL ✠

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM (8:30) Day by Day

Martin How

Day by day, dear Lord, of thee three things I pray:
To see thee more clearly, love thee more dearly,
Follow thee more nearly, day by day.

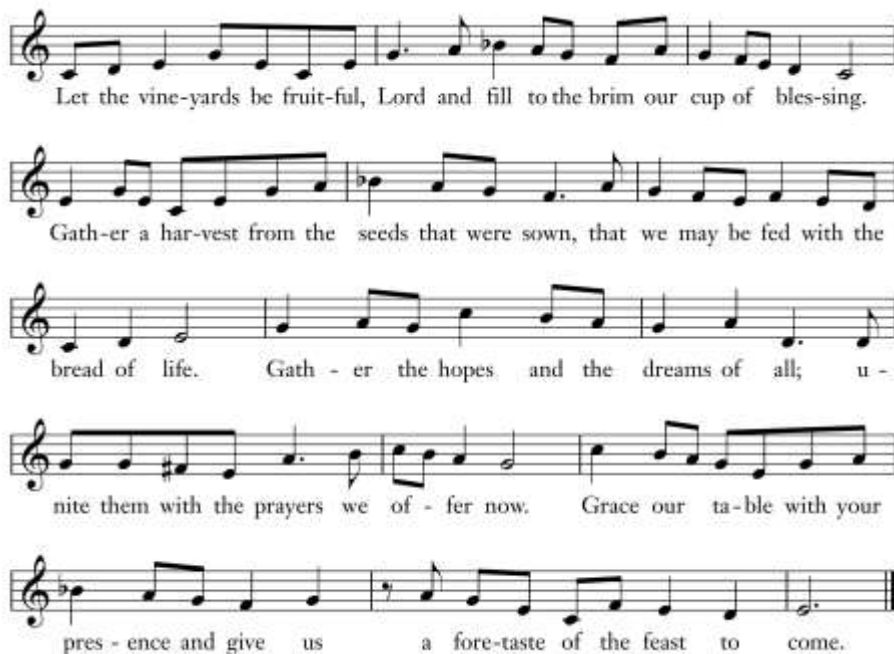
OFFERTORY ANTHEM (11:00) Lead Gently, Lord

Clif Cason

Lead gently, Lord, and slow, For oh, my steps are weak,
And ever as I go, Some soothing sentence speak;
That I may turn my face Through doubt's obscurity
Towards thine abiding place, E'en tho' I cannot see.
For lo, the way is dark; Through mist and cloud I stumble,
Save for the fitful spark, the flame of hope so humble.
Lead gently, Lord, and slow, For fear that I may fall,
I know not where to go, Unless I hear Thy call.
My fainting soul doth yearn, For Thy green hills afar,
So let Thy mercy burn, My greater guiding star!

We stand.

OFFERTORY HYMN



Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord and fill to the brim our cup of bles-sing.

Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the

bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u -

nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta-ble with your

pres - ence and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

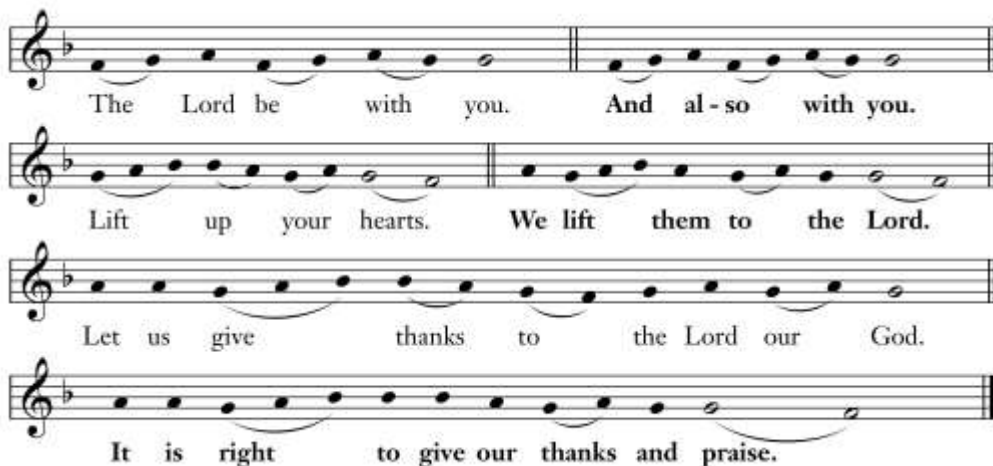
Let us pray.

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.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING



The Lord be with you. And al- so 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.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san - na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life:

Blessed are you for the birth of creation.

Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light.

Blessed are you for your promise to your people.

Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams.

Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will.

Blessed are you for your Son Jesus,
the Word made flesh.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

With this bread and cup we remember your Word dwelling among us,
full of grace and truth. We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection.
We look with hope for his coming.

Come, Lord Jesus.

Holy God, we long for your Spirit.
Come among us. Bless this meal.
May your Word take flesh in us.
Awaken your people. Fill us with your light.
Bring the gift of peace on earth.

Come, Holy Spirit.

All praise and glory are yours,
Holy One of Israel,
Word of God incarnate,
Power of the Most High,
one God, now and forever.

Amen.

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.**

The presiding minister lifts the bread and cup and says

When we eat this bread, we share the body of Christ. When we drink this cup, we share the blood of Christ.

The assembly responds

Reveal yourself to us, O Lord, in the breaking of bread, as once you revealed yourself to your disciples.

AGNUS DEI



We sit.

COMMUNION

Today we will be communing by intinction. Receive the bread and dip it in the wine. Gluten-free wafers are available on the organ side of the church. Visitors and children are welcome to receive communion. Those who have never communed and would like to are encouraged to talk to a pastor. All who do not receive communion are welcomed forward to receive a blessing.

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

and each person may respond Amen.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

HYMN 798 Will You Come and Follow Me

HYMN 810 O Jesus, I Have Promised

KELVINGROVE

MUNICH

We stand.

TABLE BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
Amen.

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE



Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and proud - ly bear his name.



He re - calls his prom - is - es and leads his peo - ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks - giv - ing, Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Let us pray.

**God of abundance,
with this bread of life and cup of salvation
you have united us with Christ,
making us one with all your people.
Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord.
Amen.**

Providing Service Sunday

Bulletin Cover Artist

Ethan Olsen

Acolytes

8:30 Kate Frucht and David Johnson

11:00 Ryan Hicks and Katie Kirkeeng

Crucifers

8:30 Daniel Nolting

11:00 Harrison Hickman

Offering Bearer

Fred Frazier

Liturgists

8:30 Bruce Xu

11:00 Daniele Olsen

Lay Readers

8:30 Barbara Merced

11:00 Martha Claire Henzler

Communion Assistants

8:30 Joanna Britt and Maggie DeBaugh

11:00 Kathy Nelson and Jan Wiles

Nursery

8:30 Jill Fowler

SS Kyle Voigt

11:00 Vicki Strandhoy

Usbers

8:30 Chris Almerini, Neil Linnell,
Kent Reichert and Damion Richardson

11:00 Jim Batts, Ray Bostian,
David Kinley and Joel Myers

Visitors Welcoming Table & Greeters

8:30 Effie Sue Utt

11:00 Pat Epting

Sunday Morning Fellowship

Troutman/Hartman/Waters

Oblation Bearers

8:30 John Bandle

11:00 Colleen Crozier and Lisa Crozier

Assisting Ministers

8:30 Alex Ballard

11:00 Don Armitage

Preaching Pastor Carter

Presiding Pastor Wollner

Providing Service Next Sunday

Bulletin Cover Artist

Winnie McCleary

Acolytes

8:30 Anna Frucht and Kate Frucht

11:00 Jacque Weber and TBD

Crucifers

8:30 Alex Ballard

11:00 Jacob Andrews

Offering Bearer

Luke Wollner

Lay Readers

8:30 David Kinley

11:00 Collette Griffin

Communion Assistants

8:30 Shari Dominguez and Effie Sue Utt

11:00 Lisa Crozier and Martha Claire Henzler

Nursery

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Sunday Morning Fellowship

Robin Welch

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8:30 TBD

11:00 TBD

Assisting Ministers

8:30 Peter Brath

11:00 Doug Nelson

Preaching and Presiding

Pastor Wollner

Announcements

WELCOME all who enter the Lord's house this day! We invite you to fill out the Friendship Register found on each pew. If you are visiting Augsburg, please stop by the Visitor Welcoming Table after today's service to pick up a welcome package. The visitor's table is located at the bottom of the ramp leading to the lobby.

Our worship begins with an acclamation or a brief piece sung by the choir which introduces the Gospel message or another theme of the day. This is a time to quietly begin our worship in ways that are meaningful to us, through listening, prayer, meditation on the scriptures to be read, the hymns or anthems to be sung, the art and paragraph on the cover of the bulletin, or to simply still our minds and spirits in preparation for an hour that is different from the hectic life outside the doors of our sanctuary.

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Debbie Baker in celebration of Chip's birthday today.

On the center aisle of each pew is a folder known as the "Friendship Register." Please sign the register and check if you are communing today. Be sure to review the sheet to identify visitors. Please hand the completed pages from the register to an usher during the singing of the Hymn of the Day.

We offer an infant and toddler nursery during the service. If you would like to use the nursery, please ask an usher for directions. The nursery is for children ages newborn to 4.

Our Homebound Member is Mrs. Joyce Kauffman, 3214 Bermuda Village, Advance, NC 27006. Please send Joyce a note.

The Efid L. and Maria F. Hine Fund committee will meet for its Winter Quarter meeting on Monday, January 22, 2018, at 7:00 P.M. All requests for financial grants should be directed to The Hine Fund and should be in the church office no later than 12 noon on Friday, January 12. The general purpose and intent of the Hine Fund is to "put into effect a ministry of Christian mercy and concern in meeting human needs as the Church thinks Jesus Christ Himself would have them met." Agendas will be ready for members to pick up in the Work Room on Sunday, January 14. Please call or email the Hine Fund secretary if you are unable to attend the meeting.

Offering Envelopes: The 2018 Offering Envelope packets (filed in alphabetical order) are available on tables in the lobby outside the Gathering Room. It will be practicing good stewardship if you can pick up your envelopes and save the Church the expense of mailing. If you do not find an Envelope Packet with your name and would like to have envelopes, please contact Joyce Holton at 336-722-8144.

Loaves & Fishes: Crisis Control Ministry is in need of canned meat: tuna, chicken or salmon. DOES ANYONE REALLY LIKE SPAM? Collection places are located in the narthex and the hallway next to the kitchenette.

AUGSBURG BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

“O. M. Genesis” Study: Pastor Paul’s Bible Study meets Mondays at 10:45 a.m. in the Sid Sowers Classroom. **This Study will not meet January 15.**

Continue in My Word is an Adult Weekly Bible Study held Monday evenings at 6:00 P.M. in the Youth Area. Bring your Bible. **This Study will not meet January 15.**

7:18 Youth Bible Study is on hiatus while Emily is in Israel.

Inquirer’s Class will meet today, January 21 and January 28 at 9:45 A.M.

Readings for next week: Jonah 3:1-5, 10; Psalm 62:5-12; 1 Corinthians 7:29-31; Mark 1:19-39.

Worship attendance for services last week: **104** at 8:30; **174** at 11:00; **24** visitors.

Calendar for January 14–January 21

14 Second Sunday after Epiphany

8:30a Service of Holy Communion
(Sanctuary)

9:45a Fellowship Breakfast
(Family Life Center)

9:45a Inquirer’s Class

10:00a Sunday School

11:00a Service of Holy Communion
(Sanctuary)

No Music Exploration class

No Jubilate Choir rehearsal

No Lobchor rehearsal

15 Monday

Office Closed - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Youth Ski Trip

17 Wednesday

6:30a Bagels!
(Bagel Station)

7:15p Adult Choir II
(Adult Choir Room)

7:30p Emotions Anonymous
(Lounge)

18 Thursday

7:30a Men’s Fellowship Breakfast
(Youth Area)

10:00a Quilt Ministry
(Youth Area)

6:15p Adult Choir I
(Music Suite)

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(Youth Choir Room)

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11:00a Service of Holy Communion
(Sanctuary)

12:30p Youthrans

3:30p Music Exploration
(Youth Choir Room)

4:45p Lobchor rehearsal
(Adult Choir Room)