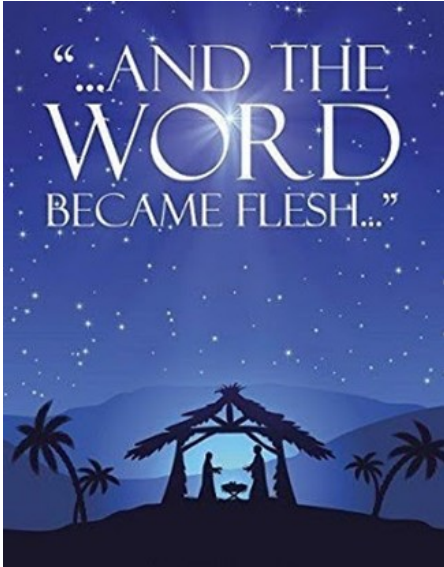


**Sunday, January 2, 2022**  
**Second Sunday**  
**of Christmas**



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## WORSHIP PLAN LBW SETTING TWO

**LBW** (*Green*) Lutheran Book of Worship

**WOV** (*Blue*) With One Voice

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS LBW p. 77

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

**C Amen**

**P** 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.

**C Amen**

**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** *Most Merciful God,*

**C we confess that we are in bondage 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** Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, 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**

#### OPENING HYMN *"What Child Is This"* LBW #40

#### GREETING LBW p. 78

**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.**

#### KYRIE LBW p. 78

#### HYMN OF PRAISE *"This Is The Feast"* LBW p. 81

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**P** *The Lord be with you.*

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** *Let us pray.*

**C** Almighty God, you have filled us with the new light of the Word who became flesh and lived among us. Let the light of our faith shine in all that we do; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen**

## **FIRST LESSON: Jeremiah 31:7-14**

<sup>7</sup>Thus says the LORD:

Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob,  
and raise shouts for the chief of the nations;  
proclaim, give praise, and say,  
“Save, O LORD, your people,  
the remnant of Israel.”

<sup>8</sup>See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north,  
and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth,  
among them the blind and the lame,  
those with child and those in labor, together;  
a great company, they shall return here.

<sup>9</sup>With weeping they shall come,  
and with consolations I will lead them back,  
I will let them walk by brooks of water,  
in a straight path in which they shall not stumble;  
for I have become a father to Israel,  
and Ephraim is my firstborn.

<sup>10</sup>Hear the word of the LORD, O nations,  
and declare it in the coastlands far away;  
say, “He who scattered Israel will gather him,  
and will keep him as a shepherd a flock.”

<sup>11</sup>For the LORD has ransomed Jacob,  
and has redeemed him from hands too strong for him.

<sup>12</sup>They shall come and sing aloud on the height of Zion,  
and they shall be radiant over the goodness of the LORD,  
over the grain, the wine, and the oil,  
and over the young of the flock and the herd;  
their life shall become like a watered garden,  
and they shall never languish again.

<sup>13</sup>Then shall the young women rejoice in the dance,  
and the young men and the old shall be merry.  
I will turn their mourning into joy,  
I will comfort them, and give them gladness for sorrow.  
<sup>14</sup>I will give the priests their fill of fatness,  
and my people shall be satisfied with my bounty,  
says the LORD.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

### PSALM: Psalm 147:13-21

<sup>13</sup>Worship the LORD, O Jerusalem;  
praise your God, O Zion;  
<sup>14</sup>**for he has strengthened the bars of your gates;  
he has blessed your children within you.**  
<sup>15</sup>He has established peace on your borders;  
he satisfies you with the finest wheat.  
<sup>16</sup>**He sends out his command to the earth,  
and his word runs very swiftly.**  
<sup>17</sup>He gives snow like wool;  
he scatters hoarfrost like ashes.  
<sup>18</sup>**He scatters his hail like bread crumbs.  
Who can stand against his cold?**  
<sup>19</sup>He sends forth his word and melts them;  
he blows with his wind, and the waters flow.  
<sup>20</sup>**He declares his word to Jacob,  
his statutes and his judgments to Israel.**  
<sup>21</sup>He has not done so to any other nation;  
to them he has not revealed his judgments. Hallelujah!

### SECOND LESSON: Ephesians 1:3-14

<sup>3</sup>Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, <sup>4</sup>just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. <sup>5</sup>He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, <sup>6</sup>to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. <sup>7</sup>In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace <sup>8</sup>that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight <sup>9</sup>he has made known to us the mystery of

his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, <sup>10</sup>as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. <sup>11</sup>In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, <sup>12</sup>so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. <sup>13</sup>In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; <sup>14</sup>this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

**L** The Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE** *"Jesus Loves Me"* (1<sup>st</sup> verse only)

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** *"Alleluia"* LBW p. 83 (Sung)

**GOSPEL: John 1:1-18**

**P** *The Holy Gospel according to John, the 1st chapter.*

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

<sup>1</sup>In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. <sup>2</sup>He was in the beginning with God. <sup>3</sup>All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being <sup>4</sup>in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. <sup>5</sup>The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

<sup>6</sup>There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. <sup>7</sup>He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. <sup>8</sup>He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. <sup>9</sup>The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

<sup>10</sup>He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. <sup>11</sup>He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. <sup>12</sup>But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, <sup>13</sup>who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

<sup>14</sup>And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth. <sup>15</sup>(John testified to him and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me.'") <sup>16</sup>From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. <sup>17</sup>The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. <sup>18</sup>No one

has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known.

**P** *The Gospel of the Lord.*

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

**SERMON: "Jesus, More Than Christmas"**

**HYMN OF THE DAY: "Word Of God, Come Down On Earth" WOV# 716**  
*(1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 4<sup>th</sup> Verses)*

**APOSTLES' CREED** LBW p. 85

**THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

**P** .....*Lord in your mercy,*

**C** Hear our prayer.

**SHARING OF GOD'S PEACE**

**P** *The peace of the Lord be with you always.*

**C** And also with you.

**OFFERING**

**OFFERING HYMN "We Are An Offering"**

**C** We Lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering. Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our lives, they are yours: we are an offering. All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you.

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering, we are an offering.

**OFFERTORY PRAYER** LBW p. 87

**P** *Let us pray. Merciful Father,*

**C** we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

**GREAT THANKSGIVING** LBW p. 87

**PREFACE** LBW p. 88

**SANCTUS** LBW p. 89 *(Sung)*

**C** Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,  
Heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**LORD'S PRAYER** LBW p. 91

**THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

*ALL BAPTIZED CHRISTIANS WHO CONFESS JESUS CHRIST  
AS LORD AND HIS REAL PRESENCE IN THE BREAD AND WINE  
ARE WELCOME TO THE LORD'S TABLE*

**COMMUNION HYMN** "Lamb of God" LBW p. 92

**POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE** LBW p. 92

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER** LBW p. 94

**BLESSING**

**P** *The Lord bless you and keep you.*

*The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.*

*The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.*

**C** *(Sung) Three Fold Amen*

**SENDING HYMN** "Let All Together Praise Our God" LBW# 47  
*(1<sup>st</sup> through 4<sup>th</sup> Verses)*

**DISMISSAL**

**P** *Go in peace. Serve your neighbor.*

**C** **Yes we will. Thanks be to God.**

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## Sunday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Baltic** 9:00 am Worship

**East Nidaros** 10:30 am in person and Live Streamed on Facebook @EastNidrosLutheranChurch

## Things Happening Week of January 2<sup>nd</sup>

Sun Jan 2 Holy Communion at the rail

Mon Jan 3 Annual Report Deadline

Wed Jan 5 5:30-6:30 **6th** grade Intro to Confirmation @ East  
6:30-7:30 **7th and 8th** grade Confirmation @ East

## Sunday, January 9<sup>th</sup>

**Baltic** 9:00 am in person and Live Streamed on Facebook @ BalticLutheranChurch

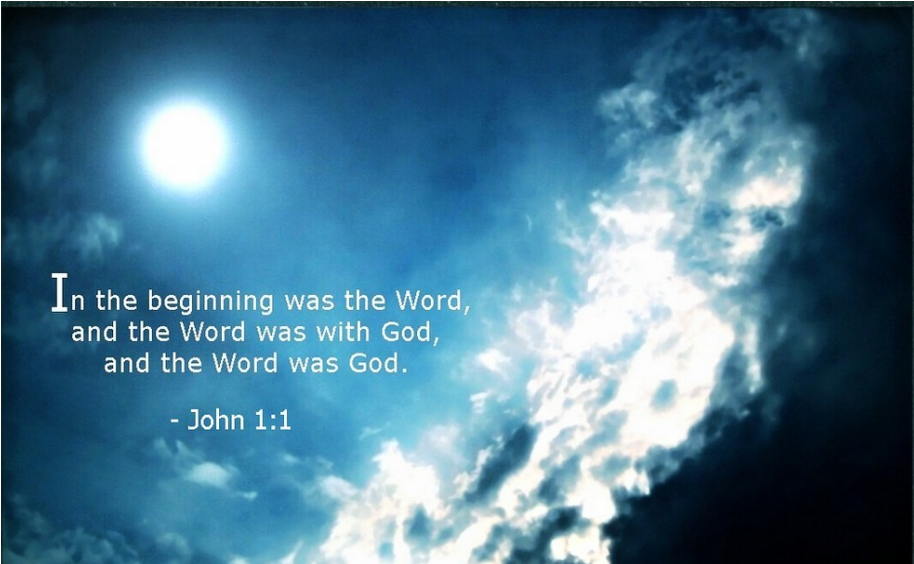
**East Nidaros** 10:30 am Worship

## Things Happening Week of January 9<sup>th</sup>

Mon Jan 10-12 Pastor Randall gone for Moses Project

Tue Jan 11 6:30 Baltic Council Meeting

Wed Jan 12 6:30-7:30 **7th and 8th** grade Confirmation @ East



In the beginning was the Word,  
and the Word was with God,  
and the Word was God.

- John 1:1