

# St. Matthew's Lutheran

Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod

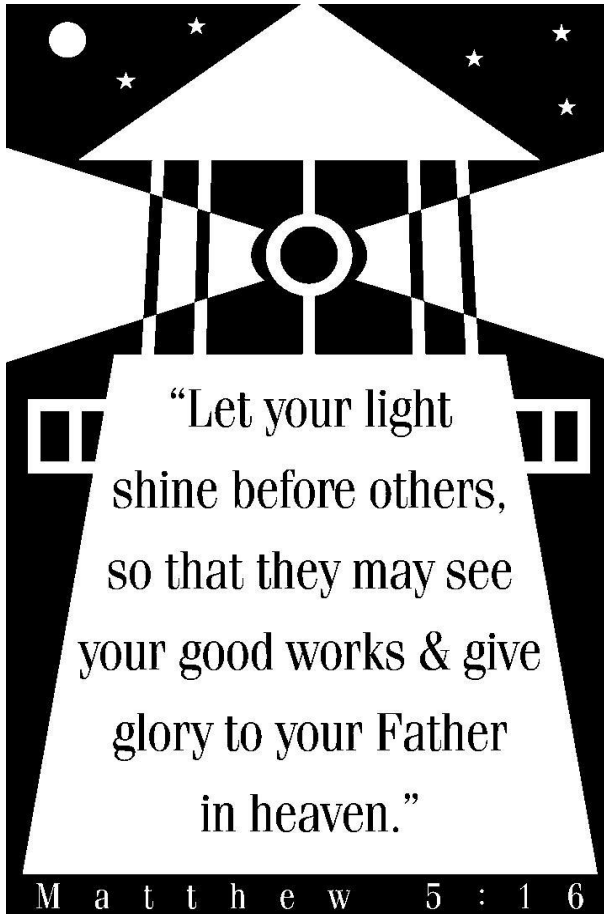
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## Fifth Sunday After Epiphany

February 4 & 5, 2023

# **“The Savior’s Sermon – You Are...So Be”**

In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus teaches about true discipleship. He wants us to see that being a disciple and acting as a disciple are intimately connected. When God called us to faith, he declared that we were something new: light, salt, his children. Jesus now encourages us to be what God says we are, so that God might bless the world through us. As Jesus speaks to us, he means to mold our will to his own.

## **OUR MISSION**

The mission of every Christian and this congregation is to serve all people in God’s world with the Gospel of Jesus Christ on the basis of the Holy Scriptures.

## **OUR FACILITIES**

A restroom is located in the Mother’s Room at the back of church and also in the church basement. There is also a handicapped accessible restroom in the back of church. Ask an usher for help and directions.

The members of St. Matthew’s believe that families should be allowed to worship together. If the need arises, we have an audio-equipped children’s room just outside of the church doors to your left.

If you need anything during the service, please feel free to ask an usher.

## **PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP**

O Lord, our Maker, Redeemer, and Comforter, we are assembled in your presence to hear your holy Word. We pray that you would open our hearts by your Holy Spirit, that through the preaching of your Word we may repent of our sins, believe in Jesus, and grow day by day in grace and holiness. Hear us for Jesus’ sake. Amen.

**Out of courtesy for your fellow worshipers, please silence all electronic devices.**

## Sat. Only - O Word of God Incarnate

CW 642



- 1 O Word of God in - car - nate, O Wis - dom from on high,
- 2 The Church from you, dear Mas - ter, re - ceived the gift di - vine,
- 3 O make your Church, dear Sav - ior, a lamp of pur - est gold



O Truth un - changed, un - chang - ing, O Light of our dark sky,  
and still that light is lift - ed o'er all the earth to shine.  
to bear be - fore the na - tions your true light, as of old.



we praise you for the ra - diance that from the hal - lowed page,  
It is the chart and com - pass that, all life's voy - age through,  
O teach your wan - d'ring pil - grims by this their path to trace



a lan - tern to our foot - steps, shines on from age to age.  
mid mists and rocks and quick - sands still guides, O Christ, to you.  
till, clouds and dark - ness end - ed, they see you face to face.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, abr., alt.

Tune: Neu-vermehrtes . . . Gesangbuch, 3rd. ed., Meiningen, 1693

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## Sun. only – Song by PreK – K

**Praise Him, Praise Him**

*Stand*

In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

## **Confession**

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

**If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just  
and will forgive us our sins  
and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

*Silence for meditation and reflection*

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

**Holy God, gracious Father,**

**I am sinful by nature**

**and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.**

**I have not loved you with my whole heart;**

**I have not loved others as I should.**

**I deserve your punishment both now and forever.**

**But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins**

**with his innocent suffering and death.**

**Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

## **Lord, Have Mercy**

CW 174

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**Amen.**

## Glory to God in the Highest



Glo - ry to God in the high - est and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



Lord God, heav-en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther. We



wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your

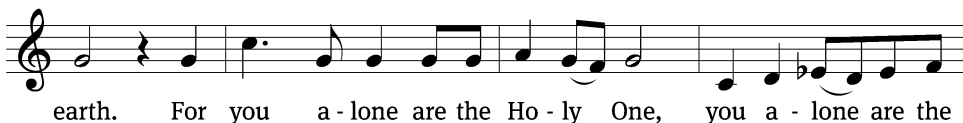


glo - ry. Glo - ry to God in the high - est and peace to his



peo - ple on earth.

Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly





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## The Word

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

### Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you sent your one and only Son as the Word of life for our eyes to see and our ears to hear. Help us believe what the Scriptures proclaim about him and do the things that are pleasing in your sight; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

*Be seated*

### First Reading

*Exodus 19:1–8a*

<sup>1</sup>On the first day of the third month after the Israelites left Egypt—on that very day—they came to the Desert of Sinai. <sup>2</sup>After they set out from Rephidim, they entered the Desert of Sinai, and Israel camped there in the desert in front of the mountain.

<sup>3</sup>Then Moses went up to God, and the LORD called to him from the mountain and said, “This is what you are to say to the descendants of Jacob and what you are to tell the people of Israel: <sup>4</sup>‘You yourselves have seen what I did to Egypt, and how I carried you on eagles’ wings and brought you to myself. <sup>5</sup>Now if you obey me fully and keep my covenant, then out of all nations you will be my treasured possession. Although the whole earth is mine, <sup>6</sup>‘you will be for me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.’ These are the words you are to speak to the Israelites.”

<sup>7</sup>So Moses went back and summoned the elders of the people and set before them all the words the LORD had commanded him to speak. <sup>8</sup>The people all responded together, “We will do everything the LORD has said.”

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## 112A Light Dawns in the Darkness

*Psalm 112A*

### *Refrain*



### *Tone*



Blessed are those who / fear the LORD,  
who find great delight in / his commands.  
Wealth and riches are in their / houses,  
and their righteousness endures for- / ever. *Refrain*

Surely the righteous will never be / shaken;  
they will be remembered for- / ever.  
Their hearts are secure, they will / have no fear;  
in the end they will look in triumph / on their foes.

**Glory be to the Father and / to the Son**  
**and to the Holy / Spirit,**  
**as it was in the be- / ginning,**  
**is now, and will be forever. / Amen. *Refrain***

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## Second Reading

1 Peter 2:9–12

<sup>9</sup>But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. <sup>10</sup>Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

<sup>11</sup>Dear friends, I urge you, as foreigners and exiles, to abstain from sinful desires, which wage war against your soul. <sup>12</sup>Live such good lives among the pagans that, though they accuse you of doing wrong, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day he visits us.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

## Gospel Acclamation

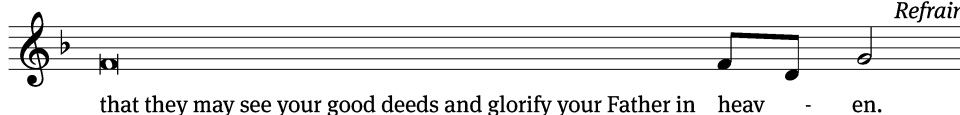
Matthew 5:16



*Refrain*



*Tone*



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## Gospel

Matthew 5:13–20

<sup>13</sup>“You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot.

<sup>14</sup>“You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. <sup>15</sup>Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. <sup>16</sup>In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

<sup>17</sup>“Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. <sup>18</sup>For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth disappear, not the smallest letter, not the least stroke of a pen, will by any means disappear from the Law until everything is accomplished. <sup>19</sup>Therefore anyone who sets aside one of the least of these commands and teaches others accordingly will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever practices and teaches these commands will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. <sup>20</sup>For I tell you that unless your righteousness surpasses that of the Pharisees and the teachers of the law, you will certainly not enter the kingdom of heaven.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise be to you, O Christ!**

*Be seated*

## PreK-K Song

## I Believe, I Do Believe

## Children’s Message

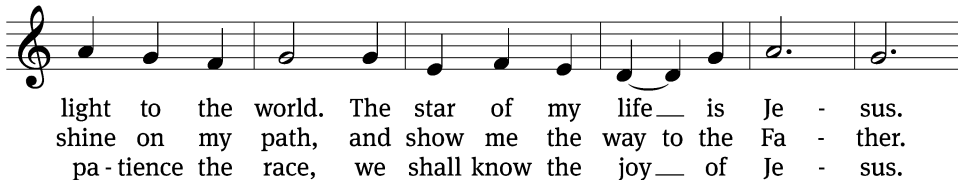
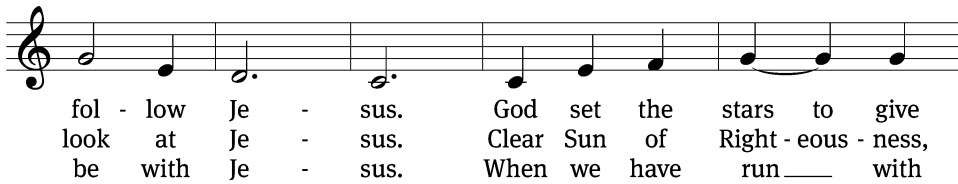
## Hymn of the Day

### 713 I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

CW 713



1	I	want	to	walk	as	a	child	of	the	light.	I	want	to
2	I	want	to	see	the	bright-ness	of	God.	I	want	to		
3	I'm	look - ing	for	the	com - ing	of	Christ.	I	want	to			



*Refrain*



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**Sermon**

**Exodus 19:1-8**

**You Also Are a Royal Priesthood to God**

*Stand*

## Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

*Be seated*

## Thank Offering

*Moved by God's love in Christ, we offer him our first and best gifts, purely out of thanks to him. If you are visiting with us today, please do not feel obligated to give an offering.*

*Our offerings will be collected today at the church entrance and brought forward during the hymn verse. To give by phone send a text message to 844-703-3129 with the amount you would like to contribute and you will be sent further instructions.*

## 386 Songs of Thankfulness and Praise

CW 386 st. 5

5 Grant us grace to see you, Lord, mir - rored in your  
ho - ly Word. May our lives and all we do  
im - i - tate and hon - or you that we all like  
you may be at your great e - piph - a - ny  
and may praise you, ev - er blest, God in man made man - i - fest.

The musical score is written on five staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below each staff. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are: '5 Grant us grace to see you, Lord, mir - rored in your'. The second staff continues: 'ho - ly Word. May our lives and all we do'. The third staff: 'im - i - tate and hon - or you that we all like'. The fourth staff: 'you may be at your great e - piph - a - ny'. The fifth staff: 'and may praise you, ev - er blest, God in man made man - i - fest.' The score ends with a double bar line.

Text: Christopher Wordsworth, 1807–1885, alt.  
Tune: Jakob Hintze, 1622–1702  
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## Prayer of the Church

Eternal Lord, give us peace as we ponder the good news that you forgive our sins in Christ.  
Lead us to see clearly the path you have laid out for us.

**Work in us so that we believe and live the Word we have heard today.**

Provide courage and compassion to all who preach and teach your Word. Fill them with a  
love like yours as they proclaim your grace to us and all people.

**Move us to love all ministers of the Word wherever they serve.**

Guard and guide the families of our congregation. Lead husbands and wives to love each other with commitment, respect, and patience. Help parents to grasp the eternal value of keeping their children close to Jesus all their lives. Grant joy to those who are single, and make them a blessing to others.

**Protect us from the temptations that surround us; give us pure hearts and minds.**

Provide wisdom and insight to those who make laws and set policies. Give us respect for those who protect us from crime. Lead us to value the rights of our fellow citizens and to defend those who cannot defend themselves.

**Bless our land with peace and prosperity so that the gospel may be proclaimed to all.**

Give us passion to share the story of your love with our family and friends. Overcome unbelief, and open the hearts of people everywhere to believe the good news that Jesus has forgiven their sins and opened the gates of heaven.

**Fill us with joy over every sinner who repents and comes to trust in you.**

Extend your healing power to those who are sick and suffering in body or mind. [Pour out your special blessing on . . . *here name the person and the cause of the petition.*] Give patience and compassion to all who care for the sick and dying.

**Lift the eyes of the distressed to your love in Christ.**

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

*Silent prayer*

Gracious God, you govern and direct all things and you love all people. Hear our prayers, spoken and silent, and answer them in your wisdom and grace.

**In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

# 583 God Loves Me Dearly

CW 583



1 God loves me dear - ly, grants me sal -  
 2 I was in slav - 'ry, sin, death, and  
 3 He sent forth Je - sus, my dear Re -  
 4 Je - sus, my Sav - ior, him - self did  
 5 Now I will praise you, O Love e -



va - tion, God loves me dear - ly, loves e - ven me.  
 dark - ness; God's love was work - ing to make me free.  
 deem - er, he sent forth Je - sus and set me free.  
 of - fer; Je - sus, my Sav - ior, paid all I owed.  
 ter - nal; now I will praise you all my life long.



There - fore I'll say a - gain: God loves me



dear - ly, God loves me dear - ly, loves e - ven me.

Text: August Rische, 1819–1906

Tune: German

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Stand

Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart that, being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.  
**Amen.**

## Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins,  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours  
now and forever. Amen.

## Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look on you with favor and T give you peace.  
Amen.

## Sat. only - 361 Go, Tell It on the Mountain

CW 361

*Refrain*

Go, tell it on the moun-tain, o-ver the hills, and ev - 'ry - where;

go, tell it on the moun - tain that Je - sus Christ is born.



- 1 While shep-herds kept their watch-ing o'er si - lent flocks by night,
- 2 The shep-herds feared and trem-bled when lo, a - bove the earth
- 3 Down in a low - ly man - ger the hum-ble Christ was born,



*Refrain*

be-hold, through-out the heav-ens there shone a ho - ly light.  
rang out the an - gel cho - rus that hailed our Sav - ior's birth.  
and God sent us sal - va - tion that bless - ed Christ-mas morn.

Text: John W. Work II, 1873–1925, verses, alt.; African American spiritual, refrain

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## Announcements

**February 4 & 5, 2023**

**Organist** – Tamara Koenig

**Councilmen on Duty this Weekend**

Saturday 6PM- Dean Rupprecht  
Wenzel

Sunday 9AM – Devin Ellinghuysen

**Ushers on Duty this Weekend**

Saturday 6PM – Kris & Amanda

Sunday 9AM – Steve Erickson group

**Altar Committee** – Carol Gerdes & Brenda Cross

**Last Week Attendance:** Saturday – 53 Sunday – 120

**This Week**



Sunday	9:00 AM	Worship
	10:15 AM	Bible Class, Kids for Christ & Teen Bible Study
	11:00 AM	Worship Service Radio KAGE 1380AM or 101.5FM
Monday	6:00 PM	Adult & Youth Discipleship, Outreach
Tuesday		Finance #1
	7:00 PM	Senior Choir
Wednesday	4:00 PM	Public School Confirmation
	7:00 PM	Worship Service broadcasted on HBC Channel 20
Thursday	11:30 AM	Women's Bible Study at Benos
	1:00 PM	Callista Court Service
	1:45 PM	Saint Anne Service
	6:00 PM	Building & Grounds
Friday		
Saturday	6:00 PM	Worship & Communion
Next Sunday	9:00 AM	Worship & Communion
	10:15 AM	Bible Class, Kids for Christ & Teen Bible Study
	11:00 AM	Worship Service Radio KAGE 1380AM or 101.5FM
	11:15 AM	Club 3:16 Super Bowl Party

### **Financial News**

**Weekly Budget for Envelope Offerings:** \$8,173.08

**Envelope offerings received January 28 & 29:** \$5,244.30

**January Electronic Giving :** \$5,216.30

### **Church Announcements:**

**It has please the Lord to take from this life** the soul of Bob Frank. We thank God for taking him to his heavenly rest. May God comfort his family with the assurance that he has received a crown of life in heaven.

**We remember in our prayers** Duane Koehler, Maurine Holzworth, Lila Nelson and Karl Gurgel and all others who are in need of healing of body or mind.

**The February Issue of Forward In Christ** is available in the church entrance. We are reminded to look at members of our congregation as our family (p.32), including ministering to those who may be underserved or overlooked. Several articles this month provide examples: Our "Confessions of Faith" article underscores the opportunities WELS college students have to share their faith with others on campus (p.7). While caring for their son with intellectual and

developmental disabilities, a couple also serves other families and caregivers (p.18). Widows and widowers find support in a new fellowship group at Faith, Fond du Lac, Wis. (p.23).

**Women's Bible Study** meets on Thursdays at 11:30AM at Beno's Deli in the meeting room at 78 East 4th Street. After finishing the book, "More Tough Questions", we will begin "Stories to Change Your Lives". Books are available in class. All women are welcomed. (920-988-4493)

**Our February card club and lunch** will be Sunday, February 19. As usual we will eat at noon and follow with our card games. Please sign up on the sheet at the table in the back of church. The sign-up sheet will be there the first and second weekends of the month. If possible, also sign up to furnish a dessert to go with our meal. Thanks!

**Offering envelopes** for 2023 are available to pick up in the sanctuary entrance.

**Contribution statements** are ready to be picked up. You will find them located behind the back pew across from the handbell tables. **Hymnal Project Contributions** If you contributed to the hymnal project a separate contribution letter is now available in the same location as the contribution statements.

**Women's Fellowship** will be serving the **1<sup>st</sup> Lenten Supper** on February 22. Please sign up on the sheet in the back of church if you can bring bars. Thank you!

## **School Announcements:**

**Scrip News** A new Kwik Trip card is now available at 15% - a \$25.00 grocery-only card. The grocery-only card can be used to purchase in-store merchandise. It is not eligible for fuel, tobacco, alcohol, lottery tickets or stamps. Stop after church or in the office to make a purchase.

## **Ways to Serve**

**Bulletin Sponsorship** is welcomed and needed throughout the year. If you would like to sponsor a bulletin, you may email the information to Tamara Koenig [tkenig@stmatthewswinona.org](mailto:tkenig@stmatthewswinona.org) or contact Lindsey in the office @507-454-3083 or email [smoffice@stmatthewswinona.org](mailto:smoffice@stmatthewswinona.org).

## Relaunch of Club 3:16!

Club 3:16 was founded as the youth group of St. Matthew's in 2010. We are excited to reestablish Club 3:16! We plan to offer weekly Bible Class with other fun sprinkled in throughout the new year!

### Upcoming Plans Include:

February 5th—the start of our **BRAND NEW Teen Bible Class** at 10:15am

February 12th—Teen Bible Class at 10:15am followed by a **SUPER BOWL PARTY** at 11:15am.

**Join us for either or both of these events!**

*Use the Wabasha St entrance to the school—join us on the second level*

**More information will be shared about Club 3:16 on February 12th.**

**Teenagers are not just the future of our congregation; they're already a cherished part of our church family.**

*Club 3:16 includes youth in our congregation in Grades 7-12*

Scan here to check out our website!



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