



**8:30 a.m. ~ January 10, 2016**

**WELCOME and RELATIONSHIPS of PEACE**

**OPENING HYMN** “Songs of Thankfulness and Praise” [LW 88]

**OPENING LITURGY** [p. 158]

**OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Psalm 23** [NIV 84]

<sup>1</sup>The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not be in want. <sup>2</sup>He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, <sup>3</sup>he restores my soul. He guides me in paths of righteousness for his name’s sake. <sup>4</sup>Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. <sup>5</sup>You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. <sup>6</sup>Surely goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God!**

**GOSPEL VERSE** “Alleluia” [p. 164]

**HOLY GOSPEL Luke 3:15-22** [NIV 84]

<sup>15</sup>The people were waiting expectantly and were all wondering in their hearts if John might possibly be the Christ. <sup>16</sup>John answered them all, “I baptize you with water. But one more powerful than I will come, the thongs of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. <sup>17</sup>His winnowing fork is in his hand to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.” <sup>18</sup>And with many other words John exhorted the people and preached the good news to them.

<sup>19</sup>But when John rebuked Herod the tetrarch because of Herodias, his brother’s wife, and all the other evil things he had done, <sup>20</sup>Herod added this to them all: He locked John up in prison.

<sup>21</sup>When all the people were being baptized, Jesus was baptized too. And as he was praying, heaven was opened <sup>22</sup>and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven: “You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God!**

## APOSTLES' CREED

SERMON HYMN “Jesus Once with Sinners Numbered” *[sung to tune of LW 328]*

## SERMON “WATER”

## PEOPLE of PEACE in PRAYER

*Father in Heaven:*

•*Peace, comfort and healing* for Wilbert Wise (father of Karen Branzell)—recovering from a serious fall; Cherie Miller (mother of Dee Lynne Hudson)—hospitalized for possible heart attack; Amber Heady—on mission trip in Trinidad; Ella Bobbitt—undergoing surgery Monday, Jan. 11; Elvie (friend of the Gillest’s)—undergoing cancer surgery and treatments; The family of Miles Beard’s mother—who went to be with Jesus Friday, Dec. 31.

•*Praise and Thanksgiving* to Joyce Kostelnik—celebrated her birthday Friday, Jan. 8.

•*Wisdom* and *courage* to our Peace Staff and College Students.

•*Mission of the Month* – Gideon’s International

THE LORD’S PRAYER *The Family Prayer of the People of God*

## WORDS of INSTITUTION

## THE PEACE

## AGNUS DEI

## CREATE IN ME

## OFFERING

*(Before Communing, please take time to read our statement of faith found in the pew rack in front of you; fill out and place your attendance card and offering in the basket as you come forward.)*

## DISTRIBUTION MUSIC

“Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus” *[LW 381]*

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus” *[LW 516]*

**POST-COMMUNION HYMN “Thank the Lord” [p. 173]**

**CONNECT**

- **Men’s Night | Tuesday, January 12 | 6:30-8:00 | Register Online Today**
- **Ladies’ Night | Friday, January 22 | 6:30-9:00 | Register Online Today**
- **John Michael Hinton | Sunday, February 28<sup>th</sup> @ 5:00p | Save the Date**
- **36<sup>th</sup> Annual Men’s Retreat | April 22-24 | Save the Date**

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE “Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow”**

arr. John Behnke

SERMON: *Rev. James R. Mueller*  
LITURGIST: *Rev. Morgan Hamilton*