

Welcome to Worship  
February 2nd, 2025  
4th after Epiphany

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Prelude

*Meditation on 'Repton'* ~ Robert A. Hobby

Gathering Hymn

*Not for Tongues of Heaven's Angels* ~ ACS 1044

Prayer of the Day

Good and loving God, grant that your holy and life-giving Spirit may move every human heart; that the barriers dividing us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease; and that, with our divisions healed, we might live in justice and peace; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

First Reading

1 Corinthians 13:1-13

*Christians in Corinth prided themselves on their spiritual gifts. Paul reminds them that God gives us many gifts through the Holy Spirit, but the purpose behind all of them is love, the kind of love that God showed us in Jesus Christ.*

Word of God, word of life

Thanks be to God

Psalm

Psalm 71:1-6

In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge;  
let me never be put to shame.

**In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free;  
incline your ear to me and save me.**

Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe;  
you are my crag and my stronghold.

**Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked,  
from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor.**

For you are my hope, O Lord God,  
my confidence since I was young.

**I have been sustained by you ever since I was born; from my mother's womb you have been my strength;**

**my praise shall be always of you.**

## Gospel

### Luke 4:21-30

*People in Jesus' hometown are initially pleased when he says that God will free the oppressed. Their pleasure turns to rage when he reminds them that God's prophetic mission typically pushes beyond human boundaries so that mercy and healing are extended to those regarded as outsiders.*

Then [Jesus] began to say to [all in the synagogue in Nazareth,] "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, "Is this not Joseph's son?" He said to them, "Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, 'Doctor, cure yourself!' And you will say, 'Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.' " And he said, "Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in his hometown. But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months and there was a severe famine over all the land, yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. There were also many with a skin disease in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian." When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

## Hymn of the Day

*He Comes to Us as One Unknown ~ ELW 737*

## Musical Offering

*Hope For Resolution ~ Paul Caldwell & Sean Ivory  
(All Saints Choir)*

## Offertory Hymn

*As the Grains of Wheat*

## Communion Hymn

*God of Grace and God of Glory ~ ELW 705*

## Sending Hymn

*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling ~ ELW 631*

## Postlude

*Hyfrydol ~ Ralph Vaughan Williams*

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