

*The Third Sunday after Epiphany*  
*January 25, 2009*  
*Second Century Club Commissioning*

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PRELUDE	Canticle of Faith (8:00 a.m.) <i>I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light</i> (10:30 a.m.)	Dobrinski
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,  
who is the light and life of all the ages.

**Amen.**

Trusting in Jesus Christ,  
who came to share our humanity  
and bring light to this broken world,  
let us come before God without fear to make our confession.  
*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Comforting God,  
**we confess before you and in the presence of one another  
that we are sinners who fail to live as you desire.  
So often we place our trust in ourselves and not in you.  
We do not love each other as you have commanded.  
Because of us, your whole creation suffers.  
For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, forgive us.  
In your boundless patience and mercy,  
lead us to live by faith in your promise.  
Amen.**

God's love for us is greater than all our sins.  
God promises full pardon and complete forgiveness  
to all who turn from sin  
and place their trust in Christ, the light of the world.  
Hear and believe the good news that all your sins are forgiven.  
With God nothing is impossible.

**Amen.**

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

GATHERING SONG	<i>I Love to Tell the Story</i>	#661
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HYMN OF PRAISE *This is the Feast* p. 149

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, by grace alone you call us and accept us in your service. Strengthen us by your Spirit, and make us worthy of your call, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

FIRST LESSON Jonah 3:1-5, 10

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION p. 151

GOSPEL Mark 1:14-20

SERMON "A Whale of a Tale"

HYMN	<i>I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light</i>	#815
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**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**

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Lord in your mercy...  
*Hear our prayer.*

**THE PEACE**

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**OFFERING**

*Blessed Assurance (8:00 a.m.)  
Halleluiah from Mount of Olives (10:30 a.m.)*

**Dobrinski  
Beethoven**

**\*OFFERTORY**

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*Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.  
Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown,  
that we may be fed with the bread of life.  
Gather the hopes and dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer now.  
Grace our table with your presence  
and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.*

**\*GREAT THANKSGIVING**

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**THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

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**LORD'S PRAYER**

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**LAMB OF GOD**

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**COMMUNION SONGS**

*Jesus Loves Me!  
Here I Am, Lord  
Go, My Children, with My Blessing*

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**BLESSING**

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**\*SONG AFTER COMMUNION**

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*Thankful hearts and voices raise; tell ev'ryone what God has done.  
Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and bear Christ's holy name.  
Send us with your promises and lead your people  
forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving.  
Alleluia. Alleluia.*

**\*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**BENEDICTION**

**SENDING SONG**

*Praise the Lord! O Heavens*

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**DISMISSAL**

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**POSTLUDE**

*The Fanfare Fuge*

J.S. Bach

### WELCOME TO THE LORD'S TABLE

Bethany welcomes all baptized Christians who have celebrated their first communion to join in receiving the body and blood of Christ in Holy Communion.

An usher will direct you when to come forward for the distribution.

You will receive the wafer in your hand which you may then dip in the wine.

A communion station with alcohol free wine and gluten free wafers is available at every communion service at the center aisle.

We are glad that you joined us for worship today!

Please let us know how we may serve you by filling out a Welcome Card found in the pew rack. If you would like information about the ministries of Bethany,

visit the Hospitality Center located in the narthex

or our website at [www.bethany-denver.org](http://www.bethany-denver.org).

We invite you to stay after worship for refreshments served in the Fellowship Hall.

### WORSHIP LEADERS

PREACHER	Pastor Ron Glusenkamp
PRESIDER	Pastor Ruth Ann Loughry
ORGANIST	Kathy Eggleston
LECTORS	Brian Tennien (8:00 a.m.) Amy Sommer (10:30 a.m.)
MUSICIANS	Carillons, Director: Lisa Lewis (8:00 a.m.) Chancel Choir, Director: Dan Grace (10:30 a.m.)
CANTORS	Don Heilman (8:00 a.m.) Sue Stohl (10:30 a.m.)
COMMUNION ASSISTANTS	Dick Rankin & Jeanette Manos (8:00 a.m.) Bill Moeller (10:30 a.m.)
ACOLYTES	Kit Frey & Brad Soderberg (8:00 a.m.) Ashley Schroeder & Jennifer Russ (10:30 a.m.)
USHERS	Don Vogel, Tom Monson, Arlis Adolf John Krueger, Mark Mertz (8:00 a.m.) Jerry Kerkhove, Dick Cameron, Carole Cameron, Dave Vandapool Noel Hasselgren, Norma Renner, Jack Hagood Dave Malucky, Terry Pickett, Aubrey Annas (9:00 a.m.) Steve Rogge, Ken Hansen, Gail Luttinen David Clausen, Phillip Angus, Andrew Rogge (10:30 a.m.)
SOUND TECHNICIAN	Mark Buland
JANUARY ALTAR GUILD	Kathy Good, Sue Buck, Carol Rankin Wanda Engelbart, Susan Long, Judi Burchfield
JANUARY SACRISTANS	John Brayton, Katie Dragseth Dave Malucky, Beth Nixon

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- ❖ The **#** symbol refers to hymns and service music found after the Psalms.
- ❖ The **\*** indicates liturgy that is omitted at the 8:00 a.m. service.
- ❖ Large print version available at the Hospitality Center.

**Bethany's Mission, Vision & Goals** Worship Meaningfully; Grow Spiritually; Serve Purposefully; Share Fellowship; Witness Intentionally

*New Members:* Edgar & Martha Benson; Dean & Nancy Burchfield; Brenda Greenwald; Kent, Elizabeth & Pierson Lund; Linda Odland; Brent, Delia, Cole & Laine Stewart; D.J. Tengdin