# Welcome to Worship January 28th, 2024

Prelude Prélude Modal ~ Jean Langlais

Gathering Hymn Open Your Ears, O Faithful People ~ ELW 519

#### Prayer of the Day

Compassionate God, you gather the whole universe into your radiant presence and continually reveal your Son as our Savior. Bring wholeness to all that is broken and speak truth to us in our confusion, that all creation will see and know your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

### First Reading Deuteronomy 18:15-20

Today's reading is part of a longer discourse in Deuteronomy, an updating of the law for the Israelite community as the people wait to enter the promised land. Here Moses assures the people that God will continue to guide them through prophets who will proclaim the divine word.

Word of God. Word of life Thanks be to God

Psalm 111



## Refrain sung by cantor **Refrain sung by congregation**

Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.
Great are your works, O LORD, pondered by all who delight in them.
Majesty and splendor mark your deeds, and your righteousness endures forever.
You cause your wonders to be remembered; you are gracious and full of compassion. Refrain
You give food to those who fear you, remembering forever your covenant.
You have shown your people the power of your works in giving them the lands of the nations.
The works of your hands are faithfulness and justice;

all of your precepts are sure.

They stand fast forever and ever,

because they are done in truth and equity. **Refrain** 

You sent redemption to your people and commanded your covenant forever; holy and awesome is your name.

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom;

all who practice this have a good understanding. God's praise endures forever. Refrain

### Gospel Mark 1:21-28

Forces that would bring death and disease have taken hold of a man, yet they recognize Jesus and know what his power means for them. Jesus commands these forces to leave and people are amazed at his authority.

[Jesus and his disciples] went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God." But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, "What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

<u>Hymn of the Day</u>	Let My Spirit Always Sing ~ ACS 1020
Musical Offering	I've Got Peace Like a River ~ arr. Sharon Elery Rogers (Hallelujah Ringers)
Offertory Hymn	Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ ~ ELW 674 (vs. 1-2)
<u>Communion Hymn</u>	Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song ~ ELW 808
<u>Sending Hymn</u>	God, Whose Almighty Word ~ ELW 673
<u>Postlude</u>	Fanfare ~ Jacques Lemmens
Flowers are in honor of John, Vi, and Clarence Huenniger	