

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

Blessed by Jesus' Presence

January 19 & 20, 2019

AS WE GATHER

Right here. Right now. Jesus is present. Take a moment and let that sink in. Jesus—the very Son of God and King of the universe—is present! As He was at the wedding feast in Cana of Galilee, where He gave the first sign of His glory, He also is present with us today through the Word proclaimed and the “sign” received in His body and blood. The Table will be prepared. The bread and the wine will be plentiful. And you will be invited to come: “Take, eat. Take, drink.” Christ’s true presence is here for you, and you are richly blessed! Savor this hour as we gather and receive Jesus into our midst. What a holy hour this is! Right here. Right now. You are blessed by Jesus’ presence.

10:30 PRE-SERVICE

“Simple Gifts”

WELCOME

Praise the Lord, all nations! Extol him, all peoples!
For great is his steadfast love toward us,
and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever.
Praise the Lord! (Psalm 117, ESV)

HANDSHAKES & HUGS

✠ PREPARATION ✠

OPENING HYMN #907 “God Himself Is Present”

God Himself is present: Let us now adore Him
And with awe appear before Him, God is in His temple;
All within keep silence; Humbly kneel in deepest rev’rence.
He alone On His throne Is our God and Savior; Praise His name forever!

God Himself is present; Hear the harps resounding:
See the hosts the throne surrounding. “Holy, holy, holy!”
Hear the hymn ascending, Songs of saints and angels blending.
Bow Your ear To us here; Hear, O Christ, the praises
That Your Church now raises.

Fount of ev’ry blessing, Purify my spirit, Trusting only in Your merit.
Like the holy angels, Worshipping before You,
May I ceaselessly adore You. Let Your will Ever still
Rule Your Church terrestrial As the hosts celestial.

INVOCATION & OPENING SENTENCES

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Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the Lord,

People: who made heaven and earth.

Pastor: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

People: and your forgave the iniquity of my sin.

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

Pastor: O almighty God, merciful Father,

People: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto you all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended you and justly deserved your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them and I pray you of your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Pastor: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the +Son and of the Holy ‘spirit.

People: Amen.

RESPONSIVE PSALM 128

Pastor: Blessed is everyone who fears the LORD, who walks in His ways!

People: You shall eat the fruit of the labor of your hands;

Pastor: You shall be blessed,

People: and it shall be well with you.

Pastor: Your wife will be a like a fruitful vine within your house; your children will be like olive shoots around your table.

People: Behold, thus shall the man be blessed who fears the LORD.

Pastor: You shall be blessed,

People: and it shall be well with you.

Pastor: The LORD bless you from Zion! May you see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days of your life!

People: May you see your children's children! Peace be upon Israel!

Pastor: You shall be blessed,

People: and it shall be well with you.

GLORIA PATRI ♪

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**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.**

KYRIE ♪

**Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.**

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS ♪

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**Glory be to God on high:
and on earth peace, good will toward men.
We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee,
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to thee, for thy great glory.
O lord God, heav'nly King. God the Father Almighty.
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,
have mercy upon us. For Thou only art holy;
Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,
art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

SALUTATION & PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: ♪ And with thy spirit.

Pastor: Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, who governs all things in heaven and on earth, mercifully grant that as we commit our cares to you, we may trust in the blessing of your presence and peace; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: ♪ Amen.

(Be seated)

✠ WORD ✠

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Isaiah 62:1-5* (God is the Bridegroom to His people.) For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not be quiet, until her righteousness goes forth as brightness, and her salvation as a burning torch. The nations shall see your righteousness, and all the kings your glory, and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate, but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the LORD delights in you, and your land shall be married. For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your sons marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE *1 Corinthians 12:1-11* (God gives the gifts of His Spirit for the common good.) Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans you were led astray to mute idols, however you were led. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking in the Spirit of God ever says "Jesus is accursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except in the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. For to one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the ability to distinguish between spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are empowered by one and the same Spirit, who apportions to each one individually as he wills.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

8:00 CHOIR ANTHEM *"The Meditations of My Heart"* Elaine Hagenberg

10:30 BELL ANTHEM *"Gloria"*

(Rise)

ALLELUIA

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People: ♪ Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the second chapter.

People: ♪ Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

HOLY GOSPEL *John 2:1-11* (Jesus works His first sign at the Cana wedding feast.) On the third day there was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus also was invited to the wedding with his disciples. When the wine ran out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what does this have to do with me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." Now there were six stone water jars there for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to the servants, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. And he said to them, "Now draw some out and take it to the master of the feast." So they took it. When the master of the feast tasted the water now become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the master of the feast called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and when people have drunk freely, then the poor wine. But you have kept the good wine until now." This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory. And his disciples believed in him.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: ♪ **Praise to Thee, O Christ.**

NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life ☩ of the world to come. Amen.

(Be seated)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON HYMN #723 "The Lord Is My Light"

**Refrain: The Lord is my light and my salvation,
The Lord is the stronghold of my life.
Since the Lord is my life, my strength,
and my all, Whom then shall I fear?**

There is one thing I ask of the Lord; To dwell in His house forever,
To gaze on the beauty of the Lord All the days of my life. **Refrain**

Do not hide Your face, O Lord; Ev'ry day I will seek Your face.
Though my father and mother may forsake me, The Lord will receive me.

Refrain

Teach me, Lord, and keep me on Your paths;
Guide me, Lord, along a level way.

I will gaze on the goodness of the Lord In the land of all the living. **Refrain**

SERMON

"Sign of Something Greater"

John 2

(Rise)

OFFERTORY ♪

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**Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence,
and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation,
and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.**

(Be seated)

OFFERING As your offering is collected, **please sign our attendance book** located at the end of the pew. If you are a visitor, please leave your address and phone. After you are finished, please pass the book along to others in your pew, and return the book to the center aisle. You may check the register to see the names of those to greet after the service.

(Rise)

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: 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:

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For grace to receive the Word of God with joy, for repentance from all our sins, and for the aid of the Holy Spirit to amend our sinful lives, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For holiness of life and speech, for grace to live out fully the promise of our Baptism into Christ, for the fulfilling of our vocation as God's servants, and for the will and desire to serve the Lord with joy, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For the renewal of the Church, for strong and faithful leaders who inspire us to follow the Lord's ways, and for faithful pastors and church workers who honor their vocations with diligence for God's kingdom and love for His people, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For the government and those who protect us; for good citizenship; for the promotion of virtue in our land; and for an end to a culture of indifference to the sacredness of life, and for the protection of the unborn, the aged and the frail, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For the family, for the homes where people dwell in love, for faithful husbands and wives, for the children in our care, for all women with child, for those who have suffered miscarriage, and for those unable to conceive, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: In thanksgiving for all your good gifts of our earthly life, and especially for Vern Strand celebrating his 88th birthday, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For those afflicted in mind or body, for the grieving and the lonely, for the aged and infirm, for the widow and orphan, for the imprisoned and persecuted because of the faith, and for all those for whom our prayers have been requested Nancy, Grant, Bill, Fred, Edith, Henry, LuEva, Nancy, Don, Barbara, Larry, Marge, Dolores, Herb, Dick, Cliff, Cindy, Arlene, Nancy, Shirley, Gladys, Russ, John, Arlene, Jack, Shirley, Jonathan and Sarah that they may know the comfort and healing of God's grace to sustain them to the day of the resurrection, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For all those who grieve the passing of loved ones, especially John Gieschen and family upon Sue's passing, and Pat Sweeney and family upon the passing of Roxanne, that God would fill them with comfort, hope, and peace through the promises of Christ, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For faith to receive the Christ's body and blood, for the Spirit to prepare us for this Holy Communion, for an end to all divisions, for unity of doctrine, and for the will and desire to love God above all and to love our neighbors as ourselves, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For those who have departed this life in faith and now rest in God's nearer presence, let us give thanks; for those who struggle in faith, that they may not grow weary nor despair of the eternal hope God has give us; and for the blessed reunion with all the faithful in the life to come, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

PREFACE

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Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: ♪ And with thy spirit.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: ♪ We lift them up unto the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

People: ♪ It is meet and right so to do.

Pastor: It is truly meet, right and salutary... evermore praising you and saying:

SANCTUS ♪

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Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth; heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

People: ♪ **For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

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THE PEACE OF THE LORD

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: ♪ **Amen.**

AGNUS DEI ♪

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O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

(Be seated)

DISTRIBUTION Those guests who desire to commune who are members of another LCMS congregation may do so; if you are coming from another church background, please see the pastor or an elder first.

HYMN #618 "I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table"

I come, O Savior, to Thy table, For weak and weary is my soul;
Thou, Bread of Life, alone art able To satisfy and make me whole:

Refrain:

Lord, May Thy body and Thy blood Be for my soul the highest good!

Thy heart is filled with fervent yearning That sinners may salvation see
Who, Lord, to Thee in faith are turning; So I, a sinner, come to Thee. *Refrain*

Unworthy though I am, O Savior, Because I have a sinful heart,
Yet Thou Thy lamb wilt banish never, For Thou my faithful shepherd art:

Refrain

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Weary am I and heavy laden; With sin my soul is sore oppressed;
Receive me graciously and gladden my heart, for I am now Thy guest. *Refrain*

What higher gift can we inherit? It is faith's bond and solid base;
It is the strength of heart and Spirit, The covenant of hope and grace. *Refrain*

HYMN #633 "At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing" Stanzas 1-4

At the Lamb's high feast we sing Praise to our victorious King.
Who has washed us in the tide Flowing from His pierced side. Alleluia!

Praise we Him, whose love divine Gives His sacred blood for wine,
Gives His body for the feast-Christ the victim, Christ the priest. Alleluia!

Where the paschal blood is poured, Death's dread angel sheathes the sword:
Israel's hosts triumphant go Through the wave that drowns the foe. Alleluia!

Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, Pas'chal victim, paschal bread; with
sincerity and love Eat we manna from above. Alleluia!

HYMN #636 "Soul, Adorn Yourself With Gladness"

Soul, adorn yourself with gladness, Leave the gloomy haunts of sadness,
Come into the daylight's splendor, There with joy your praises render. Bless
the One whose grace unbounded This amazing banquet founded;
He, though heav'nly, high, and holy, Deigns to dwell with you most lowly.

Hasten as a bride to meet Him, And with loving rev'ence greet Him.
For with words of life immortal He is knocking at your portal.
Open wide the gates before Him, Saying, as you there adore Him:
Grant, Lord, that I now receive You, That I nevermore will leave You.

He who craves a precious treasure Neither cost nor pain will measure;
But the priceless gifts of heaven God to us has freely given.
Though the wealth of earth were proffered, None could buy the gifts here
offered: Christ's true body, for you riven, And His blood, for you once given.

Now in faith I humbly ponder Over this surpassing wonder
That the bread of life is boundless Though the souls it feeds are countless:
With the choicest wine of heaven Christ's own blood to us is given.
Oh, most glorious consolation, pledge and seal of my salvation!

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Jesus, source of lasting pleasure, Truest friend, and dearest treasure,
Peace beyond all understanding, Joy into all life expanding:
Humbly now, I bow before You; Love incarnate, I adore You
Worthily let me receive You And, so forward, never leave You.

Jesus, sun of life, my splendor, Jesus, friend of friends, most tender,
Jesus, joy of my desiring, Fount of life, my soul inspiring:
At Your feet I cry, my maker, Let me be a fit partaker
Of this blessed food from heaven, For our good, Your glory, given.

Lord, by love and mercy driven, You once left Your throne in heaven
On the cross for me to languish And to die in bitter anguish,
To forego all joy and gladness And to shed Your blood in sadness.
By this blood redeemed and living, Lord, I praise You with thanksgiving.

Jesus, bread of life, I pray You, Let me gladly here obey You.
By Your love I am invited, Be Your love with love requited;
By this Supper let me measure, Lord, how vast and deep love's treasure.
Through the gift of grace You give me As Your guest in heav'n receive me.

COMMON DISMISSAL

(Rise)

NUNC DIMITTIS ♪

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**Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace
according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,
which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people,
a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning is now, and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen.**

THANKSGIVING

Pastor: O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.

People: ♪ **and His mercy endureth forever.**

Pastor: Let us pray. We give thanks to you, almighty God, that you have
refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore you that of
your mercy you would strengthen us through the same in faith
toward you and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus

Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the
Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: ♪ **Amen.**

SALUTATION & BENEDICAMUS

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: ♪ **and with thy spirit.**

Pastor: Bless we the Lord.

People: ♪ **Thanks be to God.**

BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on
you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and
✠ give you peace.

People: ♪ **Amen, amen, amen.**

CLOSING HYMN #643 "Sent Forth By God's Blessing"

Sent forth by God's blessing, Our true faith confessing,
The people of God from His dwelling take leave.
The Supper is ended. O now be extended
The fruits of this service in all who believe.
The seed of His teaching, Receptive souls reaching,
Shall blossom in action for God and for all. His grace did invite us,
His love shall unite us To work for God's kingdom and answer His call.

With praise and thanksgiving To God ever living,
The tasks of our ev'ry day life we will face.
Our faith ever sharing, In love ever caring, Embracing His children of each
tribe and race. With Your feast You feed us, With Your light now lead us;
Unite us as one in this life that we share. Then may all the living
With praise and thanksgiving Give honor to Christ and His name that we bear.

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