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CONTEMPORARY/LIVESTREAM WORSHIP (10:30 AM)



THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY JANUARY 16, 2022

INTRODUCTION

The Sundays after Epiphany continue to celebrate the revelation of God's glory to us as it was made known to the magi and to those on Jordan's banks at Jesus' baptism—today using wedding imagery. Our God rejoices over God's people as those being married rejoice over one another. By the power of the Spirit there are gifts galore for everyone. In Christ Jesus the best wine is saved for last. Taste and see.

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Please stand as you are able

- P This is the day that the Lord has made:
- C Let us rejoice and be glad in it. (Ps 118:24)

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

- P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who creates us, redeems us, and calls us by name.
- C Amen.
- P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

- P Most merciful God.
- C we confess that we have sinned against you and your beloved children. We have turned our faces away from your glory when it did not appear as we expected. We have rejected your word when it made us confront ourselves. We have failed to show hospitality to those you called us to welcome. Accept our repentance for the things we have done and the things we have left undone. For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us and lead us, that we may bathe in the glory of your Son born among us, and reflect our love for all creation. Amen.
- P Rejoice in this good news: In † Christ Jesus, your sins are forgiven. You are descendants of the Most High, adopted into the household of Christ, and inheritors of eternal life. Live as freed and forgiven children of God.
- C Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

Chorus

As for me and my house we will serve the Lord, Yeah As for me and my house we will serve the Lord

Verse 1

We will not be afraid, we have made a choice to follow the Lord and the sound of his voice and I will follow you the rest of my days, we will serve the Lord

(Repeat Chorus and Verse 1)

AS FOR ME AND MY HOUSE

End Verse

We will dance and shout about it Jesus set the captives free And we rejoice 'cause Jesus is the Lord Jesus is the Lord Jesus is the Lord

GREETING

- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P Let us pray. Lord God,
- C source of every blessing, you showed forth your glory and led many to faith by the works of your Son, who brought gladness and salvation to his people. Transform us by the Spirit of his love, that we may find our life together in him, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Please be seated

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

CHRIS CURTIS

Children are dismissed for Sunday School

FIRST READING Isaiah 62:1-5

The people's return to Judah after the exile was marred by economic and political troubles. Nevertheless, the prophet declares, Jerusalem and Judah will be restored. God will rejoice over Jerusalem as a bridegroom rejoices over the bride, and the people are called to the celebration.

¹For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. ²The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give. ³You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. ⁴You 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. ⁵For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

R Word of God, word of life

C Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

The congregation at Corinth experienced division as people were comparing their spiritual gifts, thinking some to be superior to others. Paul invites this fractured community to trust that God's Holy Spirit has gifted them all perfectly for their mission together.

¹Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. ²You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak.

³Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus"

be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.

⁴Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

- R Word of God, word of life.
- C Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the Gospel reading as you are able

GOSPEL VERSE

C Holy words long preserved for our walk in this world, They resound with God's own heart Oh, let the Ancient words impart.

Ancient words, ever true, changing me and changing you; We have come with open hearts, O, let the ancient words impart.

GOSPEL READING John 2:1-11

Turning water to wine at the wedding at Cana is described as the first of Jesus' signs. Through many such epiphanies, Jesus reveals that he bears God's creative power and joyful presence into the world.

- The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 2nd chapter.
- Glory to You, O Lord

¹On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ²Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." ⁵His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. ⁹When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom 10 and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." 11 Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

- The Gospel of our Lord
- Praise to You, O Christ

Please be seated

SERMON

"CRISIS MANAGEMENT"

PR. SCOT SORENSEN

SONG OF THE DAY

TURN YOUR EYES UPON JESUS

Turn your eyes upon Jesus Look full in his wonderful face And the things of Earth will grow strangely dim In the light of his glory and grace.

Repeat

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SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Presentation

P God, who is rich in mercy and love gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to a new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

Elizabeth Clare Cushing is presented to receive the sacrament of baptism.

- P Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God do you, *Jessica Cushing*, desire to have Elizabeth Clare baptized into Christ?
- R I do.
- P As you bring your child to receive the gift of baptism you are entrusted with responsibilities: to live with her among God's faithful people,

to bring her to the word of God and the holy supper,

teach her the Lord's Prayer, the Creed and the Ten Commandments,

to place in her hands the holy scriptures,

and nurture her in faith and prayer,

so that she may learn to trust God,

proclaim Christ through word and deed,

care for others and the world God made.

and work for justice and peace.

Do you promise to help Elizabeth Clare grow in the Christian faith and life?

- R Ido.
- P Chris & Kerri Cushing, do you promise to nurture Elizabeth Clare in Christian faith as you are empowered by God's spirit and to help her live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?
- S We do.
- P People of God, do you promise to support Elizabeth Clare and pray for her in her new life in Christ?
- C We do.

Profession of Faith

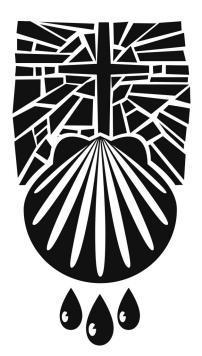
- P I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church. Do you renounce the devil and the forces that defy God?
- C I renounce them.
- P Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?
- C I renounce them.
- P Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?
- C I renounce them

- P Do you believe in God the Father?
- C I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.
- P Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?
- C 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.



C 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



Thanksgiving at the Font

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give our thanks and praise.
- P We give you thanks O God…to you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Hoy Spirit, now and forever.
- C Amen

Baptism

- P Elizabeth Clare, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Let us pray, we give you thanks, O God…the spirit of joy in your presence both now and forever.
- C Amen
- P Elizabeth Clare, child of God, you have been sealed with the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.
- C Amen.

Welcome

- P Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.
- P Let us welcome the newly baptized.
- A We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative redeeming word to all the world.

MINISTRY MOMENTS (ANNOUNCEMENTS)

OFFERING (Please place your offerings in the collection plate located by the doors as you exit)

SPECIAL MUSIC WORSHIP TEAM

OFFERING PRAYER

P Blessed are you, O God, Sovereign of the universe. You offer us new beginnings and guide us on our journey. Lead us to your table, nourish us with this heavenly food, and prepare us to carry your love to a hungry world, in the name of Christ our light.

C Amen.

Please stand as you are able

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

C Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P Come to God's table. There is a place for you and enough for all.

We invite all baptized Christians who desire God's presence and forgiveness in their life to receive Communion. The "Eucharistables" with options of wine or grape juice are located on the round table in the narthex. Please see an usher for the gluten-free option.

If you are worshiping in your homes, you are invited to commune each other, or to take communion yourself. You may use these words:

The body of the Christ, given for you. The blood of the Christ, shed for you.

For those abstaining from communion, I invite you to offer a blessing to each other. Here are two options:

- Marking the forehead in the sign of the cross and saying:
 (Name) child of God, know that you are loved and protected by God.
- 2. Prayer for those abstaining from Communion:
 - My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen

Please be seated



COMMUNION SONG

WHAT A BEAUTIFUL NAME IT IS

 You were the Word at the beginning One With God the Lord Most High Your hidden glory in creation Now revealed in You our Christ

Chorus

What a beautiful Name it is
What a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a beautiful Name it is
Nothing compares to this
What a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus

2) You didn't want heaven without us So Jesus, You brought heaven down My sin was great, Your love was greater What could separate us now?

Chorus 2

What a wonderful Name it is
What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a wonderful Name it is
Nothing compares to this
What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus (2X)

Please stand as you are able

Bridge

Death could not hold You,
The veil tore before You
You silenced the boast of sin and grave.
The heavens are roaring
The praise of Your glory
For You are raised to life again.
You have no rival, You have no equal.
Now and forever, God You reign.
Yours is the Kingdom, Yours is the glory.
Yours is the Name, above all Names.

Chorus 3

What a powerful Name it is
What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King.
What a powerful Name it is
Nothing can stand against
What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus (2X)

BLESSING

P May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in God's grace, now and forever. **C Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- P Let us pray. We give you thanks, gracious God, for we have feasted on the abundance of your house. Send us to bring good news and to proclaim your favor to all, strengthened with the richness of your grace in your Son, Jesus Christ.
- C Amen.

BENEDICTION

- P God, who leads you in pathways of righteousness, who rejoices over you, and who calls you by name,† bless your going out and your coming in, today and forever.
- C Amen.



SENDING HYMN

I WILL CALL UPON THE LORD

I will call upon the Lord, Who is worthy to be praised. So shall I be saved from my enemies.

Chorus:

The Lord liveth and blessed be the Rock and let the God of my salvation be exalted. The Lord liveth and blessed be the Rock and let the God of my salvation be exalted.

Short Musical Interlude

(Repeat)

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DISMISSAL

P Go with Christ into a weary world. Share the good news.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE



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