

# Sunday, January 19, 2025 10:00 a.m.

# Second Sunday after Epiphany



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 and Announcements



## **Opening Hymn**

#### "All Are Welcome"



#### **Confession & Forgiveness**

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

All: Amen.

Pastor: The Sun of righteousness shall rise with shining beams of healing. Let us gather under the wings

of God's mercy.

Gracious God,

All: we acknowledge that we are sinners and we confess our sins—those known to us that burden our

hearts, and those unknown to us but seen by you. We know that before you nothing remains hidden, and in you everything is revealed. Free us from the slavery of sin; liberate us from the bondage of guilt; work in us that which is pleasing in your sight; for the sake of Jesus Christ our

Lord. Amen.

Pastor: From the house of David, God raised up a mighty savior.

All: Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, who comes to set us free.

Pastor: Remembering the covenant, God delivered us from our enemies.

All: Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, who comes to set us free.

Pastor: With a heart full of mercy and compassion, God saves us and forgives us all our sins. Christ, the

dawn from on high, shines upon us, and by the light of the Holy Spirit guides our feet into the

way of peace.

All: Amen.

# Greeting

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be

with you all.

All: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray.

#### Welcome One Another in the Name of Christ

Pastor: The peace of Christ be always with you.

All: And also with you.

## **Kyrie**

Pastor: Lord have mercy.

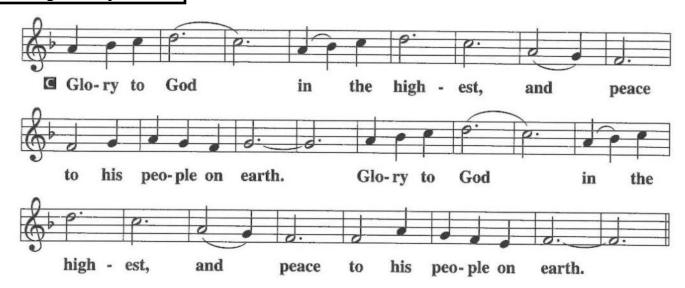
All: Christ have mercy.

Pastor: Lord have mercy.

## **Hymn of Praise**

Glory to God, from This Far By Faith, Setting II

# All Sing the Refrain



## The Choir Sings the Verses

Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

#### **REFRAIN**

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

#### **RERAIN**

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

#### **REFRAIN**

## The Prayer of the Day

Pastor: Let us pray,

All: Lord God, 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.

## **Lector Blessing**

Pastor: Let us pray,

Gracious God, your word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. Send your Holy Spirit upon Dr. Drew Emerson as he proclaims the word, so that all who receive it will no longer dwell in the shadows, but will have the light of life.

All: Amen.

## The First Reading

Isaiah 62:1-5

Lector: 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.

A reading from the first book of Isaiah.

For 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. The 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.

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 builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.





#### Psalm 36:5-10

Lector: Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens, and your faithfulness to the clouds.

All: Your righteousness is like the strong mountains, your justice like the great deep; you save

humankind and animals, O Lord.

Lector: How priceless is your love, O God! All people take refuge under the shadow of your wings.

All: They feast upon the abundance of your house; you give them drink from the river of your

delights.

Lector: For with you is the well of life, and in your light we see light.

All: Continue your lovingkindness to those who know you, and your favor to those who are true of

heart.

## The Second Reading

#### **1 Corinthians 12:1-11**

Lector:

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.

A reading from Paul's first letter to the people of Corinth.

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

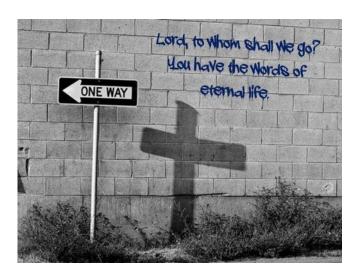
Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through 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 discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

## The Gospel Acclamation





# The Gospel Reading

John 2:1-11

Pastor: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John.

All:: Glory to you, O Lord.

Pastor: On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there.

Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When 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." His 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. Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. When 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 bride groom 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." Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, 0 Christ.

# **Hymn of Praise**

## "Give to Our God Immortal Praise"



Children's Sermon & Sermon

**Pastor Joachim Wilck** 



#### Hymn of the Day

## "Songs of Thankfulness and Praise"



# The Apostles' Creed

All: 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 into hell. 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**

Pastor: With the Spirit of Christ shining upon us, let us boldly pray for the church, the world, and all of

creation. (Silence is observed.) Giver of gifts, you form each member of the church to serve. Inspire us to boldly use gifts of welcome and healing, service and teaching, leading and preaching, for the sake of your work in the world. God of grace,

All: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Refuge of creatures, you place all the living under the shadow of your wings. Lead us in ways

that tend to the needs of wild and domestic animals, creatures threatened by extinction, and the

environment we share. God of grace,

All: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Voice of the oppressed, you call prophets throughout time. We remember the Rev. Dr. Martin

Luther King Jr., a voice for racial and economic justice and for peace. Guide our nation in

continuing to heed your prophetic call. God of grace,

All: hear our prayer.

Pastor: God of steadfast love, as Jesus celebrated at Cana, nurture marriages and relationships in mutual

care; in times of separation or divorce hold tenderly broken hearts and broken dreams. Be present

to all who are sick, grieving or in any need. God of grace,

All: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Spirit of peace, celebrating this Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, we pray for neighboring

congregations and ministry sites. Nurture our shared commitment to embody Jesus' love,

justice, and healing. God of grace,

All: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Wellspring of life, in living and dying we trust in you. Give eternal rest to all who have died

especially Merlyn Hann and Daniel Scott, the brother of Karen Preston. We give thanks for the

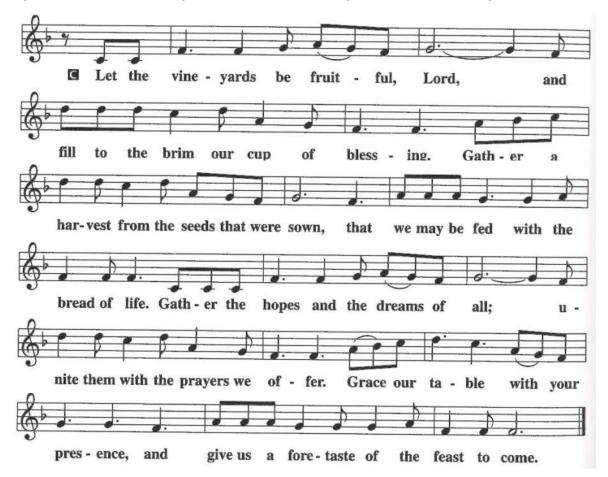
saints. Guide us in our living until, at last, we rest in you. God of grace,

All: hear our prayer.

Pastor: We entrust our prayers to you, O God, in the sure and certain hope that your promise is

revealed among the people. Amen.

# Offertory "Let the Vinyards be Fruitful" from This Far By Faith, Setting II



# **Offering Prayer**

Pastor: God of creation.

All: all you have made is good and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# The Great Thanksgiving

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

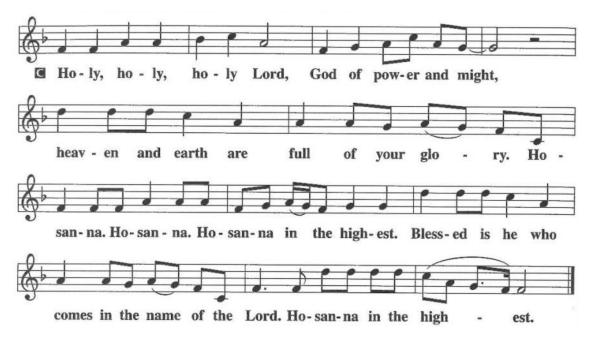
Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Pastor: It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord, sharing our life, he lived among us to reveal your glory and love, that our darkness should give way to his own brilliant light. And so, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



#### Words of Institution

Pastor: Holy God, holy and mighty, holy immortal, in the beginning you formed the heavens and earth and created us in your likeness. You made us guardians of your good creation and left the earth in our care.

All through our weary years and silent tears, you did not abandon us to ourselves, but sought us out in love. When we were captives in Egypt, you did not abandon us. When we wandered in the wilderness, you did not abandon us. When we turned to false gods, you did not abandon us. Through your holy prophets you called us to return to your graciousness, to your mercy, and to your steadfast love.

In the crowning act of love you gave your only Son, that whoever believes in him will have eternal life. For you sent Jesus not to condemn the world, but to save the world from sin. Through his death on the cross, we who were once far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

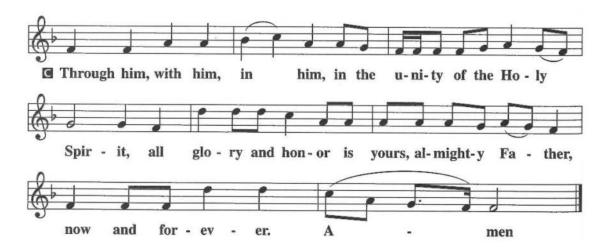
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

#### All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Pastor: With this bread and cup, we remember Christ's love among us; his association with outcasts, his eating with sinners, his healing of the sick, his care for the poor.

Send we pray, your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this bread and wine, that we who share this meal may become a holy communion, the body of Christ in the world.



## The Lord's Prayer

All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, they 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. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

#### **Invitation to Communion**

Pastor: The joy of the Lord is our strength. Come, eat this meal of gladness.



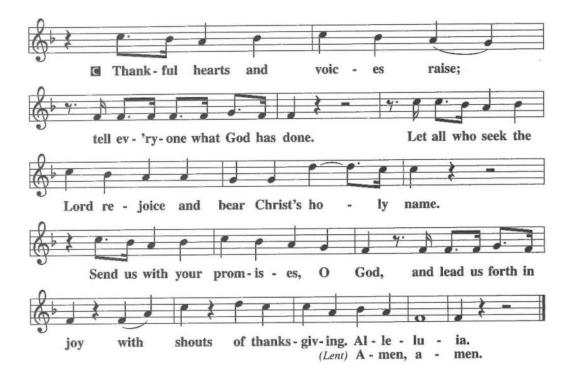
## **Communion Hymn**

"Taste and See"



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# Post Communion Canticle "Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise" TFF Setting II



## **Post Communion Prayer**

Pastor: Almighty God, you provide the true bread from heaven, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant that we who have received the sacrament of his body and blood may abide in him and he in us, that we may be filled with the power of his endless life, now and forever.

#### All: Amen.



#### **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.

All: Amen.

#### **Closing Hymn**

#### "We All Are One In Mission"



#### **Dismissal**

Pastor: Go in peace. The Word of God dwells in you richly.

All: Thanks be to God.

#### **Postlude**