SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY WORSHIP 9:30 a.m., January 16, 2022 Tree of Life—Marty Haugen



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.

Welcome to all who are virtually visiting us today. Please sign in on the Comments section of your Facebook Live page. If you would like to be put on the Advent email list to receive bulletins and Advent updates please send your email address to <u>adventwestminster@gmail.com</u> or contact us through the adventwestminster.org web site. Please join us in celebrating Holy Communion this morning by having some bread and wine or grape juice available for the blessing on page 6

*Stand if able, *P*– Pastor, *AM*- assisting minister, *C*-congregation, ELW-red songbook, W&P-purple songbook

CALL TO WORSHIP — WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the Holy Trinity, + one God, who creates us, redeems us, and calls us by name. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for reflection.

Most merciful God, 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 your love for all creation. Amen.

P: Rejoice in this good news: In + Christ, 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. **Amen.**

*GATHERING SONG ELW #312 "Jesus, Come! For We Invite You"

- 1. Jesus, come! for we invite you, guest and master, friend and Lord; now, as once at Cana's wedding, speak and let us hear your word: lead us through our need or doubting, hope be born and joy restored.
- 2 Jesus come! transform our pleasures, guide us into paths unknown; bring your gifts, command your servants, let us trust in you alone: though your hand may work in secret, all shall see what you have done.
- 3. Jesus come! in new creation, heav'n brought near in pow'r divine; give your unexpected glory, changing water into wine: rouse the faith of your disciples—come, our first and greatest Sign!
- 4. Jesus come! surprise our dullness, make us willing to receive more than we can yet imagine, all the best you have to give: let us find your hidden riches, taste your love, believe, and live!

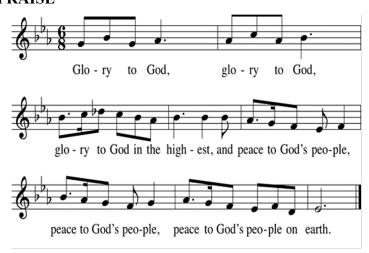
*GREETING

P: The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirt be with you all. **C: And also with you.**

*KYRIE



*HYMN OF PRAISE



* PRAYER OF THE DAY

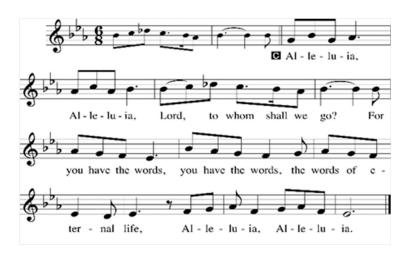
AM: Let us pray together. ALL: Lord God, source of every blessing, you showed forth your glory and led many to faith by the works of your Son, who brought gladness and salvation to his people. Transform us by the Spirit of his love, that we may find our life together in him, Jesus Christ, our Savior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

READING 1 CORINTHIANS 12:1-11

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.

After Reading: L: The Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.





*GOSPEL: P: The Gospel according to St. John 2:1-11.

C: Glory to you O Lord.

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 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 to the chief steward.' So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that has become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom 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.

After Reading: P: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON Vicar Kaari Nieuwlandt

* HYMN OF THE DAY ELW #685 "Take My Life, That I May Be" vrs 1,2,5,6

- 1. Take my life, that I may be consecrated Lord, to thee; take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise.
- 2. Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of thy love; take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for thee.
- 5. Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine. Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.
- 6. Take my love: my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

PRAYERS (please be seated)

AM: God of grace. C: Hear our prayer.

AM:...through Jesus Christ our Savior. C: Amen.

CHILDERN'S SERMON (children come forward) Vicar Kaari Nieuwlandt

GREETING OF PEACE

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

C: And also with you. (please share a sign of peace with one another)

OFFERING/OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY PRAYER

AM: Blessed are you, O God, Sovereign of the universe C: 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.

Amen.

*GREAT THANKSGIVING

- P: The Lord be with you. C: And also with you.
- P: Lift up your hearts. C: We lift them to the Lord.
- P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*EUCHARISTIC PRAYER AND WORDS OF INSTITUTION

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

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. For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

The gifts of God are always FREE! All are welcome at the Lord's table. Have your bread and wine or grape juice in front of you during the Eucharistic Prayer and Words of Institution. When you hear "The body of Christ broken in love for you," take the bread. When you hear "The blood of Christ shed for you," do the same. For children please make the sign of the cross on their foreheads when you give them the bread, and use the words, "This is Jesus' body – he loves you and you are a special child of God".

ELW 472 "Eat this Bread" 3 times

Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and never be hungry. Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst.

BLESSING (please remain seated)

P: Now may this body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in His grace and peace now and forever. **C: Amen.**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

AM: Let us pray. C: 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. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*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. **Amen.**

*SENDING HYMN ELW #546 "To Be Your Presence"

- 1. To be your presence is our mission here, to show compassion's face and list'ning ear, to be your heart of mercy ever near, Alleluia!
- 2. To be your presence is our mission bold, to feed the poor and shelter homeless cold, to be your hands of justice, right uphold, Alleluia!
- 3. To be your presence is our mission blest, to speak for all the broken and oppressed, to be your voice of hope, your love expressed, Alleluia!
- 4. We are your heart, O Christ, your hands and voice, to serve your people is our call and choice, and in this mission we, the church, rejoice, Alleluia!

*CHARGE TO THE PEOPLE

AM: Go with Christ into a weary world. Share the good news. C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL:</u> Will meet via Zoom after worship.

<u>NEW ADULT FORUM JANUARY/FEBRUARY:</u> A Field Guide to C. S. Lewis Outside of Narnia

Before he was a children's author, Oxford professor C.S. Lewis was a well-known Christian writer. In a weekly hybrid-format education series in January and February, we will explore "C.S. Lewis Outside of Narnia." Each week we will use a different one of the Narnia books, starting with *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe*, as a jumping-off point to explore (a) Lewis's religious writings, (b) Lewis's other fantasy books, and (c) intersections with Lewis's personal faith journey. Pre-reading is not required; just dust off your copy of *Narnia* and join us! We will meet Sundays at 10:45 AM at Advent, online using this link: https://ucdenver.zoom.us/j/9804827578, or you can watch recorded Zoom sessions afterwards.

<u>ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING:</u> Our annual congregational meeting will be held on Sunday January 30th. Please send your annual reports to Cindy by January 15th. Thank you!

2022 CALENDARS ARE HERE!! They are \$10.00 please help support our Youth!

PLEDGE CARDS: It is not too late to turn in your pledge. Thank you!!

OFFERING ENVELOPES: If you have not yet picked up your offering envelopes, please contact Cindy in the office and she will make arrangements to get them to you.

PRAYERS FOR HEALING

Please take your Prayer List home with you and continue to pray for your siblings in Christ.

Michael Adams (Lexi Larson's father)

*Steve Albert (friend of Virginia)

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Cindy Anderson Patti Antonio Arnie Arino

Fred and JoAnn Bantin

Tom Barber

Donald Brzowsky (Hal Schweitzer's nephew)

Nelda Campbell/ Teresa Pflueger/ Esther Thomsen (family of Vonda Crow)

Wally Campbell (friend of Sandra Sphan)

Shawn Cantwell (nephew of Michelle Lamirato)

Shelley Carey, Kim Schreiner & Sandra Schreiner (Cheryl Swinhart's cousins)

Amber Carolus & family (friend of Chris Borquez)

*Pedro Chihuahua

Joann Conrad (Debbie Ezo's mother)

Gina Crane and son Blake Jackson (friends of Elizabeth Mei-

*Nick Del Hierro (friend of Jan and Sandi Bordner)

Marge Dorsey Martie Essebaggers Esther Faires

Cheri Feighner (Virginia Feighner's sister-in-law)

Doyle Fuhrman (Jacob Fuhrman's father)

Tobias Funk (Jan Cole's nephew) Gene (Al Muniz's brother) **Scott Gerhardt** (friend of Chris Borquez)

Julie Goerend (Pastor Barb's friend)

Russ and Bob Goerend (Pastor Barb's friends)

Joe Green (friend of Donna Harris)

Abbey Hammer (Pam and Jesse Hammer's niece)

Andrea Hanson (Chris' sister-in-law)

**Brian and Sandy Hanson Geraldine Harmon (Ernst Blyt's sister-in-law)

Dale Hundley(Lois'Wyble's son in law)

Karen Hutchinson (Friend of Pastor Barb)

Michele Hysell

Jess Kary (Jill Hartmann's father)

Erica Kennedy (Teresa Manshardt's niece)

Greg Komma

**Jessica Kurschner(Pam & Jesse Hammer's daughter)

Raymond Jamsey Denny Lewis

Andrea, Susan, Maddie, Todd (family and friends of Jeri Smith) Kathy Martin (friend of Pastor

Barb)

Shirley Nelson

Gail Pankow (Shirley Keith'sister)

**Edward Pacheco

Don & Merideth Parker (Ann Hibbs' Mother & Stepdad)

Pepper (Rebecca Markel's friend)

Margaret Pitton (Mary Lamirato's sister in law)

Jeannie Prior (friend of Chris Borquez)

Ray(Al Muniz' brother)

Harlan Redcay (Jesse Hammer's brother in law)

Dianne Reiter and family Helen Ritterodt

Don Rundall (Maradith Goode's uncle)

Sarah (Rebecca Markel's friend)

Charlie Shaw (friend of Lisa Cook)

Jean Shea (Helen Ritterodt's friend)

Jan Sherman (friend of Von-

Stacy Struessel Cheryl Swinhart

Dean Turner (friend of Tom and Joan)

Frank Van Pelt
Fred Vargas & Family
(Diane Fuhrman's brothe

(Diane Fuhrman's brother and family) Mike Vaughn (friend of Ma-

ren Blair)
Ann Vespoli (LaVonne

Vespoli's mother-in-law)
Bonnie Waln

Tony Zangari Sr., Tony Jr., Roxanne Zangari

(family of Kathy Zangari)

Special Prayers for the family of Russ Shannon.

Special Prayers for nurses and doctors who are risking their lives and Scientists (that they are able to treat and prevent the spread of the virus soon).

Special Prayers for the marginalized, people of color, and essential workers.

Special Prayers for all of our military

Special Prayers for all those out of work, homeless and hungry in the United States and around the world.