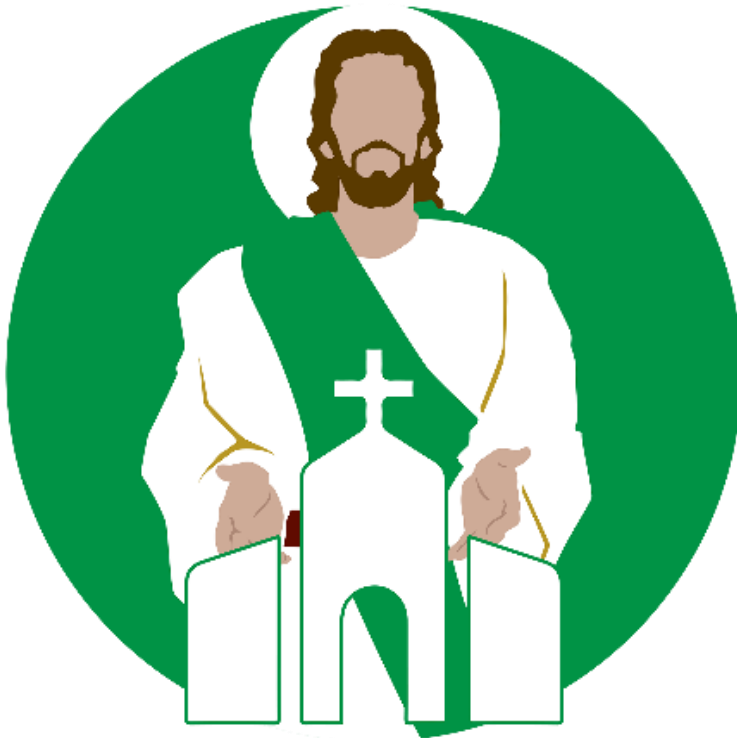


SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY



The First of Many
January 19, 2025

Everyone is asked to silence or put their **cell phones** on vibrate while attending church services.

AS WE GATHER

The miracle of water turned into wine is a surprising one. It is marked by the fact that this is the choicest of wines, that the sheer amount of wine was embarrassingly extravagant, and that the full benefit of this miracle was limited to the servants who did what Jesus said, Mary, and the disciples who were with Jesus. It is the mark of what is to come. Jesus' whole ministry is one of goodness beyond compare, of extravagant mercy beyond what we deserve or even dare ask, and of grace hidden in ordinary things like words, water, bread, and wine. This is then a precursor of what is to come, the first of many manifestations of His mercy and the rich and overflowing provision of His grace to supply salvation to a world that otherwise knows no joy.

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
People: **Amen.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Psalm 117:2; 36:7

Pastor: Great is His steadfast love toward us,
People: **and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever.**

Pastor: How precious is Your steadfast love, O God!
People: **The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of Your wings.**

Pastor: Bidden by His steadfast love, let us take refuge in the mercy of God, confessing our sins and rejoicing in His gift of forgiveness through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Silence is kept for meditation and reflection.

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

People: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As an ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: He who began this good work within you will bring it to completion on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. The peace of the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

HYMN

The Star Proclaims the King Is Here

LSB 399



1 The star pro - claims the King is here; But, Her - od,
2 The east - ern sa - ges saw from far And fol - lowed
3 With - in the Jor - dan's sa - cred flood The heav'n - ly
4 And oh, what mir - a - cle di - vine, When wa - ter
△ 5 For this Thy glad e - piph - a - ny All glo - ry,



why this sense - less fear? For He who of - fers heav'n - ly
on His guid - ing star; And, led by light, to light they
Lamb in meek - ness stood That He, of whom no sin was
red - dened in - to wine! He spoke the word, and forth it
Je - sus, be to Thee, Whom with the Fa - ther we a -



birth Seeks not the king - doms of this earth.
trod And by their gifts con - fessed their God.
known, Might cleanse His peo - ple from their own.
flowed In streams that na - ture ne'er be - stowed.
dore, And Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er - more.

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SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray.

Almighty Father, everlasting God, who has made radiant in the beauty of holiness Your church, which was bespoiled by sin, we give You thanks for sending forth Your own Son to rescue His Bride by

the riches of His mercy and for restoring Your church that we may rejoice and be glad all our days; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who with the Father and the Spirit are one God, one Lord, now and to the end of the ages.

People: Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 62:1-5

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. ²The 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. 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 sons marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE

1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers, I do not want you to be uninformed. ²You know that when you were pagans you were led astray

to mute idols, however you were led. ³Therefore 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.

⁴Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; ⁶and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone. ⁷To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸For to 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 ability to distinguish between spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹All these are empowered by one and the same Spirit, who apportions to each one individually as he wills.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

HOLY GOSPEL

John 2:1-11

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

People: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

On the third day there was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ²Jesus also was invited to the wedding with his disciples. ³When the wine ran out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." ⁴And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what does this have to do with me? My hour has not yet

come." ⁵His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you."

⁶Now there were six stone water jars there for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷Jesus said to the servants, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸And

he said to them, "Now draw some out and take it to the master of the feast." So they took it.⁹ 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 bridegroom¹⁰ 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."¹¹ This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory. And his disciples believed in him.

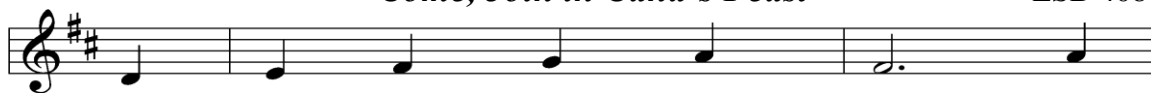
Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

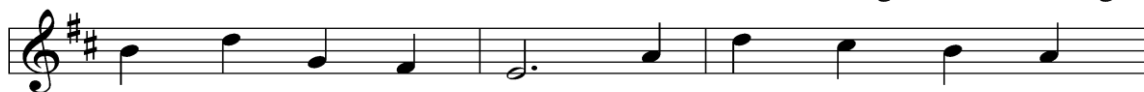
HYMN OF THE DAY

Come, Join in Cana's Feast

LSB 408



1 Come, join in Ca - na's feast Where
 2 The old wine now is gone From
 3 But Christ, the Word made flesh, Bids
 4 Come, friends, and share the feast; Here
 △ 5 For now He lives and reigns Through



Christ is hon - ored guest. He wel - comes all who
 jars that stand a - part. No long - er can it
 wa - ter turn to wine. He fills our emp - ty
 drink the wine sup - plied By Him who is both
 all e - ter - ni - ty With Fa - ther, Spir - it,



come to taste The wine His hands have blessed.
 sat - is - fy The year - ing, thirst - ing heart.
 cups a - gain With grace and truth di - vine.
 guest and host— For us, the cru - ci - fied.
 Three in One, The glo - rious Trin - i - ty.

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SERMON

NICENE CREED

**People: 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.**

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Pastor: Merciful Father, You have richly restored Your people, stained by sin and marked by death. Fill us with Your grace that we may rejoice in the mercy You have shown to us and be kept holy and blameless in Christ all our days. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: **hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Blessed Lord Jesus, in Your compassion, You visited a wedding in Cana of Galilee and placed Your blessing upon every Christian home and family. Uplift us by Your Spirit that our homes may be places of blessing and peace where forgiveness is asked and granted without limit. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: **hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Holy Lord, You have established Your church as Christ's Bride and clothed her in His own righteousness. Give to us faithful pastors and church workers who will proclaim Your goodness and lead us to sing Your praises within Your church and to give faithful witness before the world. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: **hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Mighty Father, You have ordered all things by Your grace. Continue to bless us and our land with an abundance of resources, generous hearts, and faithful leaders, that Your name may be preserved and we may be governed according to Your Word and will. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: **hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Heavenly Father, You make glad the hearts of men with the choicest of wine. Keep us always from turning Your gifts into burdens or using

them in ways that would harm us and our life together. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: **hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Compassionate Father, You bear our burdens and have saved us by Your grace. Help the afflicted to bear in faith the burdens of their illnesses, and grant them healing and comfort according to Your will. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: **hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Blessed Lord, You bore the weakness of our human flesh even to death and the grave so that we might be raised in You, never to die again. Deliver the grieving from their sorrows and restore us who live in the shadow of death with the promise of life everlasting. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: **hear our prayer.**

Pastor: God of love, You daily and richly supply us with more than we deserve or dare ask. Grant to us a grateful heart and a generous spirit, that we may sacrificially support the work of the Kingdom here and throughout the world, and give assistance to the poor and needy. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: **hear our prayer.**

Pastor: We praise You, O Lord, for giving us Your Son, Jesus Christ, and for His own gift of this bread of His body and this cup of His blood. Bless our communion at this altar, and bring us at last into the fullness of the wedding feast of the Lamb in His kingdom without end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord.

People: **Amen.**

OFFERING / OFFERTORY

PREFACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.
People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: You are worthy of being praised, O Lord, holy Father, almighty God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who has washed clean and clothed in righteousness the church, the Bride of Christ, and still preserves her to that day when the marriage feast of the Lamb shall have no end and we shall be one in Your presence on high forevermore. Until the day of Christ has come, preserve in us the song of joy as we, Your people, lend our voices to the chorus of saints and angels and archangels, praising Your name and singing:

Sanctus

LSB 195



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,



bles - ed is He, bles - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✕ body, which is given for

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✕ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

LORD'S PRAYER

People: 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.

Agnus Dei

LSB 198



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the
world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that
tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the
world, grant us Thy peace. A - - men.

DISTRIBUTION

Jesus Christ is truly present in the bread and wine for the forgiveness of sin, salvation, and eternal life. All who are baptized and repent of their sins are welcome to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor:

Let us pray.

O Lord, as once Your Son brought gladness to Cana of Galilee by His presence and the first of His miracles, continue to grant us the gladness of Your presence that we may rejoice in the manifold gifts of Your mercy by which we have been saved and be brought to the marriage feast on high without end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son,

our Lord! who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God,
now and forever.

People: Amen.

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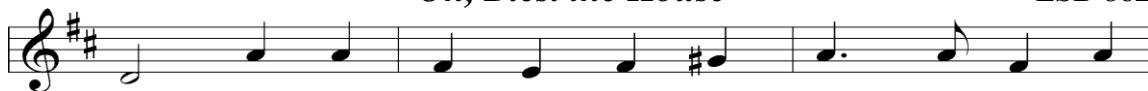
Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✕ give you peace.

People: Amen.

HYMN

Oh, Blest the House

LSB 862



1 Oh, blest the house, what - e'er be - fall, Where Je - sus
2 Oh, blest that house where faith is found And all in
3 Oh, blest the par - ents who give heed Un - to their
4 Oh, blest that house; it pros - pers well. In peace and
5 Then here will I and mine to - day A sol - emn



Christ is all in all! A home that is not whol - ly
hope and love a - bound; They trust their God and serve Him
chil - dren's fore - most need And wea - ry not of care or
joy the par - ents dwell, And in their chil - dren's lives is
prom - ise make and say: Though all the world for - sake His



His— How sad and poor and dark it is!
still And do in all His ho - ly will!
cost. May none to them and heav'n be lost!
shown How rich - ly God can bless His own.
Word, I and my house will serve the Lord!

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For with you is the fountain of life;



in your light we see light. Psalm 36:9

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Service Times

Sunday

Chancel Choir	8:30 am
Sunday Worship	10:00 am
Bible Study	11:15 am

Tuesday

Mid-week Bible Study	10:00 am
3 rd Tuesday Men's Breakfast/Royal Cafe	8:30 am

Wednesday

Quilters	9:00 am
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Thursday

1 st & 3 rd <i>Permission to Grieve Group</i>	10:00 am
1 st Thursday <i>Ladies Lunch Bunch</i>	11:30 am

Office Hours

Monday-Thursday (9am-2pm)

Closed Friday

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