

# The Second Weekend after Epiphany

Sunday, January 19, 2024 10:15am

Many children love a good party. In John's gospel, Jesus' promise of abundant life is first revealed at a wedding party. And in 1 Corinthians, Paul talks about the many gifts we have in the Spirit. What is worship if not a weekly party that celebrates the promise of abundant life in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus?

Gathering Music "Blessings" "Lord, I Need You" "This I Policy "Thi

"Thy Word" "This I Believe"

# Ringing of the Bell Welcome

#### Invocation

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** 

## **Responsive Call to Worship**

We seek to love God with every fiber of our being. We seek to love our neighbors as well as our enemies. **We begin by loving ourselves. In loving ourselves, we find the strength to love others.** 

Let us be open to receiving what we need from God... to find the compassion to love strangers and the courage to love our enemies.

Let our self-love empower us to give our love away freely to the world. In loving ourselves, we bear witness to the love at the heart of all things-God. Let it begin here, and now. Amen.

The love of the Lord be with you all. **And also with you.** (Sharing of joy/peace)

# **Gathering Song**



# **Responsive Confession and Assurance of Forgiveness**

It may be the hardest thing we will ever do, caught up in our self-righteousness, honing our pain.

The one who offended may not deserve forgiveness and we are not obliged to offer it. Why, then, should we forgive?

Because we have all caused pain.

Because we all miss the mark.

Because we can deepen our souls if we forgive.

Because restoring even one relationship heals many hearts.

Because we would be forgiven ourselves.

Because drawing closer to one another builds our communities.

Because the alternative is endless bitterness.

Because the world we seek to create is a world filled with forgiveness.

Because we need not remain caught up in our self-righteousness and pain.

It may be the hardest thing we will ever do.

Let us take the first step now.

We close our eyes and place our hands over them...

Lord God, forgive us for turning our eyes away from you.

Forgive us for being dissatisfied with the good things you have given.

# Lord God, have mercy on us.

We place our hands on our lips...

Lord God, we are sorry for the things we have spoken which hurt or condemn. Open our lips so we can tell of your love.

# Lord God, have mercy on us.

We open our hands and hold our palms out to God...

Lord God, forgive us for not doing the good you place before us.

Help us to use our hands to serve you and others.

#### Lord God, have mercy on us.

We place our hands over our heart...

Lord God, create in us a clean heart. Forgive our self-centeredness and fill us with your Holy Spirit—to live for others.

#### Lord God, have mercy on us.

We lift our hands over our heads up to the sky...

We give you thanks gracious God for your faithful love to us, that in your mercy we receive complete forgiveness for our sins. **Amen.** 

Song "Change My Heart, O God" ELW 801

# Scripture Readings Isaiah 62:1-5

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.

- 2 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.
- 3 You shall be a beautiful crown in the hand of the Lord and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.
- 4 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 Hor

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.

5 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.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### Psalm 36:5-10

- 5 Your steadfast love, O Lord, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds.
- 6 Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains; your judgments are like the great deep; you save humans and animals alike, O Lord.
- 7 How precious is your steadfast love, O God!
  All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings.
- 8 They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them drink from the river of your delights.
- 9 For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light.
- 10 O continue your steadfast love to those who know you and your salvation to the upright of heart!

Here ends the reading of the Psalm.

#### I Corinthians 12:1-11

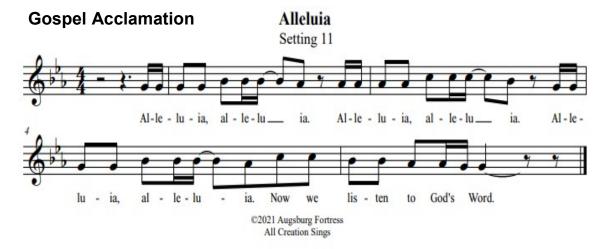
Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be ignorant. 2 You know that when you were gentiles you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. 3 Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.

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

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# Children's Message "It's a Miracle!"



## Gospel Reading John 2:1-11

The Gospel reading is found in the Gospel of John. **Glory to you, O Lord.** 

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. 2 Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. 3 When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." 4 And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to me and to you? My hour has not yet come." 5 His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." 6 Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. 7 Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. 8 He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the person in charge of the banquet." So they took it. 9 When the person in charge tasted the water that had become wine and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), that

person 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.

**Message** "Gallons Upon Gallons Of Grace" Pastor Wayne Kopitzke

Song of the Day "Amazing Grace" ELW 779

The Apostles' Creed (p. 229)

**Prayers of the People** 

Offering Music "Our God"

# **Offertory Prayer**

Together we pray,

We give gratefully for all that God has given us.

We measure our wealth not by what we have, but what we can give. Let us give generously, to bless your church, your people,

and your creation. Amen.

# The Great Thanksgiving

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

## The Words of Institution and The Lord's Prayer

**Communion Music** "Remembrance (The Communion Song)"

"Will You Come and Follow Me" ELW 798
"Holy, Holy, Holy" ELW 473

## **Post Communion Prayer**

May this meal we have shared renew us and inspire us to join more joyfully with you as you work for peace and justice in the world. **Amen.** 

# **Blessing of Homebound Communion**

Gracious God, loving all your family with a mother's tender care: As you sent the angel to feed Elijah with heavenly bread, assist those who set forth to share your word and sacrament with those who are sick, home bound, and imprisoned. In your love and care, nourish and strengthen those who will receive this sacrament, and give us all the comfort of your abiding presence through the body and blood of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### **Announcements**

# **Sending Blessing**

# **Sending Song**

# May the God of Hope Go with Us Dios de la esperanza

ACS 984



Text: Alvin Schutmaat, 1921–1988, alt. Music: ARGENTINA, Argentine folk melody

#### **Dismissal**

Go in true peace; love and care for one another.

We will. Thanks be to God!

#### **Postlude**

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**Serving Sunday 10:15am** 

**Preaching:** Pastor Wayne Kopitzke

**Presiding:** Pastor Amy Juel

**Acolytes:** Bryce Knott, Crosby Pederson

Communion

**Assistants:** Brian Henrickson, Val Amberg Scott & Kristi Glup, Susan Martin

**Lector:** Brad Rice

**Office:** Diane Asche - 9:30 - 11:15am

**Sound:** Mark Bloomquist

#### **ANNUAL MEETING**

Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 26th after 10:15am service. A light lunch will be served. We hope to see you there!

Weekly Attendance - 170 Sunday School - 35 YouTube - 139 households General Offering - \$12,574.77

If you or a loved one would like a pastoral visit (ill, hospitalized, or just because), please contact:

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Our pastors are always willing to provide support in time of need.

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# **JANUARY 2025 WORSHIP AT CALVARY**

Saturday, January 18th	5:30pm Traditional Worship in the Chapel
Sunday, January 19th	8:00am Traditional Worship 9:05 Sunday School/Coffee Hour 10:15 Worship-Praise Band
Saturday, January 25th	5:30pm Traditional Worship in the Chapel
Sunday, January 26th	8:00am Traditional Worship 9:05am Sunday School/Coffee Hour 10:15am Worship-Bell Choir

# Hey Calvary campers, our camp week is set!

OUR CONGREGATION IS GOING TO CAMP JUNE 15-19!



**Sunday, January 19** 

8:00/10:15am Worship - P. Wayne preach/P. Amy preside

Coffee Time with Council 9:00am

9:05am Sunday School

Girl Scout Troop #3515 - Room 201 4:00pm

Monday, January 20

5:00pm Bell Choir

**Tuesday, January 21** 

Creation Care – Koinonia Room (location changed) 6:30pm <sup>-</sup>

6:00pm Girl Scout Troop #3749 – Room 201

Wednesday, January 22

12:00pm Silent Bible Study - Library

6-9 Grade Confirmation – Koinonia Room 6:30pm

(location changed)

**Thursday, January 23** 

9:30am Text Bible Study

1:00pm **Quilting** 

Girl Scout Troop #3655 – Friendship Room 5:45pm Girl Scout Troop #3656 - Koinonia Room 6:00pm

Saturday, January 25

Chapel Service - P. Amy 5:30pm

**Sunday, January 26** 8:00/10:15am Worsh

Worship - P. Amy preach/P. Wayne preside

9:00am Coffee Time 9:05am Sunday School

Annual Meeting – Bethany Hall 11:15am

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