

GET READY FOR WORSHIP

January 24, 2021

3rd Sunday after Epiphany

During the period of online worship, our worship style is simplified. The texts of hymns and songs will be printed in this online bulletin where they appear in the order of worship. You are encouraged to sing along at home with the accompaniment from the musician at church.

This is a time to bust forth fully in song without worrying about being heard by the congregation, which should encourage some of the more shy singers among you, and to give full prayerful voice to fear or sorrow, supplications for mercy, and of course, to trust, hope and praise.

HOW WE SHALL RECEIVE COMMUNION

Members are encouraged to have gathered both bread and wine or grape juice in the space where family members will gather for worship, so that everyone may participate in the full liturgy of the Eucharist. Even if you are alone in your home, please partake of the body and blood of Christ in the forms of bread and wine. We are together in the Body of Christ, by God's loving Spirit, even when we are not present with another in our own flesh.

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Accompanist

Denny, Rex, & Sean

Liturgists

N/A

ELW= the red hymn book underneath your seat. Hymns are located in the back of the book.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Gathering Song: *Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

ELW 807

Come, thou Fount of ev'ry
blessing,
tune my heart to sing thy grace;
streams of mercy, never ceasing,
call for songs of loudest praise.
While the hope of endless glory
fills my heart with joy and love,
teach me ever to adore thee;
may I still thy goodness prove.

Here I raise my Ebenezer:
"Hither by thy help I've come";
and I hope, by thy good
pleasure,
safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
wand'ring from the fold of God;
he, to rescue me from danger,
interposed his precious blood.

Oh, to grace how great a debtor
daily I'm constrained to be;
let that grace now like a fetter
bind my wand'ring heart to
thee.

Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it;
prone to leave the God I love.
Here's my heart, oh, take and
seal it;
seal it for thy courts above.

Confession of Sin

P: In the Name of the Father, and the Son, + and the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

P: Let us put our trust in God and open our hearts to the Lord (*pause-
consider the great difference between God's call and our response*)

O God,

**C: how often have we heard your call to repent
from prophets and your Son,
only to evade your demand for holiness?**

Your call is urgent

but we struggle to keep our will intact.

You look to change the world,

to change the way we think and act,

still we want to keep things the way we like it.

Forgive us, Lord, for the sins we know,

save us from the sins we hide. (*pause for time to turn our hearts around*)

P: The time is ripe, the kingdom of God is at hand. There is good news in the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Though we deserve punishment and the full weight of our sin, our sins are forgiven by the atoning sacrifice of God's Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. In this good news we may live again in the

power of the Holy Spirit in the new world of God's royal rule to the glory of the Father, and the Son, + and the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen. –

Song of Forgiveness: *On the Wings of a Dove*

On the wings of a snow white dove
He sends his pure sweet love
A sign from above
On the wings of a dove

Liturgy of the Word

Greeting

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

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, by grace alone you call us and accept us in your service. Strengthen us by your Spirit, and make us worthy of your call, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Reading: Jonah 3: 1-5, 10

¹The word of the LORD came to Jonah a second time, saying, ²“Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you.”

³So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days' walk across. ⁴Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And he cried out, “Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!” ⁵And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth.

¹⁰When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways,

God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 62: 5-12

**Rock of ages cleft for me
Let me hide myself in Thee
Could my zeal no respite know
Could my tears forever flow
All for sin could not atone
Thou must save and Thou alone**

⁵For God alone I wait in silence;
truly, my hope is in God.

⁶God alone is my rock and my salvation,
my stronghold, so that I shall never be shaken.

⁷In God is my deliverance and my honor;
God is my strong rock and my refuge.

**Rock of ages cleft for me
Let me hide myself in Thee**

⁸Put your trust in God always, O people,
pour out your hearts before the one who is our refuge.

⁹Those of high degree are but a fleeting breath; those of low estate cannot be trusted.

Placed on the scales together they weigh even less than a breath.

¹⁰Put no trust in extortion; in robbery take no empty pride;
though wealth increase, set not your heart upon it.

God is my strong rock and my refuge.

**Rock of ages cleft for me
Let me hide myself in Thee**

¹¹God has spoken once, twice have I heard it,
that power belongs to God.

¹²Steadfast love belongs to you, O Lord,
for you repay all according to their deeds.
God is my strong rock and my refuge.

**Rock of ages cleft for me
Let me hide myself in Thee**

Reading: 1 Corinthians 7: 29-31

²⁹Brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short; from now on, let even those who have wives be as though they had none, ³⁰and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no possessions, ³¹and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory
To tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

GOSPEL: MARK 1: 14-20

The Holy Gospel according to Mark the 1st chapter.

Glory, to you, O Lord

¹⁴Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, ¹⁵and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

¹⁶As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea — for they were fishermen.

¹⁷And Jesus said to them, "Follow me and I will make you fish for people." ¹⁸And immediately they left their nets and followed him. ¹⁹As he

went a little farther, he saw James, son of Zebedee, and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. ²⁰Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Children's Sermon

Grace Heimerdinger-Baake

Sermon:

Pastor Heidi

Hymn of the Day: *Precious Lord, Take My Hand*

ELW 773

Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand,
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.

Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light.
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

When my way grows drear, precious Lord, linger near,
when my life is almost gone,
hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand lest I fall.
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

When the darkness appears and the night draws near,
and the day is past and gone, at the river I stand, guide my feet, hold
my hand.

Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

Prayers of the church

Liturgy of the Meal

During this season of online worship, we ask you to bring your gifts and offerings to your gathering table at home in the same way as in worship in the church, before sending them on to the church.

Offering

Special Music

Offering Prayer

In response to your promise of life, we offer our life.
In response to your promise of love, we offer our love.
In response to all of your promises, we offer our gifts.

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 our thanks and praise

Eucharistic Prayer

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.
As often as you drink from this cup
Do it in the remembrance of me.

Lord's Prayer

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.**

Communion

If you are communing from home, offer each other the bread with these words "The Body of Christ given for you" and the wine with "The blood of Christ shed for you."

Communion Song: We Remember You

In broken bread and the cup that we share, we remember you.
In broken bread and the cup that we share, we remember you.
We remember you, Jesus, we remember your love for us.
We remember the blood you shed. We remember you.

Sending

Post-Communion Prayer

Living God, you have greeted us in our brokenness and nourished us with the body of Christ, broken for us. You have raised us to new life with you. Send us now to bear your healing love into the wounded world, in the name of our risen Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Sending Hymn: I'll Fly Away

Some glad morning when this life is o'er,
I'll fly away;
To a home on God's celestial shore,
I'll fly away (I'll fly away).

(Refrain) I'll fly away, fly away, Oh Glory
I'll fly away; (in the morning)

When I die, Hallelujah, by and by,
I'll fly away (I'll fly away).

When the shadows of this life have grown,
I'll fly away;
Like a bird from prison bars has flown,
I'll fly away (I'll fly away) (*Refrain*)

Just a few more weary days and then,
I'll fly away;
To a land where joy shall never end,
I'll fly away (I'll fly away) (*Refrain*)

Blessing

God the creator strengthen you;
Jesus the beloved fill you;
and the Holy Spirit the comforter ✝ keep you in peace.
Amen.

Dismissal

Go in peace. Be the light of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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Monday, January 25

Psalm 46
Genesis 12: 1-9
1 Corinthians 7: 17-24

Tuesday, January 26

Psalm 46
Genesis 45: 25 – 46: 7
Acts 5: 33-42

Wednesday, January 27

Psalm 46

Proverbs 8: 1-21

Mark 3: 13-19a

Thursday, January 28

Psalm 111

Deuteronomy 3: 23-29

Romans 9: 6-18

Friday, January 29

Psalm 111

Deuteronomy 12: 28-32

Revelation 2: 12-17
Saturday, January 30
Psalm 111
Deuteronomy 13: 1-5
Matthew 8: 28 – 9: 1

Sunday, January 31
Deuteronomy 18: 15-20
Psalm 111
1 Corinthians 8: 1-13
Mark 1: 21-28

Coronavirus (COVID-19)

We encourage our members to take appropriate steps to protect their health and prevent the spread of any illness:

- Cover your nose and mouth with tissues when you cough or sneeze and then place, don't throw, the tissue in the trash after use.
- Wash hands often and thoroughly with soap and water, especially after coughing or sneezing. Alcohol-based hand sanitizer is also effective.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth to protect yourself from infection.
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