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Worship
Second Sunday After Epiphany
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GATHERING

Greeting and Announcements
Preparation for Worship

CALL TO WORSHIP

You are invited to stand as you are comfortable.

P We come this day, Precious God,
as people in need of your steadfast love:

C with you is the fountain of life;
in your Light we see light.

P We gather this day, Water-changing God,
as people looking for signs:

C with you is the fountain of life;
in your Light we see light.

P We worship this day, Gifting God,
as people who confess Jesus as our Lord:

C with you is the fountain of life;
in your Light we see light.

~ written by Thom Shuman, and posted on **Lectionary Liturgies**

GATHERING HYMN – “Songs of Thankfulness and Praise”

- 1 Songs of thankfulness and praise,
Jesus, Lord, to thee we raise;
manifested by the star
to the sages from afar,
branch of royal David’s stem
in thy birth at Bethlehem:
anthems be to thee addressed,
God in flesh made manifest.**
- 2 Manifest at Jordan’s stream,
Prophet, Priest, and King supreme;
and at Cana wedding guest
in thy Godhead manifest;
manifest in pow’r divine,**

changing water into wine;
anthems be to thee addressed,
God in flesh made manifest.

4 Grant us grace to see thee, Lord,
present in thy holy word;
grace to imitate thee now
and be pure, as pure art thou;
that we might become like thee
at thy great epiphany,
and may praise thee, ever blest,
God in flesh made manifest.

Text: Christopher Wordsworth, 1807-1885

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,
Who creates us, redeems us,
And calls us by name.

C Amen

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Most merciful God,

C 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 Jesus, 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.

C Amen

HYMN OF PRAISE – “*Glory to God Most High*” (Manibusan)

Refrain

Glory! Glory to God!

Glory in the highest!

Glory! Glory to God!

Glory to God Most High!

**1. O God, Holy One,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you,
we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory!**

**2. O Lord, Jesus Christ,
Holy One, Redeemer,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world.**

**3. You alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High God,
with the Spirit in the glory of God!**

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray:

C 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.

THE WORD

You may be seated

First Reading – 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. 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.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to us.

Response: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 36 – “The Fountain of all Life” (Haas)

***You are the fountain of all life
And in your light, we see light***

Second 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.

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Response: Thanks be to God.

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Gospel Acclamation – Halle, Halle, Hallelujah

Halle, halle, hallelujah. Halle, halle, hallelujah.

Halle, halle, hallelujah. Hallelujah. Hallelujah.

Gospel Reading – John 2:1-11

Turning water to wine at the wedding at Cana is described as the first of Jesus’ signs. Through many such epiphanies, Jesus reveals that he bears God’s creative power and joyful presence into the world.

P The holy Gospel according to John.

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 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 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.

P This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

You may be seated

Sermon

— You are invited to stand as you are comfortable

HYMN OF THE DAY – “We Are Many Parts” (Haugen)

(Refrain)

*We are many parts, we are all one body, and the gifts we have we are given to share.
May the Spirit of love make us one indeed; one, the love we share, one, our hope in despair,
One, the cross that we bear.*

God of all, we look to you, we would be your servants true, let us be your love to all the world.

(Refrain)

So, my pain is pain for you, in your joy is my joy, too; all is brought together in the Lord.

(Refrain)

All you seekers, great and small, seek the greatest gift of all; if you love, then you will know the Lord.

(Refrain)

AFFIRMATION OF OUR FAITH

P We affirm our faith with the words of the Apostles' Creed

C 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 to the dead. 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

P The spirit of the Lord is poured out upon us in abundance; so, we are bold to pray for the church, the world, and all that God has made.

A Brief silence

P By your Spirit, activate within your church gifts of faith, healing and prophecy. Unite those who profess your name across congregations, denominations, and geographic boundaries. Open our hearts to recognize and celebrate surprising miracles. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

P Your creation reflects your generosity. Bless farmers, migrant farmworkers, orchard-keepers, ranchers, and all who tend the abundance of the land. Protect food and water sources from destruction, that all can eat and drink and be satisfied. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

P By your Spirit, grant wisdom, knowledge, and discernment to those who hold leadership positions at any level. Direct policy-makers toward compassionate decisions that build up safe and just communities. Lead all authorities in seeking and serving the common good. God of grace,
C hear our prayer.

P As Jesus provided generously in a moment of need, provide generous gifts of healing for those in need this day especially our loved ones; Evie, Ethel, Leslie, Michael, Melissa, Tom, Mary Lee, Sondra, Elmer, Sonia, Kathy, Darlene, Jackie, and the family of Alec Nelson. Provide abundantly for all who are hungry or thirsty, all seeking shelter, and all who seek peace. God of grace,
C hear our prayer.

P You see us for who we are and you delight in us. Embrace those struggling with self-worth, wrestling with self-identity, or facing significant life transition. Remind us that nothing can separate us from your love. God of grace,
C hear our prayer.

P What else do the people of God want to lift up to God this day?.....
P God of grace,
C hear our prayer.

P You bless us through the spiritual gifts of the saints who have gone before us. We give thanks for the life of Martin Luther King Jr. and all who have modeled the way of courageous faith. God of grace.
C hear our prayer.

P Since we have such great hope in your promises, O God, we lift these and all our prayers to you in confidence and faith, through Jesus Christ our Savior.
C Amen

You may be seated

OFFERING HYMN

Choir

OFFERTORY – “Make Me a Servant”

**Make me a servant, humble and meek.
Lord, let me lift up those who are weak.
And may the prayer of my heart always be;
Make me a servant, make me a servant,
Make me a servant today.**

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OFFERING PRAYER

P Let us pray.

C Blessed are you, O God, sovereign of the universe. 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.

THE MEAL

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 God our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

“Holy, Holy, Holy” (Haugen)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power, God of might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory.

P You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life. We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

P 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.

P 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.

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

C Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P Remembering, therefore, his salutary command, his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension, and the promise of his coming again, we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty, not as we ought but as we are able; we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants, and these your own gifts of bread and wine, so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace, and, receiving the forgiveness of sin, may be formed to live as your holy people and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

P To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.

C Amen, amen, amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P Gathered into one, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

C 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.

COMMUNION INVITATION

P Come to God's table. There is a place for you and enough for all.

C We gather as the body of Christ to be fed with spiritual food.

You may be seated

COMMUNION HYMNS – “Here At This Table” (Whitaker)

“Holy Spirit We're Calling You” (Hart)

Choir

Erin/Kristan

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P Let us pray.

C W 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, strengthen us with the richness of your grace in your Son, Jesus Christ.

Amen

SENDING

BENEDICTION

P God who leads you in the pathways of righteousness, who rejoices over you, and who calls you by name, + bless your going out and your coming in, today and forever.

C Amen

CLOSING HYMN – *“Sent Forth by God’s Blessing”*

1 Sent forth by God's blessing,
our true faith confessing,
the people of God from his dwelling take leave.
The supper is ended.
Oh, now be extended
the fruits of this service in all who believe.
The seed of his teaching,
receptive souls reaching,
shall blossom in action for God and for all.
His grace did invite us,
His love shall unite us
to work for God’s kingdom and answer His call.

2 With praise and thanksgiving
to God ever-living,
the tasks of our ev'ryday life we will face—
our faith ever sharing,
in love ever caring,
embracing his children of each tribe and race.
With your feast you feed us,
with your light now lead us;
unite us as one in this life that we share.
Then may all the living
with praise and thanksgiving
give honor to Christ and his name that we bear.

DISMISSAL

P Go with Christ into a weary world. Share the good news.

C **Thanks be to God.**

**Bethany's Purpose Statement –
Accepting
Serving
Loving . . .
We Share God's Embrace**

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