

A Reconciling in Christ congregation, celebrating the diversity of God's children and fostering understanding and healing in community

Second Sunday after Epiphany



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Followers of Jesus, sharing God's love with all... an adventure for life!

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

In Preparation for Worship

- <u>Within the sanctuary</u> please remember that some people use this time of silence to prepare for worship.
- Whenever the cross is carried in procession through the congregation, we turn to face the cross to signify our way of life as followers of Jesus.
- Large-print bulletins and copies of the worship order are available; ask an usher for assistance.
- Assistive hearing devices are available from the ushers.
- Please silence your cell phone.

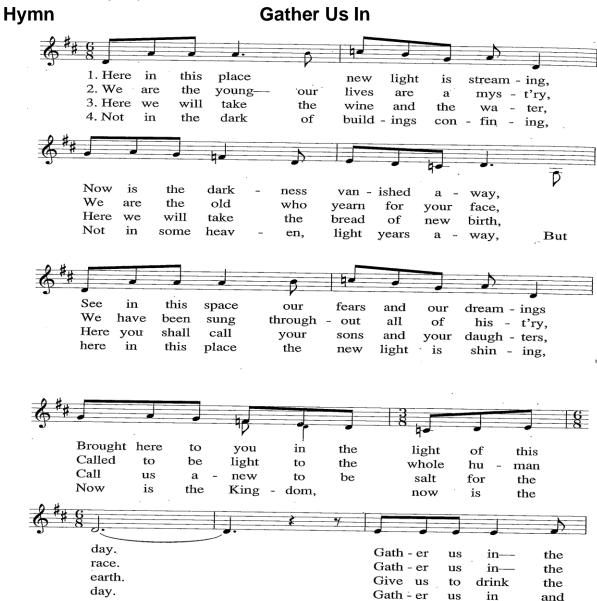
WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

Prelude

Just As I Am, arr. Dale Wood

Welcome

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Greeting

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

Hymn of Praise



Please be seated

WE PROCLAIM THE WORD

Reading

I Corinthians 1:1-9 (The Message, inclusivized) A reading from the first letter to the church at Corinth

- I, Paul, have been called and sent by Jesus, the Messiah, according to God's plan, along with my friend Sosthenes. I send this letter to you in God's church at Corinth, believers cleaned up by Jesus and set apart for a God-filled life. I include in my greeting all who call out to Jesus, wherever they live. He's their Master as well as ours!
- May all the gifts and benefits that come from God our Abba, and the Master, Jesus Christ, be yours.
- Every time I think of you—and I think of you often!—I thank God for your lives of free and open access to God, given by Jesus. There's no end to what has happened in you—it's beyond speech, beyond knowledge. The evidence of Christ has been clearly verified in your lives.
- Just think—you don't need a thing; you've got it all! All God's gifts are right in front of you as you wait expectantly for our Master Jesus to arrive on the scene for the Finale. And not only that, but God's very self is right alongside to keep you steady and on track until things are all wrapped up by Jesus. God, who got you started in this spiritual adventure, shares with us the life of the Son and our Master Jesus, who will never give up on you. Never forget that.

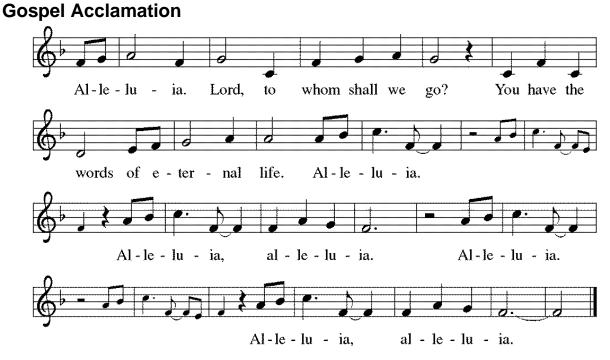
Word of God, Word of Life

Thanks be to God.



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I waited patiently up-¹ on the LORD. who stooped to me and I heard my cry. The LORD lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the | miry clay, and set my feet upon a high cliff, making my | footing sure. The LORD put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise ¹ to our God; many shall see, and stand in awe, and put their trust | in the LORD. Happy are they who trust | in the LORD! They do not turn to enemies or to those who ¹ follow lies. Great are the wonders you have done, O LORD my God! In your plans for us, none can be com- | pared with you! Oh, that I could make them known and tell them! But they are more than [|] I can count. Sacrifice and offering you do | not desire; you have opened my ears: burnt-offering and sin-offering you have | not required. And so I said, "Here I am; I come. In the scroll of the book it is writ-¹ ten of me: 'I love to do your will, [|] O my God; your law is | deep within me.'" I proclaimed righteousness in the ^I great assembly; I have not restrained my lips, O¹ LORD, you know. I have not hidden your righteousness in my heart; I have spoken of your faithfulness and | your deliverance; I have not concealed your steadfast love and truth from the | great assembly. You are the LORD; do not withhold your compas- | sion from me; may your steadfast love and your truth continually | keep me safe.



Gospel

John 1:35-51(The Message, adapted)ohnGlory to you, O Lord.

The Holy Gospel according to St. John

- John the Baptist was with two of his disciples. He looked up, saw Jesus walking nearby, and said, "Here he is, God's Passover Lamb."
- The two disciples heard him and went after Jesus. Jesus looked over his shoulder and said to them, "What are you looking for?"

They said, "Rabbi" (which means "Teacher"), "where are you staying?" He replied, "Come along and see for yourself."

- They came, saw where he was living, and ended up staying with him for the day. It was late afternoon when this happened.
- Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, was one of the two who heard John's witness and followed Jesus. The first thing he did after finding where Jesus lived was find his own brother, Simon, telling him, "We've found the Messiah" (that is, "Christ"). He immediately led him to Jesus.
- Jesus took one look up and said, "You're John's son, Simon? From now on your name is Cephas" (or Peter, which means "Rock").
- The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. When he got there, he ran across Philip and said, "Come, follow me." (Philip's hometown was Bethsaida, the same as Andrew and Peter.)
- Philip went and found Nathanael and told him, "We've found the One Moses wrote of in the Law, the One preached by the prophets. It's Jesus, Joseph's son, the one from Nazareth!" Nathanael said, "Nazareth? You've got to be kidding."

But Philip said, "Come, see for yourself."

When Jesus saw him coming he said, "There's a real Israelite, not a false bone in his body."

Nathanael said, "Where did you get that idea? You don't know me."

Jesus answered, "One day, long before Philip called you here, I saw you under the fig tree."

Nathanael exclaimed, "Rabbi! You are the Son of God, the King of Israel!" Jesus said, "You've become a believer simply because I say I saw you one day sitting under the fig tree? You haven't seen anything yet! Before this is over you're going to see heaven open and God's angels descending to the Son of Man and ascending again."

The Gospel of the Lord Please be seated

Praise to you, O Christ.

Message

WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING FOR?

Ministry of Music

Jesus, the Light of the World

Charles Wesley, George Elderkin Senior Choir

Hark! the herald angels sing, Jesus, the Light of the world; "Glory to the newborn king," Jesus, the Light of the world.

Refrain We'll walk in the light, beautiful light, come where the dewdrops of mercy are bright. Shine all around us by day and by night, Jesus, the Light of the world.

Joyful, all you nations, rise; Jesus, the Light of the world; join the triumph of the skies; Jesus, the Light of the world. *Refrain*

Christ, by highest heav'n adored, Jesus, the Light of the world; Christ, the everlasting Lord! Jesus, the Light of the world. *Refrain*

Hail the heav'n-born Prince of peace! Jesus, the Light of the world; Hail the Sun of righteousness! Jesus, the Light of the world. *Refrain*

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, stanzas; George D. Elderkin, 1845-1928, refrain

Apostles Creed

Let us confess our faith in the Triune God as expressed in these historic words: 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. Amen.

Community Prayers

Let us pray....

Included in our daily prayers are those with special needs or concerns:

Bebe McCov, Robin Stokes, Bonnie Hegreness, Heidi Carman, Mary Kennedy, Kevin Bailey's sister Kleta Childs, Kathie and Nancy Ehrich and their sister Betty Weaver, Jeremy Davis, Bebe McCoy's brother-in-law Walt and sister Jan, Brittany Parsons, Mary Bowling's sister Val, John Kennedy's niece Michele Wolfe, Kelley Frank, Becky Trover's sister Maddie Sutphin, Skye Andree, Kathleen Zwanziger, Laura Warren's brother Walt Hudson, family and friends of Jeanne Eakin, St. Philip Lutheran Church Pastor Orinda Hawkins-Brinkley and family on the death of her son Lonnie Gallo The people of Trinity Lutheran Church, Marysville; Redeemer community members Joanie and Dave Engel

Children's Time

Sharing the peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

We take time to greet one another with words like Peace be with you.

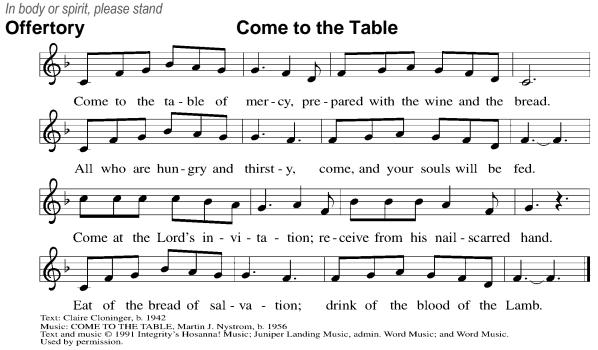
Amen.

And also with you.

WE SHARE HOLY COMMUNION

Jesus invited all who were hungry for food, healing, justice, and joy to share this communion meal.

Since this is his meal, and he is present to us in it, all are welcome.



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Great Thanksgiving

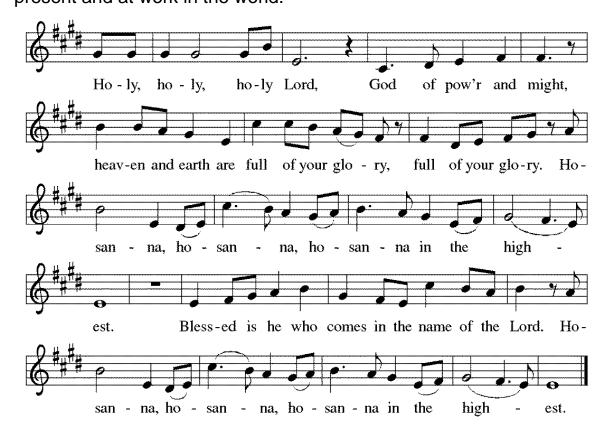
The Lord be with you. Lift up your hearts. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

And also with you. We lift them to the Lord.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

- In a refugee child playing under a star, in an unknown young man requesting baptism, in a wandering preacher refreshed by water from a woman's hand, God was waiting to be recognized and known, to transform seeing and change the world.
- In the routine smallness of everyday life, in the painful uncertainty of struggle and transition, in the timeless grace of hospitality, and the gifts of bread and wine, God is waiting to be recognized and known, to transform our seeing and change our world.
- Here, at this table, under the welcoming light of a morning star, the God of epiphanies waits to be encountered. So though you may be weary and worn by your journey or stained and sore with travel look up and see the star, lay aside your packs, and enter with joy for God waits here to refresh and renew, to comfort and restore, to challenge and transform, to know, and be known.

Now, gathered around this table, we recall and recount how the Epiphany God appeared in the actions and words of Jesus as he shared a last supper with his friends in which Jesus took bread, blessed it, broke it, and gave it to his friends, saying, "Take this and eat. This is my body, broken for you. Do this to remember me." And after supper, Jesus took the cup and gave it to them, saying, "This cup is the new covenant sealed in my blood. It is shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. As often as you drink this, do so to remember me." Recalling and treasuring these things, we join our voices with those of all creation to recognize and celebrate the grace and goodness of God present and at work in the world.



Epiphany God, send down your Holy Spirit now on us, and on these gifts of bread and wine – that we might recognize and know you present with us here, and in receiving the gifts of your love find ourselves renewed. By this meal, renew our commitment to make real the prayer Jesus teaches:

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.

Sharing the Meal

The gifts of God, for the people of God. Jesus welcomed all to this meal. So do we.

You may come forward to receive the elements, remain seated and use the pre-filled communion cups available at the door, or let an usher know you'd like to be served in your seat.



Text: Charlotte Elliott, 1789–1871 Music: WOODWORTH, William B. Bradbury, 1816–1868



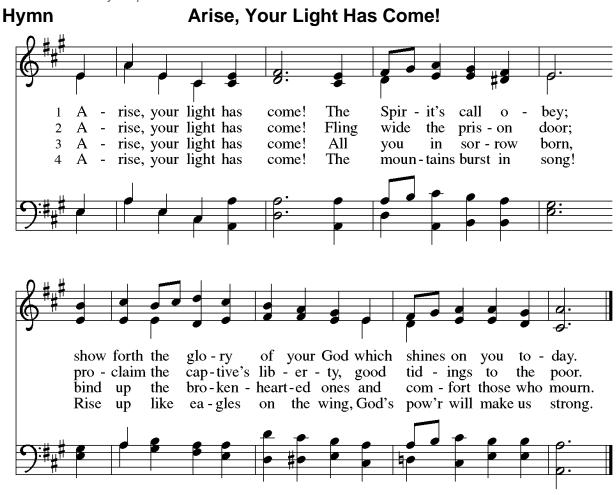
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Prayer of Thanksgiving

Emmanuel – bright Morning Star: Gift us the grace and generosity to respond freely and fully, whatever you might ask of us. So may our loving and living become places of epiphany where you can be recognized and known, and the transforming life of your Kingdom unleashed. Amen.

WE ARE SENT

Please stand in body or spirit



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Blessing

Amen.

Announcements

Postlude

Morning Star/Celestia, arr. G. Winston Cassler

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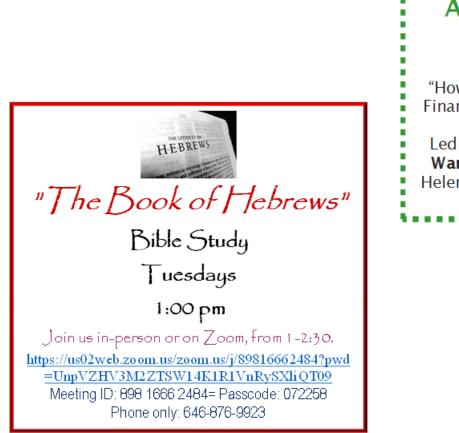
Communion liturgy adapted from one written by the Rev. Bill Loader of the Uniting Church in Australia.

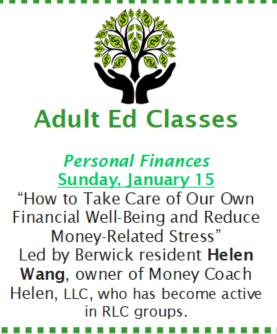
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Redeemer's mission: To be followers of Jesus, sharing God's love with all Redeemer's vision: To foster understanding and healing in community









Sunday, January 22 In conjunction with 11:15 Adult Ed class

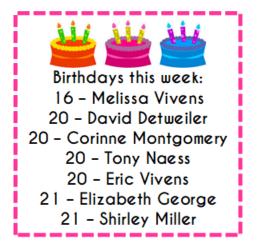
Lest Innocent Blood be Shed Philip Hallie

At 11:15, we'll watch the documentary "Weapons of the Spirit," which tells the story of the book. We'll watch the film, enjoy a potluck, discuss it, and discuss the book. Those who don't wish to stay for the book discussion can leave at any time. We plan to be finished by 2 pm.

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OUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Presiding Minister		David Shull, Pastor	
Assisting Minister		Michelle Clemence	
ASL Interpreter		Bryan Neal / Kiara Santiago	
Cantor		Emily Kent	
Reader		Marit Johnson	
Organist & Senior Cho	ir Director	Kathy Rapp	
Pianist & Chimes Choi	r Director	Karen Kent	
Usher		Kathleen Zwanziger	
Verger	Michelle Clemence / Wendy Stoica		
Producers		Sue Yehling, Scott Steiner	
Communion Prep	Sara Auman, J	ulianne Johnson, Karen Rider	

Flowers are given by **Ruth Murray and Donna Voelkel**, celebrating their **39th Anniversary**. Noisy Offering will go to Lutheran Disaster Response.

THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER JANUARY 15 - 22

Today	8:45 am 10:00 am 11:15 am 11:15 am	Chime Choir Rehearsal IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship with Holy Communion IN-PERSON and ZOOM Adult Education Senior Choir Rehearsal		
Tuesday	11:00 am 1:00 pm	Member Care Team IN-PERSON and ZOOM Bible Study		
Wednesday	10:00 am	Coffee and Conversation		
Next Sunday	8:45 am 10:00 am 11:15 am 11:15 am	Chime Choir Rehearsal IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship with Holy Communion IN-PERSON and ZOOM Adult Education and Book Study Group Senior Choir Rehearsal		
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