

Mark's Epiphany



HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH ~ JANUARY 17, 2021

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congregation stands

INVOCATION

P: In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Lord, our great God, all holy, perfect in majesty, filled with mercy and love, incline your ears to our troubles. Hear our cry for help and deliverance, as we pour out our sorrows to you. We confess our sins of word, deed, and thought. We are ashamed of our false words, our selfish actions, our ungodly thoughts. Our sin is an ever-present danger, and our spiritual lives are in peril because of our sinful human nature. Forgive us, dear Father, not because of anything we have done or could ever do. Forgive us, because of your great mercy in the gift of your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

HYMN

"All Creatures of Our God And King" (LBW527, vs. 1 & 7)



1 All crea-tures of our God and King, Lift up your voice with
us and sing: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
O burn - ing sun with gold - en beam And sil - ver moon

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Refrain

with soft - er gleam: Oh, praise him! Oh, praise him!

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

7. Let all things their Creator bless and worship God in humbleness.

Oh, praise him! Alleluia!

Oh, praise the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, Three in One.

Oh, praise him! Oh, praise him! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Congregation is seated

EPISTLE LESSON

1 Corinthians 6:12-20

¹² "All things are lawful for me," but not all things are helpful. "All things are lawful for me," but I will not be dominated by anything. ¹³ "Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food"—and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is not meant for sexual immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. ¹⁴ And God raised the Lord and will also raise us up by his power. ¹⁵ Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I then take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! ¹⁶ Or do you not know that he who is joined to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For, as it is written, "The two will become one flesh." ¹⁷ But he who is joined to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. ¹⁸ Flee from sexual immorality. Every other sin a person commits is outside the body, but the sexually immoral person sins against his own body. ¹⁹ Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, ²⁰ for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.

Congregation stands

HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 2:18-22

¹⁸ Now John's disciples and the Pharisees were fasting. And people came and said to him, "Why do John's disciples and the disciples of the Pharisees fast, but your disciples do not fast?" ¹⁹ And Jesus said to them, "Can the wedding guests fast while the bridegroom is with them? As long as they have the bridegroom with them, they cannot fast. ²⁰ The days will come when the bridegroom is taken away from them, and then they will fast in that day. ²¹ No one sews a piece of unshrunk cloth on an old garment. If he does, the patch tears away from it, the new from the old, and a worse tear is made. ²² And no one puts new wine into old wineskins. If he does, the wine will burst the skins—and the wine is destroyed, and so are the skins. But new wine is for fresh wineskins."

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Congregation is seated

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

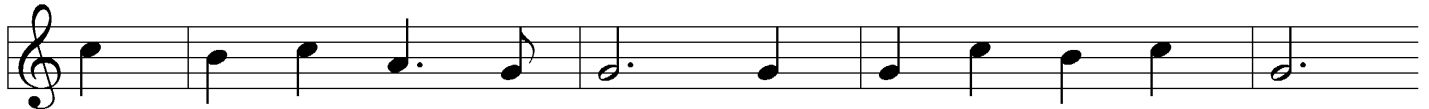
DCE Wesley Spottiswood

HYMN OF THE DAY

"When Morning Gilds The Skies" (LBW546, vs. 1 & 5)



1 When morn-ing gilds the skies, my heart a-wak-ing cries:
5. Let all of hu-mand-kind in this their con-cord find:



may Je-sus Christ be praised! When eve-ning shad-ows fall,
may Je-sus Christ be praised! Let all the earth a-round



this rings my cur-few call: may Je-sus Christ be praised!
ring joy-ous with the sound: may Je-sus Christ be praised!

"MARK'S EPIPHANY" SERMON SERIES

"A Teachable Moment"
Pastor Lew Upchurch

Congregation stands

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Each portion of the prayers ends with these words.

P: Lord, in your mercy...

C: Hear our prayer.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Communion Participation: As Lutheran Christians, we believe Christ's body and blood are truly present with the bread and wine, offering forgiveness of sins to all who believe in Jesus Christ. We ask those who commune to share this unity of faith in Christ and understanding of the Sacrament of Holy Communion. Since the Scripture teaches that we are to examine ourselves before eating of the bread and drinking of the cup (1 Corinthians 11:28), if you are not certain of the meaning of Holy Communion or have not been baptized or instructed in the Christian faith, please speak with one of the Pastors before communing.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

C: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

SHARING OF PEACE

COMMUNION SONG



A This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia.



B Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow-er and rich-es and wis-dom and



strength, and hon-or and bless-ing and glo-ry are his.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia.



Sing with all the peo-ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing and hon-or and glo-ry and

might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain

has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Congregation is seated

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

"I Want To Walk As A Child Of The Light" (WOV649, vs. 1 & 2)

1 I want to walk as a child of the light.
2 I want to see . . . the bright - ness of God.

I want to fol - low Je - sus.
I want to look at Je - sus.

God set the stars to give light to the world.
Clear Sun of righ - teous - ness, shine on my path,

The star of my life is Je - sus.
and show me the way to the Fa - ther.

Refrain

In him there is no dark - ness at all. The night and the

day are both a - like. The Lamb is the light of the

cit - y of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

DISMISSAL

P: The worship is ended.

C: The service now begins.

P: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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