



Second Sunday after the Epiphany

January 16, 2022

A candle may be lit, to set apart this time of prayer.

Prelude

Welcome Song: God Welcomes All (South Africa)

God welcomes all, strangers and friends;
God's love is strong and it never ends.

Opening Hymn: Christ, Be Our Light

Longing for light, we wait in darkness. Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people, light for the world to see. **R**

Refrain

Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness. Christ, be our light!
Shine in your church gathered today.

Longing for peace, our world is troubled. Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has pow'r to save us. Make us your living voice. **R**

Longing for food, many are hungry. Longing for water, many still thirst.
Make us your bread, broken for others, shared until all are fed. **R**

Longing for shelter, many are homeless. Longing for warmth, many are cold.
Make us your building, sheltering others, walls made of living stone. **R**

Many the gifts, many the people, many the hearts that yearn to belong.
Let us be servants to one another, making your kingdom come. **R**

Celebrant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: And also with you.

Celebrant: Almighty God,

**All: to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden.
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit that we
may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our
Lord. Amen.**

Gloria: We Praise Your Name (South Africa)

Amen, we praise your name, O God! Amen, we praise your name, O God!
Amen, amen. Amen, amen. Amen, we praise your name, O God.

Celebrant: Almighty God, your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world. May your people, illumined by your word and sacraments, shine with the radiance of his glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Children's Talk

The Proclamation of the Word

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.

Stand or sit for the Gospel reading, as seems appropriate for your setting.

Gradual Hymn: #457 Alleluia! Glory to God (vs. 1)

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Glory to God who does wondrous things; let all the people
God's praises now sing; all of creation in splendour shall ring: alleluia, alleluia!

Leader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. John (2:1-11)

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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.

Leader: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gradual Hymn: #457 Alleluia! Glory to God (vs. 3)

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Now in our presence the Lord will appear, shine in the faces
of all of us here; fill us with joy and cast out all our fear: alleluia, alleluia!

Intercessions and Thanksgivings

Come, Bring Your Burdens to God (South Africa)

*Come, bring your burdens to God, Come, bring your burdens to God,
Come, bring your burdens to God, for Jesus will never say no.*

Leader: God, thank you for your revelation about death and illness and sorrow. Thank you for speaking so plainly to us, for calling us all friends and hovering over us; for extending your arms out to us.

Leader: We cannot stand on our own; we fall into death without you. We fall from faith, left to our own. We are friendless without you. Your extended arms fill us with joy, expressing love, caring and carrying, asking and receiving our trust.

Leader: You have our trust, God, and our faith with our bodies and all that we are and possess. We fear nothing when we are with you, safe to stretch out and help others. Those troubled in faith, those troubled in body.

Leader: God, help us to do with our bodies what we proclaim, that our faith be known to you and to others, and be effective in all the world.

The Confession

Celebrant: Lord, we confess our day-to-day failure to be human.

All: ***Lord, we confess to you.***

Celebrant: Lord, we confess that we often fail to love with all we have and are, often because we do not fully understand what loving means, often because we are afraid of risking ourselves to others.

All: ***Lord, we confess to you.***

Celebrant: Lord, we cut ourselves off from each other and we erect barriers of division.

All: ***Lord, we confess to you.***

Celebrant: Lord, we confess that by silence and ill-considered word

All: ***We have built up walls of prejudice.***

Celebrant: Lord, we confess that by selfishness and lack of sympathy

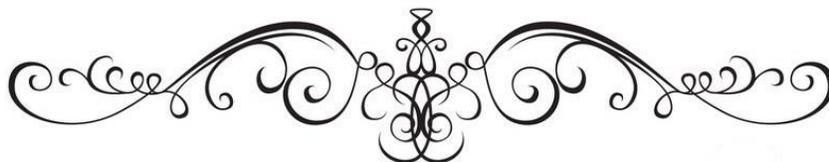
All: ***We have stifled generosity and left little time for others.***

Celebrant: Holy Spirit, speak to us. Help us to listen to your word of forgiveness, for we are very deaf. Come fill this moment and free us from our sin.

All: ***Amen.***

Collect

Celebrant: God of light, yours is the morning and yours is the evening. Let Christ, the Sun of righteousness, shine for ever in our hearts and draw us to the light where you live in radiant glory. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**



The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant: Gathering our prayers and praises into one, let us pray as our Saviour taught us,

**All: 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 and 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, forever, Amen.**

Celebrant: Let us bless the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

The Blessing

Celebrant: THE CROSS	All: WE SHALL TAKE IT
Celebrant: THE PAIN	All: WE SHALL BEAR IT
Celebrant: THE JOY	All: WE SHALL SHARE IT
Celebrant: THE GOSPEL	All: WE SHALL LIVE IT
Celebrant: THE LOVE	All: WE SHALL GIVE IT
Celebrant: THE LIGHT	All: WE SHALL CHERISH IT
Celebrant: THE DARKNESS	All: GOD SHALL PERISH IT

Closing Hymn: We Are Marching in the Light of God (South Africa)

We are marching in the light of God (x4)
We are marching, marching, we are marching, marching,
we are marching in the light of God.

We are dancing in the light of God (x4)
We are dancing, dancing, we are dancing, dancing
We are dancing in the light of God.

We are singing in the light of God (x4)
We are singing, singing, we are singing, singing,
We are singing in the light of God.

We are praying in the light of God (x4)
We are praying, praying, we are praying, praying,
We are praying in the light of God.

Postlude

If a candle was lit, it is extinguished now.

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