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The Second Sunday after the Epiphany

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Prelude

Processional Hymn *Please Stand*

“Songs of Thankfulness and Praise”

- ♪ 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 man made manifest.
- ♪ 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 man made manifest.
- ♪ Manifest in making whole Palsied limbs and fainting soul;
Manifest in valiant fight, Quelling all the devil’s might;
Manifest in gracious will, Ever bringing good from ill;
Anthems be to Thee addressed, God in man made manifest.
- ♪ Sun and moon shall darkened be, Stars shall fall, the heav’ns shall flee;
Christ will then like lightning shine, All will see His glorious sign;
All will then the trumpet hear, All will see the Judge appear;
Thou by all wilt be confessed, God in man made manifest.
- ♪ 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 man made manifest.

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Invocation

This is the day that the LORD has made;

Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Psalm 118:24

Matthew 28:19b

Confession and Absolution

Great is His steadfast love toward us,

And the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever. Praise the Lord!

How precious is Your steadfast love, O God!

The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of Your wings.

Bidden by His steadfast love, let us take refuge in the mercy of God, confessing our sins and rejoicing in His gift of forgiveness through Jesus Christ, our Lord. *A Time of Silence*

Psalm 117:2

Psalm 36:7

Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Prayer

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, who governs all things in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the prayers of Your people and grant us Your peace through all our days; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Hymn of Praise *Please Be Seated*

“All Glory Be to God on High”

- ♪ All glory be to God on high And thanks for all His favor;
No harm can touch or terrify A child of God forever. God shows His good and gracious will
And grants His peace, the world to fill All strife at last has ended.
- ♪ We praise and laud and worship You; We give You thanks forever,
O Father, for Your rule is true And just and changes never, With boundless pow’r,
Your mighty reign Fulfills whatever You ordain. Lord grant us ev’ry blessing!
- ♪ O Jesus Christ, the only Son Begotten of the Father, Your saving death has made us one
With God and with each other, O Lamb of God, to You on high
In our distress we sinners cry, Have mercy on us, amen!
- ♪ O Holy Spirit, our delight And source of consolation, Protect us from the devil’s might
Through Jesus, our salvation, Who by His death upon a tree
Has rescued us from misery: To this we hold forever.

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Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 62:1–5

¹For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not be quiet, until her righteousness goes forth as brightness, and her salvation as a burning torch.

²The nations shall see your righteousness, and all the kings your glory, and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give.

³You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord,

and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

⁴You 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.

⁵For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your sons marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Epistle

1 Corinthians 12:1–11

¹Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers, I do not want you to be uninformed. ²You know that when you were pagans you were led astray to mute idols, however you were led. ³Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking in the Spirit of God ever says “Jesus is accursed!” and no one can say “Jesus is Lord” except in the Holy Spirit.

⁴Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; ⁶and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone. ⁷To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸For to one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the ability to distinguish between spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹All these are empowered by one and the same Spirit, who apportions to each one individually as he wills.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn *Alternate Tune: “Blest be the Tie” Hymn 649* “Come, Join in Cana’s Feast”

♪ Come, join in Cana’s feast Where Christ is honored guest.

He welcomes all who come to taste The wine His hands have blessed.

♪ The old wine now is gone From jars that stand apart.

No longer can it satisfy The yearning, thirsting heart.

♪ But Christ, the Word made flesh, Bids water turn to wine.

He fills our empty cups again With grace and truth divine.

♪ Come, friends, and share the feast; Here drink the wine supplied

By Him who is both guest and host, For us, the crucified.

Please Stand

♪ For now He lives and reigns Through all eternity

With Father, Spirit, Three in One, The glorious Trinity.

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Holy Gospel

John 2:1–11

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the second chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

¹On the third day there was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ²Jesus also was invited to the wedding with his disciples. ³When the wine ran out, the mother of Jesus said

to him, “They have no wine.” ⁴And Jesus said to her, “Woman, what does this have to do with me? My hour has not yet come.” ⁵His mother said to the servants, “Do whatever he tells you.”

⁶Now there were six stone water jars there for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷Jesus said to the servants, “Fill the jars with water.” And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸And he said to them, “Now draw some out and take it to the master of the feast.” So they took it. ⁹When the master of the feast tasted the water now become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the master of the feast called the bridegroom ¹⁰and said to him, “Everyone serves the good wine first, and when people have drunk freely, then the poor wine. But you have kept the good wine until now.” ¹¹This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory. And his disciples believed in him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

Children’s Message *Please Be Seated*

The Hymn

“My Faith Looks Up to Thee”

♪ My faith looks up to Thee, Thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine.
Now hear me while I pray; Take all my guilt away;
O let me from this day Be wholly Thine!

♪ May Thy rich grace impart Strength to my fainting heart; My zeal inspire!
As Thou hast died for me, Oh, may my love to Thee
Pure, warm, and changeless be, A living fire!

♪ While life’s dark maze I tread And griefs around me spread, Be Thou my guide;
Bid darkness turn to day, Wipe sorrow’s tears away,
Nor let me ever stray From Thee aside.

♪ When ends life’s transient dream, When death’s cold, sullen stream Shall o’er me roll,
Blest Savior, then, in love, Fear and distrust remove;
O bear me safe above, A ransomed soul!

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Proclamation of the Word

“A2B=C”

John 2:1–11

Offering and Musical Offering

Admonition to Communicants *Please Stand*

I exhort you in Christ that you give attention to His Testament in true faith, and above all take to heart the words with which He presents to us His body and blood for our forgiveness; that you take note of and give thanks for the boundless love that he showed us when he saved us from the wrath of God, sin, death, and hell by His blood; and that you then externally receive the bread and the wine, that is, His body and blood, as a guarantee and pledge. Let us then in His name, according to His command, and with His own words administer and receive the Testament.

Lord's Prayer

Words of Our Lord

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Amen.

Distribution Hymn *Please Be Seated*

“O Morning Star How Fair and Bright”

- ♪ O Morning Star, how fair and bright! You shine with God's own truth and light,
Aglow with grace and mercy! Of Jacob's race, King David's son, Our Lord and master,
You have won Our hearts to serve You only! Lowly, holy! Great and glorious,
All victorious, Rich in blessing! Rule and might o'er all possessing!
- ♪ Come, heav'nly Bridegroom, Light divine, And deep within our hearts now shine;
A light a flame undying! In Your one body let us be As living branches of a tree,
Your life our lives supplying. Now, though daily Earth's deep sadness
May perplex us And distress us, Yet with heav'nly joy You bless us.
- ♪ Lord, when You look on us in love, At once there falls from God above
A ray of purest pleasure. Your Word and Spirit, flesh and blood
Refresh our souls with heav'nly food. You are our dearest treasure!
Let Your mercy Warm and cheer us! O draw near us!
For You teach us God's own love through You has reached us.
- ♪ Almighty Father, in Your Son You loved us when not yet begun
Was this old earth's foundation! Your Son has ransomed us in love
To live in Him here and above: This is Your great salvation. Alleluia!
Christ the living, to us giving Life forever, Keeps us Yours and fails us never!
- ♪ O let the harps break forth in sound! Our joy be all with music crowned,
Our voices gladly blending! For Christ goes with us all the way,
Today, tomorrow, ev'ry day! His love is never ending! Sing out! Ring out!
Jubilation! Exultation! Tell the story! Great is He, the King of Glory!
- ♪ What joy to know, when life is past, The Lord we love is first and last,
The end and the beginning! He will one day, oh, glorious grace,
Transport us to that happy place Beyond all tears and sinning! Amen! Amen!
Come, Lord Jesus! Crown of gladness! We are yearning For the day of Your returning!

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Prayer of the Church *Please Stand Each petition is concluded with the following:*

Lord, in Your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Benediction

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on You with favor and + give You peace.

Amen.

Recessional Hymn *Please Be Seated*

“The Church’s One Foundation”

- ♪ The Church’s one foundation Is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
She is His new creation By water and the Word.
From heav’n He came and sought her To be His holy bride;
With His own blood He bought her, And for her life He died.
- ♪ Elect from ev’ry nation, Yet one o’er all the earth;
Her charter of salvation: One Lord, one faith, one birth.
One holy name she blesses, Partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses With ev’ry grace endued.
- ♪ Though with a scornful wonder The world sees her oppressed,
By schisms rent asunder, By heresies distressed,
Yet saints their watch are keeping, Their cry goes up, “How long?”
And soon the night of weeping Shall be the morn of song.
- ♪ Through toil and tribulation And tumult of her war
She waits the consummation Of peace forevermore
Till with the vision glorious Her longing eyes are blest,
And the great Church victorious Shall be the Church at rest.
- ♪ Yet she on earth has union With God, the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion With those whose rest is won.
O blessèd heav’nly chorus! Lord, save us by Your grace
That we, like saints before us, May see You face to face.

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Postlude