

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

January 17, 2016

RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALLING ON GOD

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

Matthew 28:19

C: Amen.

TIME TO REFLECT ON OURSELVES

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C: **who made heaven and earth.**

Psalms 124:8

P: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C: **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

Psalms 130:3-4

P: Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of the altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word and deed. Together as God's people let us take refuge in the mercy of God.

Silence

C: We admit, Lord that we're sinner in our thoughts, words and actions. Too often we have taken Your Word lightly. Instead of allowing Jesus' Word to penetrate our hearts and move us to action, we have simply "studied" it and have failed to implement it into our lives. We ask for Your forgiveness.....and new ears to hear today.

P: 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.

C: Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE "Red Book" 135

Majesty

Majesty, worship His majesty.
Unto Jesus be all glory power and praise.
Majesty, kingdom authority flow from His throne
unto His own who His anthem raise.
So exalt, lift up on high the name of Jesus.
Magnify. Come glorify Christ Jesus the King.

Majesty, worship His majesty.
Unto Jesus be all glory power and praise.
Majesty, worship His majesty,
Jesus who died now glorified, King of all kings.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: We pray.....

C: Lord God, you showed your glory and led many to faith by the works of your Son. As he brought gladness and healing to his people, grant us these same gifts and lead us also to perfect faith in him, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

HEARING FROM GOD'S WORD

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 62:1-5

The Lord promises redemption

For 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.
The 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.
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 sons marry you,
and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride,
so shall your God rejoice over you.

New Testament Reading: I Corinthians 12:1-11

A variety of gifts, one Spirit

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans you were led astray to mute idols, however you were led. Therefore 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.

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. For 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 ability to distinguish between spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are empowered by one and the same Spirit, who apportions to each one individually as he wills.

CHOIR ANTHEM

I Am Your Servant, O Lord

By Don Besig and Nancy Price

Gospel Reading: John 2:1-11

Jesus is invited to a wedding

On the third day there was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus also was invited to the wedding with his disciples. When the wine ran out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what does this have to do with me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." Now there were six stone water jars there for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to the servants, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. And he said to them, "Now draw some out and take it to the master of the feast." So they took it. When 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 and 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." This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory. And his disciples believed in him.

Not read during service

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON SONG

Here I Am, Lord

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin, My hand will save.
I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?
*Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.*

I, the Lord, of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them. They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone, Give them hearts of love alone.
I will speak my word to them, Whom shall I send?
*Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.*

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide, Till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?
*Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.*

SERMON

By Pastor Dudley Nolting

Part 1

Part 2

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**C: I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
And born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
And is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again 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.**

OFFERING

We give our offerings as a sign of our lives offered to God.

OFFERTORY

PRAYER OF GOD'S PEOPLE

- P** O Christ, at Cana You showed Your divine glory through Your first miraculous sign. By faithfulness to Your Word, make this congregation and all Your Church a light that shines Your divine love and forgiveness into our darkened world. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** O Christ, at Cana Mary directed the servants to do whatever You said. Bless all the servants of Your church to follow Your Word in all things for the salvation of Your people. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** O Christ, at Cana You provided in abundance what was lacking. We thank You for the countless gifts You have given us, including food, clothing, and shelter. Cover and complete our flawed efforts to serve one another so that our neighbors may benefit. Bless the efforts of our leaders to maintain peace and promote justice, and watch over and direct all our military personnel that they may be sustained in times of trial. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** O Christ, at Cana You blessed a husband and wife by Your presence. Visit our homes with Your forgiveness, peace, and joy. Turn husbands and wives toward each other that they may live together in peace and joy. Bless our families, that parents may serve as examples of righteousness and children may joyfully live under their care, showing obedience and respect. According to Your will, give pious spouses to those who wish to be married, and grant solid friendships to those who are single. In all things, keep us free from every sexual sin. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**

P O Christ, at Cana Your disciples put their faith in You. Grant steadfast faith, O Lord, to us and to all who are suffering, ill, injured, or undergoing medical tests (*especially* _____). Answer their cries according to Your loving-kindness. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P O Christ, at Cana You provided good wine for a wedding banquet. Now You provide us the best wine, Your precious blood, at this foretaste of the eternal wedding feast to come. Prepare all who commune to receive You in repentance and faith that they may be eternally blessed. Bring us all at last to Your heavenly banquet table where we will praise You without end, for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

THE 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 him thanks and praise.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

DISTRIBUTION

DISTRIBUTION SONGS

“Red Book” 114

Jesus Loves Me

Jesus loves me—this I know, For the Bible tells me so;
Little ones to Him belong—They are weak, but He is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

Jesus loves me—loves me still, Though I’m very weak and ill;
That I might from sin be free, Bled and died upon the tree.
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

Jesus loves me—He who died, Heaven’s gate to open wide;
He will wash away my sin, Let His little child come in.
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

Jesus loves me—He will stay Close beside me all the way,
Though hast bled and died for me, I will henceforth live for the.
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

“Red Book” 106

It Is Well With My Soul

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way,
When sorrows like sea billows roll;
Whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say,
It is well, it is well with my soul.
It is well (it is well) with my soul, (with my soul)
It is well, it is well with my soul.

Though Satan should buffet, the trials should come,
Let this blest assurance control,
That Christ has regarded my helpless estate,
And hath shed his own blood for my soul.
It is well (it is well) with my soul, (with my soul)
It is well, it is well with my soul.

My sin oh, the bliss of this glorious tho't:
My sin not in part, but the whole
Is nail'd to the cross and I bear it no more,
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul.
It is well (it is well) with my soul, (with my soul)
It is well, it is well with my soul.

And, Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight,
The clouds be roll'd back as a scroll,
The trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend,
“Even so,” it is well with my soul.
It is well (it is well) with my soul, (with my soul)
It is well, it is well with my soul.

A CLOSING BLESSING

CLOSING SONG “Green Book” 343

Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer

Guide me ever, great Redeemer,
Pilgrim through this barren land.
I am weak, but you are mighty;
Hold me with your pow'rful hand.
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven
Feed me now and ever more,
Feed me now and ever more.

Open now the crystal fountain
Where the healing waters flow;
Let the fire and cloudy pillar
Lead me all my journey through.
Strong deliv'rer, strong deliv'rer,
Shield me with your mighty arm,
Shield me with your mighty arm,

When I tread the verge of Jordan,
Bid my anxious fears subside;
Death of death and hell's destruction,
Land me safe on Canaan's side.
Songs and praises, songs and praises,
I will raise forever more,
I will raise forever more,

LORD'S PRAYER

DISMISSAL

P: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God!