

18 January 2025
SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

We Sing

O Worship the Lord in the Beauty of Holiness



1. O wor - ship the Lord in the beau - ty of ho - li - ness;
(2.) Low at His feet lay thy bur - den of care - ful - ness:
(3.) Fear not to en - ter His courts in the slen - der - ness

Bow down be - fore Him, His glo - ry pro - claim; With gold of o -
High on His heart He will bear it for thee, com - fort thy
of the poor wealth thou wouldst reck - on as thine: Truth in its

be - dience, and in - cense of low - li - ness, kneel and a - dore Him: The
sor - rows, and an - swer thy prayer - ful - ness, guid - ing thy steps as may
beau - ty, and love in its ten - der - ness, these are the of - f'ings to

Lord is His name. 2. name.
best for thee be. 3.
lay on His shrine. 4.

We Pray

Prayers are led, then all pray together:

**Steadfast God,
you have enriched and enlightened us
by the revelation of your eternal Christ.
Strengthen us to walk the path of your desire,
so that by word and deed
we may manifest the gracious news
of your faithfulness and love.
Amen.**

Please be seated

We Hear God's Word

First Lesson

A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians (1:1-9)

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes, To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind-- just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you-- so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Word of the Lord.
People – Thanks be to God.

Please stand

Gospel Song

The Light of Christ

CHORUS

The light of Christ
has come into the world,
The light of Christ
has come into the world.

VERSE 1

We must all be born again
to see the kingdom of God;
the water and the Spirit bring
new life in God's love. **CHORUS**

VERSE 2

God gave up His only Son
out of love for the world,
so that all who believe in Him
will live forever. **CHORUS**

VERSE 3

The light of God has come to us
so that we might have salvation;
From the darkness of our sins we walk
into glory with Christ Jesus. **CHORUS**

Gospel Lesson

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (1:29-42)

Glory to you, Lord Christ

John saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, "Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.' I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel." And John testified, "I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God."

The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!" The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated

Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas” (which is translated Peter).

The Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, Lord Christ

Please be seated

Sermon

We Set the Table

New Wine

VERSE 1

In the crushing, in the pressing
You are making new wine
In the soil I now surrender
You are breaking new ground
So I yield to You and to Your careful hand
When I trust You I don't need to
understand

VERSE 2

In the crushing, in the pressing
You are making new wine
In the soil I now surrender
You are breaking new ground
You are breaking new ground

CHORUS

Make me Your vessel, make me an offering
Make me whatever You want me to be
I came here with nothing but all You have given me
Jesus bring new wine out of me

BRIDGE

'Cause where there is new wine there is new power
There is new freedom and the kingdom is here
I lay down my old flames to carry Your new fire today

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Christ Feeds Us

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

The Celebrant continues

Almighty God, good Father to us all, your face is turned towards your world. In love, you gave us Jesus your Son to rescue us from sin and death. Your Word goes out to call us home to the city where angels sing your praise. We join with them in heaven's song:

Celebrant and People, sing together

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might

Heaven and earth are filled with your glory

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might

Heaven and earth are filled with your glory

Hosanna. Hosanna, in the highest

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To the darkness, Jesus came as your light. With signs of faith and words of hope he touched untouchables with love and washed the guilty clean. The crowds came out to see your Son, yet at the end they turned on him. On the night he was betrayed he came to table with his friends to celebrate the freedom of your people.

Jesus blessed you, Father, for the food. He took bread, gave thanks, broke it and said: This is my body, given for you all. Do this in remembrance of me. Jesus then gave thanks for the wine; he took the cup, gave it and said: This is my blood, shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in remembrance of me.

Therefore, Holy One, with this bread and this cup we celebrate the cross on which Christ died to set us free. Defying death he rose again and is alive with you to plead for us and all the world.

Send your Spirit upon these gifts, and upon us now that we may feed on Christ with opened eyes and hearts on fire. May we and all who share this food offer ourselves to live for you and be welcomed at your feast in heaven, where all creation worships you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Blessing and honor and glory and power be yours for ever and ever. **AMEN!**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**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,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People - Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

The gifts of God for the People of God

All are welcome to Holy Communion.

During Communion

Now Behold the Lamb

Chorus 1

Now behold the Lamb / the Precious Lamb of God
Born into sin that I may live again / the Precious Lamb of God
(REPEAT)

Chorus 2

Holy is the Lamb / the Precious Lamb of God
Why You love me so, Lord, I shall never know
the Precious Lamb of God
(REPEAT)

Verse 1

Now behold the Lamb
The Precious Lamb of God
Born into sin that I may live again
He's the Precious Lamb of God
When I always didn't do right
I went left, He told me to go right
But I'm standing right here
In the midst of my tears
Lord I claim You
to be the Lamb of God

Verse 2

Even when I broke Your heart
My sins tore us apart
But I'm standing right here
In the midst of my tears
I claim you You to be the Lamb of God
New life can begin
For You wash away my sins
Whom the Son sets free is free indeed
I claim You
to be the Lamb of God

Chorus 3

Thank You for the Lamb / the Precious Lamb of God
Because of Your grace / I can finish this race
the Precious Lamb of God

Bridge

Why You love me so / Lord, I shall never know
Why You love me so / Lord, I shall never know
Why You love me so / Lord, I shall never know
the Precious Lamb of God

Post-Communion Prayer

Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Announcements & Blessing

We Sing

This Little Light of Mine

LEVAS 221

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine,
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Ev'ry where I go, I'm gonna let it shine,
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Jesus gave it to me, I'm gonna let it shine,
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

We're Sent

Deacon – Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us go forth, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit
People – Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!