



Blessed Redeemer Lutheran Church

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The water now
become
WINE
... the first of
his signs.

John 2:9, 11, ESV



HOLY COMMUNION

IS CELEBRATED AT OUR 5:30PM SATURDAY AND 9:00AM SUNDAY SERVICE

Oneness at communion presupposes oneness in doctrine. For this reason we practice close communion, and ask guests desiring to commune to speak with the pastor before the service. To those communicants with dietary needs we offer gluten free wafers.

AS WE GATHER

Every year, the Epiphany of Our Lord is announced by the coming of the Magi from the East (on January 6) and the Baptism of Our Lord on the following Sunday. Likewise, every year on the next Sunday, John summarizes the significance of what we will hear concerning the earthly ministry of Jesus leading to the glory of His cross. Jesus enacts His first sign or miracle at a wedding in Cana. Turning water into wine signifies more than the joy of the marriage of God to His people. To Christians, it instantly calls to mind the Means by which God literally pours the new life of forgiveness into us through the blood of the cross of Christ. As the Bride of Christ, the Holy Church is empowered by the Holy Spirit to live a life of the reverent worship of God and loving service of one another and the world. The one Spirit works through the many members of the Body of Christ.

THE VAJDA HYMN SERVICE

WORDS OF WELCOME

Elder of the Day

OPENING HYMN

“Shepherd of Tender Youth”

LSB 864

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES

Pastor: The mighty Lord has done great things and holy is His name.

People: We thank You, O Lord!

Pastor: The Lord’s mercy is for those who fear Him from generation to generation.

People: We adore You, O Lord!

Pastor: The Lord has shown the strength of His arm.

People: We praise You, O Lord!

Pastor: The Lord has helped His servant Israel, in remembrance of His mercy.

People: We worship You, O Lord!

KYRIE

(Sung to the melody “Amazing Grace”)

Tune LSB 744

Look down in mercy on us, Lord,
Receive our prayers and praise,
Eternal Father, Spirit, Word,
For your amazing grace.

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

Pastor: God is light, and in Him is no darkness at all. If we say we have fellowship with Him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth.

People: But if we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin.

Pastor: Let us therefore confess our sins to God our Father.

People: Merciful God, we confess that we live surrounded by the darkness of sin. Our lives are spent in the darkness of the fallen world by our own sin in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done as well as the good we have failed to do. Deliver us from this darkness and grant us Your forgiveness by the light of Your Son's saving death on the cross and the power of His resurrection. Amen.

Pastor: Jesus Christ, the light of the world, opens heaven before us and brings us life again. By the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

GLORIA (Sung to the melody "Hark the Herald Angels Sing") Tune LSB 380

1. Angels, sing, and earth, reply:
"Glory be to God on high!"
God who flung the stars in space,
God who formed the human race,
God the mind and God the cause,
God the source of nature's laws,
God of wisdom, power, and love,
God of gods, all gods above.
Angels, sing, and earth, reply:
"Glory be to God on high!"

2. Angels, sing, and earth, reply:
"Glory be to God on high!"
God who saw your creatures fall,
Loved them still, and loved them all,
Gave your only Son to prove
What is mercy, what is love;
And the Spirit, given free,
Recreates your family.
Angels, sing, and earth, reply:
"Glory be to God on high!"

SALUTATION & COLLECT OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray.

All: Lord God, heavenly Father, who sent Your Son to establish a new creation, by the forgiveness won in the glory of His cross and resurrection, renew our lives by the breath of the Holy Spirit empowering us to worship You in purity and serve one another in love; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

✠ WORD ✠

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 62:1-5

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.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

PSALM ~ Read Responsively

Psalm 128

Leader: Blessed is everyone who fears the LORD,

People: who walks in his ways!

Leader: You shall eat the fruit of the labor of your hands;

People: you shall be blessed, and it shall be well with you.

Leader: Your wife will be like a fruitful vine within your house;

People: your children will be like olive shoots around your table.

Leader: Behold, thus shall the man be blessed

People: who fears the LORD.

Leader: The LORD bless you from Zion!

People: May you see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days of your life!

Leader: May you see your children's children!

People: Peace be upon Israel!

All: Glory be to the Father and to the ✕ Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

EPISTLE READING

1 Corinthians 12:1-11

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.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Leader: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 2nd chapter.

People: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

GOSPEL READING

John 2: 1-11

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.

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON HYMN

"Come, Join in Cana's Feast"

LSB 408

SERMON

"A Special Place in His Heart"

John 2:1-11

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

CREED

(Sung to the melody "Immortal, Invisible, God only Wise")

Tune LSB 802

1. Great God, our Creator, from whom all receive
Their being and blessing, in You we believe
Almighty, all-knowing, all-gracious, all-true,
Provider and Father, our trust is in You.
2. And You, Jesus Christ, we affirm as our Lord,
True Son of the Father, by angels adored;
Redeemer incarnate, You paid for our sins,
And, joined in Your rising, our new life begins.
3. Free Spirit of wisdom, of power and love,
On us, as on Christ, You descend from above;
You call us, You cleanse us, You open our eyes,
You keep us in peace, You restore paradise.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Lord God, merciful Father, we praise and thank You for Your gift of life, especially the new life You give us in the water of Holy Baptism and for teaching us to be Your new creation by Your Holy Word.

People: **Having given us this new life by Your Holy Spirit, cause us to live in Your love actively, faithfully caring for and serving our neighbor. Give us confidence in Your never-failing love and help.**

Pastor: As Your Son brought blessing and joy to the wedding at Cana, so You have made us to be His Bride, Your Holy Church. Help us to be faithful to You as You are to us, that we may demonstrate the beauty of Your love, which You bestow on the whole world.

People: Bless all pastors and leaders in the Church to proclaim faithfully Your glorious salvation to all and bind us in one mission of love and service to one another and to the world.

Pastor: O Lord, bless our nation and all who serve in the offices of government. Preserve and protect all who serve in the armed forces of our country.

People: Grant that justice and honor prevail in society that we may dwell in peace all our days.

Pastor: We here remember before You all who are in sorrow, need, sickness, or adversity, [*especially . . .*]. By Your Spirit, calm their fears, grant healing and especially steadfastness and confidence of faith in Your never-ending kindness and power to help. Be with all to whom death draws near. Grant Your compassion and skill to all who care for those who suffer. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: (Special Petitions ending in... "Lord, in Your mercy,")

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: With reverence and affection we remember before You, O Lord, all our friends and relatives who have departed in faith.

People: Keep us in the true faith that we may ever hold the sure hope of eternal life in the marriage feast that has no end.

Pastor: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING

✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

PREFACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

SANCTUS

(Sung to the melody "Holy, Holy, Holy")

Tune LSB 507

"Holy, Holy, Holy!" all the saints in glory

Fill Your temple with their song around Your golden throne;

"Holy, Holy, Holy!" with them we adore You;

God in three Persons, all in Christ as one.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

AGNUS DEI

(Sung to the melody "My Faith Looks Up to Thee")

Tune LSB 702

Meek, slaughtered Lamb of God,
You bore the sinner's load
To buy our peace:
Now risen and enthroned,
With life and glory crowned,
To all the lost and found
Please grant Your peace.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:

HYMN

"Thy Word"

CCS 53

Words by Amy Grant, Music by Michael W. Smith

**Chorus: Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.**

1. When I feel afraid, think I've lost my way Still you're there right beside me.
And nothing will I fear, as long as you are near. Please be near me to the end.

Chorus

2. I will not forget your love for me and yet My heart forever is wandering.
Jesus be my guide, and hold me to your side, and I will love you to the end.

Final Chorus

***Final Chorus: Thy Word is lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.
You're the light unto my path.***

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HYMN

"More Precious Than Silver"

CCS 36

By Lynn DeShazo

Lord, You are more precious than silver,
Lord, You are more costly than gold;
Lord, You are more beautiful than diamonds,
and nothing I desire compares with You.

(Sung three times)

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HYMN

"Jesus Loves Me"

LSB 588

HYMN

"Alleluia! Sing to Jesus"

LSB 821

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Let us pray.
Heavenly Father, You have made us glad and increased our joy, making us to share in the glory of Your Son's cross and resurrection by Means of His very body and blood given and shed for us. Empower us by Your Holy Spirit to be His love and light in our world; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

"Oh, Blest the House"

LSB 862



OUR WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

5:30PM SATURDAY

Matt Grussing
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Sarah Peterson
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9:00AM SUNDAY

Kevin Smith
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Sarah Peterson
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