



HOLY COMMUNION

at the break of day

January 20, 2019 † 8:30 am

Christ revealed at the wedding at Cana

Exploring the promise of God for all

Christ our good wine gives himself freely

The Sundays after Epiphany continue to celebrate the revelation of the glory of God to us as it was made known to the magi and to those on Jordan's banks at the baptism of Jesus—today using wedding imagery. Our God rejoices over God's people "as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride." By the power of the Spirit there are gifts galore for everyone. In Christ Jesus the best wine is saved for last. Taste and see.

We Gather to Begin the Day Anew in Baptism

GATHERING MUSIC

"A Taste of Cana's Wine"

David Evan Thomas

At the sound of the bell please turn to face the worship leaders at the font.

GATHERING AROUND THE FONT

All may make the sign of the cross in remembrance of baptism as the presider begins.

P We begin the day anew in baptism
in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

A Amen.

GATHERING PSALM

Psalm 36:5–10 (Revised Grail)

We feast upon the abundance of your house, O LORD. (36:8)

P Your mercy, LORD, reaches to heaven,
your truth to the clouds.

A **Your justice is like God's mountains;
like the great deep, your justice.
Both human and beast you save, O LORD.**

P How precious is your mercy, O God!
The children of earth seek shelter in the shadow of your wings.

A **They feast on the riches of your house;
you give them drink from the stream of your delight.**

P For with you is the fountain of life,
A **and in your light we see light.**

P Maintain your mercy for those who know you,
your saving justice to upright hearts.

A **Give praise to the Father Almighty;
to the Son, Jesus Christ, the Lord;
to the Spirit who dwells in our hearts;
both now and forever. Amen.**

P Eternal God, *(ELW psalm prayer)*
you satisfy our hunger with your abundant feast,
and you quench our thirst from your well of life.
By the gift of baptism bathe us in your light,
that we may act wisely and do what is good for all humankind,
for the animals with whom we share the earth,
and for your whole creation;
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

A Amen.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"Songs of Thankfulness and Praise"

(hymn) 310

stanzas 2 & 3 in harmony

We Listen to God's Word

GREETING

The presider continues with words of welcome.

FIRST READING

see Scripture insert

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SECOND READING

see Scripture insert

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GOSPEL

see Scripture insert

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The assembly stands and welcomes the gospel, singing:



before the reading:

after the reading:

P The holy gospel according to ...

The gospel of the Lord.

A Glory to you, O Lord.

A Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN

"Lord of Light"

(hymn) 688

stanzas 1 & 2

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

...Hear us, O God,

A **Your mercy is great.**

Prayer of the Day *concludes these prayers.*

P Lord God, source of every blessing,
you showed forth your glory
and led many to faith by the works of your Son,
who brought gladness and salvation to his people.
Transform us by the Spirit of his love,
that we may find our life together in him,
Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray.

A Amen.

We Feast Around the Table of the Lord

PEACE

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

A **And also with you.**

The assembly is invited to share God's peace with one another.

At the peace, children are invited to meet a pastor at the kid's table for the children's word; parents are welcome to come with their children.

OFFERING

When bread and wine are broken and shared in the Lord's Supper an offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need. During this time, the table is set. Please stand as the offering procession reaches the chancel.

"Gavotte"

William France

Offertory Prayer

A Let us pray together.

A **Merciful God,
receive the gifts we bring,
ourselves, our time, and our possessions.
Through this meal unite us as your body,
shining with the light of your justice and mercy;
for the sake of him who gave himself for us,
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

P The Lord be with you.

A **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

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

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

A **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

The presider continues with the Great Thanksgiving, concluding:

Lord's Prayer (1975)

A 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.
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.

Communion

music during communion:
"Come, Let Us Eat"

arr. Cathy Moglebust

silence for reflection concludes the communion

Prayer after Communion

A Let us pray.
God of abundance,
you have fed us with the presence of Christ.
Use us as beacons of light and bearers of Christ's love
for the sake of the whole world.
In Jesus' name we pray.
A Amen.

We Are Sent to Be God's Hands in the World

BLESSING

P Let us bless the Lord.
A Thanks be to God.
P May the love of Jesus Christ, the light of the world,
fill your hearts with joy and illumine your path.
In the name of the Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit.
A Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

"Lift Every Voice and Sing"

(hymn) 841
stanza 1

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Christ is your light.
A Thanks be to God.

The carillon sends the assembly into mission.

POSTLUDE

"Offertoire sur les grand jeux" from *Mass for the Convents*

François Couperin

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SERVING TODAY

Pastor Stephanie Friesen, *presiding*
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Ron Fiscus, *assisting minister*
Lily Gunsch, *reader*
Shanti Austvold, *crucifer*
Deacon Mark Sedio, *cantor/organist*
Jane Lien, *associate cantor/organist*
Central Bells, *instrumental ensemble*
Mark Kieffer, Marc Wilson, *sound operators*
Bill Masche, Bruce Bergeson-Meekins,
Dave West, Richard Stegall, *sacristans*
Rod Richter, *lead usher for January*
Rosemary Olerud, Ray Melchert,
Barbara Zalusky, *greeters & hosts*

Please join us in the great room following worship for fellowship.

This service is being streamed live on the internet. www.centralmpls.org

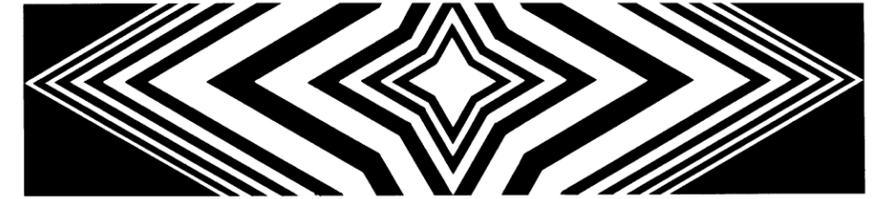
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WELCOME



Everyone is welcome. As a community of the people of God, the members of Central Lutheran Church are called to welcome all people regardless of age, economic status, ethnic background, gender, physical or mental ability, race or sexual orientation. We affirm that in Christ "there is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male or female" (Galatians 3:28). Christ has made us one.

Guests are welcome. We are pleased you are worshiping with us today. We invite guests to complete the "Welcome to Central" card found in the pew racks and leave it with an usher or place it in the offering plate. If you would like more information about Central, please contact us at 612-870-4416, or email info@centralmpls.org.

Children are welcome at all services. Worship bulletins for children and activity bags are available at Sanctuary entrances. A nursery may be found near the welcome desk. Nursery staff are provided on Sunday mornings.

Welcome to the Lord's Table. All who come seeking Jesus are welcome at the Lord's Table. Please follow the guidance of the ushers and instructions in the order of service. During communion, ministers will bring bread and wine to persons in designated access seating areas. Communion may be received in one kind (only bread or only wine) from any station if wheat bread or alcohol presents a health concern. Gluten-free breads and alcohol-free wine are available by request at most liturgies from most communion stations.

Welcome to the Holy Baptism. All who come seeking Jesus are welcome to receive Holy Baptism. Please visit with any worship leader, staff member, hospitality volunteer, contact the church office, or complete an information card, indicating that you wish to be baptized. A pastor will contact you.

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Epiphany 2 • Lectionary/Ordinary 2: Cycle C

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For Zion’s sake I will not keep silent,
and for Jerusalem’s sake I will not rest,
until her vindication shines out like the dawn,
and her salvation like a burning torch.

²The nations shall see your vindication,
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 builder marry you,
and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride,
so shall your God rejoice over you.

Praise to Christ the Word.

🔊 Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING *A variety of gifts but one Spirit* 1 Corinthians 12:1–11

The congregation at Corinth experienced division as people were comparing one another’s spiritual gifts, thinking some to be superior to others. Paul invites this fractured community to trust that God’s Holy Spirit has gifted them all perfectly for their mission together.

Paul writes to the church at Corinth:

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. ²You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. ³Therefore 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.

⁴Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸To 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 discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

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The holy gospel according to John.

🔊 Glory to you, O Lord.

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ²Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, “They have no wine.” ⁴And Jesus said to her, “Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.” ⁵His mother said to the servants, “Do whatever he tells you.”

⁶Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷Jesus said to them, “Fill the jars with water.” And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸He said to them, “Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.” So they took it. ⁹When 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 ¹⁰and 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.”

¹¹Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

The gospel of the Lord.

🔊 Praise to you, O Christ.

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Notes on today’s Music:

Prelude – composer David Evan Thomas is a Twin Cities resident and sings in StreetSong MN – a choir comprised of persons currently or formerly homeless and those who care about them. StreetSong MN rehearses here at Central every Monday at noon.

Offering – Canadian composer William France (1912-1985) served as a church musician in numerous church in Ontario and taught counterpoint at the University of Ottawa.

Communion – The hymn “Come, Let Us Eat” (491 in the pew hymnal) was written by Liberian preacher/teacher Billema Kwillia sometime in the 1960’s. Arranger Cathy Moglebust (whose husband, David, served as an organ scholar here at Central under John Ferguson) is one of America’s leading composers of bell music.

Postlude – François Couperin (1668-1733) came from one of Frances’ best known musical families of the eighteenth century. He literally “wrote the book” (published in 1716) on techniques for playing the harpsichord. This “Offertoire” is from his organ *Mass for the Convents*.