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**February 7, 2021
Fifth Sunday after Epiphany**

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Sunshine in My Soul/I've Got the Joy

arr. Mark Hayes

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN

Gather Us In

Ol' Marty



1 Here in this place the new light is stream-ing, now is the dark - ness
 2 We are the young, our lives are a mys - t'ry, we are the old who
 3 Here we will take the wine and the wa - ter, here we will take the
 4 Not in the dark of build-ings con - fin - ing, not in some heav - en,



van - ished a - way; see in this space our fears and our dream-ings
 yearn for your face; we have been sung through - out all of his - t'ry,
 bread of new birth, here you shall call your sons and your daugh-ters,
 light years a - way— here in this place the new light is shin - ing,



brought here to you in the light of this day.
 called to be light to the whole hu - man race.
 call us a - new to be salt for the earth.
 now is the king - dom, and now is the day.



Gath-er us in, the lost and for - sak - en, gath-er us in, the
 Gath-er us in, the rich and the haugh-ty, gath-er us in, the
 Give us to drink the wine of com-pas - sion, give us to eat the
 Gath-er us in and hold us for - ev - er, gath-er us in and



blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall a - wak - en,
 proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so low - ly,
 bread that is you; nour-ish us well, and teach us to fash - ion
 make us your own; gath-er us in, all peo - ples to - geth - er,



we shall a - rise at the sound of our name.
 give us the cour - age to en - ter the song.
 lives that are ho - ly and hearts that are true.
 fire . . . of love in our flesh and our bone.

Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950
 Music: GATHER US IN, Marty Haugen
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GREETING

As we gather for worship today
I greet you in the name of our God
who is always being revealed to us –
in a manger, in a river, at a wedding.
We gather now in the expectation
that God will once again show up in food, in water, and in community.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

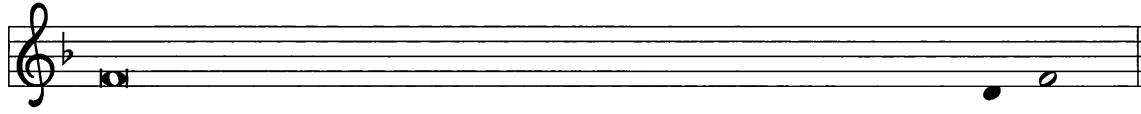
And also with you.

KYRIE

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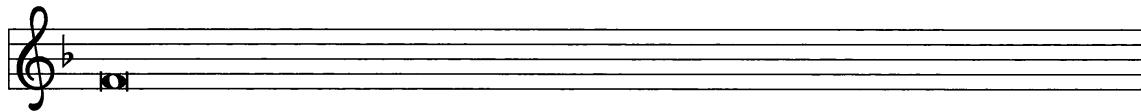
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



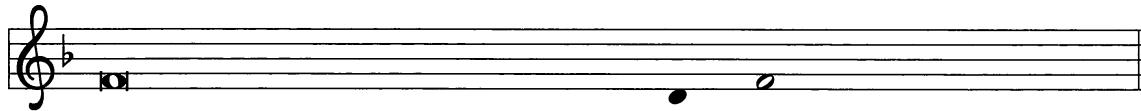
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



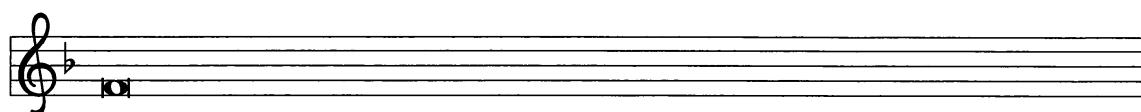
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



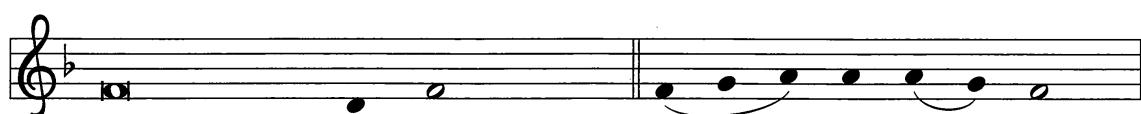
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



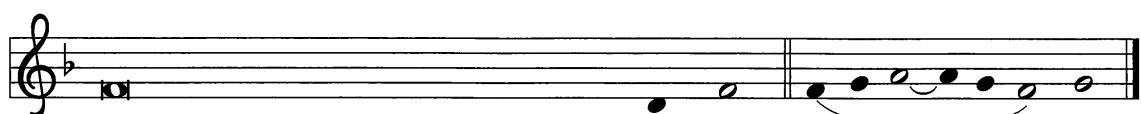
Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. A - men.

HYMN OF PRAISE

This is the Feast

Refrain

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This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb

who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich-es, wis - dom, and

strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of



God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Bless - ing, hon - or,

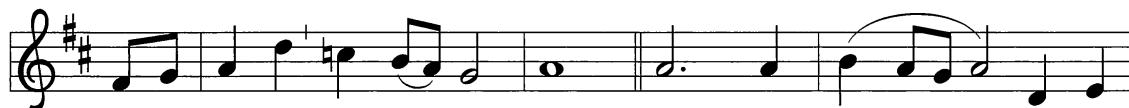


glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was



slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

Final refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Everlasting God, you give strength to the weak and power to the faint. Make us agents of your healing and wholeness, that your good news may be made known to the ends of your creation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

WORD

CHILDREN'S TIME

This Little Light

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

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Kathleen Armstrong

PSALM

Psalm 147

The reading is from the book of Psalms.

Praise the Lord!
How good it is to sing praises to our God;
 for he is gracious, and a song of praise is fitting.
The Lord builds up Jerusalem;
 he gathers the outcasts of Israel.
He heals the brokenhearted,
 and binds up their wounds.
He determines the number of the stars;
 he gives to all of them their names.
Great is our Lord, and abundant in power;
 his understanding is beyond measure.
The Lord lifts up the downtrodden;
 he casts the wicked to the ground.

Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving;
 make melody to our God on the lyre.
He covers the heavens with clouds,
 prepares rain for the earth,
 makes grass grow on the hills.
He gives to the animals their food,
 and to the young ravens when they cry.
His delight is not in the strength of the horse,
 nor his pleasure in the speed of a runner;
but the Lord takes pleasure in those who fear him,
 in those who hope in his steadfast love.

Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem!
Praise your God, O Zion!
For he strengthens the bars of your gates;
 he blesses your children within you.
He grants peace within your borders;
 he fills you with the finest of wheat.
He sends out his command to the earth;
 his word runs swiftly.
He gives snow like wool;
 he scatters frost like ashes.
He hurls down hail like crumbs—
 who can stand before his cold?
He sends out his word, and melts them;
 he makes his wind blow, and the waters flow.
He declares his word to Jacob,
 his statutes and ordinances to Israel.
He has not dealt thus with any other nation;
 they do not know his ordinances.
Praise the Lord!

The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us.
We hear God's word full of grace and truth.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



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Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the



words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 1: 29-39

The Gospel according to Mark, the 1st chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

As soon as they left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

That evening, at sundown, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. And the whole city was gathered around the door. And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him. In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. And Simon and his companions hunted for him. When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Julia Laforce

Lutheran Campus Ministry
CU, Boulder



HYMN OF THE DAY

I Love to Tell the Story

1 I love to tell the sto - ry of un - seen things a - bove,
2 I love to tell the sto - ry: how pleas - ant to re - peat
3 I love to tell the sto - ry, for those who know it best

of Je - sus and his glo - ry, of Je - sus and his love.
what seems, each time I tell it, more won - der - ful - ly sweet!
seem hun - ger - ing and thirst - ing to hear it like the rest.

I love to tell the sto - ry, be - cause I know it's true;
I love to tell the sto - ry, for some have nev - er heard
And when, in scenes of glo - ry, I sing the new, new song,

it sat - is - fies my long - ings as noth - ing else would do.
the mes - sage of sal - va - tion from God's own ho - ly word.
I'll sing the old, old sto - ry that I have loved so long.

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Refrain

I love to tell the sto - ry; 'twill be my theme in glo-ry
 to tell the old, old sto - ry of Je - sus and his love.

Text: Katherine Hankey, 1834–1911
 Music: William E. Fischer, 1849–1936

HANKEY
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BLESSING OF SCOUTS

Almighty God, bless the young people who have committed themselves to the pursuit of scouting. Bless the adults who watch over and care for them as they grow and learn more about doing their duty to God and their country. Thank you for the good examples they set.

Guide and lead them as they continue to live by the scouting law and they work toward being trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, brave and reverent.

Allow their minds to be broadened, their hopes to be raised, and their futures filled with promise as they grow in knowledge and wisdom through Scouting.

As they learn more about you and your ways, may they be inspired to reach out in service to all in need as they strive to become disciples in our world today.

May all their efforts guide each of them to know, to love, and to serve you now and throughout their lives.

We ask this blessing through Jesus Christ, Our risen Lord and Savior.

Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Prayer Response

Let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

MEAL

OFFERING OF GIFTS AND MUSIC

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OFFERING MUSIC

Come to the Table

Proclaim

Dave Frey, Ben Glover, & Ben McDonald

We all start on the outside
The outside looking in
This is where grace begins
We were hungry we were thirsty
With nothing left to give
Oh the shape that we were in

Just when all hope seemed lost
Love opened the door for us

(He said) come to the table
Come join the sinners who have been redeemed
Take your place beside the Savior
Sit down and be set free
(Come to the table)

Come meet this motley crew of misfits
These liars and these thieves
There's no one unwelcome here
So that sin and shame that you've brought with you
You can leave it at the door
And let mercy draw you near

To the thief and to the doubter
To the hero and the coward
To the pris'ner and the soldier
To the young and to the older

All who hunger all who thirst
All the last and all the first
All the paupers and the princes
All who've failed you've been forgiven
All who dream and all who suffer
All who've loved and lost another
All the chained and all the free
All who follow all who lead
Anyone who's been let down
All the lost you have been found
All who've been labeled right or wrong
To ev'ryone who hears this song

Woah sit down and be set free
Come to the table
Come to the table
Just sit down and rest awhile
Just sit down and rest awhile
Come to the table

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

O God,
receive these gifts as you receive us:
like a mother receives her child,
with arms open wide.
Nourish us anew in your tender care,
and empower us in faithful service
to tend to others with this same love,
through Jesus Christ, our Saving grace.

Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. By the leading of a star he was shown forth to all nations; in the waters of the Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son, and in the miracle of water turned to wine he revealed your glory.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

All are welcome at Jesus' table. He gives of himself in the bread and wine, and invites us to receive it for the forgiveness of sin. We invite you to share in your homes the sacrament of the Lord's table.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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,
 Forever and ever. Amen**

WORDS OF DISTRIBUTION

Give to one another the bread, "Body of Christ given for you."
Give to one another the wine, "Blood of Christ shed for you."

COMMUNION MUSIC

He Keeps Me Singing

arr. Mark Hayes

BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ bless you and keep you always in God's grace. **Amen.**

PRAYER

Christ Jesus,
at this table we have feasted on your very life
and are strengthened for our journey.
Send us forth from this banquet
nourished in body and in spirit
to proclaim your good news
and serve others in your name. **Amen.**

SENDING

BENEDICTION

God the creator strengthen you; Jesus the beloved fill you;
and the Holy Spirit the comforter + keep you in peace. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life

1 Where cross the crowd - ed ways of life, where sound the
 2 In haunts of wretch - ed - ness and need, on shad - owed
 3 From ten - der child - hood's help - less - ness, from hu - man
 4 The cup of wa - ter giv'n for you still holds the

cries of race and clan, a - bove the noise of
 thresh-olds dark with fears, from paths where hide souls, from
 grief and bur - dened toil, from fam - ished mul - ti -
 fresh - ness of your grace; yet long these souls, from

self - ish strife, we hear your voice, O Son of Man.
 lures of greed, we catch the vi - sion of your tears.
 sor - row's stress, your heart has nev - er known re - coil.
 tudes to view the strong com - pas - sion in your face.

6 Till all the world shall learn your love,
 and follow where your feet have trod;
 till glorious from your heav'n above
 shall come the city of our God.

Text: Frank M. North, 1850–1935, alt.
 Music: WALTON, W. Gardiner, *Sacred Melodies*, 1815

Dismissal

Go in peace. Be the light of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

The Trophy

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