

# Christ Our Shepherd Lutheran Church Peachtree City, Georgia

The Second Sunday after Epiphany ☩ January 16, 2022 ☩ 8:30 and 11:00 A.M.  
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☐ = Pastor ☒ = Lector [reader] ☑ = Congregation ELW=Evangelical Lutheran Worship (hymnal)

## PRELUDES

*Welcome to worship! Today's worship includes the sacrament of communion, so please pick up a prefilled communion "kit" on the altar rail as you approach the altar. Please tell an usher if you need a communion kit brought to you where you sit. At home you may prepare ahead of time wine/grape juice and bread appropriate for your family. Our liturgy declares we celebrate with "the church on earth and the hosts of heaven." We acknowledge that communion always connects us "remotely" and powerfully with the Church through time and space.*

## WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Miriam

↑ **GATHERING HYMN:** *Let Us Go Now to the Banquet*

ELW Hymn 523

*Refrain:* **Let us go now to the banquet, to the feast of the universe.**

**The table's set and a place is waiting; come, ev'ryone, with your gifts to share.**

**1 I will rise in the early morning; the community's waiting for me.  
With a spring in my step I'm walking with my friends and my family. Refrain**

**2 God invites all the poor and hungry to the banquet of justice and good  
where the harvest will not be hoarded so that no one will lack for food. Refrain**

**3 May we build such a place among us where all people are equal in love.  
God has called us to work together and to share ev'rything we have. Refrain**

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## ↑ GREETING

☐ 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 mercy.**

☒ For the peace from above, and for our salvation,  
let us pray to the Lord. ☑ **Lord, have mercy.**

☒ 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 mercy.**

☒ For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,  
let us pray to the Lord. ☑ **Lord, have mercy.**

☒ Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. ☑ **Amen.**

**HYMN OF PRAISE:** *Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness*

ELW Hymn 488

**1 Soul, adorn yourself with gladness, leave the gloomy haunts of sadness,  
come into the daylight's splendor, there with joy your praises render.  
Bless the one whose grace unbounded this amazing banquet founded;  
Christ, though heav'nly, high, and holy, deigns to dwell with you most lowly.**

**4 Jesus, source of lasting pleasure, truest friend, and dearest treasure,  
peace beyond all understanding, joy into all life expanding: ▶**

**2 humbly now, I bow before you, love incarnate, I adore you;  
worthily let me receive you, and, so favored, never leave you.**

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**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**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, our Savior and Lord. **G Amen.**

**PSALM 36:5-10**

—*Good News Translation*

**L** <sup>5</sup>Lord, your constant love reaches the heavens;  
**G** **your faithfulness extends to the skies.**  
**L** <sup>6</sup>Your righteousness is towering like the mountains;  
**G** **your justice is like the depths of the sea. People and animals are in your care.**  
**L** <sup>7</sup>How precious, O God, is your constant love!  
**G** **We find protection under the shadow of your wings.**  
**L** <sup>8</sup>We feast on the abundant food you provide;  
**G** **you let us drink from the river of your goodness.**  
**L** <sup>9</sup>You are the source of all life,  
**G** **and because of your light we see the light.**  
**L** <sup>10</sup>Continue to love those who know you  
**G** **and to do good to those who are righteous.**

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**↑ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Come, Let Us Eat**

*ELW Hymn 491*

<b>L</b> (Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread,)	<b>G</b> <b>come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread.</b>
<b>L</b> (Our Lord's body let us take together,)	<b>G</b> <b>our Lord's body let us take together.</b>
<b>L</b> (In Jesus' presence now we meet and rest,)	<b>G</b> <b>in Jesus' presence now we meet and rest.</b>
<b>L</b> (In the presence of our Lord we gather,)	<b>G</b> <b>in the presence of our Lord we gather.</b>

Text: Billema Kwilla, b. c. 1925, sts. 1-3; Gilbert E. Doan Jr., b. 1930, st. 4, alt.; tr. Margaret D. Miller, b. 1927, sts. 1-3, alt.  
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**↑ HOLY GOSPEL: John 2:1-11**

—*Good News Translation*

**P** The Holy Gospel according John, the second chapter.  
**G** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

**T**wo days later there was a wedding in the town of Cana in Galilee. Jesus' mother was there, <sup>2</sup>and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. <sup>3</sup>When the wine had given out, Jesus' mother said to him, "They are out of wine."

<sup>4</sup>"You must not tell me what to do," Jesus replied. "My time has not yet come."

<sup>5</sup>Jesus' mother then told the servants, "Do whatever he tells you."

<sup>6</sup>The Jews have rules about ritual washing, and for this purpose six stone water jars were there, each one large enough to hold between twenty and thirty gallons. <sup>7</sup>Jesus said to the servants, "Fill these jars with water." They filled them to the brim, <sup>8</sup>and then he told them, "Now draw some water out and take it to the man in charge of the feast." They took him the water, <sup>9</sup>which now had turned into wine, and he tasted it. He did not know where this wine had come from (but, of course, the servants who had drawn out the water knew); so he called the bridegroom <sup>10</sup>and said to him, "Everyone else serves the best wine first, and after the guests have drunk a lot, he serves the ordinary wine. But you have kept the best wine until now!"

<sup>11</sup>Jesus performed this first miracle in Cana in Galilee; there he revealed his glory, and his disciples believed in him.

SERMON

Pastor Miriam

↑ HYMN OF THE DAY: *Now the Feast and Celebration*

ELW Hymn 167

*Refrain: Now the feast and celebration, all of creation sings for joy to the God of life and love and freedom; praise and glory forevermore!*

1 Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, whose blood has freed and united us to be one great people of God. *Refrain*

2 Power and riches, wisdom and might, all honor and glory to Christ forever. *Refrain*

3 For God has come to dwell with us, to make us people of God; to make all things new. *Refrain*

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↑ OUR PROFESSION OF FAITH: THE APOSTLES' CREED

☐ Let us confess our baptismal faith together.

☑ I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

*When the petition concludes "God of grace," please respond, "hear our prayer."*

*The prayers are ended with these words, "Since we have such great hope in your promises, O God, we lift these and all of our prayers to you in confidence and faith; through Jesus Christ our Savior." Please respond, "Amen."*

INVITATION TO OFFERING: *Link to give:* <https://coslutheran.org/give/>



↑ 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 our thanks and praise.

☐ 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.

And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

☑ Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

—ELW page 144

↑ 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.

- 4 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.**

### SHARING COMMUNION IN THE SANCTUARY OR WITH YOUR HOUSEHOLD AT HOME

*As the pastors and worshipers commune, please join them and the whole Church in the sanctuary  
or remotely by communing each other/yourself with these ancient words of promise:  
"The body of Christ for you" and "The blood of Christ for you."*

ANTHEM: *So Art Thou to Me*

Sanctuary Choir

HYMN DURING COMMUNION: *What Feast of Love*

ELW Hymn 487

- 1 **What feast of love is offered here, what banquet come from heaven?  
What food of everlasting life, what gracious gift is given?  
This, this is Christ the king, the bread come down from heaven.  
Oh, taste and see and sing! How sweet the manna given!**
- 3 **What wine of love is offered here, what crimson drink from heaven?  
What stream of everlasting life, what precious blood is given?  
This, this is Christ the king, the sweetest wine of heaven.  
Oh, taste and see and sing! The Son of God is given!**

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### ↑ PASTORAL BLESSING and BENEDICTION

- ☐ God, who leads you in pathways of righteousness, who rejoices over you,  
and who calls you by name, ✠ bless your going out and your coming in, today and forever.
- ☐ **Amen.**

### ↑ CLOSING HYMN: *In Christ Called to Baptize*

ELW Hymn 575

- 1 **In Christ called to baptize, we witness to grace and gather a people from each land and race.  
In deep, flowing waters, we share in Christ's death,  
then, rising to new life, give thanks with each breath.**
- 2 **In Christ called to banquet, one table we share, a haven of welcome, a circle of care.  
Although we are many, we share in one bread.  
One cup of thanksgiving proclaims Christ, our head.**
- 3 **In Christ called to witness, by grace we will preach  
the life-giving gospel; God's love we will teach.  
By grace may our living give proof to our praise  
in costly compassion reflecting Christ's ways.**

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### ↑ DISMISSAL

- ☐ Go with Christ into a weary world. Share the good news.  
Invite all to join in connecting to Jesus' pathway of joy and life.
- ☐ **Thanks be to God.**

