



2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany

# CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH | Lodi, California

January 23, 2022

## WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Welcome to Christ Lutheran Church. We pray that your soul will be strengthened by the good news about God's grace, love, and forgiveness given to us. If you would like to learn more about our church, please speak with our pastor or one of our members after the service.

## WORSHIP THEME

The Sundays after Epiphany continue to celebrate the revelation of God's glory to us as it was made known to the magi and to those on Jordan's banks at Jesus' baptism—today using wedding imagery. Our God rejoices over God's people as those being married rejoice over one another. There are gifts for everyone. In Christ the best wine is saved for last. Taste and see that the Lord is good!

## MORNING PRAISE

*"Morning Praise" is based on the historic service called "Matins". Joined to Christ, our risen Lord, we glorify God as we prepare for the activities of the day.*

### HYMN

*Arise and Shine in Splendor* | CW 375



**M:** O Lord, o - pen my lips.



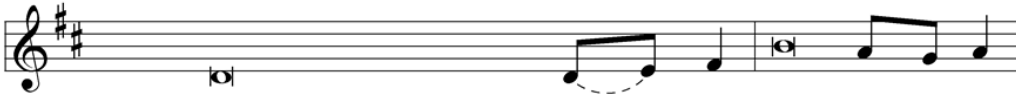
**C:** And my mouth shall de - clare your praise.



**M:** Has - ten to save me, O God.



**C:** O Lord, come quick - ly to help me.

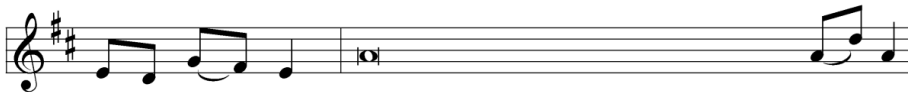


**M:** Praise be to God, the Father,  
the Son, and the Holy — Spir - it: let us wor - ship him.

**OH, COME, LET US SING TO THE LORD – *Venite***



**C:** Oh, come, let us sing to the Lord, let us make a joyful noise to the rock of



our sal - va - tion. Let us come into his presence with thanks - giv - ing,



let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise. For the Lord is a



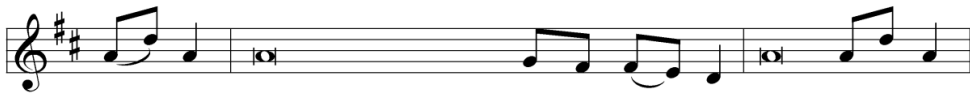
great God and a great king a - b o v e all gods. The deep places of the earth are



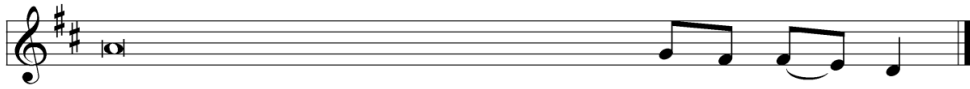
in his hand; the heights of the hills are al - so his. The sea is his, for he



made it, and his hand formed the dry land. Oh, come, let us worship and



bow down, let us kneel before the Lord our mak - er. For he is our God,



and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Almighty and everlasting God, who governs all things in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the prayers of Your people and grant us Your peace through all our days; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

*be seated*

## FIRST LESSON

*Isaiah 62:1-5*

*God wants you to know joy. There are few occasions in life more joyful than a wedding. So the prophet Isaiah pictures the Church's relationship with the Lord as an infinitely happy marriage.*

<sup>7</sup>I will not keep silent because of Zion,  
and I will not keep still because of Jerusalem,  
until her righteousness shines like a bright light  
and her salvation, like a flaming torch.

<sup>2</sup>Nations will see your righteousness  
and all kings, your glory.

You will be given a new name  
that the LORD's mouth will announce.

<sup>3</sup>You will be a glorious crown in the LORD's hand,  
and a royal diadem in the palm of your God's hand.

<sup>4</sup>You will no longer be called Deserted,  
and your land will not be called Desolate;  
instead, you will be called My Delight Is in Her,<sup>[a]</sup>  
and your land Married;<sup>[b]</sup>  
for the LORD delights in you,  
and your land will be married.

<sup>5</sup>For as a young man marries a young woman,  
so your sons will marry you;

and as a groom rejoices over his bride,  
so your God will rejoice over you.

## PSALM OF THE DAY

*Psalm 128*

## SECOND LESSON

*Ephesians 5:22-33*

*Marriage is wonderful example of Christ's relationship with his church. He loves her. Though she comes with her sin and shame, he washes her in the waters of baptism making her pure and holy. Paul uses Christ's love for the church as an example for husbands and wives.*

<sup>22</sup>Wives, submit<sup>Ⓜ</sup> to your husbands as to the Lord, <sup>23</sup>because the husband is the head of the wife as Christ is the head of the church. He is the Savior of the body. <sup>24</sup>Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives are to submit to their husbands in everything. <sup>25</sup>Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself for her <sup>26</sup>to make her holy, cleansing<sup>Ⓜ</sup> her with the washing of water by the word. <sup>27</sup>He did this to present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or anything like that, but holy and blameless. <sup>28</sup>In the same way, husbands are to love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. <sup>29</sup>For no one ever hates his own flesh but provides and cares for it, just as Christ does for the church, <sup>30</sup>since we are members of his body.<sup>Ⓜ</sup> <sup>31</sup>**For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two will become one flesh.**<sup>Ⓜ</sup> <sup>32</sup>This mystery is profound, but I am talking about Christ and the church. <sup>33</sup>To sum up, each one of you is to love his wife as himself, and the wife is to respect her husband.

## VERSE OF THE DAY

*Isaiah 49:3*

**Alleluia. He said to me, "You are my servant in whom I will display my splendor."**

**Alleluia.**

*please stand*

## THE GOSPEL

*John 2:1-11*

*Jesus increases the joy of those attending a wedding and saves the bridegroom from public shame. In this first of his miracles, he also begins to reveal himself as true God.*

On the third day a wedding took place in Cana of Galilee. Jesus's mother was there, <sup>2</sup>and Jesus and his disciples were invited to the wedding as well. <sup>3</sup>When the wine ran out, Jesus's mother told him, "They don't have any wine."

<sup>4</sup>"What has this concern of yours to do with me,<sup>Ⓜ</sup> woman?" Jesus asked. "My hour has not yet come."

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

<sup>6</sup>Now six stone water jars had been set there for Jewish purification. Each contained twenty or thirty gallons.<sup>Ⓜ</sup>

<sup>7</sup>“Fill the jars with water,” Jesus told them. So they filled them to the brim. <sup>8</sup>Then he said to them, “Now draw some out and take it to the headwaiter.”<sup>9</sup> And they did.

<sup>9</sup>When the headwaiter tasted the water (after it had become wine), he did not know where it came from—though the servants who had drawn the water knew. He called the groom <sup>10</sup>and told him, “Everyone sets out the fine wine first, then, after people are drunk, the inferior. But you have kept the fine wine until now.”

<sup>11</sup>Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee. He revealed his glory, and his disciples believed in him.

## HYMN OF THE DAY

*The Only Son from Heaven* | **CW 383**

## SERMON

*John 2:1-11*

*please stand*

## OFFERING

*The offerings during the week are placed on the altar. Thank you to all who are able to support our church and it's ministry during this time. We give thanks to God for the opportunity to give.*

## LORD, HAVE MERCY – Kyrie

*please stand*



**M:** In the morning, O Lord, I call to you; be merciful to me and hear my prayer.



**C:** Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer-cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

**M:** Almighty God and Father, we thank you for all your mercies, especially for the gift of your Son, through whom you have revealed your gracious will. We praise you for the Holy Spirit and his working through the means of grace.

**C:** **Plant your Word in our hearts, and cause it to produce fruit in our lives.**

**M:** Strengthen and defend your Church, that by your Word and sacrament faith may grow and love toward all may increase.

**C:** **Support all who spread the light of your truth throughout the world.**

M: Keep our children in the grace of their baptisms. Enable their parents to train them in lives of faith.

**C: Raise up Christians to serve you in the ministry of the Word and in all godly walks of life.**

M: Preserve our nation in justice and honor. Guide and bless all who make, administer, and just our laws.

**C: Give them wisdom that they may promote justice and hinder evil.**

M: Let your blessing rest on planting and harvest, commerce and industry, medicine and science, the arts and culture. Protect all who travel, and care for those whose work is difficult or dangerous.

**C: Be with all who devote themselves to any useful task.**

M: Comfort all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity, [especially...]. Remember those who suffer persecution for the faith. Have mercy on those for whom death draws near.

**C: Grant the love, and take them into your tender care.**

M: Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

*Silent prayer*

M: We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served you, who now rest from their labors, [especially...]. Console those who are mourning or living with sadness.

**C: Keep us in the true faith, and bring us at last to the joys of heaven.**

M: Grant us these things, Father, for the sake of Jesus, who died and rose again.

**C: Amen.**

## **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.**

**HYMN**

*Lord, When You Came as Welcome Guest* | **CW 763**

**PRAYER FOR GRACE**

M: O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, you have brought us safely to this new day. Defend us with your mighty power, and grant that this day we neither fall into sin nor run into any kind of danger; and in all we do, direct us to what is right in your sight, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

C: Amen



M: Let us praise the Lord.



C: Thanks be to God.

### BLESSING



M: The grace of our Lord + Je - sus Christ and the love of God



and the fellowship of the Holy Spir - it be with you all.



C: A - men.

*be seated*

### CLOSING HYMN

*Christ Begins* | CW 385

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We preach a message of forgiveness, hope and peace  
through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.  
Families and individuals of all ages will find opportunities  
both to grow and to serve.

Our mission statement:

**Look what Christ is doing!**

He binds us together in fellowship

He gathers us in for worship

He builds us up for service

*“Now you are the body of Christ,  
and each one of you is a part of it.”  
(1 Corinthians 12:27)*

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