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THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

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Welcome to Worship! Big cities are used to having famous people. Small towns, not so much. When Nathaniel asked if anything good could come from Nazareth, he would soon find out the answer was yes – Jesus came from there. We are called to share Jesus with others. Whether we're from a big city or a small town Jesus is the best thing we could ever share.

A Nursery is available below the entrance on Walnut St. and a Comfort Room is in the Atrium. The Nursery is not staffed at this time.

All Sunday School classes, Adult Bible Classes and Adult Information Class are suspended at this time.

Cell Phones: *Please remember to silence cell phones and electronics during worship.*

Holy Communion will be offered at the 11:15 service. If you are not a confirmed member of the Lutheran Church, please contact an Elder or Pastor before Communing. An usher will dismiss your row to move forward to the person serving the bread, and then to the person serving the individual cup. You may then dispose of the cup and return by the center aisle.

Hearing devices are available from an usher.

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THE PRELUDE: "To Jordan Came the Christ" -D. Buxtehude

THE HYMN: "God Himself Is Present"

Hymn 907

- 1 God Himself is present: Let us now adore Him And with awe appear before Him.
God is in His temple; All within keep silence; Humbly kneel in deepest rev'rence.
He alone On His throne Is our God and Savior; Praise His name forever!
- 2 God Himself is present: Hear the harps resounding; See the hosts the throne surrounding.
"Holy, holy, holy!" Hear the hymn ascending, Songs of saints and angels blending.
Bow Your ear To us here: Hear, O Christ, the praises That Your Church now raises.
- 3 Fount of ev'ry blessing, Purify my spirit, Trusting only in Your merit.
Like the holy angels, Worshiping before You, May I ceaselessly adore You.
Let Your will Ever still Rule Your Church terrestrial As the hosts celestial.

+++ 9:00 THE BAPTISM of CALVIN ALAN WIETHOFF, Page 168

Parents: Parker & Natalie (Moore) Wiethoff; Sponsors: Lucy Cooper & Flossie Cooper

THE INVOCATION

- P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. C **Amen.**
P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

THE CONFESSION

- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

THE ABSOLUTION

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. C **Amen.**

+++ 9:00 THE INTROIT: Psalm 40:1-5, 10 (sung by choir)

THE KYRIE

P In peace let us pray to the Lord. C **Lord, have mercy.**

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

P 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. C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. C **Amen.**

THE HYMN OF PRAISE: "This is the Feast of Victory!"

C **This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Power, riches, wisdom and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are His.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation.

Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

THE PRAYER FOR THE DAY: (we pray together)

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. Amen.

THE WORD OF THE MONTH: (we speak together) "Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you." Isaiah 60:1

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING: 1 Samuel 3:1-20

The young man Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. And the word of the LORD was rare in those days; there was no frequent vision. At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his own place. The lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. Then the LORD called Samuel, and he said, "Here I am!" and ran to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. And the LORD called again, "Samuel!" and Samuel arose and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. And the LORD called Samuel again the third time. And he arose and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the young man. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down, and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant hears.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place. And the LORD came and stood, calling as at other times, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant hears." Then the LORD said to Samuel, "Behold, I am about to do a thing in Israel at which the two ears of everyone who hears it will tingle. On that day I will fulfill against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house,

from beginning to end. And I declare to him that I am about to punish his house forever, for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were blaspheming God, and he did not restrain them. Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli's house shall not be atoned for by sacrifice or offering forever." Samuel lay until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the LORD. And Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. But Eli called Samuel and said, "Samuel, my son." And he said, "Here I am." And Eli said, "What was it that he told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also if you hide anything from me of all that he told you." So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. And he said, "It is the LORD. Let him do what seems good to him." And Samuel grew, and the LORD was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. And all Israel from Dan to Beersheba knew that Samuel was established as a prophet of the LORD.

L: This is the Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

THE EPISTLE READING: 1 Corinthians 6:12-20

"All things are lawful for me," but not all things are helpful. "All things are lawful for me," but I will not be enslaved by anything. "Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food" — and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is not meant for sexual immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. And God raised the Lord and will also raise us up by his power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I then take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! Or do you not know that he who is joined to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For, as it is written, "The two will become one flesh." But he who is joined to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. Flee from sexual immorality. Every other sin a person commits is outside the body, but the sexually immoral person sins against his own body. Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.

L: This is the Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

THE ALLELUIA AND VERSE: C: Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.

THE GOSPEL READING: John 1:43-51 C: (Sung) Glory to You, O Lord.

The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him of whom Moses in the Law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him and said of him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom there is no deceit!" Nathanael said to him, "How do you know me?" Jesus answered him, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you." Nathanael answered him, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered him, "Because I said to you, 'I saw you under the fig tree,' do you believe? You will see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man."

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord. C: (Sung) Praise to You, O Christ

THE HYMN: "Come, Follow Me," the Savior Spake

Hymn 688

- 1 "Come, follow Me," the Savior spake, "All in My way abiding;
Deny yourselves, the world forsake, Obey My call and guiding.
O bear the cross, whate'er betide, Take My example for your guide.

- 2 "I am the light, I light the way, A godly life displaying;
I bid you walk as in the day; I keep your feet from straying.
I am the way, and well I show How you must sojourn here below.
- 3 "My heart abounds in lowliness, My soul with love is glowing;
And gracious words My lips express, With meekness overflowing.
My heart, My mind, My strength, My all, To God I yield, on Him I call.
- 4 "I teach you how to shun and flee What harms your soul's salvation,
Your heart from ev'ry guile to free, From sin and its temptation.
I am the refuge of the soul And lead you to your heav'nly goal."
- 5 Then let us follow Christ, our Lord, And take the cross appointed
And, firmly clinging to His Word, In suff'ring be undaunted.
For those who bear the battle's strain The crown of heav'nly life obtain.

THE SERMON: "Can Anything Good Come out of Nazareth?"

+++ 11:15 THE NICENE CREED:

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

+++ 7:00 THE APOSTLES' CREED, page 207

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

+++ 11:15 THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

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| P | The Lord be with you. | C | And also with you. |
| P | Lift up your hearts. | C | We lift them to the Lord. |
| P | Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. | C | It is right to give Him thanks and praise. |
| P | It is truly good, right, and salutary... evermore praising You and saying: | | |
| | C 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.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING, LORD'S PRAYER AND WORD'S OF OUR LORD

P The peace of the Lord be with you always. C Amen.

C Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

Distribution Hymns: 619, 807, 634

619 Thy Body, Given for Me, O Savior

1 Thy body, giv'n for me, O Savior, Thy blood which Thou for me didst shed,
These are my life and strength forever, By them my hungry soul is fed. Refrain

ref Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood Be for my soul the highest good!

2 With Thee, Lord, I am now united; I live in Thee and Thou in me.
No sorrow fills my soul, delighted It finds its only joy in Thee. Refrain

3 Who can condemn me now? For surely The Lord is nigh, who justifies.
No hell I fear, and thus securely With Jesus I to heaven rise. Refrain

4 Though death may threaten with disaster, It cannot rob me of my cheer;
For He who is of death the master With aid and comfort e'er is near. Refrain

5 My heart has now become Thy dwelling, O blessèd, holy Trinity.
With angels I, Thy praises telling, Shall live in joy eternally. Refrain

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807 When Morning Gilds the Skies

1 When morning gilds the skies, My heart, awaking, cries, "May Jesus Christ be praised!"
When evening shadows fall, This rings my curfew call: "May Jesus Christ be praised!"

2 When mirth for music longs, This is my song of songs: "May Jesus Christ be praised!"
God's holy house of prayer Hath none that can compare With "Jesus Christ be praised!"

3 No lovelier antiphon In all high heav'n is known Than "Jesus Christ be praised!"
There to the_ eternal Word The_ eternal psalm is heard: "May Jesus Christ be praised!"

4 Ye nations of mankind, In this your concord find: "May Jesus Christ be praised!"
Let all the earth around Ring joyous with the sound: "May Jesus Christ be praised!"

5 Sing, suns and stars of space, Sing, ye that see His face, Sing, "Jesus Christ be praised!"
God's whole creation o'er, Both now and evermore Shall Jesus Christ be praised!

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634 The Death of Jesus Christ, Our Lord

1 The death of Jesus Christ, our Lord, We celebrate with one accord;
It is our comfort in distress, Our heart's sweet joy and happiness.

- 2 He blotted out with His own blood The judgment that against us stood;
For us He full atonement made, And all our debt He fully paid.
- 3 That this forever true shall be He gives a solemn guarantee:
In this His holy Supper here We taste His love so sweet, so near.
- 4 His Word proclaims and we believe That in this Supper we receive
His very body, as He said, His very blood for sinners shed.
- 5 We dare not ask how this can be, But simply hold the mystery
And trust this word where life begins: "Given and shed for all your sins."
- 6 They who this word do not believe This food unworthily receive,
Salvation here will never find — May we this warning keep in mind!
- 7 But blest is each believing guest Who in these promises finds rest;
For Jesus shall in love remain With all who here His grace obtain.
- 8 Help us sincerely to believe That we may worthily receive
Your Supper and in You find rest. Amen! They who believe are blest.

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THE POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

- C **Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done.
Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name.
He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy
with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.**

THE POST COMMUNION COLLECT

THE BENEDICTION

THE CLOSING HYMN: "The Star Proclaims the King is Here"

Hymn 399

- 1 The star proclaims the King is here; But, Herod, why this senseless fear?
For He who offers heav'nly birth Seeks not the kingdoms of this earth.
- 2 The eastern sages saw from far And followed on His guiding star;
And, led by light, to light they trod And by their gifts confessed their God.
- 3 Within the Jordan's sacred flood The heav'nly Lamb in meekness stood
That He, of whom no sin was known, Might cleanse His people from their own.
- 4 And oh, what miracle divine, When water reddened into wine!
He spoke the word, and forth it flowed In streams that nature ne'er bestowed.
- △ 5 For this Thy glad epiphany All glory, Jesus, be to Thee,
Whom with the Father we adore, And Holy Spirit evermore.

THE POSTLUDE: “All Who Believe and are Baptized” -D. Zimmer

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Preacher: Pastor Rodriguez **Liturgists:** Pastor Blomenberg & Vicar Fredstrom

Organist: Paul Scheiderer **9:00 Special Music:** Handbells, Brass, Youth and Children’s Choir

Pastor Bloch is in Nebraska for his brother’s funeral.

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