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## Second Sunday after the Epiphany

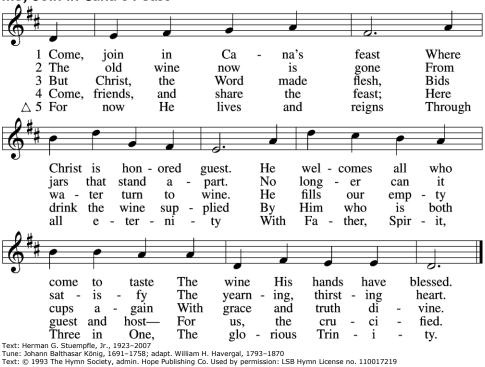
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### **Divine Service, Setting One**

#### As We Gather

In the order for marriage, we affirm that marriage on earth is the picture of the union between Christ, the bridegroom, and the church, His Bride. Nowhere is this made plainer than in the place Jesus chose to perform His first miracle, changing water into wine. This shows the delight of the Lord, not simply for a wedding reception or even one couple who begins their life together, but also to marry us with His grace. The Lord rejoices to clothe His church with the perfect white robes of righteousness and to present her pure and spotless. We are no more forgotten or forsaken; the Lord has made us radiant in the beauty of His holiness. This is the context for a seemingly hidden miracle in Cana of Galilee.

#### 408 Come, Join in Cana's Feast



# Confession and Absolution

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

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

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- 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.
- 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.

## Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 36:5-9; antiphon: Song of Solomon 2:4

- [The Lord] brought me to the ban- | queting house,\* and his banner over | me was love.
- Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the | heavens,\* your faithfulness | to the clouds.
- Your righteousness is like the moun- | tains of God;\* your judgments are like the great deep; man and beast you save, | O LORD.
- How precious is your steadfast love, | O God!\*
  The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow | of your wings.
- P They feast on the abundance of your house,\* and you give them drink from the river of your delights.
- For with you is the foun- | tain of life;\* in your light do | we see light.
- Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\* and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,\*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

[The Lord] brought me to the ban- | queting house,\* and his banner over | me was love.

Kyrie LSB 152

- **A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- A 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.
- A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- C Amen.

Gloria in Excelsis LSB 154



#### Salutation and Collect of the Day

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- **P** Let us pray.

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.

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### **Old Testament Reading**

Isaiah 62:1–5

**R** The Old Testament Reading is from Isaiah, chapter 62.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not be quiet,

until her righteousness goes forth as brightness, and her salvation as a burning torch. <sup>2</sup>The nations shall see your righteousness, and all the kings your glory, and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give. <sup>3</sup>You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. <sup>4</sup>You 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. <sup>5</sup>For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your sons marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

- **R** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Epistle 1 Corinthians 12:1–11

The Epistle is from 1 Corinthians, chapter 12.

<sup>1</sup>Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers, I do not want you to be uninformed. <sup>2</sup>You know that when you were pagans you were led astray to mute idols, however you were led. <sup>3</sup>Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking in the Spirit of God ever says "Jesus is accursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except in the Holy Spirit.

<sup>4</sup>Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; <sup>5</sup>and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; <sup>6</sup>and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone. <sup>7</sup>To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. <sup>8</sup>To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, <sup>9</sup>to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, <sup>10</sup>to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the ability to distinguish between spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. <sup>11</sup>All these are empowered by one and the same Spirit, who apportions to each one individually as he wills.

- **R** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

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Alleluia and Verse

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Holy Gospel John 2:1–11

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the second chapter.



P ¹On the third day there was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ²Jesus also was invited to the wedding with his disciples. ³When the wine ran out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." ⁴And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what does this have to do with me? My hour has not yet come." ⁵His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you."

<sup>6</sup>Now there were six stone water jars there for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. <sup>7</sup>Jesus said to the servants, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. <sup>8</sup>And he said to them, "Now draw some out and take it to the master of the feast." So they took it. <sup>9</sup>When the master of the feast tasted the water now become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the master of the feast called the bridegroom <sup>10</sup>and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and when people have drunk freely, then the poor wine. But you have kept the good wine until now." <sup>11</sup>This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory. And his disciples believed in him.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



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## 402 The Only Son from Heaven



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#### Sermon

#### 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.

#### Prayer of the Church

P Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Lord, You manifested Your glory in the sign at Cana. As You restored creation through the shedding of Christ's blood, pour out Your grace in abundance. Give us joy and gladness in the revelation of Your truth in the person of Your Son. Lord, in Your mercy,

- **C** hear our prayer.
- O God, You gather Your Church and bring her to Your banquet, both now in Your Word and Sacraments and in the eternal wedding feast to come. Spread the banner of Christ's steadfast love over the doors of every congregation, that the preaching of His righteousness may be constant and that patient love may mark our lives also. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Lord of glory, You blessed the wedding at Cana with Your presence and honored it with Your first miracle. Strengthen and give Your gladness to all married couples and their families. Be present in our homes and lives with Your free and abundant forgiveness, and preserve us in the true faith from each generation to the next. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.

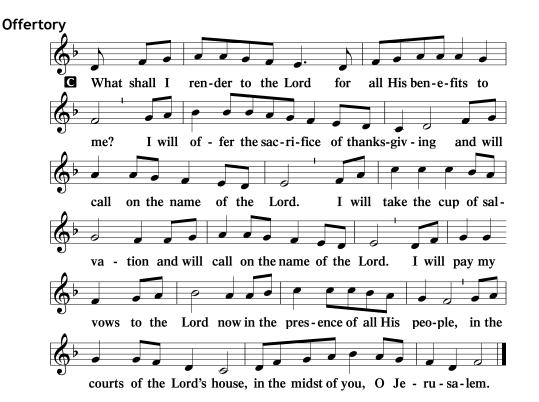
- P Heavenly Father, uphold our nation. Bless every effort to maintain peace and promote justice. Watch over and guide all military personnel. Thwart every effort to destroy life unnecessarily, and permit righteousness and goodness to flourish in our land. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- P Heavenly Father, Your Son showed divine compassion even for a groom who ran out of wine. By Your Spirit, give us compassionate hearts to notice the needs of others. [Support especially \_\_\_\_\_.] Comfort also the lonely, the depressed, the mentally ill and any who feel abandoned. Let them know You and Your Son, who rejoices over them as a bridegroom over his bride. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- Lord of glory, as You manifested Yourself by the sign at Cana, changing water into wine, so manifest Yourself to us here, making bread and wine Your very body and blood for the forgiveness of our sins, and making us fit partakers in repentance and faith. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Lord God, heavenly Father, we thank You that of Your grace You have instituted holy matrimony, in which You keep us from unchastity and other offenses. We implore You, send Your blessing on every husband and wife. Do not let them provoke one another to anger and strife, but let them live peaceably together in love and godliness. Strengthen them with Your gracious help in all temptations, and help them to rear their children in accordance with Your will. Grant us all to walk before You in purity and holiness, putting our trust in You and leading such lives on earth that, in the world to come, we may have everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

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### Offering

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#### Welcome to our Visitors

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor or an elder.

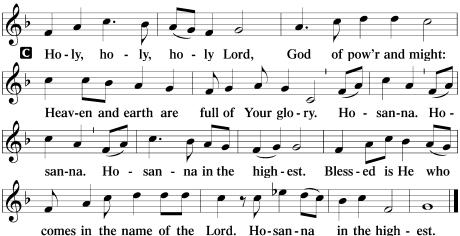
For further study, see Matthew 5:23f.; 10:32f.; 18:15–35; 26:26–29; and 1 Corinthians 11:17–34.

## Service of the Sacrament

Preface LSB 160

- **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.
- It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your glory. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus LSB 161



### Prayer of Thanksgiving

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P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Lord's Prayer LSB 162

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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.

#### The Words of Our Lord

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

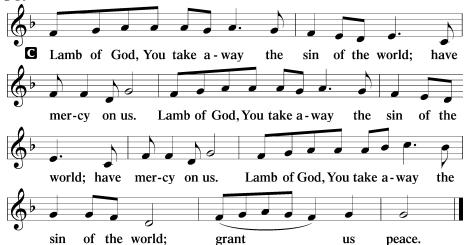
Pax Domini LSB 163

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

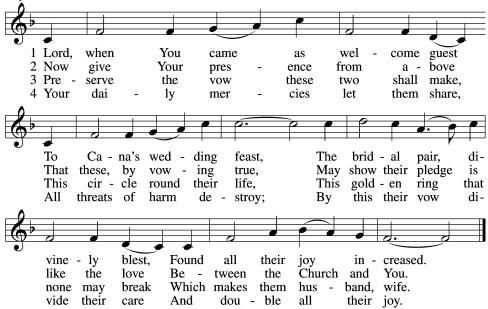
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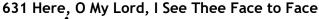
On all who thus before You kneel Your joyous Spirit pour That each may wake the other's zeal To love You more and more.

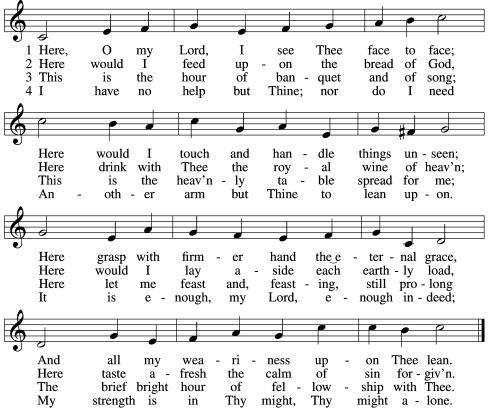
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6 O grant them here in peace to live, In purity and love, And after this life to receive The crown of life above.

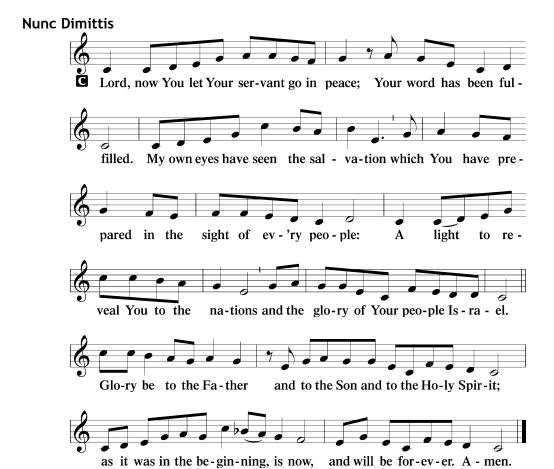




- Mine is the sin, but Thine the righteousness;
   Mine is the guilt, but Thine the cleansing blood;
   Here is my robe, my refuge, and my peace:
   Thy blood, Thy righteousness, O Lord my God.
- 6 Too soon we rise; the vessels disappear;
  The feast, though not the love, is past and gone;
  The bread and wine remove, but Thou art here;
  Nearer than ever; still my shield and sun.
- Feast after feast thus comes and passes by,
   Yet, passing, points to that glad feast above,
   Giving sweet foretaste of the festal joy,
   The Lamb's great marriage feast of bliss and love.

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#### **Post-Communion Collect**

**P** Let us pray.

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

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C Amen.

Benediction LSB 166

- **P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
  - The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C Amen.

### 514 The Bridegroom Soon Will Call Us



#### **Announcements**

Adult Sunday School at 9am on Sunday mornings is studying Deuteronomy.

The **Flowers** that beautify our altar this morning are given to God's glory.

The Ladies Bible Study meets next Wednesdays 29 Jan at 10am studying 2 Kings.

Church Council next meeting is Feb 9 at 8am.

The next Men's Breakfast and Bible Study is Sat. Feb 8 at 9am.

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