January 19, 2025 Second Sunday After The Epiphany

Prelude

Welcome

Opening Hymn - CP 393 'Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise'

The Gathering of the Community

The Grace

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

And also with you.

Collect Prayer

Perfect Light of revelation, as you shone in the life of Jesus, whose epiphany we celebrate, so shine in us and through us, that we may become beacons of truth and compassion, enlightening all creation with deeds of justice and mercy. Amen.

The Readings

Isaiah 62:1-5; Psalm 36:5-10; 1 Corinthians 12:1-11; John 2:1-11

The Sermon

Anthem (when appointed)

Affirmation of Faith

Hear O Israel, the Lord our God is One and you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind and with all your strength. This the first and greatest commandment. The second is like it: you shall love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

The Prayers of the People

Confession and Absolution

Let us turn our hearts towards the One who draws us into the light, confessing the ways we have turned from the pathways of love. Silence is kept.

God our Creator, long-suffering, full of grace and truth, you create us from nothing and give us life. You do not turn your face from us, nor cast us aside. We confess

that we have sinned against you and our neighbour. We have wounded your love and marred your image in us. Restore us, for the sake of your Son, and bring us to heavenly joy, in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Absolution

The Peace

Offertory Hymn - CP 533 'Jesus, Lover of My Soul'

Prayer over the Gifts

Living God, you have revealed your Son as the Messiah. May we hear his word and follow it, and live as children of light. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

<u>The Great Thanksgiving</u> (adapted from: With One Voice, Lutheran Resource for Worship - Epiphany Eucharistic Prayer)

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 him thanks and praise.

It is indeed right that we should praise you...

And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join in their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, god of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. (X2) Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. (X2) Blessed are you, O holy God...

Remembering therefore, his preaching, his healing, his dying and rising, and his promise to come again, we await that day when all the universe will rejoice in your holy and life-giving light.

By your Spirit bless us and this meal, that, refreshed with this heavenly food, we may be light for the world, revealing the brilliance of your Son.

Through Christ all honour and glory is yours, Almighty God, with the Holy Spirit, in your Holy Church, both now and forever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

We break the bread of life, and that life is the light of the world.

God here among us, light in the midst of us, bring us to light and life.

The gifts of God, for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

Communion Hymn - You are the Center

You are the center, you are my life.

You are the center, O Lord, of my life.

Come, Lord and guide me, Lord of my life.

Send me Your Spirit, Lord of my Life.

You are the center, Lord, of my life.

Give me Your Spirit and teach me your ways,

Give me Your peace, Lord, and set me free.

You are the center, Lord, of my life.

Prayer after Communion

God of glory, you nourish us with bread from heaven. Fill us with your Holy Spirit, that through us your light may shine in all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

<u>Doxology</u>

Glory to God, whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

Blessing

Announcements

Closing Hymn - CP 341 'God of Mercy, God of Grace'

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**