

The Second Sunday after the Epiphany January 19, A+D 2025



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> DIVINE SERVICE Setting 4 – Page 203 Lutheran Service Book

The Divine Glory Is Manifested in the Signs of Christ

When Jesus turned water into wine at the wedding in Cana, it was "the first of his signs" by which He "manifested his glory" (John 2:11). It pointed to His coming "hour," when He was lifted up on the cross for the forgiveness of sins and the life of the world (John 2:4; 12:23–32). The glory of the cross is incomprehensible apart from the Word and Spirit of God, but disciples of Jesus recognize that glory in the signs of His Gospel, and so they believe in Him. Jesus does not wait for His disciples to discover Him on their own, but He seeks out the forsaken and the desolate and unites them to Himself. He adorns them with His own beautiful righteousness and delights in them "as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride" (Is. 62:4–5). Purified by the washing of water with His Word in Holy Baptism, His disciples confess that "Jesus is Lord," and they return thanks to Him "in the Holy Spirit" (1 Cor. 12:3) as they drink the good wine that He pours out for them, which is the new testament in His blood.

Ringing of the Bells

Welcome

Confession and Absolution

912 Christ Is Our Cornerstone

Stand

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

Invocation

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Exhortation LSB 203

- Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- who made heaven and earth.
- **P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- **©** But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

Confession of Sins

LSB 203

Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

Absolution LSB 203

- 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.

Stand

Service of the Word

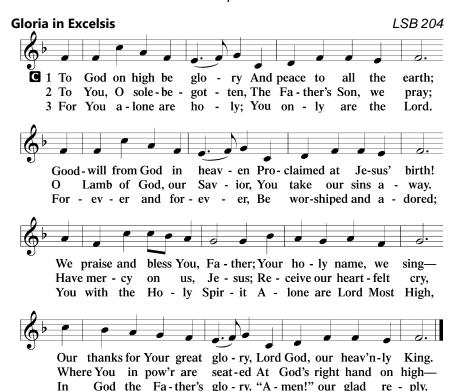
Introit

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

- [The Lord] brought me to the banqueting house,
- and his banner over me was love.
- P Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens,
- **©** your faithfulness to the clouds.
- P Your righteousness is like the mountains of God;
- your judgments are like the great deep; man and beast you save, O LORD.
- P 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.
- **P** For with you is the fountain 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 beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
- P [The Lord] brought me to the banqueting house,
- and his banner over me was love.



C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.



Text: Stephen P. Starke

Salutation and Collect of the Day

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- 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.

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 62:1-5

A The Old Testament Reading for The Second Sunday after the Epiphany is from the sixty-second chapter of the prophecy of Isaiah.

¹For 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. ²The 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. ³You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. ⁴You 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. ⁵For 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.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Epistle

1 Corinthians 12:1-11

A The Second Reading is from the twelfth chapter of the First Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians.

¹Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers, I do not want you to be uninformed. ²You know that when you were pagans you were led astray to mute idols, however you were led. ³Therefore 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.

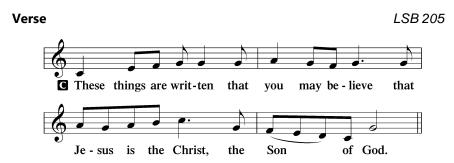
⁴Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; ⁶and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone. ⁷To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸To one is given through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

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

Stand

Alleluia and Verse







Holy Gospel John 2:1–11

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

Glory to You, O Lord.

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."

⁶Now there were six stone water jars there for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷Jesus said to the servants, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸And he said to them, "Now draw some out and take it to the master of the feast." So they took it. ⁹When 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 ¹⁰and 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." ¹¹This, 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.
- Praise to You, O Christ.

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 worshipped 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.

Sit

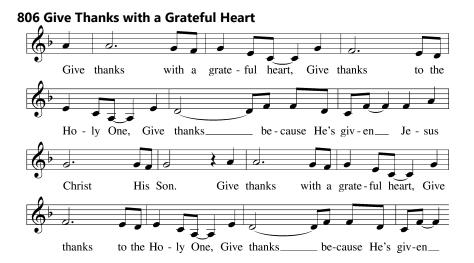
408 Come, Join in Cana's Feast

Sermon

Gathering of Tithes & Offerings

If you are submitting a prayer request on a prayer card, kindly hand it directly to the usher. Do not place it into the offering plate.

Stand





Prayer of the Church

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- P ... Lord, in Your mercy,
- **©** hear our prayer.

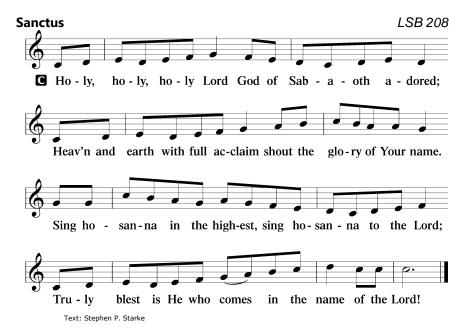
Service of the Sacrament

Stand

Preface LSB 208

- P The Lord be with you.
- **And also with you.**
- P Lift up your hearts.
- **@** 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, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

As the glory of Your presence once filled Your ancient temple, so in the incarnation of Your Son, Jesus Christ, You manifested the fullness of Your glory in human flesh.

We give You thanks that in His most Holy Supper You reveal Your glory to us. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood so that we may one day behold Your glory face to face.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

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.

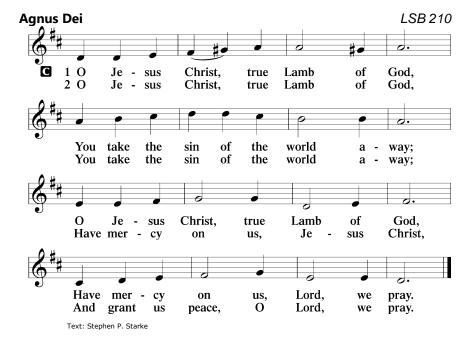
The Words of Our Lord

P 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

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



Sit

Distribution of Christ's Body and Blood

Members of other Christian denominations who are present may come forward to receive a blessing from the Pastor during the distribution. It is requested that you cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you desire this blessing.

Silent Prayer Just Before Communing: Dear Savior, at your gracious invitation, I come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Silent Prayer Just After Communing: Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy Sacrament. I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace the forgiveness of sins unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

395 O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright

619 Thy Body, Given for Me, O Savior

Stand

The Dismissal

- The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart

 → in peace.
- C Amen.



Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benedicamus LSB 212

- **A** Let us bless the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Benediction

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.

G Amen.

922 Go, My Children, with My Blessing

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Silent Prayer

Announcements

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The Glad Spirit St. Paul Ev. Lutheran Church January 19, 2025

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

ST. PAUL'S FAMILY

Brian & Gloria Wiltjer Melanie Wiltjer Jenna Wiltjer Gene & Jean Wiltjer Jerry & Denise Wiltjer

BIRTHDAYS

Cassandra Michels, 1/19 Micci Orth, 1/23 Layla Baker, 1/25 Dominique Sella, 1/25



BAPTISM ANNIVERSARIES

Margaret Loitz, 1/21 Janice Reichert, 1/21

SPECIAL CONCERNS

Pray for Norma Allen, Janice Abel, Sondra Budde, Jay Carey, Pastor and Pam Collins, Carmen Dampier, Judy Diekleman, Shirley Emerick, Latricia Harris, Ed Hoeksema Jr., Doris Leifert, Chester Orendorff, Violet Rich, Dolly Tagenhorst, Warren Van Mynen, Gene Wiltjer, Ray Zander.

Serving in the Military – Austin Brandy, James Fluechtling, Dakoda Gaut and Nathan Lopez.

Serving as First Responders – David Allen, Dave Bloom, Nathan Conway, Brianne Giba, Melanie Hudson, Brian Orth, Dana Tatgenhorst, Taylor VanDommelen and Dan Zander.

NEWS UPDATE

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Thank you so much for your generous and thoughtful Christmas gift. We are so blessed to worship with you on various Sundays and knowing of your care and concern truly uplifts our spirits. We thank God for the fellowship we enjoy with you.

May the Lord bless you each with His gracious provisions!

With peace and joy in Christ,

Pastor Jay and Sharon Klein



St. Paul Book Club will meet Wednesday February 19th at 10:00 am, to review *Kat the Dog* by Alyson Sheldrake. We always welcome new members. We enjoy fellowship and lunch following the discussion.

Christ For You the week of January 19th on KFUO.org: We're continuing in Isaiah on Sharper Iron! Join us as we take a look at chapters 25-29 (weekdays at 8 a.m. CT). On Thy Strong Word, we're beginning a study of the book of Job. You can tune in every weekday at 11 a.m. CT. Don't forget to join us for Concord Matters (1/25 at 10 a.m. CT)! We'll be continuing our discussion of confessional subscription with special guest Rev. Dr. Matthew Harrison. Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or on the KFUO Radio app!

The Week of January 19th Live Daily Lutheran Chapel Service... You can listen to a live chapel service weekdays from Concordia Theological Seminary—Fort Wayne, IN. Lutheran Talk Radio streams Morning Chapel from Kramer Chapel at 9 a.m. Central Mondays through Fridays. You can listen at issuesetc.org, Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple HomePod, TuneIn or the Lutheran Public Radio mobile app.

We'd love to see you in worship. Our worship services are every Sunday at 9:30 AM. If you are unable to attend it can be viewed on Facebook live at www.facebook.com/splcms/videos. A previous recording is also available. Bulletins for the services are available for viewing or download on our website at www.splcms.org/worship.

"No amount of scientific progress can defeat death. No political ruler can promise eternal life. Only Jesus can make and keep that promise. The promise of hope and life is ours to proclaim. It is the promise that a world without hope needs to hear. In Jesus we have hope for the future, the

living hope of life in His presence forever." Dr. Carol Geisler, Lutheran Hour Ministries – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org

Jesus Turns Water Into Wine

"Everyone brings out the choice wine first and then the cheaper wine after the guests have had too much to drink; but you have saved the best till now." John 2:10 (NIV) The puzzle is based on John 2:1-11 (NIV).



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Galilee	tasted	bridegroom	filled	glory
wine	disciples	servants	master	water
saved	banquet	signs	jars	miraculous

GOD'S PEOPLE IN ACTION



ATTENDANCE AND OFFERINGS

January 12th Attendance 7, 16 Online

Budgeted Total	355.00	Non-budgeted Total	\$90.00
		Church Maint	10.00
		LCC Claif. Care	60.00
Envelopes	\$355.00	Weekly Missions	\$20.00

 Budgeted Total
 355.00

 Offering Needed
 1,362.00

 Short
 1,007.00



THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Today
9:30 am Worship Service
10:30 am Coffee &...

Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

Sunday 9:30 am Worship Service 10:30 am Coffee &...

SERVANT SCHEDULE

Sun, Jan 19, 9:30 AM
Pastor Klein

Sun, Jan 26, 9:30 AM
Rev. Mark Zuehsow

Pastor Pastor Klein Usher Dave Bloom

Lay Reader Micci Orth Norma Allen



Food Pantry



General Fund



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