



LIVING WORD LUTHERAN CHURCH

A Growing Family of Faith

January 16, 2022

Sanctity of Life, 2nd Sunday after Epiphany

Pastor Brandon Scroggins

INVOCATION AND CALL TO WORSHIP (please rise as you are able)

P: We are called together to worship today in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen!**

P. O Love that will not let us go, **C. We rest our weary souls in Thee.**

P. Though we sin, fail, hurt, and destroy, **C. You will not let us go.**

P. Though we fail to see the Sanctity of Life every day, in a million ways,
C. You will not let us go.

P. In You we live, move, and have our being, **C. we cannot close our hearts to Thee.**

P. You are the author of life. **C. You created us in Your very image.**

P. You knit us together in our mother's wombs, we are fearfully and wonderfully made.
C. You lift up our heads.

P. All life is a gift, and all life is sacred. **ALL: We offer our lives to You.**

GATHERING SONG "Come, Now is the Time to Worship"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION TO PREPARE FOR WORSHIP

P: Most merciful God, **C. we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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**

ABSOLUTION Congregational response: **AMEN**

(Please be seated)

WORSHIP SONG "There's a Quiet Understanding"

SCRIPTURE LESSONS FIRST LESSON

R. The first lesson is from the book of Galatians chapter 1, verses 1-5:

1 This letter is from Paul, an apostle. I was not appointed by any group of people or any human authority, but by Jesus Christ himself and by God the Father, who raised Jesus from the dead. ² All the brothers and sisters here join me in sending this letter to the churches of Galatia. ³ May God the Father and our Lord Jesus Christ give you grace and

peace. ⁴ Jesus gave his life for our sins, just as God our Father planned, in order to rescue us from this evil world in which we live. ⁵ All glory to God forever and ever! Amen. (NLT)

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

RESPONSIVE PSALM R. The responsive Psalm is Psalm 36, verses 5-10:

R. ⁵ Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds.

C. ⁶ Your righteousness is like the mountains of God; your judgments are like the great deep; man and beast you save, O LORD.

R. ⁷ How precious is your steadfast love, O God! The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

C. ⁸ They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them drink from the river of your delights.

R. ⁹ For with you is the fountain of life; in your light do we see light.

C. ¹⁰ Oh, continue your steadfast love to those who know you, and your righteousness to the upright of heart! (ESV)

R. Here ends the reading of the Psalm. Please rise as you are able for the reading of the Gospel.

GOSPEL LESSON (Please rise as you are able)

P. The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 2nd chapter, verses 1-11:

C. Glory to you, O Lord

¹The next day there was a wedding celebration in the village of Cana in Galilee. Jesus' mother was there, ² and Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the celebration. ³The wine supply ran out during the festivities, so Jesus' mother told him, "They have no more wine." ⁴"Dear woman, that's not our problem," Jesus replied. "My time has not yet come." ⁵ But his mother told the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." ⁶ Standing nearby were six stone water jars, used for Jewish ceremonial washing. Each could hold twenty to thirty gallons. ⁷ Jesus told the servants, "Fill the jars with water." When the jars had been filled, ⁸ he said, "Now dip some out, and take it to the master of ceremonies." So the servants followed his instructions. ⁹ When the master of ceremonies tasted the water that was now wine, not knowing where it had come from (though, of course, the servants knew), he called the bridegroom over. ¹⁰ "A host always serves the best wine first," he said. "Then, when everyone has had a lot to drink, he brings out the less expensive wine. But you have kept the best until now!" ¹¹ This miraculous sign at Cana in Galilee was the first time Jesus revealed his glory. And his disciples believed in him. (NLT)

P. This is the Gospel of the Lord. **C. Praise to you, O Christ.**

(Please be seated)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON SONG "How Great Thou Art"

MESSAGE Pastor Brandon Scroggins

APOSTLE’S CREED (please rise as you are able)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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 life everlasting. Amen.

SHARE THE PEACE

P. May peace of the Lord be with you always, **C. And also with you**
(congregation is invited to greet others while remaining in their seat)

OFFERING (special video)

“DOXOLOGY” (please rise as you are able)

OFFERING PRAYER

P. Let us pray, **C. We offer with joy and thanksgiving what You have first given us – ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of Your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of Him who offered Himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH (Please remain standing as you are able)

Following general prayers, you are encouraged to share other prayer concerns out loud. Please close your prayer concern with “Lord in your mercy”.

HOLY COMMUNION

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 our thanks and praise.**

P. It is indeed right and salutary.....we praise your name and join their unending proclamation: **C. (singing) Holy, holy, holy,**

My heart, my heart adores You!

My heart is glad to say, the words:

You are holy, Lord!

CONSECRATION OF ELEMENTS, LORD’S PRAYER

(Please be seated during distribution of communion)

We practice open Communion here at Living Word. If you believe and are baptized, we invite you to participate. Communion wine is WHITE, juice is RED. Please bring young children to receive a blessing.

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE "Thank the Lord" (please rise as you are able)

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

(Please be seated)

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND BENEDICTION

SENDING SONG "10,000 Reasons"

P. Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **C. Thanks be to God!**



1/16/22 Worship helpers: Reader: Todd Ormsby
Communion Assist: Judy Ormsby
Fellowship Treats: Rosie Freeman
1/23/22 Worship helpers: Reader: Todd Ormsby
Communion Assist: Judy Ormsby
Fellowship Treats: Alice Jensen

COMING UP:

- January 16-**PICK UP PACKETS FOR ANNUAL MEETING AFTER WORSHIP**
- January 19, 26-Men's Bible Study and Fellowship 9AM
- January 18-Lutheranism 101 adult class resumes, 6 PM
- January 20-Blessed and Unstoppable resumes, 5:30
- January 30 – **CONGREGATIONAL MEETING AFTER WORSHIP, POTLUCK TO FOLLOW**



Come Now Is the Time to Worship

Come now is the time to worship
Come now is the time to give your heart
Come just as you are to worship
Come just as you are before your God, Come

One day every tongue will confess You are God
One day every knee will bow
Still the greatest treasure remains
For those who gladly choose You now

Come, come just as you are come, come
Worship the Lord, Come

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There's a Quiet Understanding

There's a quiet understanding
When we're gathered in the Spirit
It's a promise that He gives us
When we gather in His name
There's a love we feel in Jesus
There's a bread and wine that He feeds us
It's a promise that He gives us
When we gather in His name

And we know when we're together
Sharing love and understanding
That our brothers and our sisters
Feel the oneness that He brings
Thank You thank You thank You Jesus
For the way You love and feed us
For the many ways You lead us
Thank You thank You Lord

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How Great Thou Art

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder
Thy pow'r thru'out the universe displayed
Chorus Then sings my soul
My Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art
How great Thou art
When through the woods and forest glades I wander
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
And hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze
Chorus
And when I think that God His Son not sparing
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in
That on a cross my burden gladly bearing
He bled and died to take away my sin
Chorus
When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart
Then I shall bow in humble adoration
And there proclaim my God how great Thou art
Chorus

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10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)

Chorus Bless the Lord O my soul
O my soul Worship His holy name
Sing like never before,
O my soul, I'll worship Your holy name
The sun comes up it's a new day dawning
It's time to sing Your song again
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me
Let me be singing when the evening comes

Chorus

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger
Your name is great and Your heart is kind
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find

Chorus

And on that day when my strength is failing
The end draws near and my time has come
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending
Ten thousand years and then forevermore

Chorus

Worship Your holy name
Lord I'll worship Your holy name

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