# SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

# **Delight Uncovered:**

God Delivers More Than We Ask, Not Less

January 16, 2022



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Worship at 8am and 10:30am

Bible Class and Youth Sunday School at 9:15am

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# Welcome to Victory!

- Thank you for choosing to worship the Triune God with us. May the grace and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you as we join together in worship.
- We prepare for worship by quietly meditating on the theme for the day and respectfully listening to the music chosen and prepared by our musicians.
- If you are looking for a church home, we would be thrilled to serve your spiritual needs. Our name comes from 1 Corinthians 15:57: <u>"Thanks be to God! He gives</u> us the VICTORY through our Lord Jesus Christ!"
- Our mission as a Christian congregation is to: "Win souls for Christ and coach Christians for life."
- Please sign the Connection Card inside of your worship folder to give us a record of your visit, and so we can properly thank you for joining us!
- Restrooms are located in the hallway to the right as you enter the front doors. Changing tables are available in both the women's and men's restrooms.
- A Quiet Room for children who need a quiet minute with mom or dad is located on the right before entering the sanctuary.

#### **TODAY'S WORSHIP:**

Is the pursuit of God and the pursuit of pleasure two separate paths? Many make that assumption—that life with Jesus is a boring, sterile experience. They are dead wrong! Jesus came to undo everything that is wrong with our world as a result of sin's curse. He also came to multiply our joy and deliver delight beyond our wildest dreams. Note that when Jesus begins to reveal his glory, it isn't by going to the hospital to cure every ailment. Instead, he starts at a local wedding, one of the greatest sources of joy in this life. The truth uncovered for this week is that life with Jesus is not a life with less delight, but infinitely more!

# The Season of Epiphany

We are in the season of the Church year called Epiphany, a Greek word which means "to appear." Salvation has appeared in the person of Jesus Christ. In Epiphany, the Church explores everything that Christ makes apparent about God. You see, we need God to appear to us and make himself known to us. For not only is God beyond our understanding, his works and his ways are contrary to mankind's natural assumptions about him. In other words, the truth about God cannot possibly be discovered by us. Rather, it needs to be uncovered for us. That's what the Spirit is doing for us during this season of Epiphany. Week after week, surprising truths about Jesus our King, and life in his kingdom will be uncovered.

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# THE SERVICE: SETTING THREE

#### **OPENING HYMN**

# Arise and Shine in Splendor

Christian Worship 375

#### **INVOCATION**

M: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

#### **CONFESSION**

M: If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

C: If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

M: Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

C: Holy God, gracious Father,

I am sinful by nature

and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.

I have not loved you with my whole heart;

I have not loved others as I should.

I deserve your punishment both now and forever.

But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins

with his innocent suffering and death.

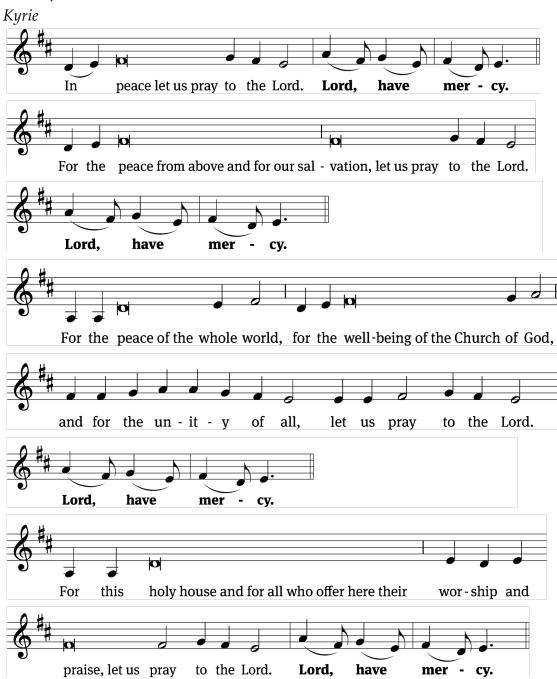
Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

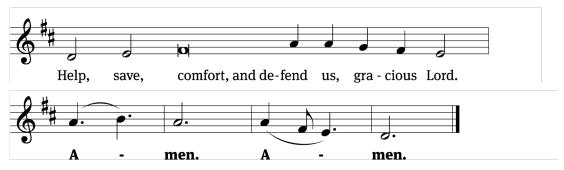
Silence for meditation and reflection

M: Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

# LORD, HAVE MERCY





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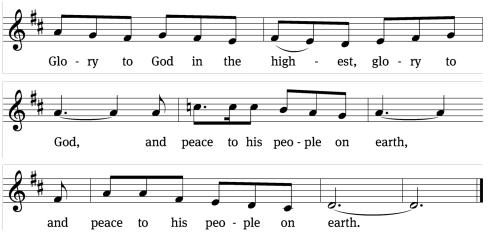
#### GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST

Gloria in Excelsis

Pastor sings the refrain, then the congregation will repeat it. Everyone sings the rest of the song.







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## THE WORD

M: The Lord be with you.C: And also with you.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

Almighty God, you gave your one and only Son to be the light of the world. Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and believed to the ends of the earth; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

## **BAPTISM OF BRILEY MARIE LAND (10:30AM)**

# FIRST READING: Isaiah 62:1-5 The LORD will take delight in you

<sup>1</sup>For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, for Jerusalem's sake I will not remain quiet, till her vindication shines out like the dawn, her salvation like a blazing torch. <sup>2</sup>The nations will see your vindication, and all kings your glory; you will be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will bestow. <sup>3</sup>You will be a crown of splendor in the Lord's hand, a royal diadem in the hand of your God. <sup>4</sup>No longer will they call you Deserted, or name your land Desolate. But you will be called Hephzibah, and your land Beulah; for the Lord will take delight in you, and your land will be married. <sup>5</sup>As a young man marries a young woman, so will your Builder marry you; as a bridegroom rejoices over his bride, so will your God rejoice over you.

M: The Word of the Lord.C: Thanks be to God.

## Psalm 145B - I Will Praise Your Name Forever



Great is the LORD and most wor- / thy of praise;

his greatness no one can / fathom.

One generation commends your works to an-/other;

they tell of your / mighty acts.

The Lord upholds / all who fall

and lifts up all who are / bowed down. Refrain

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The eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food at the / proper time. You open your hand and satisfy the desires of every / living thing.

The Lord is near to all who / call on him, to all who call on / him in truth.

He fulfills the desires of those who / fear him; he hears their cry and / saves them.

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. Refrain

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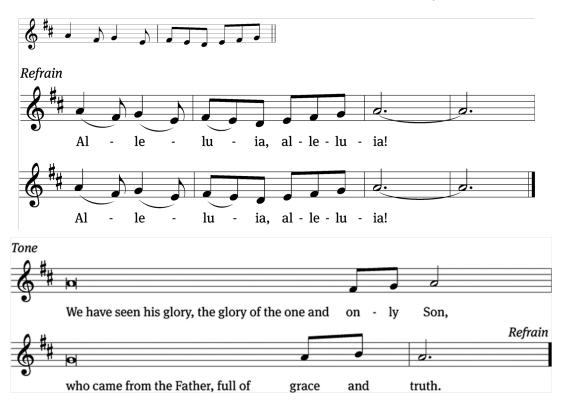
# SECOND READING: Ephesians 3:14–21 The God who does immeasurably more

<sup>14</sup>For this reason I kneel before the Father, <sup>15</sup>from whom every family in heaven and on earth derives its name. <sup>16</sup>I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, <sup>17</sup>so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, <sup>18</sup>may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, <sup>19</sup>and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God. <sup>20</sup>Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, <sup>21</sup>to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

M: The Word of the Lord.C: Thanks be to God.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

# John 1:14



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# Gospel: John 2:1–11 *The wedding at Cana*

<sup>1</sup>On the third day a wedding took place at Cana in Galilee. Jesus' mother was there, <sup>2</sup>and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. <sup>3</sup>When the wine was gone, Jesus' mother said to him, "They have no more wine."

4"Woman, why do you involve me?" Jesus replied. "My hour has not yet come."

 ${}^5\mbox{His}$  mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you."

<sup>6</sup>Nearby stood six stone water jars, the kind used by the Jews for ceremonial washing, each holding from twenty to thirty gallons.

<sup>7</sup>Jesus said to the servants, "Fill the jars with water"; so they filled them to the brim.

8Then he told them, "Now draw some out and take it to the master of the banquet."

They did so, <sup>9</sup>and the master of the banquet tasted the water that had been turned into wine. He did not realize where it had come from, though the servants who had drawn the water knew. Then he called the bridegroom aside <sup>10</sup>and said, "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." <sup>11</sup>What Jesus did here in Cana of Galilee was the first of the signs through which he revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

M: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

#### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

All children are invited to join Pastor Troy at the front of the sanctuary for a message based on today's sermon, specifically designed for them! If children would feel more comfortable, an adult is welcome to come up with them.

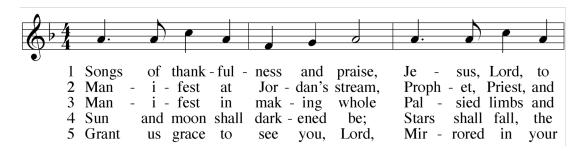
#### CHILDREN'S CHURCH (10:30am Service)

Children ages 3-5 can be dismissed to the 3K/Kitchen classroom for Children's Church. Children will return from Children's Church to the sanctuary after the conclusion of the sermon.

#### HYMN OF THE DAY

#### Songs of Thankfulness and Praise

Christian Worship (Red) 82





Text: Christopher Wordsworth, 1807–85, alt.

Tune: St. George's, Windsor (77 77 D) George J. Elvey, 1816–93.

SERMON......Pastor Troy Schreiner

Text: Isaiah 62:1-5

# Wedding Day Delight

#### **CONFESSION OF FAITH**

#### Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M: Loving God and Lord, you created the universe that surrounds us and the globe on which we live. You control all things through your Son, who sits at your right hand in glory.

#### C: Comfort us with the promise of your eternal presence.

M: Give your Word power as it works in our hearts and minds. Clear away our confusion, and demolish our doubts. Send your Spirit to strengthen both our confidence in your promises and our desire to live according to your will.

#### C: Take away our love of sinning, and restore us each day by your grace.

M: The signs of the times warn us that the end of time is near. Protect us from scoffers who sneer at your truth. Spare us and Christians around the world from all forms of hate and persecution.

C: Give us courage to carry the cross with patience and joy.

M: Instill in the hearts of our children a desire to follow you as they prepare for future days. Help them distinguish between what is passing and what is eternal, between instant thrills and lasting joy. Encourage more young people to prepare for service in the public ministry of the gospel.

C: Mold us and move us to be good examples for our youth.

M: Hold in your care, Lord, those who are experiencing physical or emotional pain and all who are afflicted by disease or facing death. Pour out your compassion on the grieving, and comfort the mourners who miss someone they loved.

C: Move us to pray for these brothers and sisters and to help when we can.

Special prayers and intercessions follow

M: Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

M: Whether we pray together or alone, you have promised to hear and answer us. Give us patience to accept your blessings in whatever way you send them. In your love and wisdom, prepare us for the day when you will take us to be with you forever.

C: Hear us for Jesus' sake. Amen.

#### **OFFERING**

To help prevent the spread of germs, we won't be passing the offering plates to collect our thank offerings to God. Please place your offering in one of the offering plates located on the table in the back of the sanctuary as you exit this morning. Victory can also receive offerings electronically on our secure website: **victorylutheran.org**. Click on the "Give" tab in the upper right corner, or you can access that site on your phone by scanning the box to the right. We'd also ask that you would fill out the Connection Card, found inside your newsletter, and drop it into the basket on the table as you exit this morning.

# THE SACRAMENT

## **PREFACE**

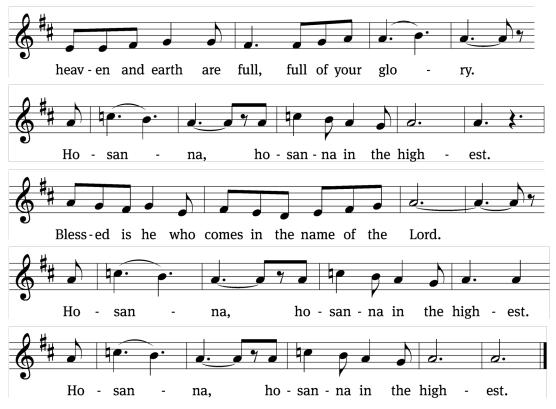


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# HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

## Sanctus





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#### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

M: Blessed are you, Lord God, eternal King and gracious Father. In love you made us the crown of your creation. In mercy you planned our salvation. In grace you sent your Son to redeem us from sin. We remember and give you thanks that your eternal Son, Jesus Christ, became flesh and made his dwelling among us, that he willingly placed himself under law to redeem those under law, that he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death on a cross, that he has destroyed death and has brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. Bless us as we receive your Son's body and blood in this Sacrament. Forgive our sins, increase our faith, strengthen our fellowship, and deepen our longing for the day when Christ will welcome us to his eternal feast. Praise and thanks and honor and glory be to you, O God our Father, and to your Son and to the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### C: Amen.

#### 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.

#### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my + body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

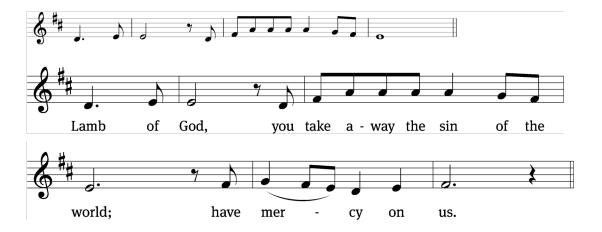
Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my + blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

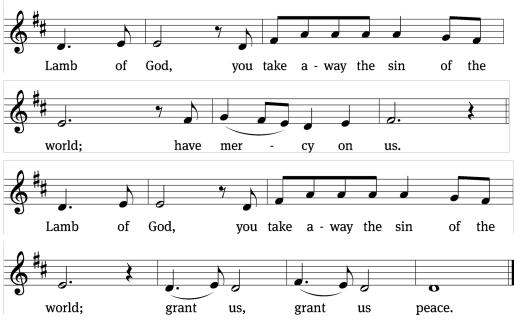
M: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

#### LAMB OF GOD

Agnus Dei





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Guests please note: Scripture teaches that when Christians partake of the Lord's Supper together, they are expressing their unity of faith. Through this act they are confessing that they agree on all the teachings of Scripture. We do not wish to put our guests in the position of making such a confession without knowing our teachings. Therefore, we ask that only those who are members of Victory or another WELS or ELS congregation come to receive communion at this time. If you desire communion fellowship with us, please speak to our pastor. We are eager to help anyone take this step.

#### **DISTRIBUTION HYMN**

Joyously I'll Praise My Savior

Christian Worship 611

M: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

C: his mercy endures forever.

M: Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,

C: we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

M: O God the Father, source of all goodness, in your loving-kindness you sent your Son to share our humanity. We thank you that through him you have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament. We also pray that you will not forsake us but will rule our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit so that we willingly serve you day after day; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

#### **BLESSING**

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

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

C: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN Jesus Loves Me Christian Worship 584

Organist......Mrs. Esther Huebner

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Setting Three from Christian Worship

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# Searching for some solid ground?

#### THE FOUNDATION OF OUR FAITH BIBLE STUDY

Jesus himself told the story. It was about two builders, one wise, the other foolish. The wise man built his home on rock. The foolish man built upon sand. Rains came. Winds blew. The home of the wise man weathered the storm, while the home of the foolish man collapsed in a heap. The point of Jesus' story is simple. Our faith needs to be built upon something solid if we are going to weather the storms of this life; and more importantly, if we are going to obtain the life that is to come! At Victory, we want to help you have that firm foundation. That's why you're invited to join us for The Foundation of our Faith. It's a Bible study for people who are interested in becoming members at Victory. It's a Bible study for Victory members looking for a refresher. It's a Bible study for skeptics who have questions about the Bible or Christianity that they want answered. Join us as we dig into the core teachings of the Bible upon which our Christian faith is built. Teachings that are truly fundamental for your peace of mind, indeed, fundamental for our very salvation! This class is comfortable, laid-back, and conversational. You won't get put on the spot. Pastor won't call on you to answer out of the blue. You won't have to read if you're not comfortable. Just come! Come to learn, to have your questions answered, to find peace in the rock solid foundation of God's Word! The class meets every Thursday evening from 6:30-7:30pm, beginning this Thursday, January 20th, in-person at Victory, or online via Zoom. If you're interested, or have any questions about this Bible study, call or text Pastor Troy at 904-400-2993!

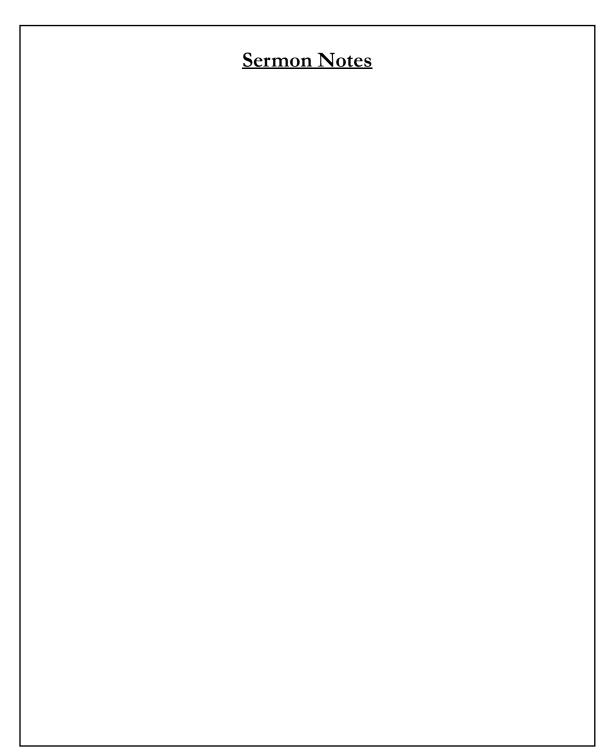


# My Worship Notes



For children to use during worship.

Name:	Date:
What is the name of the church sea	son or special day today?
What is the color of the church toda	
Blue White Purple Re	
This is in the:   Old Testame	nt
What was the sermon about?	
	ly favorite song today was:
Did we have a Sacrament today?	Draw a picture of something you heard or saw today:
	,
Baptism? Communion?	
☐ Yes ☐ Yes ☐ No	
□ No □ No	
What did you learn about God toda	y?
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