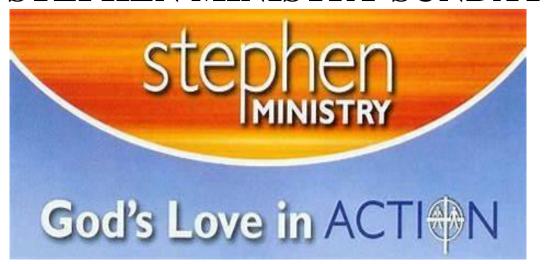
STEPHEN MINISTRY SUNDAY



Emmanuel Lutheran Church February 17, 2019



Sunday, February 17, 2019 Sixth Sunday after Epiphany Holy Communion

February 17, 2019 ● 7:45 A.M., 9:30 A.M., 11:00 A.M. Services

WELCOME TO EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

INTRODUCTION

Today we continue to celebrate the revelation of the glory of God throughout this season of Epiphany. The story of the wedding feast is an example of the joy of those who live in Christ. Christians can use this delightful story to support the weekly communion of the millions of believers who partake together in the bread and the wine.

You are encouraged to meditate upon the Confession and Forgiveness found in the ELW Hymnal (p. 238 or p.243). You may also refer to Psalm 51 (page 574) or Psalm 103 (page 613) in the Holy Bible.

PRELUDE Toccata in D Minor Bélier

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The assembly stands.

INVOCATION

In the name of the Father, and of the ⅓ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

GATHERING SONG

O Living Bread from Heaven

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GREETING

The boundless grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the wisdom of God, and the light of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Lord God, source of every blessing, you showed forth your glory and led many to faith by the works of your Son, who brought gladness and salvation to his people. Transform us by the Spirit of his love, that we may find our life together in him, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

The assembly is seated.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 62:1–5

(Please turn to page 768 in the Old Testament of your pew Bible).

The people's return to Judah after the exile was marred by economic and political troubles. Nevertheless, the prophet declares, Jerusalem and Judah will be restored. God will rejoice over Jerusalem as a bridegroom rejoices over his bride; and the people are called to the celebration.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: John 6: 32-40

(Please turn to page 101 in the New Testament of your pew Bible).

Notice how Jesus uses bread here to describe his role.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.







GOSPEL: John 2:1-11

(Please turn to page 95 in the New Testament of your pew Bible).

The holy gospel according to John the second chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Turning water to wine at the wedding at Cana is described as the first of Jesus' signs. Through many such epiphanies, Jesus reveals that he bears God's creative power and joyful presence into the world.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

The assembly is seated.

SERMON Pastor Rick Bliese

The assembly stands.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

ELW 184

APOSTLES' CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.*

On the third day he rose again;

he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Or, "he descended into hell," another translation of this text in widespread use.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

United as one body in Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Congregational refrain: Hear Our Prayer



We bring to you, Christ, members and friends of Emmanuel who need your healing touch. (Names from our congregation...)

Into your loving hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abundant mercy, through Jesus Christ our risen Savior. **Amen.**

Congregational refrain: Hear Our Prayer

PEACE

The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ. The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.

The assembly is seated.

OFFERING

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need.

During this time, the table is set.

(7:45, 11:00) Will You Let Me Be Your Servant Gillard (Lyrics on back cover of the bulletin) Frank Lester (a Stephen Minister), soloist

(9:30) Bread of Heaven, Wine of Heaven Martin Emmanuel Choir

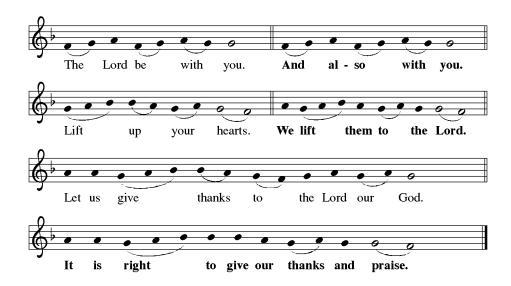
Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven, Lord, on you alone we feed. Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven, for you satisfy our need. Always may our hearts be fed with your true and living bread. Day by day with strength supplied through the life of Christ who died. Wine of heaven, Wine of heaven, o the joy your love supplies. Wine of heaven, Wine of heaven, o best cup of sacrifice. By your wounds our sin forgive; to your cross we look and live. Christ our life, oh let us be dead to self and one with thee. Bread of heaven, Wine of heaven: Christ.

The assembly stands.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray
God of all creation,
all you have made is good,
and your love endures forever.
You bring forth bread from the earth
and fruit from the vine.
Nourish us with these gifts,
that we might be for the world
signs of your gracious presence
in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

DIALOGUE



PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,

That we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you,

Almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ.

By the leading of a star he was shown forth to all nations;

In the waters of the Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son,

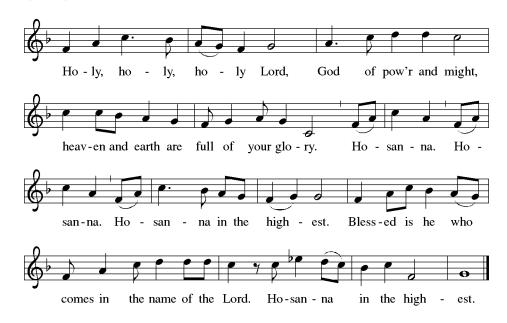
And in the miracle of water turned to wine he revealed your glory.

And so, with all the choirs of angels,

With the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,

We praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

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.

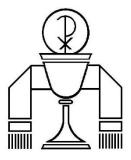
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION
Come to the table.
Feast on God's abundant life for you.

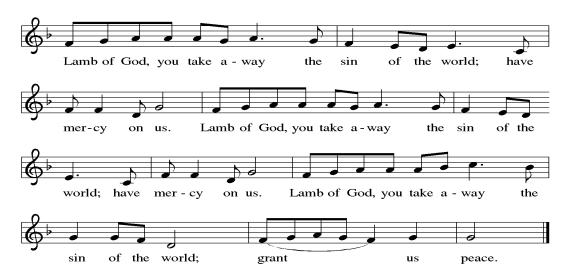
Invited to the Lord's Table are all baptized Christians who celebrate with us the Real Presence of Christ in the Sacrament. The Communion is administered by "intinction," that is, the bread is handed to the communicant and the communicant dips the bread into the wine. Wafers and bread will be available at 9:30 and 11:00. If you are not able to take the wine. simply take the bread. Children are invited to come forward for a blessing. Prayers are available by our Stephen Ministers at the altar at 9:30 and 11:00. If you desire Communion, but are not able to come forward, please let an usher know. We'll bring it to you. If you do not wish to partake of the Sacrament, simply remain seated when your row is directed to come forward. Gluten-free wafers are available: simply ask the server.

COMMUNION

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say
The body of Christ, given for you.
The blood of Christ, shed for you.
and each person may respond
Amen



LAMB OF GOD



COMMUNION MUSIC

(9:30) Will You Let Me Be Your Servant

Gillard

(Lyrics on back cover of the bulletin)

Frank Lester (a Stephen Minister), soloist

ASSEMBLY HYMNS:

Let Us Break Bread Together I Am the Bread of Life Come to the Table ELW 471 ELW 485

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ELW 481

The assembly stands.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. Amen

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We thank you, O God, that you have fed us at your banqueting table with bread and wine beyond compare, the very life of Christ for us.

Send your Spirit with us now, that we may set the captive free, use your gifts to build one another up, and in everything reflect your glory revealed in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

BLESSING

The God of glory dwell in you richly, name you beloved, and shine brightly on your path; and the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG Here I Am. Lord ELW 574

This hymn is dedicated to our Stephen Ministers.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ is your light.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE Marche Héroïque Saint-Saëns

ABOUT TODAY'S MUSIC



The Emmanuel Choir will be singing the meditative anthem, *Bread of Heaven, Wine of Heaven*, at the 9:30 sanctuary service.

Frank Lester, who is a Stephen Minister as well as a member of the Choir, will be singing *Will You Let Me Be Your Servant* at all sanctuary services.

Many thanks to the Emmanuel Choir and to Frank for sharing your musical gifts today.

7:45 Service

Greeters: Rita Duwe & Julie Kerr Assisting Minister: Clayton Blomseth

Lector: Julie Kerr Acolyte: Jim Klinke

Ushers: Keith & Beth McCullen, Gary & Marcia Piipponen

Altar Guild: Jean Dumouchel

AV: Alex Lyberg, Zack Faust, Colleen Ziegelmaier, Pat Day (camera), Jayden Wampler (helper)

Hospitality: Sandy Cole, America Marble, Jim & Tish Gayeuski

9:30 Service

Greeters: Karen Driste & Jane Haugsland

Assisting Minister: Sally Johnson

Lector: Pat Goodyear Acolyte: Dwight Ericsson Banner Carrier: Frank Lester

Ushers: Peter & Pat Shaulis, Hal & Barbara Linnerud

Altar Guild: Bruce & Cheryl Carlson

AV: Alex Lyberg, Zack Faust, Colleen Ziegelmaier, Pat Day (camera), Jayden Wampler (helper)

Hospitality: Sandy Cole, America Marble, Jim & Tish Gayeuski

11:00 Service

Greeters: Glen & Shirley Gronlund Assisting Minister: Karl Fink

Lector: Carol Hartman Acolyte: Maridee Boe

Ushers: Frank Loney, Donna Rhode, Bud & Nancy Umbach

Altar Guild: Diedre Milligan

AV: Alex Lyberg, Zack Faust, Colleen Ziegelmaier, Pat Day (camera), Jayden Wampler (helper)

Hospitality: Sandy Cole, America Marble, Jim & Tish Gayeuski



The flowers that beautify our altar today are given by Emmanuel Lutheran Church.

WILL YOU LET ME BE YOUR SERVANT

Will you let me be your servant, let me be as Christ to you? Pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant, too.

We are pilgrims on a journey, we are trav'lers on the road; we are here to help each other walk the mile and bear the load.



I will hold the Christ-light for you in the nighttime of your fear;
I will hold my hand out to you,
speak the peace you long to hear.

will weep when you are weeping, when you laugh I'll laugh with you.
I will share your joy and sorrow till we've seen this journey through.

Will you let me be your servant, let me be as Christ to you? Pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant, too.