

Order of Worship – January 24, 2021 – WOV Setting 4

3rd Sunday after Epiphany

Welcome

Hear Our Praises

May our homes be filled with dancing,
May our streets be filled with joy;
May injustice bow to Jesus,
As the people turn and pray.

From the mountain to the valley,
Hear our praises rise to You;
From the heavens to the nations,
Hear our singing fill the air.

May our light shine in the darkness,
As we walk before the cross;
May Your glory fill the whole earth,
As the water over the seas.

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Hear our praises rise to You;
From the heavens to the nations,
Hear our singing fill the air.

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From the heavens to the nations,
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Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
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In Christ Alone/The Solid Rock

In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light my strength my song
This Cornerstone this solid Ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and
 storm
What heights of love what depths of
 peace
When fears are stilled when strivings
 cease
My Comforter my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone who took on flesh
Fulness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again

And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of
Christ

On Christ the solid rock I stand
All other ground is sinking sand
All other ground is sinking sand

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No guilt in life no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

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Prayer

All Heaven Declares

All heav'n declares
The glory of the risen Lord.
Who can compare
With the beauty of the Lord?

Forever He will be
The Lamb upon the throne;
I gladly bow the knee
And worship Him alone.

I will proclaim
The glory of the risen Lord.
Who once was slain
To reconcile us to God

Forever He will be
The Lamb upon the throne;
I gladly bow the knee
And worship Him alone.

Forever You will be
The Lamb upon the throne;
I gladly bow the knee
And worship You alone.

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Confession and Forgiveness:

P: Blessed be the Holy Trinity, one God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, whose voice is upon the waters, whose mercy is poured out upon all people, whose goodness cascades over all creation.

C: Amen

P: Let us confess our sin, trusting in the abundant grace of God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Holy God,

C: You search us and know us. You are acquainted with all our ways. We confess that our hearts are burdened by sin – our own sins and the broken systems that bind us. We turn inward, failing to follow your outward way of love. We distrust those who are not like us. We exploit the earth and its resources and fail to consider generations to come. Forgive us, gracious God, for all we have done and left undone. Even before the words are on our tongues, you know them; receive them in your divine mercy. Amen

P: How vast is God's grace! Through the power and promise of + Christ Jesus, our sins are washed away and we are claimed as God's own beloved. Indeed, we are forgiven. In the wake of God's forgiveness, we are called to be the beloved community living out Christ's justice and the Spirit's reconciling peace.

C: Amen

Greeting

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

C: And also with you.

Kyrie – With One Voice, Setting 4; page 12

A: In peace, in peace let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

A: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

A: For the peace of the whole world, the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

A: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

A: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: Amen

Hymn of Praise - This is the Feast, With One Voice, Setting 4; page 15

C: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia. Alleluia. Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power and riches, wisdom and strength, and honor and blessing and glory are his. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia. Alleluia. Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:

**Blessing and honor, glory and might to God and the Lamb forever.
Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God, Alleluia. Alleluia. For the
Lamb, the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. This is the
feast of victory for our God. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia. Amen**

Prayer of the Day

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. Almighty God,

**C: by grace alone you call us and accept us in your service. Strengthen us by
your Spirit, and make us worthy to your call, through Jesus Christ, our
Savior and Lord. Amen**

Lessons

Jonah 3:1-10

3The word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time, saying, ²“Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you.” ³So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days’ walk across. ⁴Jonah began to go into the city, going a day’s walk. And he cried out, “Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!”

⁵And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth. ⁶When the news reached the king of Nineveh, he rose from his throne, removed his robe, covered himself with sackcloth, and sat in ashes. ⁷Then he had a proclamation made in Nineveh: “By the decree of the king and his nobles: No human being or animal, no herd or flock, shall taste anything. They shall not feed, nor shall they drink water. ⁸Human beings and animals shall be covered with sackcloth, and they shall cry mightily to God. All shall turn from their evil ways and from the violence that is in their hands. ⁹Who knows? God may relent and change his mind; he may turn from his fierce anger, so that we do not perish.” ¹⁰When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

1 Corinthians 7:29-31

²⁹I mean, brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short; from now on, let even those who have wives be as though they had none, ³⁰and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no possessions, ³¹and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

Gospel Acclamation, With One Voice, Setting 4; page 17

C: Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.

Alleluia.

P: The Gospel according to... **Mark 1:14-20**

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁴Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, ¹⁵and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.” ¹⁶As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. ¹⁷And Jesus said to them, “Follow me and I will make you fish for people.” ¹⁸And immediately they left their nets and followed him. ¹⁹As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. ²⁰Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

After the reading

P: The Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Message: “**Great Commissioning**”

Message Hymn: **LBW 487 Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus**

Let us ever walk with Jesus,
Follow his example pure,
Through a world that would deceive us
And to sin our spirits lure.

Onward in his footsteps treading,
Pilgrims here, our home above,
Full of faith and hope and love,
Let us do our Father’s bidding.
Faithful Lord, with me abide;
I shall follow where you guide.

Let us suffer here with Jesus
And with patience bear our cross.
Joy will follow all our sadness;
Where he is there is no loss.
Though today we sow no laughter,
We shall reap celestial joy;

All discomforts that annoy
Shall give way to mirth hereafter.
Jesus, here I share your woe;
Help me there your joy to know.

Let us gladly die with Jesus.
Since by death he conquered death,
He will free us from destruction,
Give to us immortal breath.

Let us mortify all passion
That would lead us into sin;
Then by grace we all may win
Untold fruits of his creation.
Jesus, unto you I die,
There to live with you on high.

Let us also live with Jesus.
He has risen from the dead
That to life we may awaken.
Jesus, since you are our head,
We are your own living members;
Where you live, there we shall be

In your presence constantly,
Living there with you forever.
Jesus, if I faithful be,
Life eternal grant to me.

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Apostles' Creed

**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 catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen**

Praise Song: WOV 649 I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

I want to walk as a child of the light.
I want to follow Jesus.
God set the stars to give light to the world.
The star of my life is Jesus.
In him there is no darkness at all.
The night and the day are both alike.
The Lamb is the light of the city of God.
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

I want to see the brightness of God.
I want to look at Jesus.
Clear Sun of Righteousness, shine on my path,
And show me the way to the Father.

In him there is no darkness at all.
The night and the day are both alike.
The Lamb is the light of the city of God.
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

I'm looking for the coming of Christ.
I want to be with Jesus.
When we have run with patience the race,
We shall know the joy of Jesus.
In him there is no darkness at all.
The night and the day are both alike.
The Lamb is the light of the city of God.
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

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Passing the Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C: And also with you.

Offertory – Rejoice In These Gifts

Kind heart, mind, body, spirit, O Lord;
We rejoice in these gifts, we rejoice in
these gifts.
Our health, our home, our fam'ly, our
church;
We rejoice in these gifts, we rejoice in
these gifts.

And these are all offerings to You, our
Father, Creator,
And these are all offerings to You, our
Savior, Redeemer,
And these are all offerings to You, Holy
Spirit.
Rejoice in these gifts, rejoice in these
gifts.

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Prayers of the Church

A: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

A: ...Lord, in your mercy

C: Hear our prayer.

Prayers are concluded with

P: Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

Lord's Prayer

C: Our Father in heaven, may your name be honored. May your kingdom come.
May what you want to happen be done on earth as it is done in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, just as we also have forgiven those who sin against us. Keep us from falling into sin when we are tempted. Save us from the evil one. For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen

Benediction

P: 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.

C: Amen

Closing Song: Let It Rise

Let the glory of the Lord
Rise among us
Let the glory of the Lord
Rise among us
Let the praises of the King
Rise among us
Let it rise

Let the songs of the Lord
Rise among us
Let the songs of the Lord
Rise among us
Let the joy of the King
Rise among us
Let it rise

Oh let it rise
Oh let it rise

Let the glory of the Lord
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Sending

A: Go in peace.

C: Thanks be to God.

A: Be the light of Christ.

C: Yes, Lord, we will!