

Order of Worship – February 7, 2021 – WOV Setting 4

5th Sunday after Epiphany

Welcome

Sing to the King

Sing to the King Who is coming to reign.
Glory to Jesus, the Lamb that was slain.
Life and salvation His empire shall bring,
And joy to the nations, when Jesus is King.

Come, let us sing a song,
A song declaring that we belong to Jesus;
He is all we need.
Lift up a heart of praise.
Sing now with voices raised to Jesus;
Sing to the King.

For His returning we watch and we pray;
We will be ready the dawn of that day.
We'll join in singing with all the redeemed,
'cause Satan is vanquished and Jesus is King.

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A song declaring that we belong to Jesus;
He is all we need.
Lift up a heart of praise.
Sing now with voices raised to Jesus;
Sing to the King.

Come, let us sing a song,
A song declaring that we belong to Jesus;
He is all we need.
Lift up a heart of praise.
Sing now with voices raised to Jesus;
Sing to the King.
To Jesus; sing to the King.
To Jesus; sing to the King!

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How Great is Our God

The splendor of the King, clothed in majesty;
Let all the earth rejoice, all the earth rejoice.
He wraps Himself in light,
and darkness tries to hide,
And trembles at His voice,
and trembles at His voice.

How great is our God! Sing with me:
How great is our God!
And all will see how great, How great is our God!

And age to age He stands, and time is in His hands;
Beginning and the End, Beginning and the End.
The God-head, three in one,
Father, Spirit, Son,
The Lion and the Lamb, the Lion and the Lamb.

How great is our God! Sing with me:
How great is our God!

And all will see how great, How great is our God!
Name above all names, worthy of all praise.
My heart will sing: How great is our God!
Name above all names, worthy of all praise.
My heart will sing: How great is our God!

How great is our God! Sing with me:
How great is our God!
And all will see how great,
How great is our God!

How great is our God! Sing with me:
How great is our God!
And all will see how great,
How great is our God!

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Prayer

Gathering Song: LBW 377 Lift High the Cross

Lift high the cross,
The love of Christ proclaim
Till all the world adore
His sacred name.

Come, Christians, follow
Where our captain trod,

Our king victorious,
Christ, the Son of God.

Lift high the cross,
The love of Christ proclaim
Till all the world adore
His sacred name.

Led on their way by
This triumphant sign,
The hosts of God in
Conqu'ring ranks combine.

Lift high the cross,
The love of Christ proclaim
Till all the world adore
His sacred name.

All newborn soldiers
Of the Crucified

Bear on their brows
The seal of him who died.

Lift high the cross,
The love of Christ proclaim
Till all the world adore
His sacred name.

O Lord, once lifted
On the glorious tree,
As thou hast promised,
Draw us all to thee.

Lift high the cross,
The love of Christ proclaim
Till all the world adore
His sacred name.

So shall our song of
Triumph ever be:
Praise to the Crucified for victory!

Lift high the cross,
The love of Christ proclaim
Till all the world adore
His sacred name

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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. Amen

Prayer of the Day

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. Everlasting God,

C: you give strength to the weak and power to the faint. Make us agents of your healing and wholeness, that your good news may be known to the ends of your creation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

Lessons

Isaiah 40:21-31

²¹Have you not known? Have you not heard? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth? ²²It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to live in; ²³who brings princes to naught, and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing. ²⁴Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows upon them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble. ²⁵To whom then will you compare me, or who is my equal? says the Holy One. ²⁶Lift up your eyes on high and see: Who created these? He who brings out their host and numbers them, calling them all by name; because he is great in strength, mighty in power, not one is missing.

²⁷Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, “My way is hidden from the Lord, and my right is disregarded by my God”? ²⁸Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. ²⁹He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. ³⁰Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; ³¹but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

1 Corinthians 9:16-23

¹⁶If I proclaim the gospel, this gives me no ground for boasting, for an obligation is laid on me, and woe to me if I do not proclaim the gospel! ¹⁷For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward; but if not of my own will, I am entrusted with a commission. ¹⁸What then is my reward? Just this: that in my proclamation I may make the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my rights in the gospel.

¹⁹For though I am free with respect to all, I have made myself a slave to all, so that I might win more of them.

²⁰To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though I myself am not under the law) so that I might win those under the law. ²¹To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (though I am not free from God’s law but am under Christ’s law) so that I might win those outside the law. ²²To the weak I became weak, so that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that I might by all means save some. ²³I do it all for the sake of the gospel, so that I may share in its blessing

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

P: The Gospel according to... **Mark 1: 29-39**

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁹As soon as they left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John.

³⁰Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. ³¹He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

³²That evening, at sundown, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. ³³And the whole city was gathered around the door. ³⁴And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him. ³⁵In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. ³⁶And Simon and his companions hunted for him. ³⁷When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you."

³⁸He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." ³⁹And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

After the reading

P: The Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Message: "Proclaim the Message" Jon Kromrey

Message Hymn: **LBW 390 I Love to Tell the Story**

I love to tell the story
of unseen things above,
Of Jesus and his glory,
of Jesus and his love.
I love to tell the story,
because I know it's true;
It satisfies my longings
as nothing else would do.
I love to tell the story;
I'll sing this theme in glory
And tell the old, old story
Of Jesus and his love.

I love to tell the story:
How pleasant to repeat
What seems, each time I tell it,
more wonderfully sweet!
I love to tell the story,
for some have never heard

The message of salvation
from God's own holy Word.
I love to tell the story;
I'll sing this theme in glory
And tell the old, old story
Of Jesus and his love.

I love to tell the story,
for those who know it best
Seem hungering and thirsting
to hear it like the rest.
And when, in scenes of glory,
I sing the new, new song,
I'll sing the old, old story
that I have loved so long.
I love to tell the story;
I'll sing this theme in glory
And tell the old, old story
Of Jesus and his love.

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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: Such Joy

Such joy! Such unspeakable joy.
Such peace, an everlasting peace.
Such love, a pure and holy love.
Spirit, have Your way in me.

There's a peace that floods my soul
When the Spirit of the Lord is in control;
And there's a joy no bounds can hold,
When the Spirit blows a fresh wind through my
soul.
Holy Spirit, flow through me;
Touch my heart and there will, there will be...

Such joy! Such unspeakable joy.
Such peace, an everlasting peace.
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Spirit, have Your way in me.
Spirit, have Your way in me.
Spirit, have Your way in me!

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Passing the Peace

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

Offertory – Create, Create

Create, create in me a clean heart, Oh God
Create, create in me a clean heart, Oh God
And renew a right spirit within me
Keep me close to Your presence

Send Your Holy Spirit, keep me in Your care
Oh Lord, restore unto me the joy of your salvation.
Lord, renew a right spirit within me.

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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: Shout To The North

Men of faith rise up and sing
Of the great and glorious King
You are strong when you feel weak
In your brokenness complete

Shout to the north and the south
Sing to the east and the west
Jesus is Savior to all
Lord of heaven and earth

Rise up women of the truth
Stand and sing to broken hearts
Who can know the healing pow'r
Of our awesome King of love

Shout to the north and the south
Sing to the east and the west
Jesus is Savior to all
Lord of heaven and earth

We've been through fire
We've been through rain
We've been refined
By the pow'r of His name

We've fallen deeper
In love with You
You've burned
The truth on our lips

Shout to the north and the south
Sing to the east and the west
Jesus is Savior to all
Lord of heaven and earth

Rise up church with broken wings
Fill this place with songs again
Of our God who reigns on high
By His grace again we'll fly

Shout to the north and the south
Sing to the east and the west
Jesus is Savior to all
Lord of heaven and earth
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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!