

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

P = Pastor **A** = Assisting Pastor

C = Congregation **L** = Leader

Gathering Song

“Come Now”

Chorus: Come now, gather ‘round this table

Join the love, join the hope, join your hands
with everyone.

Come now, gather ‘round this table

Where we’re all together one, come now

Verse 1: We’re all forever searching, Just trying
to find our way

Lay down all your burdens, Join in here and
sing (*Chorus*)

Verse 2: Mother, Father, Brother, Sister and
yourself

We come here for some healing, To make us
all feel well (*Chorus*)

Bridge: When we’re lost, we can know, we
belong to you

When we’re here, we can sing, and rejoice in
you (*Chorus*)

Welcome and Announcements

Please stand.

Invocation

P Blessed be the Father, and the ✠ Son, and the
Holy Spirit, one God, who forgives all our sin,
and whose mercy endures forever.

C Amen.

Opening Song

“Welcome Table”

Gath-er 'round the wel-come ta - ble. There is room, there's e - nough.

Bring your bro - ken, life un - sta - ble. Come and feast in God's love.

Come you wound-ed, here is heal - ing. Come you
Come you emp - ty, here is plen - ty. Come you
Here's a ban - quet, leave your weap - ons. Christ is

out - cast, find your right - ful place. Come you guilt - y,
anx - ious, you were meant to thrive. Come you wea - ry,
ris - ing in your neigh - bor's face. Here's your fam - ily,

here's a prom - ise: for bro - ken liv - ing there's a - maz - ing grace.
find your rest. ‡ The tomb is emp - ty, God is loose! A - live!
all are hun - gry. God set the ta - ble, time to take your place.

Confession and Forgiveness

A Let us come into the light of Christ,
confessing our need for God’s mercy.

Silence for reflection.

A Most merciful God,

C I confess to you all my sins, with which I
have offended you. I repent and pray for your
boundless mercy. For the sake of the suffering
and death of your Son, Jesus Christ, be
merciful to me, a poor sinful being; forgive my
sins, give me your Holy Spirit, and bring me to
life everlasting.

A By the mercy of Almighty God, Jesus Christ
was given to die for us and, for his sake, God
forgives us all our sins. Through his Holy Spirit
he cleanses us, frees us from sin and death,
and calls us out of darkness into the splendor
of his light. As a called and ordained minister
of the Church of Christ and by his authority, I
therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of
all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of
the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Prayer of the Day

A Let us pray. Dear Lord God, since the beginning of time, all of creation has obeyed Your word, except for us. It is only we, the crown of Your creation, who keep trying to operate apart from Your word. Turn us again to the power of Your promise, for only in it do we find new life, hope, and salvation. In Jesus' name we pray.

C Amen.

Please be seated.

First Reading

[Deuteronomy 18:15-20](#)

L Word of God, Word of Life.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm 111 *(read responsively)*

Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

Great are your works, O Lord, pondered by all who delight in them.

Majesty and splendor mark your deeds, and your righteousness endures forever.

You cause your wonders to be remembered; you are gracious and full of compassion.

You give food to those who fear you, remembering forever your covenant.

You have shown your people the power of your works in giving them the lands of the nations.

The works of your hands are faithfulness and justice; all of your precepts are sure.

They stand fast forever and ever, because they are done in truth and equity.

You sent redemption to your people and

commanded your covenant forever; holy and awesome is your name.

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; all who practice this have a good understanding. God’s praise endures forever.

Second Reading [1 Corinthians 8:1-13](#)

L Word of God, Word of Life.

C Thanks be to God.

Children’s Message Pastor Tom Stadem

Please stand.

Gospel Acclamation



Al - le - lu - ia Al - le - lu - ia, I am the light of the world.

Al - le - lu - ia Al - le - lu - ia, I am the light of the world.

Those who fol - low me will not walk in dark - ness.

Those who fol - low me will have the light of life.

Gospel Announcement

P The Holy Gospel, according to St. Mark, the first chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel [Mark 1:21-28](#) †

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

Sermon Pastor Tom Stadem

Silence for reflection.

Please stand.

Hymn of the Day 310

“Songs of Thankfulness and Praise”

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1 Songs of thank-ful - ness and praise, Je - sus, Lord, to thee we raise;
2 Man - i - fest at Jor - dan's stream, proph-et, priest, and king su - preme;
3 Man - i - fest in mak - ing whole weak-ened bod - y, faint - ing soul;
4 Grant us grace to see thee, Lord, pres - ent in thy ho - ly word;

man - i - fest - ed by the star to the sa - ges from a - far,
and at Ca - na wed - ding guest in thy God-head man - i - fest;
man - i - fest in val - iant fight, quell-ing all the dev - il's might;
grace to im - i - tate thee now and be pure, as pure art thou;

branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem in thy birth at Beth - le - hem:
man - i - fest in pow'r di - vine, chang-ing wa - ter in - to wine;
man - i - fest in gra - cious will, ev - er bring-ing good from ill:
that we might be - come like thee at thy great e - piph - a - ny,

an - thems be to thee ad-dressed,
an - thems be to thee ad-dressed, God in flesh made man - i - fest.
an - thems be to thee ad-dressed,
and may praise thee, ev - er blest,

Apostles' Creed

A With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

C 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.

Prayers of the Church

A With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus,

let us pray for the church, those in need, and all
of God's creation.

Following each petition:

A Lord, in your mercy,

 **hear our prayer.**

The prayers conclude:

A Into your hands, gracious God, we commend
all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C Amen.

Sharing of the Peace

A The peace of the Lord be with you always.

 And also with you.

Please be seated.

Offering

Song

“Giver of the Heartbeat”

Giv - er of the heart - beat,
Lov - er of the un - clean,
Sing - er of free - dom for the wound - ed you're the song of all
life.
We come blessed by your hand,
We are long - ing for truth,
O - pen our lives to hear
tied cour - to the pulse of the land.
the age - to un - of fol - the low you.
the word to wrap our fears.
For all the breath of cre - a - tion we
All of us our hurts and all our fail - ings we
Free us to love all our neigh - bors we
give thanks to you.
bring them this to you.
pray this to you.

Please stand.

Offertory Prayer

A Let us pray. Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

A Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

C 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.

A Come to the table prepared for sinners.

C Let us taste of God's goodness and mercy.

Please be seated.

Communion


Hymn 612

“Healer of Our Every Ill”


HEALER OF OUR EVERY ILL

Song


“Create in Me a Clean Heart”



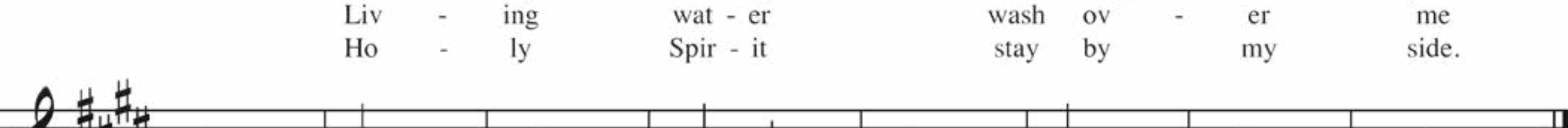
Cre - ate in me a clean heart. Cre - ate in me a clean heart.



Re - new a right spir - it, re - new a right spir - it with - in me.



All my fail - ings, I bring to you.
Liv - ing wat - er wash ov - er me
Ho - ly Spir - it stay by my side.



Lord have mer - cy. Make me new.
with your heal - ing, with your peace.
May your pres - ence be my guide.

Please stand.

Blessing

- A

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

C

Amen.

Prayer after Communion

- A

Let us pray. O Morning Star ... now and forever.

C

Amen.

Benediction

- A

The Lord bless you ... and of the Holy Spirit.

C

Amen.

Sending Song

“Savior’s Song”



Sing to the one who has known us for-ev - er. Dance to the rhythm of



free-dom and love. Rest and be sure in the arms of for-give - ness.



Join in the Sav - ior's song.



I'm hop - ing for a brand new day where we stop all the fuss
There's noth - ing that can take a - way all the love of the one





and the fight - ing long e - nough to look in each oth-er's eyes and see the
who has saved us. We may walk, we may run or fall, but God is



pre - cious gift of us ev - 'ry life.
right here with us through it all.

Dismissal

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A Go in peace. We are sent in the freedom of Christ.
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C Thanks be to God!