

9 AM Contemporary Worship Service, January 28, 2024 Including the Sacraments Holy Baptism and Holy Communion

The Fourth Sunday after Epiphany Reconciling in Christ Sunday

Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Vienna, VA

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THE HOLY SPIRIT GATHERS US IN WORSHIP

Welcome

Good morning and welcome to worship at Emmanuel Lutheran Church! You can find bulletins and ways to give online at <u>elcvienna.org</u>. We invite newcomers to our welcome table outside the sanctuary after worship.

Invocation

Pastor: In this season of Epiphany, we are gathered in the name of the Father, + the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Gathering Song

A Thousand Tongues (Awake My Soul)

Verse 1

Oh for a thousand tongues to sing My great Redeemer's praise The glories of my God and King The triumphs of His grace

Verse 2

A thousand songs are not enough To say how great You are The glories of Your majesty The triumphs of Your love

Chorus

Awake my soul to sing
The glories of my God and King
Arise and praise the One
Worthy of the songs of a thousand tongues

Verse 3

You break the power of all our sin You set the captive free You make the broken heart rejoice New life the dead receive

Bridae

Forever You are Forever You are worthy Forever You are Forever You are worthy Forever You are Forever You are worthy Forever You are

Ending

You are worthy of the songs of a thousand tongues

Jonas Myrin, Laura Story, Matt Maher, Matt Redman CCLI Song #7053752

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism for Robert MacArthur Jamie

The Presentation

Pastor: God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world. Parents, Ashley and Bob, called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have Mac baptized into Christ? If so, please say, "We do."

Parents: We do.

Our Baptismal Promises

Pastor: Parents, as you bring Mac to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with these responsibilities: to live with him among God's faithful people, bring him to the Word of God and the holy supper, teach him the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments, place in his hands the holy scriptures, and nurture him in faith and prayer, so that he may learn to trust God, proclaim Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace.

Pastor: Do you promise to help Mac grow in the Christian faith and life? If so, please say "We do."

Parents: We do.

Pastor: Sponsors, do you promise to nurture Mac in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help him live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church? If so, please say "We do."

Sponsors: We do.

Pastor: People of God gathered here, do you promise to support Mac and pray for him in his new life in Christ? If so, please say "We do."

All: We do.

Our Confession of Faith

Pastor: I ask all gathered here to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church. Do you renounce the devil, all the forces that defy God, the powers of this world that rebel against God, the ways of sin that draw us away from God? If so, answer, "Yes by the help of God."

All: Yes, by the help of God.

Pastor: Let us confess our common faith, the faith in which we are baptized. Do you believe in God the Father?

All: I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Pastor: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

All: 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 will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Pastor: Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

All: 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.

Holy Baptism

Pastor: Let us pray...Lord God, we give you thanks that you pour out your Holy Spirit and the power of your living Word, so that all who are washed in the waters of baptism are given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **All: Amen.**

Pastor: Robert MacArthur Jamie, you are baptized you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

All: Mac, God loves you, you are forgiven and you belong to Christ in whom you have been baptized.

Pastor: Let us pray. We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy spirit you give us new birth, cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life. Sustain Mac with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the Spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever. **All: Amen.**

The Anointing

Pastor: Robert MacArthur Jamie, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

All: Amen.

Lighting the Baptismal Candle

Pastor: Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

Our Welcome

Pastor: Let us welcome the newly baptized Mac into the holy family of God.

All: Mac, we welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and hearing God's creative and redeeming Word to all the world.

Welcoming the Jamie-Vliet Family

Pastor: Bob and Ashley, do you intend to continue in the covenant of your baptism among God's people in this place?

Bob and Ashley: We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

Pastor: People of God, do you promise to support and pray for these new members in their life in Christ?

All: We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

Pastor: Let us welcome these siblings in Christ to this community of faith.

All: We rejoice with you in the life of baptism. Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ in word and deed.

Pastor: Let us pray... God of grace, we give you thanks for our new members Ashley, Robert, and Mac whom you have drawn to yourself by the love of Jesus Christ and whom we have welcomed into this household of faith. Keep us close together in your Spirit, in the breaking of bread and the prayers, and in service to others. God bless this family and bless this congregation in our work together for you. In Jesus' name we pray.

All: Amen!

Liturgical Dance Offering

Eric Cherry and Cathy Batson, Dancers Metropolitan Community Church of Washington DC You Know My Name by Brenton Brown, Tasha Cobbs Leonard, and Jim Cravity

GOD'S WORD CALLS US TO DISCIPLESHIP

Children's Message

Children are invited to Bible storytelling time in the chapel following the children's message and will return to the sanctuary after the message.

Gospel Acclamation

Shine, Jesus, Shine

Verse 1

Lord the light of Your love is shining In the midst of the darkness shining Jesus Light of the world shine upon us Set us free by the truth You now bring us Shine on me shine on me

Chorus
Shine Jesus shine
Fill this land
With the Father's glory
Blaze Spirit blaze
Set our hearts on fire
Flow river flow
Flood the nations
With grace and mercy
Send forth Your word Lord
And let there be light

Graham Kendrick CCLI Song #30426

Mark 1:14-20

Pastor: The good news of Jesus Christ according to the gospel of Saint Mark, the first chapter.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Pastor: ²¹[Jesus and his disciples] went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught.²²They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. ²³Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, ²⁴and he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you

come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God." ²⁵But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" ²⁶And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. ²⁷They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, "What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." ²⁸At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

Pastor: The gospel of the Lord! **All: Praise to you, O Christ!**

Message

"The Holy One of God" based upon Mark 1 by Pastor Tony Prinsen

Song of the Day

All Are Welcome ELW 641

Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live,
 a place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive.
 Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace;
 here the love of Christ shall end divisions:

Refrain

All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

- 2 Let us build a house where prophets speak, and words are strong and true, where all God's children dare to seek to dream God's reign anew. Here the cross shall stand as witness and as symbol of God's grace; here as one we claim the faith of Jesus: Refrain
- 3 Let us build a house where love is found in water, wine and wheat: a banquet hall on holy ground where peace and justice meet. Here the love of God, through Jesus,

is revealed in time and space; as we share in Christ the feast that frees us: *Refrain*

- 4 Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and stone to heal and strengthen, serve and teach, and live the Word they've known.

 Here the outcast and the stranger bear the image of God's face; let us bring an end to fear and danger: Refrain
- 5 Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions heard and loved and treasured, taught and claimed as words within the Word. Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace, let this house proclaim from floor to rafter: Refrain

Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950. Onelicense.net 00004.

Prayers of Intercession

Leader: As we celebrate Christ embodied in human form, we pray for God's blessing on the church, the world, and all of creation.

Leader: Loving God, we pray that your example of teaching builds up your church in love. May we all honor and model your inclusive ways. God of grace, **All: receive our prayer.**

Leader: Renewing God, we pray for all of creation, that waterways flow clean and clear, natural spaces are protected, and our planet is healed. Commit us to thoughtful care of the earth. God of grace,

All: receive our prayer.

Leader: Righteous God, we pray for those in government and community leadership, that they lead with honor and mindfulness, remembering their covenants, and being upright in their ways. God of grace,

All: receive our prayer.

Leader: Compassionate God, we pray for all in need, especially...God of grace, **All: receive our prayer.**

Leader: Reconciling God, may our ministry be your work of living out welcome, service, and advocacy with and for our many diverse siblings that we may be one under you. God of grace,

All: receive our prayer.

Leader: Eternal God, we remember the saints who have gone before us, and we trust that all who have died rest in your loving care. God of grace, **All: receive our prayer.**

Leader: Knowing the Holy Spirit intercedes for us, we offer these prayers and the silent prayers of our hearts in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ. **All: Amen.**

Peace

Leader: May the peace of the risen Lord be with you always!

All: And also with you.

Leader: Let us share God's peace.

Offering

Offerings in support of our mission and ministry can be made at www.elcvienna.org/give or mailed to the church. Ushers will take the offering in person. Every gift matters!

Offering Music

God With Us (Lyrics for reflection.)

Verse 1

Oh You've come to bring peace to be Love To be nearer to us You've come to bring life to be Light To shine brighter in us Oh Emmanuel God with us

Chorus

Our Deliverer You are Savior In Your presence we find our strength Over ev'rything our Redemption God with us You are God with us

Verse 2

Oh You've come to be Hope to this world For Your honor and name And You've come to take sin to bear shame And to conquer the grave Oh Emmanuel God with us

Bridge You are here You are holy We are standing in Your glory (Lord) (REPEAT)

Ending
Oh God with us
You are God with us

Jason Ingram, Leslie Jordan CCLI Song #6460237

THE LORD'S MEAL GIVES US GRACE AND LIFE

Holy Communion

Pastor: We remember that in the night in which he was betrayed, Jesus took bread, broke it, and gave it to his disciples saying, "Take and eat. This is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Pastor: And 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 all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this in remembrance of me."

The Lord's Prayer

Pastor: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray...

All: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Pastor: The gifts of God for the children of God—come, all are welcome!

All: Thanks be to God!

Communion Instructions

All are invited to come forward to receive communion or a blessing. Wafers will be dipped in wine and handed to you. If you prefer a wafer without wine, please let us know. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. We have goldfish and a blessing for our non-communing children. You are also welcome to pray at the communion rail after you have been communed.

Communion Music

Word Of God Speak (Lyrics for reflection.)

Verse 1

I'm finding myself at a loss for words And the funny thing is it's okay The last thing I need is to be heard But to hear what You would say

Chorus

Word of God speak
Would You pour down like rain
Washing my eyes to see Your majesty
To be still and know
That You're in this place
Please let me stay and rest
In Your holiness
(Word of God speak)

Verse 2

I'm finding myself in the midst of You Beyond the music beyond the noise All that I need is to be with You And in the quiet hear Your voice

Ending

I'm finding myself at a loss for words

And the funny thing is it's okay

Bart Millard, Pete Kipley CCLI Song #3912788

THE HOLY SPIRIT LEADS US IN MISSION INTO THE WORLD

Invitation to Ministry

As the Spirit leads us out into mission in the world, we invite you to join us in our ministries. We invite our newcomers to stop by the welcome table just outside the sanctuary to connect and learn more about the work of our congregation.

Blessing

Pastor: Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Spirit bless you now and forever. **All: Amen.**

Sending Song

Everlasting God

Verse

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord We will wait upon the Lord We will wait upon the Lord Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord We will wait upon the Lord We will wait upon the Lord

Pre-Chorus Our God You reign forever Our Hope our strong Deliv'rer

Chorus

You are the everlasting God
The everlasting God
You do not faint
You won't grow weary
You're the defender of the weak
You comfort those in need
You lift us up on wings like eagles

Brenton Brown, Ken Riley CCLI Song #4556538

Dismissal

Leader: Go in peace and serve the Lord!

All: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Everlasting God Brenton Brown, Ken Riley CCLI Song #4556538

Thank you so much for worshipping with us!

Our Mission and Vision

Our mission is to nurture, grow, and share our Christian faith as Lutherans in a multicultural world. We envision Emmanuel Lutheran Church as a welcoming, vibrant, growing, and faith-filled Christian community whose participants generously share their time, talents, and resources in a changing world.

Our Welcome Statement

Emmanuel Lutheran Church welcomes all who are seeking God's love and grace. We welcome and affirm full participation by all because God welcomes all, regardless of race, culture, national origin, citizenship status, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, relationship or socio-economic status, addictions, physical or mental health, disability, imprisonment, age, or other circumstances. OUR UNITY IS IN CHRIST.

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