

# SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Worship with Holy Communion

January 16, 2022

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

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*St. Matthew's wishes you a New Year filled with joy, blessings, and purpose! At the turn of the year we meditate on endings and beginnings, knowing that all the world's time begins and ends in God. We watch and keep vigil for the coming of God's justice.*

**PRELUDE**

**Cathy Miller, piano**

***Give Me Jesus***

**WORDS OF WELCOME**

**GATHERING MEDITATION**

*You are invited to take a minute of silence to ground yourself in God's loving presence and ponder this question: When have you felt the presence of the Holy Spirit most clearly?*

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who creates us, redeems us, and calls us by name.  
**Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Most merciful God,  
**we confess that we have sinned against you  
and your beloved children.  
We have turned our faces away from your glory  
when it did not appear as we expected.  
We have rejected your word  
when it made us confront ourselves.  
We have failed to show hospitality  
to those you called us to welcome.  
Accept our repentance for the things we have done  
and the things we have left undone.  
For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.  
Forgive us and lead us, that we may bathe  
in the glory of your Son born among us,  
and reflect your love for all creation.  
Amen.**

P: Rejoice in this good news. In † Christ Jesus, your sins are forgiven. You are descendants of the Most High, adopted into the household of Christ, and inheritors of eternal life. Live as freed and forgiven children of God.  
**Amen.**

**GATHERING SONG**

**ELW 531**

*The Trumpet Sounds, the Angels Sing*

1 The trum - pets sound, the an - gels sing, the feast is  
 2 Ta - bles are la - den with good things; oh, taste the  
 3 The hun - gry heart he sat - is - fies, of - fers the

read - y to be - gin. The gates of heav'n are o - pen wide,  
 peace and joy he brings. He'll fill you up with love di - vine;  
 poor his par - a - dise. Now hear all heav'n and earth ap - plaud

and Je - sus wel - comes you in - side.  
 he'll turn your wa - ter in - to wine.  
 the a - maz - ing good - ness of the Lord.

*Refrain*

Sing with thank - ful - ness songs of pure de - light.

Come and rev - el in heav - en's love and light.

Take your place at the ta - ble of the King.

The feast is read - y to be - gin;

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**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.**

***Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness***

- 1 Praise the One who breaks the darkness  
with a liberating light;  
praise the One who frees the pris'ners,  
turning blindness into sight.  
Praise the One who preached the gospel,  
healing ev'ry dread disease,  
calming storms and feeding thousands  
with the very bread of peace.

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: 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.

**C: Amen.**

**WORD**

*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.*

**FIRST READING****Isaiah 62:1-5**

<sup>1</sup>For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. <sup>2</sup>The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give. <sup>3</sup>You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. <sup>4</sup>You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the LORD delights in you, and your land shall be married. <sup>5</sup>For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

L: Holy Wisdom. Holy Word.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**SECOND READING****1 Corinthians 12:1-11**

<sup>1</sup>Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. <sup>2</sup>You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. <sup>3</sup>Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit. <sup>4</sup>Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; <sup>5</sup>and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; <sup>6</sup>and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. <sup>7</sup>To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. <sup>8</sup>To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge

according to the same Spirit, <sup>9</sup>to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, <sup>10</sup>to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. <sup>11</sup>All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

L: Holy Wisdom. Holy Word.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**ELW 535**

### ***Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises***

#### *Refrain*

Hallelujah! We sing your praises,  
all our hearts are filled with gladness.

Hallelujah! We sing your praises,  
all our hearts are filled with gladness. *Repeat*

## **GOSPEL**

**John 2:1-11**

P: The holy gospel according to John, the 2<sup>nd</sup> Chapter.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. <sup>2</sup>Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. <sup>3</sup>When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." <sup>4</sup>And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." <sup>5</sup>His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." <sup>6</sup>Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. <sup>7</sup>Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. <sup>8</sup>He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. <sup>9</sup>When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom <sup>10</sup>and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." <sup>11</sup>Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

P: The gospel of Jesus Christ.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **SERMON**

**Rev. Stephanie Jaeger**

## **HYMN OF THE DAY**

**ELW 841**

***Lift Every Voice and Sing***

- 1 Lift ev'ry voice and sing till earth and heaven ring,  
ring with the harmonies of liberty.  
Let our rejoicing rise high as the list'ning skies,  
let it resound loud as the rolling sea.  
Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us;  
sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us;  
facing the rising sun of our new day begun,  
let us march on till victory is won.
  
- 2 Stony the road we trod, bitter the chast'ning rod,  
felt in the days when hope unborn had died;  
yet with a steady beat, have not our weary feet  
come to the place for which our parents sighed?  
We have come over a way that with tears has been watered;  
we have come, treading our path through the blood of the slaughtered,  
out from the gloomy past, till now we stand at last  
where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.
  
- 3 God of our weary years, God of our silent tears,  
thou who hast brought us thus far on the way;  
thou who hast by thy might led us into the light,  
keep us forever in the path, we pray.  
Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met thee;  
lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we forget thee;  
shadowed beneath thy hand may we forever stand,  
true to our God, true to our native land.

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

*Each prayer concludes with:*

A: God in your mercy.

**C: Receive our prayer.**

## **PEACE**

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

## **PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **OFFERTORY MUSIC**

**Cathy Miller, piano**

### ***Precious Lord, Take my Hand***

arr. by P. Keveren

Piano solo

Precious Lord, take my hand  
Lead me on, let me stand  
I am tired, I'm weak, I am worn  
Through the storm, through the night  
Lead me on to the light  
Take my hand, precious Lord  
Lead me home

## OFFERING HYMN

ELW 583, vs.2

### ***Take My Life That I May Be***

#### *Refrain*

Take my life, that I may be  
consecrated, Lord, to thee;  
take my moments and my days;  
let them flow in ceaseless praise.

- 2 Take my silver and my gold,  
not a mite would I withhold;  
take my intellect and use  
ev'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose. *Refrain*

## OFFERING PRAYER

A: Blessed are you, O God, Sovereign of the universe. You offer us new beginnings and guide us on our journey. Lead us to your table, nourish us with this heavenly food, and prepare us to carry your love to a hungry world, in the name of Christ our light.

**C: Amen**

## ***MEAL***

*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.*

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## EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P: 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

Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power, God of might:  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: 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.

**C: Amen.**

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

**C: 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.**

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: Come to God's table. There is a place for you and enough for all.

## JESUS, LAMB OF GOD

Je - sus, Lamb of God, wor - thy is your name;

Je - sus, Lamb of God, wor - thy is your name.

The image shows two systems of musical notation for the hymn 'Jesus, Lamb of God'. Each system consists of a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. The first system includes lyrics: 'Je - sus, Lamb of God, wor - thy is your name;'. The second system includes lyrics: 'Je - sus, Lamb of God, wor - thy is your name.'. The music is in a simple, homophonic style with a key signature of one flat (B-flat major or D minor).

**Bind Us Together Lord**

*Refrain*  
F Dm Gm

Bind us to - geth - er, Lord, bind us to - geth - er with cords that

C<sup>7</sup> F F

can - not be bro - ken. Bind us to - geth - er, Lord,

Dm Gm C F

bind us to - geth - er, Lord; bind us to - geth - er in love.

F C<sup>7</sup> F F C<sup>7</sup> F

1 There . . is on - ly one God. There . . is on - ly one King.  
2 You are the fam - ly of God. You are the prom - ise di - vine.

*Refrain*  
F C<sup>7</sup> F F C<sup>7</sup> F B<sup>b</sup>/C

There . . is on - ly one Bod - y; that . . is why we can sing:  
You are God's cho - sen de - sire, you are the glo - rious new wine.

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

A: We give you thanks, gracious God, for we have feasted on the abundance of your house. Send us to bring good news and to proclaim your favor to all, strengthened with the richness of your grace in your Son, Jesus Christ.

C: Amen.

# **SENDING**

*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

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## **BLESSING**

P: May the God, who leads us in pathways of righteousness, who rejoices over us, and who calls us by name, † bless us going out and coming in, today and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## **SENDING SONG**

**ELW 677**

### ***This Little Light of Mine***

- 1 This little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine;  
this little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine;  
this little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine,  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
- 2 Ev'rywhere I go, I'm goin'-a let it shine;  
ev'rywhere I go, I'm goin'-a let it shine;  
ev'rywhere I go, I'm goin'-a let it shine,  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
- 3 Jesus gave it to me, I'm goin'-a let it shine;  
Jesus gave it to me, I'm goin'-a let it shine;  
Jesus gave it to me, I'm goin'-a let it shine,  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

## **DISMISSAL**

A: Go with Christ into a weary world. Share the good news.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **POSTLUDE**

**Cathy Miller, piano**

### ***Every Time I Feel the Spirit***

arr. by Keveren.

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**FREE COVID TESTING AT ST. MATT'S ON MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS, AND FRIDAYS, 10AM – 4PM. TESTING WILL CONTINUE THROUGH JANUARY 2022.**

**PLEDGE YOUR SUPPORT FOR ST. MATT'S IN 2022.** Please submit your pledges for the new year's ministries either online at [stmatthewsnoho.org/pledge2022](http://stmatthewsnoho.org/pledge2022), or use forms available in the narthex. You are encouraged to set up an online monthly donation at [stmatthewsnoho.org/donatenow](http://stmatthewsnoho.org/donatenow).

### ***Save the Date!* ANNUAL MEETING SUNDAY, JAN. 30 IMMEDIATELY AFTER WORSHIP**

Mark your calendars! We will be holding our annual congregational meeting Sunday, January 30, immediately following worship. **Ministry Leaders and Staff: please submit your reports for the annual report to the church office in an email to: [leon@stmatthewsnoho.org](mailto:leon@stmatthewsnoho.org).** Very last day to submit: Sunday, January 21.

### **SING TO THE LORD A SONG**

There are many wonderful voices and musical talents in our congregation! You are ALL urged to share your musical gifts in two ways. JOIN IN WITH THE CHOIR or PROVIDE SPECIAL MUSIC. Contact our amazing choir director/pianist/organist Cathy Miller: [cathy@stmatthewsnoho.org](mailto:cathy@stmatthewsnoho.org)

### **CAN YOU HELP WITH BREAKING BREAD?**

We are currently offering hospitality in the narthex before and after worship. Could you help? We need volunteers willing to sign up to do the following: purchase and bring a treat (i.e., muffins, a selection of cookies, danishes etc.), arrive early around 9:30am to set up table, coffee, water and pre-plate the treats; greet people who come to breaking bread; and clean up the hospitality around 12:15pm. Please text or email [leon@stmatthewsnoho.org](mailto:leon@stmatthewsnoho.org) and tell him what day you are willing to serve. Thank you!

### **BE PART OF OUR WORSHIP TEAM!**

In order to lead and live-stream our worship services we need volunteer song leaders, assistants and technical support to join Pr. Stephanie in leading worship, Cathy in providing musical offerings, and Leon and Clay Steely-Boehlke in coordinating the tech side of broadcasting. Sign up in the narthex or contact Pr. Stephanie by cell/text at 310.968.7038 or by email at [stephanie@stmatthewsnoho.org](mailto:stephanie@stmatthewsnoho.org), and let her know what role(s) you might be willing to play: assisting minister, singer/musician, reader, run slides on screen, assist with videotaping and sound.

### **HAVE SOME TIME TO HELP WITH OUR DROP-IN PROGRAMS? VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

Please consider helping out at our amazing drop-in programs for people experiencing homelessness. We could especially use some extra help on Fridays to help with our clothing distribution and meal service. Wondering what it is like? You can ask members like Erwin David, Don Rosenkjar, Lillian Parker, Art Figueroa and Melanie Ronning about how meaningful the work is. Contact Pr. Stephanie for info or to sign up: [stephanie@stmatthewsnoho.org](mailto:stephanie@stmatthewsnoho.org) 310.968.7038.

## **WHAT'S HAPPENING @ ST. MATTHEW'S--NOHO**

### **BREAKING BREAD**

Breaking Bread is on pause for the first weeks of January due to the Covid surge.

**ADULT FORUM STUDIES EPHEBUS—IN THE BIBLE AND HISTORICAL CONTEXT.** Meet in the library or on Zoom at 12 Noon. We will be using the Bible and “The City of Ephesus: A Short History.” To participate on-line, find the Zoom link at [stmatthewsnoho.org/adultforum](https://stmatthewsnoho.org/adultforum)

### **MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR GEORGE SPLANE**

We remember our beloved member George at a memorial service, Sat., Jan. 15, at 2PM.

### **BAG LUNCH MAKING NOW 3rd Saturday, February 19, 2022, 9-10:30am (Barring Covid Restrictions)**

Our long-standing and fun ministry of making PBJ sandwiches and bag lunches that we distribute during our programs, open on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.

Following our program is our monthly "NoHo Free Market" If you are looking for more opportunities to volunteer, please see the announcement below. Please contact Leon for additional information or with any questions: [leon@stmatthewsnoho.org](mailto:leon@stmatthewsnoho.org)

### **NOHO FREE MARKET is Saturday, February 19, 2022, 11am-1pm!**

Free fresh fruits and vegetables every third Saturday, 11am-1pm on our terrace. Volunteers needed 9:30am-1pm. Email Pr. Stephanie: [stephanie@stmatthewsnoho.org](mailto:stephanie@stmatthewsnoho.org)