

January 31, 2021 – Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

THE HOLY SPIRIT CALLS US TOGETHER AS THE PEOPLE OF GOD

Prelude *Come and Fill Our Hearts* by Dani Lemieux

Welcome and Announcements

Gathering Song *Mighty to Save*

Verse 1

Ev'ryone needs compassion
Love that's never failing
Let mercy fall on me
Ev'ryone needs forgiveness
The kindness of a Saviour
The hope of nations

Chorus

Saviour He can move the mountains
My God is mighty to save
He is mighty to save
Forever Author of salvation
He rose and conquered the grave
Jesus conquered the grave

Verse 2

So take us as You find us
All our fears and failures
Fill our lives again
We give our lives to follow
Everything we believe in
Now we surrender (*Chorus*)

Bridge

Shine your light and let the whole world see
We're singing
For the glory of the risen King
Jesus
Shine your light and let the whole world see
We're singing
For the glory of the risen King (*Chorus x 2*)

Invocation

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, Love from the beginning, Word made flesh, Breath of heaven.

Amen.

Confession and Forgiveness

As we approach the mystery of God, let us come in confession, trusting the love of Christ crucified and risen.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God who searches us and knows us,
**you have shown us what is good,
but we have looked to other lights to find our way.
We have not been just in our dealings with others.
We have chosen revenge over mercy.
We have promoted ourselves
instead of walking humbly with you.
With what shall we come before you?
Forgive us our sin,
and show us your salvation
in the face of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

Beloved of God,
the Holy Spirit who has gathered you and is sanctifying you, opening your ears to hear the promise poured out for you in the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.
Receive the promise of baptism:
You are God's child; in Christ's name and by his authority your sins are forgiven, in the name of the Father, and + the Son and the Holy Spirit.
Rejoice and be glad, for yours is the reign of heaven.
Amen.

Sharing a Sign of God's Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always!

C: And also with you!

Apostolic 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.

Prayer of the Day

WL: Let us pray.

**C: Lord of the Sabbath,
Your followers were told not to work on the Sabbath, and yet they boldly plucked grain to show that you are Lord of all. The world tells us not to rest on the Sabbath. Show us how to rest boldly, rejecting conventions that go against your will, and instead praying and resting as you did up on the mountain, for the glory of your word and work, Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Children's Sermon

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN SCRIPTURE, PREACHING AND SONG

First Reading Psalm 92

L: Word of God, Word of Life. C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Luke 6: 1-16

Before the Gospel is read: **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

After the Reading: **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Song of the Day *Be Thou My Vision* (ELW #793)

**1 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou art:
thou my best thought both by day and by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.**

**2 Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord.
Thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tow'r,
raise thou me heav'nward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.**

**3 Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise,
thou mine inheritance, now and always:
thou and thou only, the first in my heart,
great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.**

**4 Light of my soul, after victory won,
may I reach heaven's joys, O heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.**

Apostle's Creed

WL: Let us confess our faith in the words of the Apostles' Creed:

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 into hell. 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 People

WL: Hear us O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

GOD FEEDS US WITH THE PRESENCE OF JESUS CHRIST

Offering

Offertory Prayer

WL: Let us pray. Generous God,

C: you have given us life, this community, and these gifts of the earth that become the meal of your grace. Move in our hearts, that we might use your gifts to bring hope and blessing wherever we go, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Closing Song

***Go My Children with My Blessing* (ELW #543)**

- 1 **“Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone.
Waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own.
In my love's baptismal river
I have made you mine forever.
Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own.”**

- 2 **“Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
Here you heard my dear Son's story,
here you touched him, saw his glory.
Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.”**

- 3 **“Go, my children, fed and nourished, closer to me.
Grow in love and love by serving, joyful and free.
Here my Spirit's power filled you,
here my tender comfort stilled you.
Go, my children, fed and nourished, joyful and free.”**

Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

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

C: And also with you.

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

C: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Santus

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Post Communion Blessing

Post Communion Prayer

P: Let us pray. Faithful God,
you have kept your promise to us in this meal,
nourishing us with the gift of salvation.
Now send your servants forth in peace,
that we may testify to your goodness
and share the hope that is ours
in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

GOD BLESSES US AND SENDS US IN MISSION TO THE WORLD

Blessing

The blessing of almighty God,
the Father, the ✝ Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be with you always.

Amen.

Sending

WL: Go in Peace. Christ is with you.

C: Thanks be to God.

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