Early Service Order of Worship Divine Service Setting Four

As We Gather Jesus manifests His glory at the wedding feast at Cana, changing ordinary water into wine. The Church treasures this divine action of Christ, remembering, believing in, and receiving forgiveness through Jesus' divine blood, in, with, and under ordinary wine. God in Christ binds Himself to His Church through the waters of Baptism and with His very body and blood. The Church is the bride, and He the Bridegroom, whose resolute faithfulness seals the marriage covenant with us forever.

PreludeThe Only Son from HeavenDietrich Buxtehude(1637-1707)

Confession and Absolution

Please stand as you are able

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their baptism.

InvocationMatthew 28:19b; [18:20] LSB 203
 P In the name of the Father and of the +→ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
 G Amen.

Opening Sentences

Psalm 117:1-2a; 96:8

Praise the LORD, all nations!

• Extol him, all peoples!

P For great is his steadfast love toward us,

G and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever.

P Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;

C bring an offering and come into his courts!

Opening Hymn	O Holy Spirit, Enter In	LSB 913
Exhortation	Psalm 124:8; Psalm 130:3–4; Luke	2 18:13 LSB 203

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

G who made heaven and earth.

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

But with You there is forgiveness; therefore, You are feared.

Im Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

Please kneel as you are able

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

Confession of Sins

LSB 203

P Together we confess:

Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

Absolution

[John 20:19–23] LSB 203

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the H Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Please stand as you are able

Service of the Word

Introit *Psalm 36:5–9, antiphon: Song of Solomon 2:4* P The Lord brought me to the banqueting house, and his banner over me was love.

Q Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds.

P Your righteousness is like the mountains of God; your judgments are like the great deep; man and beast you save, O LORD.

How precious is your steadfast love, O God!

P The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

O They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them drink from the river of your delights.

P For with you is the fountain of life; in your light do we see light.

Gory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P The Lord brought me to the banqueting house, and his banner over me was love.

Kyrie Mark 10:47 LSB 204 Christ, have mer-cy; С Lord, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy. Luke 2:14; John 1:29 LSB 204 Gloria in Excelsis **C** 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth: 2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray; 3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly Lord. are the Good-will from God in heav - en Pro- claimed at Je-sus' birth! Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way. 0 For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shiped and a - dored; We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing-Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry, You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High, Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King. seat-ed At God's right hand on high-Where You in pow'r are God the Fa-ther's glo-ry. "A-men!" our glad re - ply. In

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

▶ Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, who governs all things in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the prayers of Your people and grant us Your peace through all our days; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Please be seated

Old Testament

Isaiah 62:1–5

A The Old Testament Lesson for the Second Sunday after the Epiphany is from Isaiah, chapter sixty-two.

¹For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not be guiet, until her righteousness goes forth as brightness, and her salvation as a burning torch. ²The nations shall see your righteousness, and all the kings your glory, and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give. ³You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. ⁴You 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. ⁵For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your sons marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Psalm 128



L¹Blessèd is everyone who | fears the LORD,* who walks | in his ways!

You shall eat the fruit of the labor | of your hands;* you shall be blessed, and it shall be | well with you.

- ³Your wife will be like a fruitful vine with- | in your house;* your children will be like olive shoots around your | table.
- ⁴Behold, thus shall the | man be blessed* who | fears the LORD.
- ⁵The LORD bless you from | Zion!* May you see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days | of your life!
- ⁶May you see your children's | children!* Peace be upon | Israel!
- Glory be to the Father and | to the Son* and to the Holy | Spirit;
- as it was in the be- | ginning,* is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Epistle

1 Corinthians 12:1–11

A The Epistle is from First Corinthians, chapter twelve.

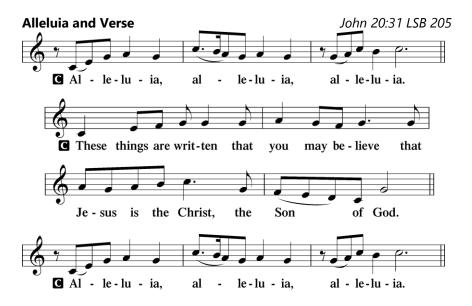
¹Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. ²You know that when you were pagans you were led astray to mute idols, however you were led. ³Therefore I want you to

understand that no one speaking in the Spirit of God ever says "Jesus is accursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except in the Holy Spirit.

⁴Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; ⁶and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone. ⁷To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the ability to distinguish between spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹All these are empowered by one and the same Spirit, who apportions to each one individually as he wills.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.



Please stand as you are able

Holy Gospel

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the second chapter.Glory to You, O Lord.

¹On the third day there was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ²Jesus also was invited to the wedding with his disciples. ³When the wine ran out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." ⁴And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what does this have to do with me? My hour has not yet come." ⁵His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you."

⁶Now there were six stone water jars there for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷Jesus said to the servants, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸And he said to them, "Now draw some out and take it to the master of the feast." So they took it. ⁹When the master of the feast tasted the water now become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the master of the feast called the bridegroom ¹⁰and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and when people have drunk freely, then the poor wine. But you have kept the good wine until now." ¹¹This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory. And his disciples believed in him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to You, O Christ.

Please be seated

Children's Message

Please stand as you are able

Hymn of the Day	The Only Son from Heaven	LSB 402
Please be seated		

Sermon

Silence for reflection

Please stand as you are able

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

Please be seated

Prayer of the Church

After each petition:

- **P** Lord, in Your mercy.
- **C** Hear our prayer.
- Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.
- C Amen.

1 Timothy 2:1-4

Offering

During this time, please fill out and pass the blue Friendship Register. Please indicate if you plan to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion and whether you are a member or visitor. If you are looking for a church home, we invite you to join the family of believers here at Christ the Redeemer.

Voluntary	Come, Join in Cana's Feast	Donald Rotermund
		(b. 1932)

Please stand as you are able

Offertory Hymn	Come, Join in Cana's Feast	LSB 408
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Service of the Sacrament

The Lord's Supper is celebrated in the confession that we receive not just bread and wine but the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which we eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation. Our Lord invites to His table those who have faith in His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to love and forgive as He loves and forgives us.

Holy Communion also signifies a unity of faith and belief with those who gather at this altar. Baptized Christians who share the confession of the Lutheran church are welcome at the Lord's Table. If you are unsure what you believe or have questions, we invite you to speak with the Elder on duty or the Pastor before the service. Grape juice is available in the center circle of the individual cup trays.

Preface

2 Timothy 4:22; Colossians 3:1; Psalm 136 LSB 208

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

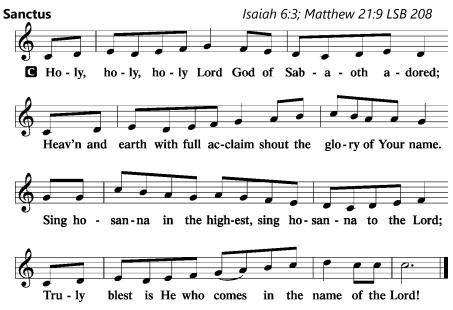
P Lift up your hearts.

G We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

 It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to
 all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:



Prayer of Thanksgiving

LSB 209

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood. **© Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

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

• 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.

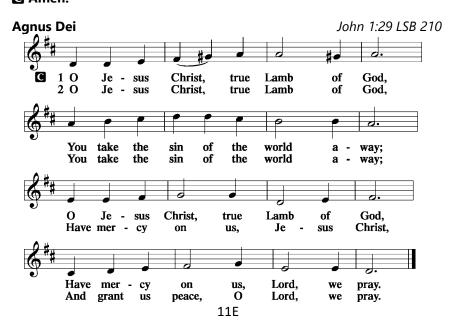
The Words of Our Lord Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24 LSB 209 P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini

John 20:19 LSB 209

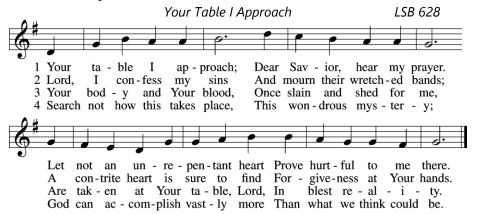
P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C Amen.



Voluntary

Charles Ore (b. 1936)

Distribution Hymns



- 5 O grant, most blessèd Lord, That earth and hell combined May not about this sacrament Raise doubt within my mind.
- 6 Oh, may I never fail

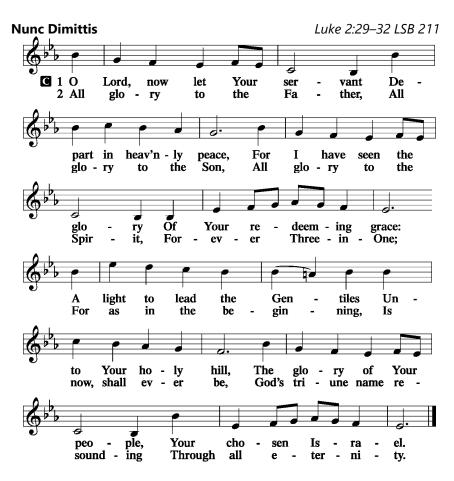
To thank You day and night For Your true body and true blood, O God, my peace and light.

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Please stand as you are able

 Now may this body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart in peace.
 Amen.



Post-Communion Collect

▶ Let us pray. O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Benedicamus and Benediction *Psalm 103:1, Numbers 6:23-27 LSB 212* P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Image: 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 Hymn	We Know that Christ is Raised	LSB 603
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Announcements

P Go in peace, serve the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Postlude	We Know that Christ is Raised	David Cherwien
		(b. 1957)

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Music Notes for January 19, 2025 – Second Sunday after the Epiphany

The Prelude for the Second Sunday after the Epiphany is an ornamented chorale prelude on the Reformation-era Lutheran chorale "The Only Son from Heaven" (LSB 402) by Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707). During Buxtehude's lifetime, chorale preludes such as this would have been used as introductions to the congregational singing of hymns and as *alternatim* organ stanzas that allowed the organ to "sing" selected stanzas of the hymn in alternation with the congregation and choir. "The Only Son from Heaven," which we will sing this morning as the Hymn of

the Day, was written by Elisabeth Cruciger (c. 1500-1535), the first female poet and hymnist of the Reformation.

The Voluntary is a reflective setting of the Offertory Hymn, "Come, Join in Cana's Feast" (LSB 408), by American composer and organist Donald Rotermund (b. 1932). Mr. Rotermund is Minister of Music Emeritus at Zion Lutheran Church in Dallas, Texas, where he served for over four decades.

The Communion Voluntary is an energetic setting of the Closing Hymn, "We Know that Christ is Raised" (LSB 603), by American composer Charles Ore (b. 1936). Ore writes for the organ in a style that is wholly unique and distinctly American. In the booklet accompanying *From My Perspective*, a set of four CDs that present recordings of a wide array of Dr. Ore's compositions, he writes, "While I am interested in all aspects of composition, it is primarily in the use of timbre, texture, and rhythm that I have tried to develop a style of writing that is indigenous to American culture yet reflective of historic traditions that have been used by composers for hundreds of years." Dr. Ore is Emeritus Professor of Music at Concordia University Nebraska and maintains an active career as a church musician as organist of First Presbyterian Church in Lincoln, Nebraska.

The Postlude is a fiery toccata on "We Know that Christ is Raised" by the American composer and organist David Cherwien (b. 1957). In this setting, Dr. Cherwien uses blazing thirty-second note figurations and *glissandi*, a musical effect achieved on keyboard instruments by rapidly sliding through a series of consecutive pitches, to capture the ecstatic joy of the first stanza of the hymn:

We know that Christ is raised and dies no more. Embraced by death, He broke its fearful hold; And our despair He turned to blazing joy. Alleluia!