

Celebrating 140 years of God's Blessings

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A WARM WELCOME TO ALL WHO WORSHIP HERE TODAY...

Before we begin, please:

+ **Sign in the “Fellowship Pad”**, and pass it down your pew. Both visitors and members are asked to fill in their information. You can do this before the service, or during the offering.

+ **Place ribbon bookmarks** at the page for liturgy, and one of the hymns in *Lutheran Service Book*.

+ **Place ribbon bookmarks** at the pages of the Scripture readings in the pew Bibles, if you wish to follow along.

+ **Introduce yourself** to our Pastor, if it's your first time with us; and all are encouraged to greet and get to know their fellow worshippers.

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In Holy Communion, we joyfully receive Christ's Body & Blood for our forgiveness, life, and salvation. In participating, we publicly confess our unity in Christ's Body, and a harmony of teaching and practice. Congregations of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod have promised to practice close communion. Guests who desire to commune with us for the first time are asked to speak with the pastor before the service, to answer any questions you may have. You may also wish to review Luther's “Christian Questions with Their Answers,” on pp. 329-330 in Lutheran Service Book, and refer to the “Before worship” and “Before communing” prayers inside the front cover of LSB.

If you are not in fellowship with our Synod, you are invited to come forward for a blessing. Simply indicate that by folding your arms over your heart while at the communion rail.

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GOD'S WORD TODAY

Jesus' First Miracle Reveals God's Glory

The coming of the Messianic kingdom means the restoration of creation. The sign of this restoration is that *“the mountains shall drip sweet wine”* (Amos 9:11-15). When the elements of a fallen creation fail and run short at a wedding feast, our Lord Jesus steps in to restore creation and miraculously changes water into an abundance of the very best wine (John 2:1-11). With this sign, Christ manifests His glory. The *“back”* of God (Ex. 33:12-23) is revealed to those who believe. The hour will come when Jesus will again manifest His glory by taking creation's curse into His own body to release us from its power. The Bridegroom will give His life for the Bride (Eph. 5:22-32), and from His side will flow water and blood, the holy sacraments by which she is cleansed and made one with Him. Through this sacrificial love of Christ we are enabled to *“love one another with brotherly affection...”* and to *“outdo one another in showing honor”* (Rom. 12:6-16).

INTROIT

All the earth worships you and sings praise - ' es to you;*
they sing praises ' to your name.

**It is good to give thanks ' to the LORD,*
to sing praises to your name, ' O Most High.**

Shout for joy to God, ' all the earth;*
sing the glory of his name; give to him ' glorious praise!

Say to God, “How awesome ' are your deeds!*
So great is your power that your enemies come cringing ' to you.

All the earth worships you and sings praise - ' es to you;*
they sing praises ' to your name.”

Come and see what ' God has done:*
he is awesome in his deeds toward the chil- ' dren of man.

Blessèd ' be God,*
because he has not rejected my prayer or removed his
steadfast ' love from me!

**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.**

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STEWARDSHIP SENTENCES FROM SYNOD

“...so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish.” Our Lord has cleansed us with His blood – in His sight we are now pure and holy. He has given Himself, laying down His life for us. Now we are his spotless and beautiful bride. By His sacrifice, we are moved to sacrifice. By His cleansing, we find a desire to ourselves be clean and live blamelessly as He is blameless.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

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.

Second Sunday after Epiphany

January 14, 2018

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