



## The Fourth Sunday After the Epiphany

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"Oh Yeah? Says Who?"

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### Opening Hymn – From All That Dwell Below the Skies

LSB 816 v. 3 LSB 493, v 5

- 1 From all that dwell below the skies Let the Creator's praise arise;  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Let the Redeemer's name be sung Through ev'ry land by ev'ry tongue.  
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 2 Eternal are Thy mercies, Lord; Eternal truth attends Thy Word.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore Till suns shall rise and set no more.  
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 3 Be now our joy on earth, O Lord, And be our future great reward.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Then, throned with You forever, we Shall praise Your name eternally.  
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia
- 4 All praise to God the Father be, All praise, eternal Son, to Thee.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Whom with the Spirit we adore Forever and forevermore:  
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. **C Amen.**

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

1John 1:8

**C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not trusted You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

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 ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen**

**Salutation and Collect of the Day** (short prayer before hearing the Word)

P The Lord be with you. **C And also with you.**

P Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come, that by Your protection we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins and saved by Your mighty deliverance; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C Amen**

**Readings From Holy Scripture**

**Old Testament Reading**

**Deuteronomy 18:15–20**

15“The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your brothers—it is to him you shall listen— 16just as you desired of the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly, when you said, ‘Let me not hear again the voice of the LORD my God or see this great fire any more, lest I die.’ 17And the LORD said to me, ‘They are right in what they have spoken. 18I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their brothers. And I will put my words in his mouth, and he shall speak to them all that I command him. 19And whoever will not listen to my words that he shall speak in my name, I myself will require it of him. 20But the prophet who presumes to speak a word in my name that I have not commanded him to speak, or who speaks in the name of other gods, that same prophet shall die.’”

A This is the Word of the Lord

**C Thanks be to God.**

**Epistle Reading**

**1 Corinthians 8:1–13**

1Now concerning food offered to idols: we know that “all of us possess knowledge.” This “knowledge” puffs up, but love builds up. 2If anyone imagines that he knows something, he does not yet know as he ought to know. 3But if anyone loves God, he is known by God. 4Therefore, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that “an idol has no real existence,” and that “there is no God but one.” 5For although there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as indeed there are many “gods” and many “lords”— 6yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist. 7However, not all possess this knowledge. But some, through former association with idols, eat food as really offered to an idol, and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. 8Food will not commend us to God. We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. 9But take care that this right of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. 10For if anyone sees you who have knowledge eating in an idol’s temple, will he not be encouraged, if his conscience is weak, to eat food offered to idols? 11And so by your knowledge this weak person is destroyed, the brother for whom Christ died. 12Thus, sinning against your brothers and wounding their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. 13Therefore, if food makes my brother stumble, I will never eat meat, lest I make my brother stumble.

A This is the Word of the Lord

**C Thanks be to God.**

**Holy Gospel**

**Mark 1:21–28**

<sup>21</sup>And they went into Capernaum, and immediately on the Sabbath [Jesus] entered the synagogue and was teaching. <sup>22</sup>And they were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one who had authority, and not as the scribes. <sup>23</sup>And immediately there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit. And he cried out, <sup>24</sup>“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.” <sup>25</sup>But Jesus rebuked him, saying, “Be silent, and come out of him!” <sup>26</sup>And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying out with a loud voice, came out of him. <sup>27</sup>And they were all amazed, so that they questioned among themselves, saying, “What is this? A new teaching with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him.” <sup>28</sup>And at once his fame spread everywhere throughout all the surrounding region of Galilee.

A This is the Gospel of the Lord

**C Praise to you O Christ.**

## Statement of Faith

**C I believe that God is my gracious provider. He is the sovereign Lord of the Universe, the creator and sustainer of all life, and the giver of all good things. I believe that God knows my every need, and that He asks me to trust Him to meet those needs in His own way and in His own time. He asks me to seek Him in times of trial and tribulation, to thank and praise Him for His faithfulness, and to honor Him in all I think, say, and do. I believe that God loves me today and always; and that He has sought me to be His own, to walk in His light, to share His love, and to live with Him forever in heaven. I believe that God is triune: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. God the Father Who created me, God the Son who purchased my forgiveness on Calvary's cross, and God the Holy Spirit who works in me the faith to receive the gifts of light and life, love and truth. I believe that it is my duty and my delight to give Him thanks and praise, to surrender my will to His, and to glorify Him now and forever. Amen**

## Sermon Hymn – How Precious Is the Book Divine

TLH 285, Tune 281

1. How precious is the Book Divine, By inspiration giv'n!  
Bright as a lamp its doctrines shine  
To guide our souls to heav'n,
2. Its light, descending from above Our gloomy world to cheer,  
Displays a Savior's boundless love  
And brings His glories near,
3. It shows to us our wand'ring ways And where his feet have trod,  
And brings to view the matchless grace  
Of a forgiving God,
4. O'er all the straight and narrow way Its radiant beams are cast;  
A light whose never weary ray  
Grows brightest at the last,
5. It sweetly cheers our drooping hearts In this dark vale of tears,  
Life, light, and joy it still imparts  
And quells our rising fears,
6. This lamp through all the tedious night Of life shall guide our way  
Till we behold the clearer light  
Of an eternal day

**Sermon** – "Oh yeah? Says who?"

Mark 1:22

*"And they were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one who had authority, and not as the scribes. "*

## Offering

## Hymn – Benediction Song

- 1 May the peace of God our heav'nly Father  
And the grace of Christ the risen Son  
And the fellowship of God the Spirit  
Keep our hearts and minds within His love

### *Chorus*

And to Him be praise for His glorious reign  
From the depths of earth to the heights of heav'n  
We declare the name of the Lamb once slain  
Christ eternal the King of kings

- 2 May this peace which passes understanding  
And this grace which makes us what we are  
And this fellowship of His communion  
Make us one in spirit and in heart - *Chorus*

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## Prayers of the Church

P Lord, in your mercy...

### **C Hear our prayer**

P Into your hands we commend all for whom we pray trusting in your mercy through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who while he was with us, walking among us, taught us to pray:

**C 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.**

## Closing Hymn – I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus

LSB 729

- 1 I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus, Trusting only Thee;  
Trusting Thee for full salvation, Great and free.
- 2 I am trusting Thee for pardon; At Thy feet I bow,  
For Thy grace and tender mercy Trusting now.
- 3 I am trusting Thee for cleansing In the crimson flood;  
Trusting Thee to make me holy By Thy blood.
- 4 I am trusting Thee to guide me; Thou alone shalt lead,  
Ev'ry day and hour supplying All my need.
- 5 I am trusting Thee for power; Thine can never fail.  
Words which Thou Thyself shalt give me Must prevail.
- 6 I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus; Never let me fall.  
I am trusting Thee forever And for all.

## **Benediction**

"So shall they put my name upon the people of Israel, and I will bless them." Numbers 6:27

After the closing hymn please be seated for information regarding our life together in support of our mission to enrich lives by sharing the loving word and ways of Jesus.

<b>Summary Calendar For The Week of January 31, 2021</b> <b>(Full calendar available at <a href="http://www.immanuelsandy.com">www.immanuelsandy.com</a> and in Messenger)</b>		
Date	Activity	Time
Sunday 31th	Worship in-person/zoom.us ID 973 8055 2626 pwd: 193306	10:00 AM
	Special Voter's Assembly Meeting	11:30 AM
Wednesday 3rd	Women's Study zoom.us ID: 973 8055 2626 Pass 193306	10:30 – Noon
Sunday 7th	Worship in-person/zoom.us ID 973 8055 2626 pwd: 193306	10:00AM

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**"Reopening"** – Clackamas County is currently in the "Extreme Risk" category. What this means for church's is a cap of 25% indoor occupancy or 100 people total, whichever is smaller. Please wear a mask and follow social distancing guidelines. Thank you for your patience and steadfast faithfulness in our Lord's mission here at Immanuel in Sandy! Any questions, concerns, conversation please reach out to an Elder

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**Altar Guild** – Volunteers are needed for the Altar Guild. Please call Iola Lofthus at 503-637-3145 for more information.

**Offering Envelopes** – 2021 offering envelopes are available. If you are not using offering envelopes (and would like to) or if you are using envelopes and no longer want to, please contact Dawn at 503-668-6232 or [office@immanuelsandy.com](mailto:office@immanuelsandy.com). Thank you!

**Contribution Statements** – Contribution Statements for 2020 were put in the mail on the 21st. If you are expecting one and do not see it soon, please give Dawn a call.