

Follow Me! to Grace...

January 21st
8:30 & 11:00



the 3RD Sunday after the Epiphany

prelude

confession & forgiveness

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

A: Do not despair in the darkness of sin for God has manifested our salvation.

C: God of truth and light, you have revealed and fulfilled yourself in giving us your son Jesus the Christ.

A: God now abides with us; guiding, strengthening, forgiving and renewing us each day.

C: Yet, we confess that we do not always recognize your presence in our lives. We trust in our own wisdom and strength rather than yours. We live in fear rather than in peace. We tend to despair rather than find hope. We choose the ease of sin rather than the way of faithfulness. Seeking to live by your design and not our own, we ask for the grace of your forgiveness. Do not turn away from us, but, as we turn toward you again, visit us even more intimately, becoming the catalyst for our repentance and renewed resolve.

P: Arise, shine, for our light has come, and the glory of the Lord has arisen upon us. As a Called and Ordained minister of Christ's Church, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins in the name of the Father and the Son of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

entrance hymn

We are Called

720



1 Come! Live in the light! Shine with the joy and the love of the
 2 Come! O - pen your heart! Show your . . mer - cy to all those in
 3 Sing! Sing a new song! Sing of that great day when all will be



Lord! We are called to be light for the king - dom, to
 fear! We are called to be hope for the hope - less so
 one! God will reign, and we'll walk with each oth - er as



live in the free - dom of the cit - y of God.
 ha - tred and blind - ness . . . will be . . . no more.
 sis - ters and broth - ers . . . u - nit - ed in love.



Refrain
 We are called to act with jus - tice, we are called to



love ten - der - ly; we are called to serve one an -



oth - er, to walk hum - bly with God.

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greeting

A: Arise, shine, for our Light has come!

C: And the glory of the Lord has come upon us.

A: Jesus Christ is the light of the world.

C: The light no darkness can overcome.

A: He comes to us;

C: We who are not wise.

A: He comes to us;

C: We who are not powerful

A: Arise, shine, for our Light has come!

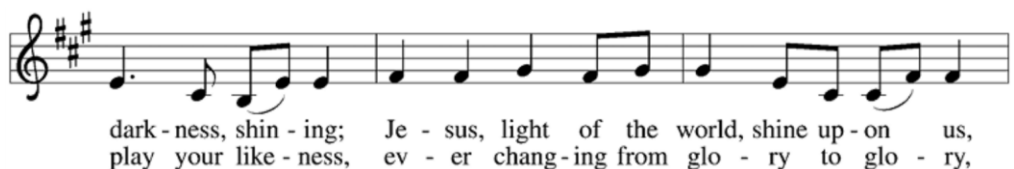
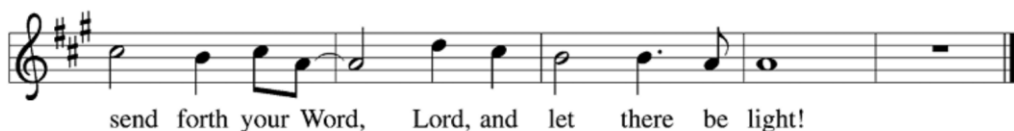
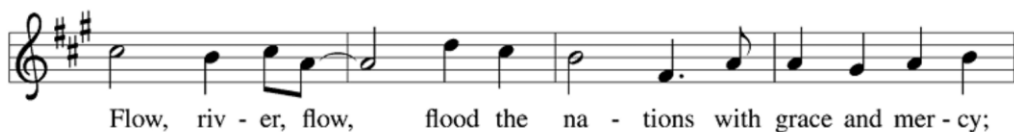
C: And the glory of the Lord has come upon us.

hymn of praise

Shine, Jesus, Shine

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Refrain



set us free by the truth you now bring us.
mir - rored here, may our lives tell your sto - ry.

Shine on me, shine on me:
Shine on me, shine on me:

Refrain

prayer of the day

P: The Lord be with you

C: And also with you

P: Let us pray:

C: Heavenly Father, as Andrew and Peter heard the call of Jesus and followed him as his disciples, so open our ears to hear and respond. Stir up your Spirit within us and within the Church, that we will not be distracted from following our Savior as his faithful people. In His name we pray, Amen.

first lesson

Isaiah 8:9 – 9:2

Come together, you peoples, and do not be happy; listen, all you faraway places; Wrap your arms around yourselves and do not feel comfort. Make your plans together, but they will not work out; Say what you want, but what you say will not happen, for God is not with you. God is with us.

This is what the Lord said to me while his hand was strong upon me. He warned me not to do what those other people were doing. God said: Do agree with them about what is wrong with the world. Do not fear what they fear. Think of the Lord and his holiness. Respect the Lord. The Lord will become a safe place for you, your security; but for Israel the Lord will become something they stumble over—a trap to capture all the people of Jerusalem. And many will stumble and be trapped. They will be captured and carried away. Make sure everyone knows that this is true. I will wait for the Lord, who is hiding his face right now. I will hope in the Lord. See, I and the children whom the Lord has given me are signs from God to God's people.

Now if people say to you, “Consult the ghosts and the spirits that haunt - ‘boo!’” And if they say to you; “Pray to the idols, the dead wood, so you can have life.” These people are still in the dark. They will

not find the answers that they are looking for. They will be hungry and frustrated and will blame their kings and their gods for their problems. They will look up to the sky and down to the ground looking for hope, but they will only see air and dirt. They will have no hope.

But there will be no darkness for those who are in trouble now. God did cause trouble for his people before, but now God will make them happy again. God's people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness—on them light has shined.

R: The Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

psalm

Psalms 62:5-12

*For God alone my soul waits in silence,
for my hope is from God.*

**God alone is my rock and my salvation,
my fortress; I shall not be shaken.**

*On God rests my deliverance and my honor;
my mighty rock, my refuge is in God.*

**Trust in God at all times, O people;
pour out your heart before God; God is a refuge for us.**

*Those of low estate are but a breath,
those of high estate are a delusion;
in the balances they go up;
they are together lighter than a breath.*

**Put no confidence in extortion,
and set no vain hopes on robbery;
if riches increase, do not set your heart on them.**

*Once God has spoken; twice have I heard this:
that power belongs to God,*

**and steadfast love belongs to you, O Lord.
For you repay to all according to their work.**

second lesson

1 Corinthians 7:29-31

But this is what I am saying, brothers and sisters: The critical time is coming soon! While you wait, those of you who are married, do not worry about your marriage, and those of you who are crying, do not cry,

and those of you who are celebrating, do not celebrate, and those of you who are buying stuff, do not worry about buying stuff, and those of you who trust the promises of this world, stop trusting in this world, for this world is passing away.

R: The Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

children's sermon

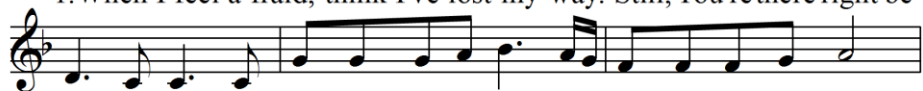
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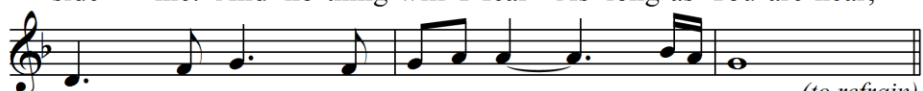
Thy word is a lamp un-to my feet And a light un-to my path.



1. When I feel a-fraid, think I've lost my way. Still, You're there right be-



side me. And no-thing will I fear As long as You are near;

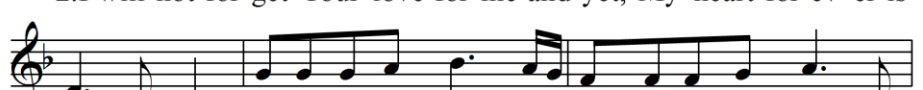


Please be near me to the end.

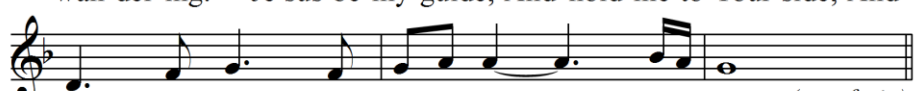
(to refrain)



2. I will not for-get Your love for me and yet, My heart for-ev-er is



wan-der-ing. Je-sus be my guide, And hold me to Your side, And



I will love you to the end.

(to refrain)

gospel acclamation

P: The Holy Gospel according to Mark the First Chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Now after John the Baptist was handed over to Herod, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the good news of God.

Jesus said, "The critical moment is happening. The Kingdom of God is very near to you. Repent. Believe in this good news."

As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen.

And Jesus said to them, "Come follow me and I will make you fishermen of people."

And immediately they dropped their nets and followed him.

As he went a little farther, he saw James of Zebedee and his brother John in their boats mending the nets. And immediately Jesus called them and leaving their father Zebedee in the boat with other workers, they followed him.

P: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

sermon

hymn of the day *You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore* **817**



1	Tú	has	ve - ni - do_a	la_o	- ri - lla,	no_has	bus -
1	You	have	come down to the	lake -	shore	seek -	ing
2	You	know	full well what I	have,	Lord:	nei -	ther
3	You	need	my hands, my	ex -	haus -	tion,	work -
4	You	who	have fished	oth -	er wa -	ters;	you, the



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nei -	ther	the	wise	nor the	wealth -	y,	but	on -	ly
trea -	sure	nor	wea -	pons for	con -	quest,	just	these	my
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long -	ing	of	souls	that are	yearn -	ing:	O	lov -	ing



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ask	-	ing	for	me	to	fol	-
fish		nets	and	will	for	work	-
will	-	ing	to	go	on	lov	-
Friend,		you	have	come	to	call	me.

Refrain / Estribillo



Se - ñor, me has mi - ra - do a los o - jos; son - ri - en - do,
Sweet Lord, you have looked in - to my eyes; kind - ly smil - ing,



has di - cho mi nom-bre. En la a-re - na he de - ja - do mi
you've called out my name. . . . On the sand I have a-ban-doned my



bar - ca; jun-to a ti bus-ca - ré o - tro mar.
small boat; now with you, I will seek oth - er seas.

apostles creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived of the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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 life everlasting. Amen.

prayers of the church

passing of the peace

offering



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offertory

Accept, O Lord, the Gifts We Bring

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1 Ac - cept, O Lord, the gifts we bring to place up - on your ta - ble.
2 The vines were plant - ed, seeds were sown. They grew in your good plea - sure.
3 Our hopes and dreams, our toils and cares we lift in prayer be - fore you.

We do not wor - ship as we ought but on - ly as we're a - ble.
What once was com - mon, dail - y food be - comes a ho - ly trea - sure.
Lord, by your grace now come to us, as hum - bly we a - dore you.

offertory prayer

A: Let us Pray.

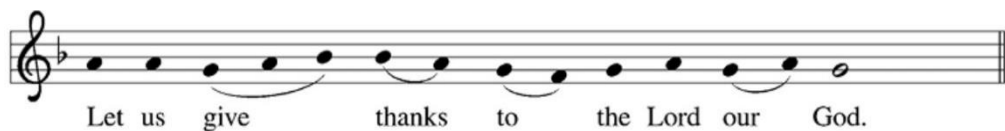
C: Lord, in this Epiphany season we focus on recognizing that you truly manifest Your presence each and every day through the many blessings we know which make our lives not only bearable, but better. We count it a privilege to be able to offer back this portion of what we have received, that through our empowerment of Your mission and Your ministry we can make the lives of others better, too. Favor our offerings, that they will flourish and bear fruit in ways that we cannot imagine, building Your wondrous Kingdom that we all seek. Amen.

great thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

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P: It is indeed right and responsible that we . . .



the lord's prayer

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

distribution hymns

697, 802, 799



Refrain Just a clos - er walk with thee, grant it, Je - sus, is my plea;
 1 I am weak but thou art strong: Je - sus, keep me from all wrong;
 2 Through this world of toil and snares, if I fal - ter, Lord, who cares?
 3 When my fee - ble life is o'er, time for me will be no more;



dai - ly walk - ing close to thee, let it be, dear Lord, let it be.
 I'll be sat - is - fied as long as I walk, let me walk close to thee. *Ref.*
 Who with me my bur - den shares? None but thee, dear Lord, none but thee. *Ref.*
 guide me gent - ly, safe - ly o'er to thy king - dom shore, to thy shore. *Ref.*



1 Let us ev - er walk with Je - sus, fol - low his ex - am - ple pure,
 2 Let us suf - fer here with Je - sus, and with pa - tience bear our cross.
 3 Let us glad - ly die with Je - sus. Since by death he con - quered death,
 4 Let us al - so live with Je - sus. He has ris - en from the dead



through a world that would de - ceive us and to sin our spir - its lure.
 Joy will fol - low all our sad - ness; where he is there is no loss.
 he will free us from de - struc - tion, give to us im - mor - tal breath.
 that to life we may a - wak - en. Je - sus, you are now our head,





On - ward in his foot-steps tread - ing, trav - 'lers here, our home a - bove,
Though to - day we sow no laugh-ter, we shall reap ce - les - tial joy:
Let us mor - ti - fy all pas - sion that would lead us in - to sin;
we are your own liv - ing mem - bers; where you live, there we shall be



full of faith and hope and love, let us do our Sav - ior's bid - ding.
all dis - com - forts that an - noy shall give way to mirth here - af - ter.
and the grave that shuts us in shall but prove the gate of heav - en.
in your pres - ence con - stant - ly, liv - ing there with you for - ev - er.



1 "Come, fol - low me," the Sav - ior spake, "all in my way a -
2 "I am the light; I light the way, a god - ly life dis -
3 "I teach you how to shun and flee what harms your soul's sal -
4 Then let us fol - low Christ, our Lord, and take the cross ap -



bid - ing; de - ny your - selves, the world for - sake, o -
play - ing; I bid you walk as in the day; I
va - tion; from ev - 'ry guile your heart I free, from
point - ed, and, firm - ly cling - ing to his word, in



bey my call and guid - ing. Oh, bear the cross, what -
 keep your feet from stray - ing. I am the way, and
 sin and its temp - ta - tion. I am the ref - uge
 suf - f'ring be un - daunt - ed. For those who bear the

e'er be - tide; take my ex - am - ple for your guide."
 well I show how you should so - journ here be - low."
 of the soul and lead you to your heav'n - ly goal."
 bat - tle's strain the crown of heav'n - ly life ob - tain.

post communion blessing & prayer

Benediction

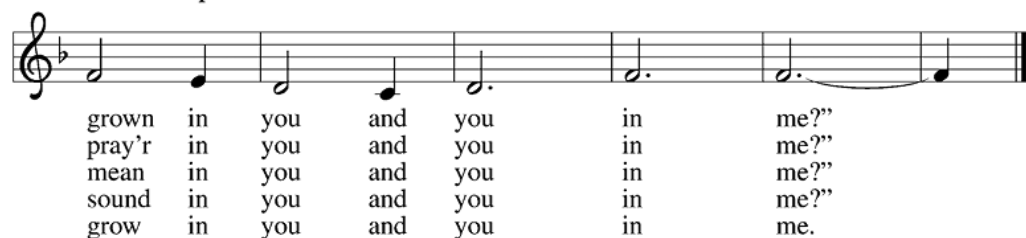
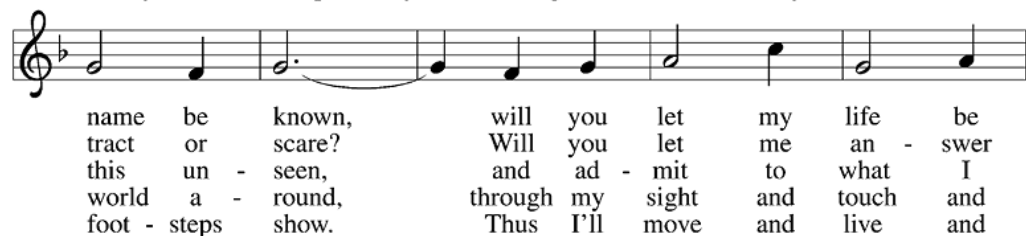
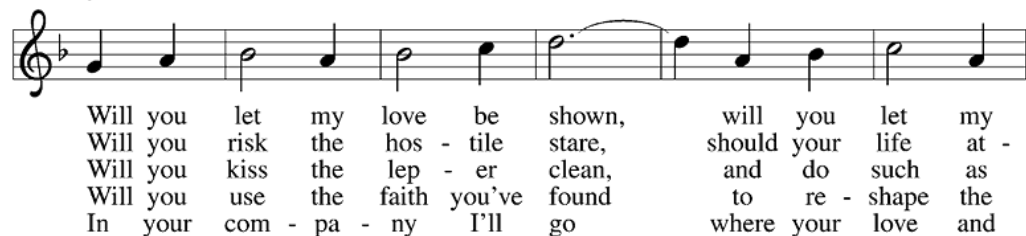
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Will You Come and Follow Me

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1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call
 2 "Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call
 3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call
 4 "Will you love the you you hide if I but call
 5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call

your name? Will you go where you don't
 your name? Will you care for cruel and
 your name? Will you set the pris - 'ners
 your name? Will you quell the fear in -
 my name. Let me turn and fol - low



postlude

dismissal



Sunday, January 21

8:30 a.m. Worship

9:45a.m. Sunday School & Confirmation Classes

11:00 a.m. Worship

12:30 p.m. "Plastic Wars" Film Screening by
Social Ministry Committee

Monday, January 22

9:30 a.m. Widowed Support Group

4:30 p.m. Confirmation Class

7:30 p.m. Church Council Meeting

Tuesday, January 23

6:30 a.m. Early Birds Bible Study & Breakfast

11:00 a.m. Bible Study w/ Pastor Chris – hybrid

7:00 p.m. Bible Study w/ Pastor Chris – online

Wednesday, January 24

9:00 a.m. Peacemakers Quilting Group Meeting – in person only

Saturday, January 27

11:00 a.m. Yorktown Repair Café in fellowship hall

Sunday, January 28

8:30 a.m. Worship

9:45 a.m. Sunday School & Confirmation Classes

11:00 a.m. Worship



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