

2021

*“Our Hope is in the Lord, for HE who promised is Faithful”*



WELCOME TO WORSHIP  
FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE  
EPIPHANY

**Please tune your car radio to 106.1 FM to Worship with us today!**

*Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for He who promised is faithful. Hebrews 10:23*

**Call Statement:**

*“My call is to share my Faith in Christ”*

**Mission Statement:**

*“To live my Faith in Christ I will build loving relationships so others will become disciples with Jesus as Lord and Savior.”*

**PRELUDE**

Beth Helwagen

**WELCOME AND PRAYER**

**OPENING DIALOGUE** (based on Psalm 62:1-2, 5-8)

Leader: My soul finds rest in God alone;

**All: My salvation comes from Him.**

Leader: He alone is my rock and my salvation;

**All: He is my fortress,**

Leader: I will never be shaken.

**All: Find rest, O my soul, in God alone;**

Leader: My hope comes from Him.

**All: He alone is my rock and my salvation;**

Leader: He is my fortress, I will not be shaken.

**All: My salvation and my honor depend on God;**

Leader: He is my mighty rock, my refuge.

**All: Trust in Him at all times, O people;**

Leader: Pour out your hearts to Him,

**All: For God is our refuge.**

**THE PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**All: And also with you. (Wave and/or Honk to each other)**

**HYMN Songs of Thankfulness and Praise LBW #90**

**Verse 1**

**Songs of thankfulness and praise, Jesus, Lord, to Thee we raise;**

**Manifested by the star To the sages from afar,**

**Branch of royal David's stem In Thy birth at Bethlehem;**

**Anthems be to Thee addressed, God in flesh made manifest.**

Verse 2

Manifest at Jordan's stream, Prophet, Priest, and King supreme;  
And at Cana wedding guest In Thy God-head manifest;  
Manifest in pow'r divine, Changing water into wine;  
Anthems be to Thee addressed, God in flesh made manifest.

Verse 3

Manifest in making whole Palsied limbs and fainting soul;  
Manifest in valiant fight, Quelling all the devil's might;  
Manifest in gracious will, Ever bringing good from ill;  
Anthems be to Thee addressed, God in flesh made manifest.

Verse 4

Grant us grace to see Thee, LORD, Present in Thy Holy Word;  
Grace to imitate Thee now And be pure, as pure art Thou;  
That we might become like Thee At thy great Epiphany,  
And may praise Thee, ever blest,  
God in flesh made manifest.

**APOSTOLIC GREETING**

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and  
the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**All: And also with you.**

**THE PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Pastor: Let us pray: Almighty and Eternal God,

**All: You have graciously created all things. We thank You for giving us sound bodies and for preserving us from the power of the evil foe. Help us to rightly use our ears and tongues, to hear Your Word diligently and devoutly and to praise You for Your grace so that no one will be offended by our words, but that all may be strengthened in faith; through Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One True God, now and forever. Amen.** Veit Dietrich

**LESSONS**

**Deuteronomy 18:15 - 20**

1 Corinthians 8:1-13

**GOSPEL**

Mark 1:21 - 28

**THE MESSAGE**

Pastor Jeffrey J. Lee

# Teaching With Authority

**HYMN**

LBW #506

## Dear Lord and Father of Mankind

Verse 1

Dear Lord and Father of mankind, Forgive our fe-v'rish ways;  
Re-clothe us in our rightful mind;  
In purer lives Thy service find, In deeper rev-'rence praise

Verse 2

In simple trust like theirs who heard, Beside the Syrian sea,  
The gracious calling of the LORD,  
Let us, like them, without a word Rise up and follow Thee.

Verse 3

Oh, Sabbath rest by Galilee, Oh, calm of hills above;  
where Jesus knelt to share with Thee  
The silence of eternity, Interpreted by love!

Verse 4

Drop Thy still dews of quietness, Till al our strivings cease;  
Take from our souls the strain and stress,  
And let our ordered lives confess The beauty of Thy peace.

Verse 5

Breathe through the heats of our desire  
Thy coolness and Thy balm;  
Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;  
Speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire,  
O still small voice of calm!

**NICENE CREED** (in unison)

**We believe in one God, The Father, the Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, Of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, The only Son of God, Eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, True God from true God, Begotten, not made, Of one Being with the Father, Through Him all things were made. For us and for our salvation He came down from heaven; By the power of the Holy Spirit He became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day He rose again In accordance with the Scriptures; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and His kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the Giver of life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son He is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, And the life of the world to come. Amen.**

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

**Pastor:** Brothers and sisters in Christ, let us be united as the Church in heart and mind as we go to our heavenly Father in prayer.

**Pastor:** *(After each petition. . .)* Lord, in your mercy,

**All:** **hear our prayer.**

**Pastor:** . . . Into your hands, Father, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All:** **Amen.**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** - *in unison*

**All:** 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 SENDING PRAYER**

**Leader:** Let us pray. Heavenly Father,

**All:** Open my eyes, open my heart, so I see and have compassion on broken and lost people around me. Move me to bring Hope into their lives with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Give me courage. Give me patience. Guide my words. Through me I pray they experience Jesus' redeeming Love. I ask in Jesus' Name. Amen.

**THE BENEDICTION**

**Pastor:** The Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

**All:** **Amen.**

**HYMN**

LBW #345

How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds

Verse 1

**How sweet the name of Jesus sounds,  
In a believer's ear!  
It soothes our sorrows, heals our wounds  
And drives away all fear.**

Verse 2

It makes the wounded spirit whole  
And calms the heart's unrest;  
'Tis manna to the hungry soul And to the weary, rest.

Verse 3

Dear Name! the Rock on which I build,  
My shield and hiding place;  
My never failing treasury,  
Filled with boundless stores of grace.

Verse 4

By Thee my prayers are acceptance gain  
Although with sin defiled.  
The devil charges me in vain, And I am owned a child.

Verse 5

Jesus, my Shepherd, Brother, Friend,  
My Prophet, Priest, and King  
My Lord, my Life, my Way, my End,  
Accept the praise I bring.

Verse 6

How weak the effort of my heart  
And cold my warmest thought;  
But when I see Thee as Thou art,  
I'll praise Thee as I ought.

Verse 7

Till then I would Thy love proclaim  
With every fleeting breath;  
And may the music of Thy Name  
Refresh my soul in death!

**THE DISMISSAL**

Pastor: Go and be a witness for the Lord!

All: Thanks be to God!

**NEXT SUNDAY February 7, 2021**

***Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany***

***Boy Scout Sunday***

***Readings for Next Sunday***

**Isaiah 40:21-31 Psalm 147:1-11 1 Corinthians 9:16-27**

**Mark 1:29-39**

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**2021 Theme Verses**

***Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for He who promised is faithful.*** Hebrews 10:23

***But as for me, I watch in hope for the Lord, I wait for God my Savior; my God will hear me.*** Micah 7:7

***But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.*** Isaiah 40:31

***May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.*** Romans 15:13