

January 14, 2018

Lord's Day 2, 9:30 a.m.

Second Sunday after Epiphany

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

■ **WE PREPARE FOR WORSHIP**

Pre-Service Prayer (8:30 a.m., Room 202)

Pre-Service Singing (9:10 a.m.)

Prelude

■ **GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP**

*God's Greeting

Minister: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. (Eph. 1:2)

All: Amen!

Minister: The Lord be with you! (Ruth 2:4)

All: And also with you!

Scriptural Call to Worship –

Minister: O Lord, open our lips

All: And our mouths will declare your praise. (Psalm 51:15)

Minister: Our help is in the name of the Lord

All: Who made heaven and earth. (Psalm 124:8)

Minister: Lift up your hearts!

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

Minister: Praise the Lord! Praise, O servants of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord! Blessed be the name of the Lord from this time forth and forevermore! From the rising of the sun to its setting, the name of the Lord is to be praised!

(Ps. 113:1-3)

*The Hymn of Adoration and Praise – “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise” (TH 38)

*The Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

■ **GOD CLEANSSES US IN WORSHIP**

The Reading of the Law – 1 Corinthians 6:12-20

The Exhortation

The Silent Prayer of Confession

The Corporate Prayer of Confession and The Lord's Prayer

The Declaration of Absolution

The Song of Rejoicing: Sanctus – “Holy, Holy, Holy Lord” (BTT 32)

The Service of the Word

■ **GOD CONSECRATES US IN WORSHIP**

The Old Testament Reading – Psalm 139

The Prayer for the Church – Elder Michael Steege

Tithes and Offerings

The Song of Preparation - "How Sweet and Awesome is the Place" (TH 469)

*The Reading of Scripture - Mark 12:35-44

The Sermon: "Things are Not Always How They Appear" by Pastor Brian Tallmn

The Service of the Table

■ GOD COMMUNES WITH US IN WORSHIP

The Song of Preparation - "In Christ Alone"

*In Christ alone my hope is found; he is my light, my strength, my song.
This cornerstone, this solid ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when strivings cease;
My Comforter, my all in all, here in the love of Christ I stand.*

*In Christ alone who took on flesh, fullness of God in helpless Babe;
This gift of love and righteousness scorned by the ones He came to save.
'Til on that cross as Jesus died the wrath of God was satisfied;
For ev'ry sin on Him was laid; here in the death of Christ I live.*

*There in the ground His body lay, light of the world by darkness slain;
Then bursting forth in glorious day, up from the grave He rose again.
And as He stands in victory, sin's curse has lost its grip on me;
For I am His and He is mine, bought with the precious blood of Christ.*

*No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the pow'r of Christ in me;
From life's first cry, to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man can ever pluck me from His hand;
'Til He returns or calls me home, here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.*

The Lord's Supper

Although both wine and white grape juice are available during communion, the Elders strongly encourage everyone able to take wine.

Bread: "At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing" (TH 420)

Wine: "What Wondrous Love Is This" (TH 261)

The Pastoral Prayer

■ GOD COMMISSIONS US IN WORSHIP

*The Doxology

*The Benediction

*Postlude
