



January 19, 2025 The Second Sunday after Epiphany

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Loving God, Loving People, Making Disciples

Gathering

*Please stand as you are able

*Chiming of the Hour and Presentation of the Word

Prelude "When Christ's Appearing Was Made Known"

Mark Sedio

Welcome and Covenant Life

During our morning announcements, please take time to pass and sign the friendship pads.

Joys and Concerns of the Church Family

Introit "Ye Servants of God" arr. Mark Hayes

*Call to Worship

One: With steadfast love, God calls our names.

All: We come to find refuge in the shelter of God's ways.

One: We gather with joy and sorrow in our hearts,

with acts mighty and faltering,

All: with kindness and with selfishness, with doubt and with faith,

One: we bring the fullness of our lives to God.

All: God calls us to love and to live and to follow.

One: In our homes and our hearts, in this church and in the world,

All: we sing and we serve, we hope and we pray.

Let us worship God!

"In Christ Called to Baptize"

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (unison prayer)

Gracious and loving God, we confess that we do not always live as we ought: we turn away from you, from our neighbor, and from our true selves. We have depended on our possessions and have not placed our trust in your grace. We have carelessly consumed the gifts you offer and have failed to be faithful stewards of the earth's resources. We have denied your gifts, ignored your inspiration, and wandered from your healing presence. May your steadfast love save and strengthen us to share our gifts with others. Help us, we pray, to reveal your glory and goodness in our living, that we will bear the imprint of Christ throughout the world. Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

*Passing of the Peace (Greet one another, "Peace be with you.")

Children are invited to come forward.

Time with Our Children Jewel Aggaard, Director of Faith Formation

Children ages 4 – 11 may leave for Children's Worship and will return during the last hymn.

Teaching

*Hymn of Preparation, #300

"We Are One in the Spirit"

Prayer for Illumination

Kevin Aagaard

^{*}Hymn of Praise, #297

Gospel Reading 1 Corinthians 12:1-11 (Pew Bible, NT pp. 152-153)

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

Sermon "Holy Spirit Activate!" Rev. Rachel H. Vogado

*Affirmation of Faith (from A Brief Statement of Faith)

We trust in God the Holy Spirit,

everywhere the giver and renewer of life.

The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith,

sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor.

and binds us together with all believers

in the one body of Christ, the Church.

The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles

rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture,

engages us through the Word proclaimed,

claims us in the waters of baptism,

feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation,

and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church.

In a broken and fearful world

the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing,

to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,

to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,

to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,

and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,

we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks,

and to live holy and joyful lives,

even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth,

praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

Anthem

"Many Gifts, One Spirit" Diane Hannibal/Joel Raney

Nurturing

Celebration of Giving+

Offertory "Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song"

Robert J Powell

*Doxology, #607

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Christ, all people here below;

Praise Holy Spirit, evermore;

Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession with the Lord's Prayer

Reaching

*Hymn of Devotion, #761

"Called as Partners in Christ's Service"

*Charge and Benediction

Trinity Chimes

Our Trinity Chimes played before the postlude provide the opportunity to sit and enjoy the end of our service with music, or to exit quietly as our Livestream continues for this part of worship.

Postlude

"Trumpet Tune in Eb Major"

Music Notes from Ronn Lowe: "When Christ's Appearing Was Made Known" is a beautiful hymn for Epiphany. These words are verses 3 & 4: "And O what miracle divine, when water reddened into wine! He spake the word, and forth it flowed in streams that nature ne'er bestowed. All glory, Jesus, be to Thee for this, Thy glad Epiphany: whom with the Father we adore and Holy Ghost forevermore." Robert Powell's arrangement of this hymn is so creative, depicting a dove flying with its melodious swift notes. The Covenant organ has a beautiful flute stop for this swift melody.

"Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song" continues ..."like the challenge of her flight, like the vigor of the wind's rush, like the new flame's eager flight: Come, Holy Spirit, come."

Welcome! We are blessed to have you join our worship today, and we hope to keep seeing you! More information about Covenant is available on our website at <u>covenantroanoke.org</u> and you can also follow us on Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, and Twitter. We would love to get to know you better, and a card is available in the pew before you to begin this journey together.

Greetings, Parents! Children are always welcome in our worship services. If you so choose, a professionally staffed nursery is available for children ages 3 and younger. Please ask an usher for assistance. We also have a Parents Room just outside the Sanctuary, with a changing table and rocking chairs. Children's bulletins and activity bags are available on the table in Heritage Hall. We offer Children's Worship during the second half of the service for children ages 4 to 11.

Join us for Mingle and Munch! After worship, all are welcome to gather in Heritage Hall (the entrance area) to visit with church members and guests while enjoying light refreshments. Special thanks to the Aagaard Family for hosting this morning!

The flowers in the chancel today are given by Jerry and Judi Barnes to the glory of God and in loving memory of Jerry's twin sister, Geraldine Barnes.

Elder of the Month: Gail Trussell

Deacon of the Month: Kevin Aggaard

Assistant Deacon of the Month: Scott Ramsburg



In Our Prayers ... Congregation: Audrey Bashlor, Christine Beck, Mary Jane Fisher, Dick Frahm, Lynnmarie Hancock, Jerry Lawson, Lindsey Nanz, Ann Cecil Renick, Carol Ryan, Brian Slack, June and Forrest Smith, Jinx Weary, Jo Wilson, caregivers, military service members

and families

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