

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

January 16, 2022

Welcome to Worship

We are an intentionally inclusive community proclaiming a warm welcome to people of every race, nationality, gender, sexual identity, age and ability into all aspects of our church life. ~ *Faith Lutheran Church*



GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Toccata IX, Part I

GIROLAMO FRESCOBALDI*

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,
who creates us, redeems us,
and calls us by name.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Most merciful God,

**C: we confess that we have sinned against you
and your beloved children.**

**We have turned our faces away from your glory
when it did not appear as we expected.**

**We have rejected your word
when it made us confront ourselves.**

**We have failed to show hospitality
to those you called us to welcome.**

**Accept our repentance for the things we have done
and the things we have left undone.**

For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.

**Forgive us and lead us, that we may bathe
in the glory of your Son born among us,
and reflect your love for all creation.**

Amen.

P: Rejoice in this good news:

In + Christ Jesus, your sins are forgiven.

You are descendants of the Most High,
adopted into the household of Christ,
and inheritors of eternal life.

Live as freed and forgiven children of God.

C: Amen.



1 Lift ev - 'ry voice and sing till earth and heav - en ring,
2 Ston - y the road we trod, bit - ter the chas - t'ning rod,
3 God of our wea - ry years, God of our si - lent tears,



ring with the har - mo - nies of lib - er - ty.
felt in the days when hope un - born had died;
thou who hast brought us thus far on the way;



Let our re - joic - ing rise high as the lis - t'ning skies,
yet with a stead - y beat, have not our wea - ry feet
thou who hast by thy might led us in - to the light,



let it re - sound loud as the roll - ing sea.
come to the place for which our par - ents sighed?
keep us for - ev - er in the path, we pray.



Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us;
We have come o - ver a way that with tears has been wa - tered;
Lest our feet stray from the plac - es, our God, where we met thee;



sing a song full of the hope that the pres - ent has brought us;
we have come, tread - ing our path through the blood of the slaugh - tered,
lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we for - get thee;



fac - ing the ris - ing sun of our new day be - gun,
out from the gloom - y past, till now we stand at last
shad - owed be - neath thy hand, may we for - ev - er stand,



let us march on till vic - to - ry is won.
where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.
true to our God, true to our na - tive land.

GREETING

P: Christ has called us to this place, gathered one and all by the Holy Spirit.

C: As followers of Christ, we learn to love and live to serve.

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

C: And also with you.

KYRIE

P: Kyrie Eleison.

C: Lord Have Mercy.

P: Christe Eleison.

C: Christ Have Mercy.

P: Kyrie Eleison.

C: Lord Have Mercy.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray,

Patient God, Your son, Jesus, expressed anger at abuses and injustice. Help us to show concern, not apathy, for injustice in our world, and teach us to make right all that may be wrong.

C: Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

ANTHEM

How Can I Keep from Singing?

ROBERT LOWRY
ARR. MICHAEL BURKHARDT

*My life flows on in endless song; above earth's lamentation,
I hear the real though far-off hymn that hails a new creation.
Through all the tumult and the strife, I hear the music ringing;
It sounds an echo in my soul: How can I keep from singing?*

*What if my joys and comforts die? I know that truth is living.
What, though the darkness 'round me close? Still, truth its light is giving.
No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that rock I'm clinging.
Since Love is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?*

*I lift my eyes, the cloud grows thin, I see the blue above it,
And day by day, this pathway smooths, since first I learned to love it.
The peace from Love makes fresh my heart, a song of hope is springing;
All things are mine since truth I've found. How can I keep from singing?
~ Quaker Hymn*

FIRST READING

Psalm 127:1-2

1 Unless the LORD builds the house,
those who build it labor in vain.

Unless the LORD guards the city,
the guard keeps watch in vain.

2 It is in vain that you rise up early
and go late to rest,
eating the bread of anxious toil;
for he gives sleep to his beloved.

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

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 12:1-11

¹Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. ²You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. ³Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.

⁴Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Congregation:

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we
go? You have the words of e - ter - nal
life. Al - le - lu - ia!

Optional Repeat

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 2nd Chapter

C: Glory to you, O Lord

GOSPEL READING

John 2:13-25

¹³The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. ¹⁴In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. ¹⁵Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. ¹⁶He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" ¹⁷His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." ¹⁸The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" ¹⁹Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." ²⁰The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" ²¹But he was speaking of the temple of his body. ²²After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

²³When he was in Jerusalem during the Passover festival, many believed in his name because they saw the signs that he was doing. ²⁴But Jesus on his part would not entrust himself to them, because he knew all people ²⁵and needed no one to testify about anyone; for he himself knew what was in everyone.

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

SERMON

(SING VERSES 1 & 3)



- 1 Wash, O God, our sons and daughters, where your cleans-ing wa-ters flow.
- 2 We who bring them long for nur-ture; by your milk may we be fed.
- 3 Oh, how deep your ho-ly wis-dom! Un-im-ag-ined, all your ways!



Num-ber them a-mong your peo-ple; bless as Christ blessed long a-go.
 Let us join your feast, par-tak-ing cup of bless-ing, liv-ing bread.
 To your name be glo-ry, hon-or! With our lives we wor-ship, praise!



Weave them gar-ments bright and spark-ling; com-press them with love and light.
 God, re-new us, guide our foot-steps; free from sin and all its snares,
 We your peo-ple stand be-fore you, wa-ter-washed and Spir-it-born.



Fill, a-noint them; send your Spir-it, ho-ly dove and heart's de-light.
 one with Christ in liv-ing, dy-ing, by your Spir-it, chil-dren, heirs.
 By your grace, our lives we of-fer. Re-cre-ate us; God, trans-form!

APOSTLES CREED

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
 who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
 born of the virgin Mary,
 suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, died, and was buried;
 he descended to the dead.*
 On the third day he rose again;
 he ascended into heaven,
 he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
 and he will come 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 the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYER

P: Lord in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer

PEACE

P: Peace of Christ be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Share a sign of peace with one another.

OFFERING

P: Trusting in the sure promises of Christ,
And grateful for the Spirit's sustaining power,
Let us bring our tithes and offerings to God.

OFFERTORY

Toccata IX, Part II

GIROLAMO FRESCOBALDI

OFFERING HYMN

O Friends, in Gladness Let Us Sing
**O friends, in gladness let us sing,
Supernal anthems echoing: "Alleluia! Alleluia!"
To God the Father, God the Son,
And God the Spirit, Three in One: "Alleluia! Alleluia!"
"Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!"**

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

OFFERING PRAYER

P: Blessed are you, O God, Sovereign of the universe.
You offer us new beginnings and guide us on our journey.
Lead us to your table, nourish us with this heavenly food,
and prepare us to carry your love to a hungry world,
in the name of Christ our light.

C: Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory. Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord who 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.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: Come to the table for all is ready.

DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION BLESSING

P: May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace now and forever, Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: We give you thanks, gracious God,
for we have feasted on the abundance of your house.
Send us to bring good news and to proclaim your favor to all,
strengthened with the richness of your grace
in your Son, Jesus Christ.

C: Amen.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

BLESSING

P: God, who leads you in pathways of righteousness,
who rejoices over you, and who calls you by name,
+ bless your going out and your coming in,
today and forever.

C: Amen.



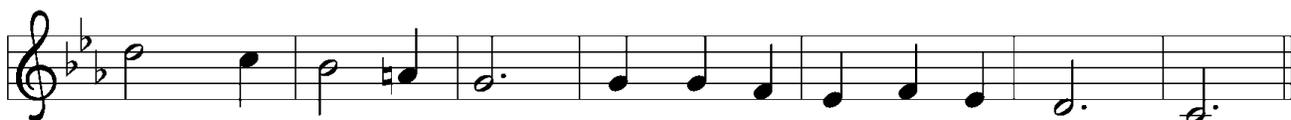
1 Built on a rock the church shall stand, e - ven when stee - ples are
 2 Sure - ly, in tem - ples made with hands God the Most High is not
 3 Christ builds a house of liv - ing stones: we are his own hab - i -
 4 Yet in this house, an earth - ly frame, Je - sus the chil - dren is
 5 Through all the pass - ing years, O Lord, grant that, when church bells are



fall - ing; crum - bled have spires in ev - 'ry land, bells still are
 dwell - ing— high in the heav'ns his tem - ple stands, all earth - ly
 ta - tion; he fills our hearts, his hum - ble thrones, grant - ing us
 bless - ing; hith - er we come to praise his name, faith in our
 ring - ing, man - y may come to hear your Word, who here this



chim - ing and call - ing— call - ing the young and old to rest, call - ing the
 tem - ples ex - cel - ling. Yet God who dwells in heav'n a - bove deigns to a -
 life and sal - va - tion. Where two or three will seek his face, he in their
 Sav - ior con - fess - ing. Je - sus to us his Spir - it sent, mak - ing with
 prom - ise is bring - ing: "I know my own, my own know me; you, not the



souls of those dis - tressed, long - ing for life ev - er - last - ing.
 bide with us in love, mak - ing our bod - ies his tem - ple.
 midst will show his grace, bless - ings up - on them be - stow - ing.
 us his cov - e - nant, grant - ing his chil - dren the king - dom.
 world, my face shall see; my peace I leave with you. A - men."

SENDING

P: Go in peace. Rejoice in Christ our Savior.

C: Thanks be to God!

SENDING RESPONSE

How Can I Keep from Singing?

ROBERT LOWRY

*Through all the tumult and the strife, I hear the music ringing;
 It sounds an echo in my soul: How can I keep from singing?*

THE LONG WELCOME: THE CROSS

When you walk in the back of the church your eyes are drawn to the chancel area where the cross is prominent, right in the center. Lightbulbs on the back of the cross create a glow that signals the light of Christ in the midst of the struggle of the cross. The cross emphasizes the both/and of our theology: an instrument of torture, shame, death and despair AND the instrument that led to Jesus' resurrection. It held the ultimate sacrifice for our sins so we will not endure death, but instead life eternal. It is easy to hold the cross only as a symbol of celebration. Lest we forget, it is also a symbol of death. Through Jesus' death, we are given life. The cross is not to be taken lightly, but to bring us over and over again to the witness of God's promise, God's love for us, and the lengths to which God will go to hold us in care.

What does the cross mean to you? Share with others or journal about a feeling, experience, memory of being in the sanctuary and seeing the cross. When you are going about your day, where else do you see symbols of the cross? Perhaps play a game this week, keeping an eye out for all the crosses you see around you.

ON ZOOM

Links are on the Faith Website:
www.faithseattle.org

Adult Education:
Mondays at 7:00p

Young Adult Devotions:
Tuesdays at 7:00p

Yoga: All Dec
Tuesdays at 9:45a
Wednesdays at 5:30p

Bible Study:
Wednesdays at 10:00a
Led by Vicar Pam

Ruth Circle:
The 3rd Thursday at Noon
(Contact Donna Shy for link)

Coffee Fellowship:
Fridays at 11:00a

IN PERSON

Office Hours with Pastor Shannyn
Wednesdays at Noon
White tent by Narthex doors

Women's Book Group:
The 3rd Tuesday at 7:15p
Via Zoom and in Person (TBD)

Scripture Passages for Bible Study January 26

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10
Psalm 19
1 Corinthians 12:12-31a
Luke 4:14-21



***WORSHIP NOTES:** The Call to Worship and Offertory in this morning's service are taken from **Girolamo Frescobaldi's Toccata IX** of 1615. Italian toccatas vary in style; *Toccata IX* is "Venetian" in approach, with great freedom of expression within highly sectional writing; there are dramatic contrasts of virtuosity, mystical introspection, and startling musical gestures and harmonic progressions, all hallmarks of Frescobaldi's "modernity" in the *stile nuovo* of the early seventeenth century.

Lift Every Voice and Sing was written as a poem by James Weldon Johnson and then set to music by his brother John Rosamond Johnson in 1900. It has been sung for generations as a reflection on the struggle against oppression as well as a celebration of hope for the future.

Thanks to Diane Machatka for singing the anthem and leading this morning's hymns and service music!