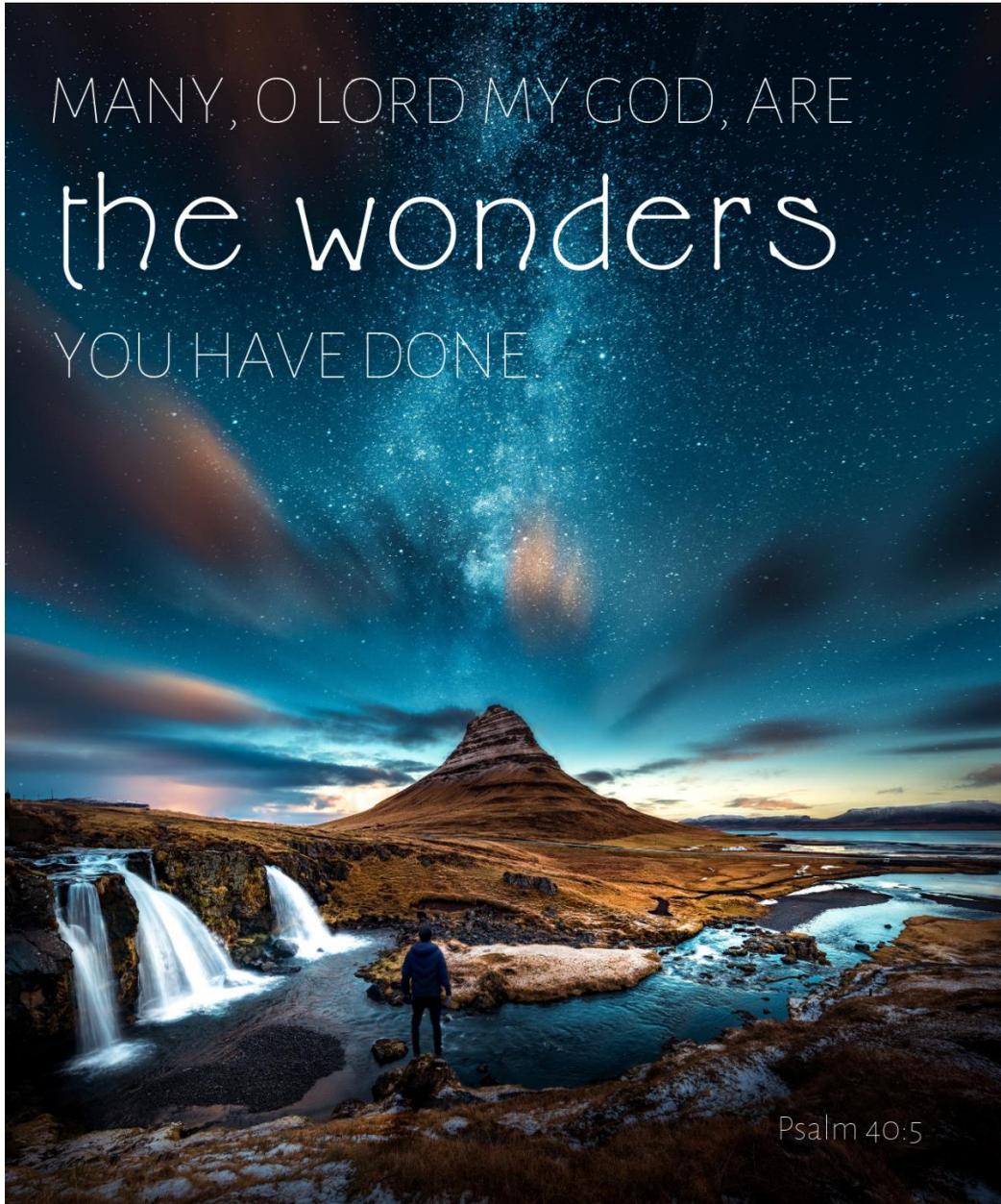


MANY, O LORD MY GOD, ARE  
**the wonders**  
YOU HAVE DONE.



Psalm 40:5

THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY  
**Jesus Is Our Miraculous Savior**

# **BROOKLYN LUTHERAN CHURCH | Brooklyn Park, Minnesota**

*January 20, 2019*

## **WELCOME TO WORSHIP**

We are thankful that you've chosen to worship with us.

We love children worshipping with us. But we understand that kids can get restless. We have a few options for your convenience: Quiet Bags in the back of church, filled with activity pages and books; a Quiet Area in the library area of our Commons with a rocking chair, children's books and toys; Changing Tables in both washrooms down the hallway to the right as you exit the chapel.

Most of the service is projected on the front wall. You can also find the service and hymns in the hymnal. Bibles are available on request. If you want, you may follow along with the today's readings from your mobile device.

*Please be sure to silence your mobile device so you don't disrupt the service or distract people's worship.*

## **SERVICE NOTES FOR THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY**

In today's Gospel Jesus performs his first miracle. He does it because the Father now wants him to go "public" and reveal his glory. As a result, his disciples trust in him as the Son of God. As we behold his glory, we delight in our Savior for he delights in us, delivers us, and grants us the divine dimensions of his immeasurable love.

## **PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP**

Lord Jesus, your disciples recorded your miracles that I may know you as God's Chosen One, the Son of God, and by believing, have life in your name. I do believe. Help me overcome my unbelief. Amen.

## **SERVING IN WORSHIP**

**Liturgist**

Pastor Erich Westphal

**Organist**

Sasha Schallert

**Ushers**

John Nueman, Guy Schimenz

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# **THE COMMON SERVICE** | *Common Worship* (page 15)

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OPENING HYMN

*O Light of Gentile Nations* | **78**

## **THE ORDER FOR HOLY BAPTISM**

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### **THE WORD**

FIRST LESSON

Exodus 7:14-24

Before Pharaoh, God changes water into blood. Like all his miracles, this power of God was meant to confirm its audience in faith or harden in unbelief.

<sup>14</sup>Then the LORD said to Moses, “Pharaoh’s heart is unyielding. He refuses to let the people go. <sup>15</sup>Go to Pharaoh in the morning. When he goes out by the water, stand on the bank of the Nile to meet him. Take in your hand the staff that was turned into a snake.

<sup>16</sup>“You are to tell him: ‘The LORD, the God of the Hebrews, has sent me to you. He says, “Let my people go so that they may serve me in the wilderness.” But look, until now you have not listened. <sup>17</sup>So this is what the LORD says: “In this way, you will know that I am the LORD.” Look! With the staff that is in my hand, I will strike the water in the Nile, and it will be turned to blood. <sup>18</sup>The fish that are in the Nile will die, and the Nile will stink. The Egyptians will not be able to drink water from the Nile.’”

<sup>19</sup>The LORD said to Moses, “Tell Aaron, ‘Take your staff, and stretch out your hand over the waters of Egypt—over its rivers, its streams, its ponds, and all the reservoirs—and they will become blood. There will be blood in the entire land of Egypt, even in containers made of wood and stone.’”

<sup>20</sup>Moses and Aaron did just as the LORD had commanded. In the sight of Pharaoh and his officials, Aaron lifted up the staff and struck the water that was in the Nile. All the water in the Nile was turned to blood. <sup>21</sup>The fish that were in the river died, and the river smelled so bad that the Egyptians were not able to drink water from the Nile. There was blood in the entire land of Egypt. <sup>22</sup>But the magicians of Egypt did the same thing by their occult practices. So Pharaoh’s heart was hard, and he did not listen to them, just as the LORD had told them. <sup>23</sup>Pharaoh turned and went to his palace. He did not take to heart even this. <sup>24</sup>All the Egyptians dug around the Nile for water to drink, because they were not able to drink the water from the Nile.

PSALM OF THE DAY

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## SECOND LESSON

Ephesians 3:14-21

As Christ's beloved, we can only begin to imagine the magnitude of his love.

<sup>14</sup>For this reason I kneel before the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>15</sup>from whom the entire family in heaven and on earth receives its name. <sup>16</sup>I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he would strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner self, <sup>17</sup>so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. Then, being rooted and grounded in love, <sup>18</sup>I pray that you would be able to comprehend, along with all the saints, how wide and long and high and deep his love is, <sup>19</sup>and that you would be able to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled to all the fullness of God.

<sup>20</sup>Now to him, who is able, according to the power that is at work within us, to do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine, <sup>21</sup>to him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever! Amen.

## VERSE OF THE DAY

Isaiah 49:3

Alleluia. He said to me, "You are my servant, in whom I will display my glory." Alleluia.

## GOSPEL

John 2:1-11

The importance of Jesus' first miracle is not that he saved a wedding but that he revealed his glorious, divine power and confirmed his disciple's faith.

Three days later, there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee. Jesus' mother was there. <sup>2</sup>Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding.

<sup>3</sup>When the wine was gone, Jesus' mother said to him, "They have no wine."

<sup>4</sup>Jesus said to her, "Woman, what does that have to do with you and me? My time has not come yet."

<sup>5</sup>His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you."

<sup>6</sup>Six stone water jars, which the Jews used for ceremonial cleansing, were standing there, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. <sup>7</sup>Jesus told them, "Fill the jars with water." So they filled them to the brim. <sup>8</sup>Then he said to them, "Now draw some out and take it to the master of the banquet." And they did.

<sup>9</sup>When the master of the banquet tasted the water that had now become wine, he did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew). The master of the banquet called the bridegroom <sup>10</sup>and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and when the guests have had plenty to drink, then the cheaper wine. You saved the good wine until now!"

<sup>11</sup>This, the beginning of his miraculous signs, Jesus performed in Cana of Galilee. He revealed his glory, and his disciples believed in him.

HYMN OF THE DAY

*Hail to the Lord's Anointed* | 93

**SERMON** "To God Be The Glory – Great Things He Has Done" | Ephesians 3:14-21

SERMON NOTES

1. What is the **MAIN THING** that God teaches me in this passage?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. What **SIN** does God lead me to confess, based on this passage?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
3. What does God lead me to **GIVE THANKS** for, based on this passage?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
4. What does God lead me to **PRAY** for or about, based on this passage?

OFFERING

*Moved by God's love in Christ, we offer him our first and best gifts, purely out of thanks to him.  
If you are a guest, please do not feel obligated to give an offering.*

*Please record your visit on the Connection Card so we can better serve you. This is also where we register for Holy Communion.*

# RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

### LORD'S PRAYER

*modern version*

## THE SACRAMENT

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*Our Lord Jesus has given us a holy supper in which we receive his true body and blood for the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of our faith. In this supper, we celebrate the gift of his redemption, we bear witness to the fellowship we share as confessors of the truth, and we proclaim his death until he returns.*

*If you are not a member of this congregation or haven't established fellowship with us, please speak to the pastor before receiving this Sacrament.*

### PERSONAL PREPARATION FOR HOLY COMMUNION

*If you have established communing fellowship with us and desire to receive the Lord's Supper today, please use the following questions to help you prepare:*

- Q: Do I recognize that I have sinned against God and deserve his punishment?
- Q: Do I want forgiveness for my failures (according to the Ten Commandments) to carry out the responsibilities of my calling(s)?
- Q: Do I believe that Jesus purchased forgiveness for me by his sinless life for me and death on the cross as the payment for all my sins?
- Q: Do I believe that Jesus gives me his body and blood together with the bread and wine for the forgiveness of my sins?
- Q: Do I intend, with Christ's help, to fight temptation, do what I can to correct the wrongs I have done, and serve him and those around me with love and good works?

## DISTRIBUTION HYMN

*O Lord, We Praise You | 317*

## THANKSGIVING

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## CLOSING HYMN

*Oh, Love, How Deep | 371 verses 1,2,4,7*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**NEW MEMBERS** Today, we give thanks to God for bringing Lilian (and son Gweseh) Ngungkpan into our church family through profession of faith, and for bringing her daughter Gwen into his family through the sacrament of Baptism.

**ALTAR FLOWERS** are given to the glory of God today by Becky Rudenick in memory of her parents' anniversary.

**60TH ANNIVERSARY** On Sunday, February 10 at our regular service, we are celebrating 60 years of God's grace to our congregation. Former pastor, Curtis Holub, will be the guest preacher. The Reformation Brass is providing music. The anniversary offering is designated for a new audio-visual system for the sanctuary. There will be a lunch following the service (*with a suggested donation of \$5 per plate*).

**HELP NEEDED** sprucing up the interior spaces of our church. Let's make our building shine in preparation for our 60th anniversary celebration. Come for an hour or more on Saturday, January 26 (9:00 am). Questions? Contact Renee Graen.

**ANNUAL TOWN HALL MEETING** will be today (1/20) after the service to discuss our ministry for the upcoming year.

**ANNUAL VOTER'S MEETING** next Sunday, January 27, after the service to ratify the ministry plans discussed at the Town Hall Meeting. If you are a voting member, please try to attend this meeting.

**YEAR END OFFERING STATEMENTS** are on the table by the bulletin board. Please be sure to pick yours up.

**SIGN UP** (at the Info Center) to host fellowship hour and to provide altar flowers for 2019.

### Calendar Week

#### Today – Epiphany 2

Sunday School	9:00 am
Bible Study	9:00 am
Worship	10:00 am
Town Hall Meeting	11:00 am

#### Monday

Men's Growth Group	7:00 pm
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#### Tuesday

*No Bible Class*

#### Wednesday

Choir	6:45 pm
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#### Sunday – Epiphany 3

Sunday School	9:00 am
Bible Study	9:00 am
Worship	10:00 am
Annual Voters' Meeting	11:00 am

### Serving in The Lord

#### Ushers

Today:	John Nueman Guy Schimenz
Next Sunday:	Larry Gens Andrew Boyd

#### Organist

Today:	Sasha Schallert
Next Sunday:	Jan Budach

#### January Money Counters

*none listed*

### Blessings from The Lord

#### Attendance

Bible Study – 18
Sunday School – 5
Sunday Service – 50
Tuesday Bible Class – 7

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