

SUNDAY, JANUARY 17, 2016

2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

**FIRST LESSON Isaiah 62:1-5**

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the Lord delights in you, and your land shall be married. For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

**SECOND LESSON 1 Corinthians 12:1-11**

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. Therefore 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. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to 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. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

**GOSPEL John 2:1-11**

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

# SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY



**JANUARY 17, 2016**

**Second Sunday After Epiphany**  
January 17, 2016  
8:30 and 11:00 a.m.  
Website: www.firstlutheranchurchff.org

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**The Nominating Committee elected by the congregation at last year's Annual Meeting has recommended to the church council the following members as nominees for their respective positions.**

In today's reading, Jesus is at a wedding and the wine has run out. This is a big problem. But Jesus provides and turns the water into wine. In our daily lives, Jesus is also extravagantly generous, providing us with what we need each and every day.

**Prelude**

**Announcements**

**\*Processional Hymn**

**ELW**

**\*Apostolic Greeting**

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**\*Kyrie**

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**\*Hymn of Praise**

*Glory to God*

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**\*Prayer of the Day**

P Let us pray. . . .  
C Amen

**Anthem**

*The Lord is a Mighty God*  
Adult Choir

Felix Mendellsohn

**First Lesson**

Isaiah 62:1-5

The people's return to Judah after the exile was marred by economic and political troubles. Nevertheless, the prophet declares, Jerusalem and Judah will be restored. God will rejoice over Jerusalem as a bridegroom rejoices over his bride; and the people are called to the celebration.  
(Congregational response after reading: **Thanks be to God**)

**Second Lesson**

1 Corinthians 12:1-11

The congregation at Corinth experienced division as people were comparing one another's spiritual gifts, thinking some to be superior to others. Paul invites this fractured community to trust that God's Holy Spirit has gifted them all perfectly for their mission together.  
(Congregational response after reading: **Thanks be to God**)

**Council Positions**

Vice President – Greg Peterson  
Worship – LeAnne Jaenisch  
Youth – Tonya Bergren  
Finance – Richard Felstul  
Fellowship – Terry Gervais  
Personnel – Joe Ellig  
Secretary – Deb Opatz  
Property -

**Nominating Committee** (Vote for 6)

Adam Vaughn  
Lisa Wolfe  
Ashley Shuck

**Northwest Synod Assembly** (vote for 4)

Derek & Elizabeth Abrahams  
Greg & Joanne Peterson

**PioneerCare Designate**

Ron & Teri Spangler

**FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH  
ANNUAL MEETING**  
**Sunday, January 31, 2016**  
**Potluck at Noon followed by the Annual Meeting  
in Fellowship Hall**

**This Week at Lutheran:**

Today: 8:30 & 11 a.m. Worship  
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
**10:00 a.m. Preschool 2 Milestone Class**  
 10 a.m. Adult Bible Study

Monday: 9:00 a.m. WELCA Love Days  
 5:00 p.m. Al-Anon

Tuesday: **MESSENGER DEADLINE**  
 9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting  
 6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts

Wednesday: **7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study @ Lake Region Hospital**  
 9:30 a.m. Al-Anon  
 10:00 a.m. AA  
 3:45-4:30 p.m. Children's Choir  
 4:30-5:15 p.m. FLY 57  
 6:00 p.m. Hosanna Handbells  
**6:30 p.m. Super Fly Minute to Win It**  
 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir

Thurs.: 8:45 am Morning Watch – Pastor Jennifer – KBRF AM 1250  
 9:30 a.m. Sr. Bible Study & Coffee

Friday: CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

**Next Sunday, January 25:**

**8:30 & 11 a.m. Worship/ Preschool 2 Milestone Blessing in worship**  
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
**10:00 a.m. Adult Forum on 2016 Budget**

**\*Gospel Acclamation**

(Congregational response sung after Gospel is announced: **Glory to you, O Lord.**)

**\*Gospel**

John 2:1-11

Turning water to wine at the wedding at Cana is described as the first of Jesus' signs. Through many such epiphanies, Jesus reveals that he bears God's creative power and joyful presence into the world.

(Congregational response sung after Gospel is read: **Praise to you, O Christ**)

**Sermon**

***Jesus: The Life of the Party***

Pastor Jennifer

**Hymn of the Day**

(Children come forward on last verse)

**ELW**

**Children's Event (8:30)**

Pastor Jennifer

**Sacrament of Holy Baptism (11:00)**

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**\*The Apostles' Creed (8:30)**

Back Cover of ELW Hymnal

**C** I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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

**\*The PEACE is shared**

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** And also with you.

**Offering**

**\*Offertory**

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right spir -  
 it with- in me. Cast me not a- way from your pres- ence, and take  
 not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re- store to me the  
 joy of your sal- va - tion, and up- hold me with your free Spir - it.

**\*The Prayers**

P ...Lord, in your mercy,                   OR           P ... Let us pray to the Lord,  
 C hear our prayer.                                   C Lord, have mercy.

**\*The Lord's Prayer**

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

**\*Blessing**

**\*Threefold Amen**

**\*Sending**

P Go in peace. Serve the Lord.  
 C Thanks be to God.

**\*Closing Hymn**

**ELW**

**Postlude**

\*denotes when to stand

**Fellowship and Refreshments** this morning in the narthex between services by the families of Svea & Solvie Smestad and Brooke Lillemon.

**Radio Broadcast** is sponsored by Bonnie Bartsch in remembrance of family gone.

**Altar Flowers** are given by Tom & Jane Willett in celebration of their children's wedding anniversaries.

**Roses on the Altar** are in celebration of the baptisms of Jaxson Dehreck Lee & Dehreck Hugh Janssen, father and son. Mother is Kristie Janssen. Sponsors for Jaxson are Devon Scott, Dorris Warren and Haley Kutzke. Sponsors for Dehreck are Allan & Sandy Kutzke. Guardian Angel is Emilie Koch.

**Visitors!** If you didn't get a "Visitors Bag" when you came in this morning please pick one up on your way out after worship. You'll find them in a basket located on the small table on the ramp coming up from the narthex into the sanctuary.

**Large Print Edition** of the order of worship, the lessons, and the hymns for today are available. If you would like copies for worship, please ask an usher.

Our First Lutheran Church **Relay for Life** Team will be selling Herberger's Community Days Coupon Books as a fund raiser for the next month between church services. Please show your support for our team by purchasing \$5 coupon books which are available on the info counter at church.

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Senior Pastor:	Saul Stensvaag
Associate Pastor:	Jennifer Rose
Visitation Pastor:	Stan Satre
Sunday School Superintendent:	Cindy Larson
Council President:	Lisa Wolfe
Adult Choir Director:	Erik Vigesaa
Organist:	Keith Melberg
Lectors:	8:30 – Lorri Holt 11- Pamela Schroden
Acolytes:	8:30- Lilly Stumbo 11-Aaron Shelstad
Cantors:	Diane Prischmann
Greeters:	8:30- Lewis Roers & Jolene Hanson
PA Operator:	8:30- Paul Dimke 11- Jack Pearson