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Messiah's Mission:

**"Live by Faith, Share Christ's Love,
Be a Voice of Hope"**

*You are my Son, the Beloved;
with you I am well pleased*

LUKE 3:22



Welcome to Messiah Lutheran Church

Epiphany I | January 2nd, 2022

Gathering

Welcome and Introit

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the fountain of living water,
the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation. Amen.

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's
mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved
over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth
life in which you took delight.

Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family.
Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom.
At the river, your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the
Holy Spirit. By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us
heirs of your promise and servants of all.

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all
we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with
your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the
unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

Gathering Hymn | ELW 305 When Jesus Came to Jordan



1 When Je - sus came to Jor - dan to be bap-tized by John,
2 He came to share temp - ta - tion, our ut - most woe and loss,
3 Come, Ho - ly Spir - it, aid us to keep the vows we make;



he did not come for par - don but as the Sin - less One.
for us and our sal - va - tion to die up - on the cross.
this ver - y day in - vade us, and ev - 'ry bond - age break.



He came to share re - pen - tance with all who mourn their sins,
So when the dove de - scend - ed on him, the Son of Man,
Come, give our lives di - rec - tion, the gift we cov - et most:



to speak the vi - tal sen - tence with which good news be - gins.
the hid - den years had end - ed, the age of grace be - gan.
to share the res - ur - rec - tion that leads to Pen - te - cost.

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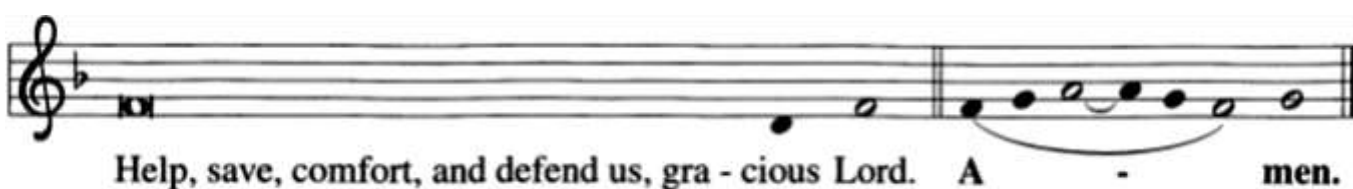
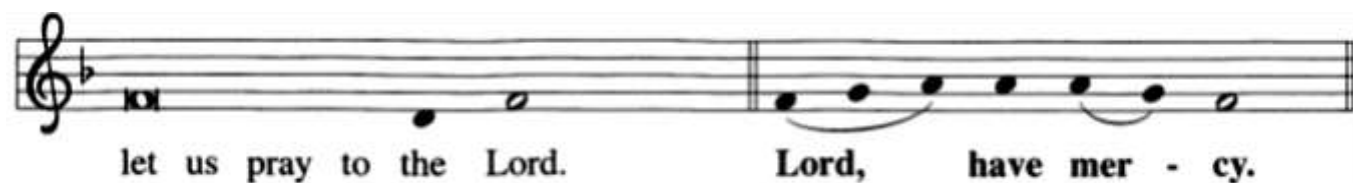
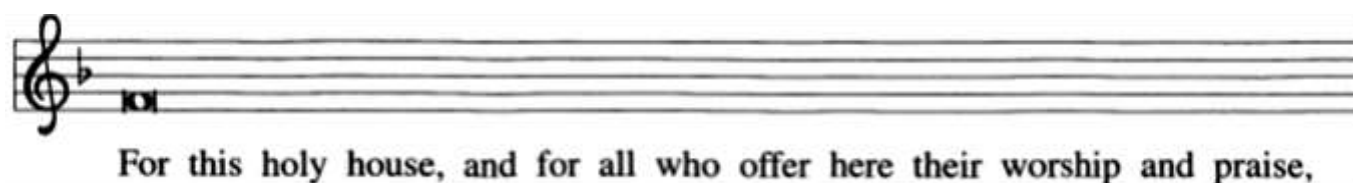
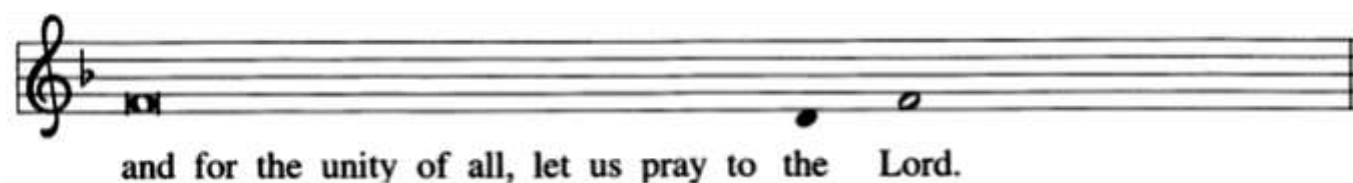
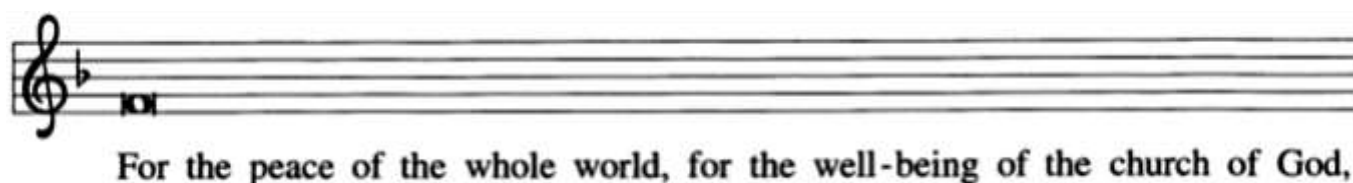
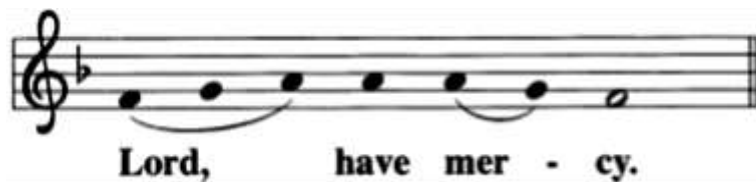
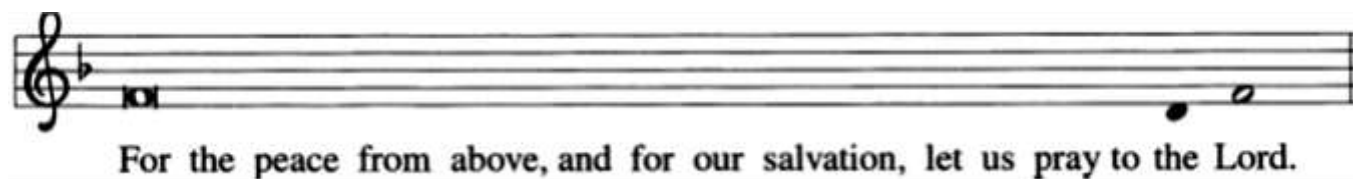
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Greeting

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

And also with you.

Kyrie



Hymn of Praise

Assisting minister

S 139



Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

All



Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,



we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, you anointed Jesus at his baptism with the Holy Spirit and revealed him as your beloved Son. Keep all who are born of water and the Spirit faithful in your service, that we may rejoice to be called children of God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Life of the Church

Children Sermon Word

Isaiah 43:1-7 (See Back of Bulletin)

Psalm 29

Ascribe to the Lord, you gods,
ascribe to the Lord
glory and strength.
Ascribe to the Lord
the glory due God's name;
worship the Lord
in the beauty of holiness.
The voice of the Lord
is upon the waters;
the God of glory thunders;
the Lord is upon the mighty waters.
The voice of the Lord
is a powerful voice;
the voice of the Lord
is a voice of splendor.
The voice of the Lord
breaks the cedar trees;
the Lord
breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

the Lord makes Lebanon
skip like a calf,
and Mount Hermon
like a young wild ox.
The voice of the Lord
bursts forth in lightning flashes.
The voice of the Lord
shakes the wilderness;
the Lord
shakes the wilderness of
Kadesh.
The voice of the Lord makes the oak
trees writhe and strips the forests bare.
And in the temple of the Lord
all are crying, "Glory!"
The Lord sits enthroned
above the flood;
the Lord sits enthroned
as king forevermore.
O Lord, give strength to your people;
give them, O Lord,
the blessings of peace.

Acts 8:14-17 (See Back of Bulletin)

Gospel Acclamation

*Arise, Shine, For your light has come
and the glory of the Lord has dawned upon you.*

The Holy Gospel according to Luke Chapter 3

Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel Lesson: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22 (See back of bulletin)

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Hymn of the Day | ACS 916 Down Galilee's Slow Roadways



1 Down Gal - i - lee's slow road - ways a strang - er trav - eled on
2 A - ris - ing from the riv - er he saw the heav - ens torn;
3 We too have found a road - way; it led us to this place.



from Naz - a - reth to Jor - dan to be bap - tized by John.
it seemed the sky so o - pen re - vealed the Spir - it's form.
We all have had to trav - el in search of hope and grace.



He went down to the wa - ters like sol - dier, scribe, and slave,
The ho - ly dove de - scend - ed a - mid a glo - rious voice:
But now be - side this wa - ter a - gain a voice is heard.



but there with - in the riv - er the sign was birth and grave.
"You are my own be - lov - ed, my child, my heart, my choice."
"You are my own, my cho - sen, be - lov - ed of your Lord."

Apostle's 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.

Prayers of the People

With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in
need, and all of God's creation.

...Lord, in your mercy, Hear our prayer.

Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your
mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

Sharing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always
And also with you

Offering

Offertory Hymn | ELW 182 Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of

bles - sing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be

fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u -

nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your

pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

The musical score is written on five staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics printed below each staff. The final note of the piece is a whole note G on the fifth line of the staff.

Music: Richard W. Hillert, b. 1923

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Offertory Prayer

God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you , and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord.

Amen

Meal

Great Thanksgiving

S 144a

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

This musical score is for a four-part setting of the Great Thanksgiving. It consists of four staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below each staff. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The music is written in a single melodic line across four staves. The lyrics are: 'The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.' on the first staff, 'Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.' on the second, 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.' on the third, and 'It is right to give our thanks and praise.' on the fourth. The score is identified as 'S 144a' in the top right corner.

Preface

Holy, Holy, Holy

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of

pow-er and might, heav - en and earth are full of your

glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

This musical score is for a four-part setting of the Preface. It consists of four staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below each staff. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The music is written in a single melodic line across four staves. The lyrics are: 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of' on the first staff, 'pow-er and might, heav - en and earth are full of your' on the second, 'glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.' on the third, and 'Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.' on the fourth. The score is identified as 'S 144a' in the top right corner.



Eucharistic Prayer | Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

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.

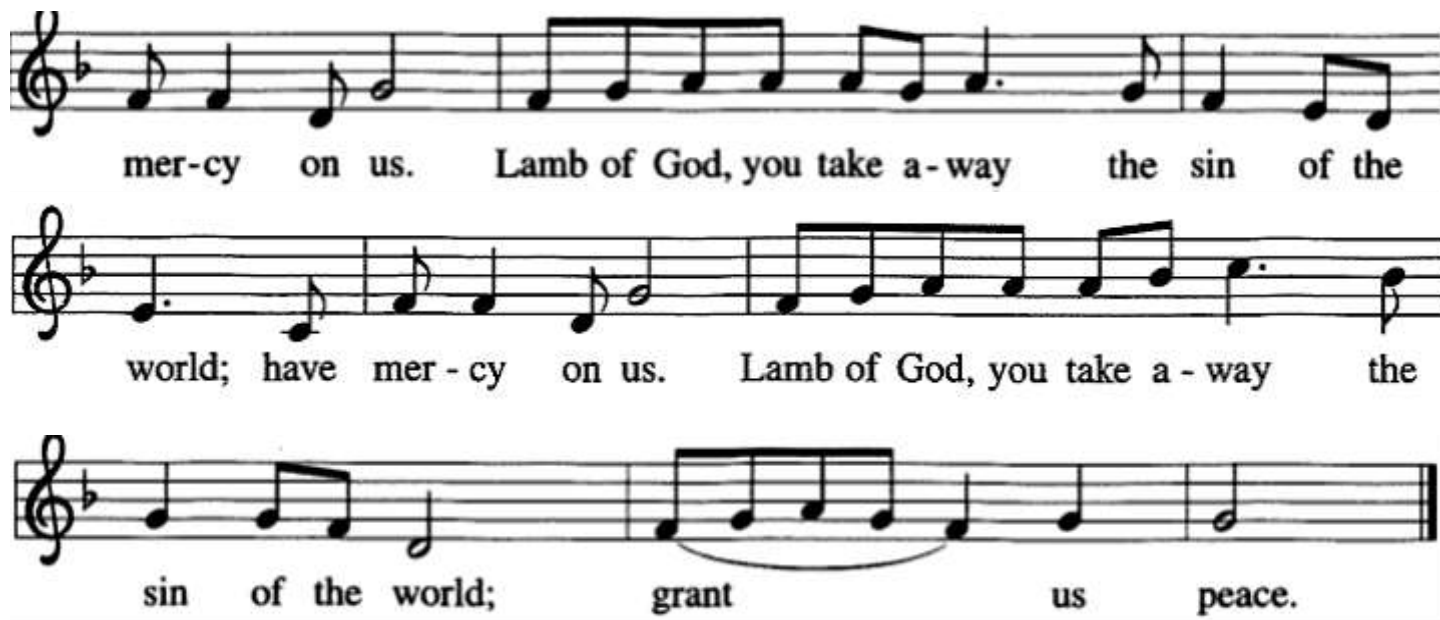
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen

Invitation to the Table

Communion

Lamb of God





Post Communion Prayer

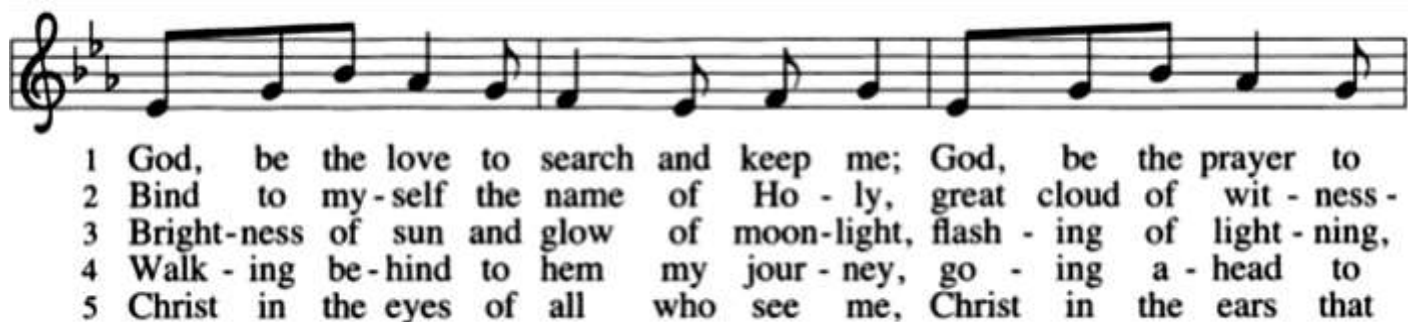
O God, our life, our strength, our food, we give you thanks for sustaining us with the body and blood of your Son. By your Holy Spirit, enliven us to be his body in the world, that more and more we will give you praise and serve your earth and its many peoples, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Sending

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and (+) give you peace. Amen.

Sending Hymn | ACS 1084 God Be the Love to Search and Keep Me



move my voice; God, be the strength to now up - hold me:
 es - en - fold; proph - ets, a - pos - tles, an - gels wit - ness:
 strength of wind, depth of the sea to soil of plan - et:
 light my way, and from be - neath, a - bove, and all ways:
 hear my voice, Christ in the hearts of all who know me:

Refrain
 O Christ, sur - round me; O Christ, sur - round me.

Text: Richard Bruxvoort Colligan, b. 1967
 Music: Richard Bruxvoort Colligan
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GREEN TYLER
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Dismissal

Our worship has ended; now our service begins! Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
 Thanks be to God.

Announcements

Special Offering for the month of January: Baretooth Cupboards

- Immediately following worship today, we begin our Adult Forum series on "Crossing the Bar," led by the author, Jim Johnson. Books are still available for \$10 each. If you have taken a book, please make sure you've paid, or speak to Pastor Ben.
- On January 16th, immediately following worship, Melinda will be hosting an Adult Forum about how to navigate our new website.
- For all of Epiphany, the color is green. (Jan. 9—Feb. 20)
- On February 13th Pastor Ben will lead an adult forum in which we will do some collective dreaming about what our new church sanctuary will look like. Come with your ideas and desires for the look and feel of our new worship space.

Join us at 9:30 Sunday mornings for worship on Zoom.
You can find the link and the bulletin on our website:
redlodgemessiah.com

Add your name to our mailing list to stay up to date on
progress of the new building, worship news, and more.
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with specific information and permission from the person you are adding.

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Marphel Ballentine
Monnie Boldt
Manuel Cabanas
Amy Crane
Lenny Erickson
Brooke Feister
Larry Fry
Mike Gasparro

The family of Nancy Gasparro
Nathan Green
Ruth Hilderman
Andrea Holmen
Jim Johnson
Jim Koski
Rick Koski
Sandy Koski
Neil Laird

Tallu Quinn
Kenneth Rich
James "Bud" Ridenour
Dick Rosekelly
DJ Rosekelly
Michelle Rosekelly
Marianne Schapendonk
Julie Schweitzer
Josh Wilker
Jim Zenz

Messiah Lutheran Church Light in the Beartooths



Live by faith
Share Christ's Love
Be a voice of Hope



FIRST READING: Isaiah 43:1-7

But now thus says the LORD,
he who created you, O Jacob,
he who formed you, O Israel:
Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;
I have called you by name, you are mine.
²When you pass through the waters, I will
be with you;
and through the rivers, they shall not
overwhelm you;
when you walk through fire you shall not
be burned,
and the flame shall not consume you.
³For I am the LORD your God,
the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.
I give Egypt as your ransom,
Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you.
⁴Because you are precious in my sight,
and honored, and I love you,
I give people in return for you,
nations in exchange for your life.
⁵Do not fear, for I am with you;
I will bring your offspring from the east,
and from the west I will gather you;
⁶I will say to the north, "Give them up,"
and to the south, "Do not withhold;
bring my sons from far away
and my daughters from the end of
the earth—
⁷everyone who is called by my name,
whom I created for my glory,
whom I formed and made."

Psalm 29**SECOND READING: Acts 8:14-17**

Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. ¹⁵The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit ¹⁶(for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). ¹⁷Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

GOSPEL: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, ¹⁶John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹⁷His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

²¹Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, ²²and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

Next Sunday's Readings: Isaiah 62:1-5; Psalm 36:5-10; 1 Corinthians 12:1-11; John 2:1-11.

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