

† SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY †
January 16, 2022

Service of Holy Communion 9:00 & 10:45 a.m.
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PRELUDE

Wie schön leuchtet

Mark Sedio

INVOCATION and CONFESSION (*Congregation rising*)

P In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P God of all mercy and consolation, come to the aid of Your people, turning us from our sin to live for You alone. Give us the power of Your Holy Spirit, that attentive to Your Word, we may confess our sins, receive Your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Gracious God, have mercy on us. In Your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by Your Spirit so that we may live and serve You in newness of life, to the honor and glory of Your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

OPENING HYMN

LSB Hymn 395

O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright (v. 1-3)

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray:

C Lord God, source of every blessing, Your Son brought gladness and the promise of salvation for all people. As His ministry showed forth Your glory and led many to faith, renew us by the Spirit of Your love to find our life together in Jesus Christ, Your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 62:1-5

¹For 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. ²The 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. ³You shall

be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. ⁴You 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. ⁵For 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.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE

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.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL CANTICLE (*Congregation rising*)

Jesus, name above all names, beautiful Savior, glorious Lord,
Emmanuel, God is with us, blessed Redeemer, living Word.

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GOSPEL

John 2:1-11

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

C Glory to You, O Lord.

¹On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ²Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." ⁴And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." ⁵His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." ⁶Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. ⁹When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though

OFFERING HYMN (*Congregation rising*)

(LSB Hymn 638)

Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to Him and never be hungry.
 Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in Him and you will not thirst.

† **HOLY COMMUNION** †**PREFACE**

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them up to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P It is indeed good, right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to You, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord. Sharing our life, He lived among us to reveal Your glory and love, that our darkness should give way to His own brilliant light. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise Your name and join their unending hymn:

♪ **SANCTUS** (*Sung to the hymn "Holy, Holy, Holy"*)

Holy, holy, holy Lord God Almighty!

We rejoice to join the hymns of earth and sky and sea.

Generations praise You, with saints and angels.

Holy and bless'd through all eternity.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach 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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION and SIGN OF PEACE

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

♪ **AGNUS DEI** (*Sung to the hymn "My Faith Looks Up to Thee"*)

O Lamb of God, we pray: Take all our sins away – our faith increase.
Have mercy on us all, strengthen us when we fall,
answer our fervent call and grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

LSB Hymn 631

Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face

(Worshippers are invited to come forward to receive the pre-packaged Communion kit, then return to your seat to eat and drink. Children and those not partaking of communion are welcome to come forward for a blessing. If you need assistance, please alert the pastor or usher.)

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

P Almighty God, You provide the true bread from heaven, Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant that we who have received the sacrament of His body and blood may abide in Him, and He in us, that we may be filled with the power of His endless life; for He lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

BENEDICTION

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

Lift Every Voice and Sing (v. 1 & 3)

LSB Hymn 964

DISMISSAL

P Go in peace to serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Go Forth in Faith

David Paxton

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COMMUNION STATEMENT

Village Lutheran Church welcomes to Holy Communion those baptized Christians who: †Know Jesus Christ as their Savior (*John 20:31*); †Recognize that the body and blood of Christ are truly present in the bread and wine (*1 Cor. 11:29*); †Are able to examine themselves and repent of their sins (*1 Cor. 11:28*); and †Look to God’s Holy Spirit for help in living the Christian life (*Col. 1:10*). Persons not receiving Communion may come forward to receive a blessing.

Participants in the Service:

	9:00	10:45
Lector	Joshua Gleason	Matthew Martinez
Usher Team	Bill Vogt Lilann Skeckowski Warren Wong	Georgine Read Ilse Koerper
Sexton	Joshua Gleason	

Refreshments "Grab and Go" snacks on the Great Porch

Health & Safety Precautions: Thank you for helping us care for each other.

- If you are feeling unwell or have been exposed to or tested positive for Covid-19, please join us virtually (VLC-NY.org, YouTube, Facebook)
- If you are eligible, get vaccinated (or get a booster)
- Feel free to move if you are uncomfortable with the proximity of a fellow worshipper
- Per state mandate, all worshippers 2 years old and older, must wear a properly fitting mask

News and Notes:

Welcome, Bishop Lecakes! As we continue to unfold the ministry Clarity Plan for our church and school community, we are pleased to welcome our Atlantic District President/Bishop Rev. Derek Lecakes as guest preacher this weekend. We are grateful for his presence and support in this process.

Grab and Go Snacks: Our regular Coffee Hour is temporarily suspended for the month of January due to the Omicron surge. There will be snack packs and water bottles set up on the Great Porch. Feel free to "grab and go" after church and Sunday School for the commute home.

SOUP KITCHEN - Our monthly commitment is now on the third Wednesday. The next volunteer date is this week, **Wednesday, January 19**. Please sign up in advance to confirm your contribution. For more information, contact Nelly Palumbo at NPalumbo@thechapelschool.org or 347-538-2909.

Congratulations to our newly appointed Trustee, Kharis Lena, who is filling a vacant term (2023). God bless our Trustee Board.

Prayer Conference Call: As the pandemic continues to affect all of us, we invite you to join in prayer by telephone for the needs of the community on the last Tuesday of the month. The next date will be **Tuesday, January 25, at 6:00 p.m.** To access, dial (1) 732-434-3982.

Women's Bible Study/LWML - The next meeting is **Saturday, February 19**, at 9:00 a.m. If you have any questions please contact Deacon Wendy at 914-391-9356 or Terry Vidal (terry.n.vidal@gmail.com).

Blessing Basket: We are continuing to collect food donations, and the need is still great. We are also in need of **volunteers to bring donations from the church to ECAP** (Main Street in Tuckahoe). Please contact the church office to coordinate, 914-337-0207 x1003 or KRapillo@VLC-NY.org.

Urgent Need for Blood Donors: VLC & TCS will be scheduling a blood drive in April, but the NY blood supply is now at a critical level. Patients rely on the generosity of donors like you. If you are willing and able to donate please call the New York Blood Center at 1.800.933.2566 or visit <https://donate.nybc.org/> to make an appointment at a donor center of your choice.

Music Ministry: Please note our re-scheduled rehearsal dates:

- **Village Belles** - Rehearse Wednesday, February 2, at 6:30 p.m.
- **Youth Choir** - Rehearse Thursday, January 20, at 7:00 p.m.
- **Chancel Choir** - Rehearse Thursday, January 27, at 7:30 p.m.
- **High School Choir** - Rehearse Sunday, January 23, at 10:15 a.m.

Please watch for continuing updates. For more information, contact Deb Reiss at DReiss@VLC-NY.org or George Heath at GHeath@VLC-NY.org.

Wednesday Bible Study - Given the current health conditions and concerns, we will not be meeting during the month of January. We will plan to resume on February 2, the date traditionally observed as Candlemas.

Youth News: Voyagers (Grades 3-6) will meet on Thursday, Jan. 20, at 6:00 p.m. **Donuts & Discussion** (High School) will meet on Sunday, Jan. 23. For more information, contact Erika Schultz at tyandbash@aol.com; Sarah Nunes (Confirmation instructor) at SNunes@VLC-NY.ORG; or Amy Heath (High School Youth) at amyheath1023@gmail.com

Prayer Line: We pray for the sick and those experiencing any kind of difficulty: Victor Brown, Ray & Denise Carroll, Kevin Cook, Gail Epstein, Deacon Faith Forliano, Ben Hartwell, Suzanne Heinrich, John Hiddleson, Keith Hough, Deacon Joe Lamoureux, Eugene Lunog, Janet Lunog, Willi Rosendahl, Irmgard Schoene, Ragnar Sjonvall

Bereavement Prayer Line: We pray for those who are grieving the loss of a loved one.

- † **Judy Ressemeyer Hinsch**, mother of former TCS teacher Jessica Hinsch Raba, who passed away on January 8, 2022
- † **Patricia Francis**, friend of Pastor Hartwell, who passed away on January 1, 2022
- † **Ray Siren**, father of the brother-in-law of Katie Bukofzer, who passed away on December 21, 2021



A Time to Share

A Celebration and Exploration of The Clarity Plan

John 6:1-14

¹ After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. ² A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. ³ Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. ⁴ Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. ⁵ When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, “Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?” ⁶ He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. ⁷ Philip answered him, “Six months’ wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little.” ⁸ One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, said to him, ⁹ “There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?” ¹⁰ Jesus said, “Make the people sit down.” Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. ¹¹ Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. ¹² When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, “Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost.” ¹³ So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. ¹⁴ When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, “This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world.”

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