

Covenant Community Church



Fourth Sunday of Epiphany

January 31, 2021

We Gather

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Leader: Come! Let us give thanks to the Lord with whole hearts.

People: Fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.

Leader: The Lord is gracious and full of compassion.

People: Fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.

Leader: The Lord feeds the righteous with truth.

People: Fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.

Leader: Come! Let us give thanks to God.

Opening Hymn #94

Sometimes a Light Surprises

Sometimes a light surprises the child of God who sings;
it is the Lord who rises with healing in his wings.
When comforts are declining, God grants the soul again
a season of clear shining, to cheer it after rain.

In holy contemplation we sweetly then pursue
the theme of God's salvation, and find it ever new.
Set free from present sorrow, we cheerfully can say,
“Let the unknown tomorrow bring with it what it may.

It can bring with it nothing, but God will bear us through;
who gives the lilies clothing will clothe his people too.
Beneath the spreading heavens no creature but is fed;
and he, who feeds the ravens will give his children bread.

Though vine nor fig tree neither their wonted fruit shall bear,
though all the fields should wither, nor flocks nor herds be there;
yet, God the same abiding, his praise shall tune my voice;
for, while in him confiding, I cannot but rejoice.

Opening Prayer and Lord's Prayer

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 sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us,
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, for ever. Amen

We Hear the Word

Scripture

Mark 1:21-28

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon

We Respond

Interlude

Hymn #360

Create in Me a Clean Heart

Create in me a clean heart, oh God,
and renew a right spirit within me.
Create in me a clean heart, oh God,
and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from your presence,
and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and uphold me with a willing spirit.

Then will I teach transgressors your ways
and sinners will return to you.
Create in me a clean heart, oh God,
and renew a right spirit within me.

Prayers of the People

Pastoral Prayer

Invitation to Tithes and Offerings

Prayer of Dedication

We Are Sent into the World

Closing Hymn #580

God Bless Your Church with Strength

God bless your church with strength!
Wherever we may be,
build up your servants as we work
in common ministry.
Urge us from fledgling faith
to venture and to soar
through open skies to sing the praise
of Christ whom we adore.

God bless your church with life!
May all our branches thrive
unblemished, wholesome, bearing fruit,
abundantly alive.
From you, one holy vine,
in freedom may we grow,
sustain us in our mission, Lord,
your love and peace to show.

God bless your church with hope!
Despite chaotic days,
may we in darkness shine to light
a pathway through life's maze.
May justice be our aim
and kindness ours to share,
in humbleness oh may we walk,
assured our God is there!

Response

*The Lord bless you and keep you,
The Lord make his face to shine upon you
and be gracious, gracious, gracious to you,
the Lord lift up his countenance upon you,
And give you, give you, give you peace.*

Leader: Go in Peace. Love and serve the Lord!

People: Praise be to God!

We Fellowship Together

Virtual Coffee Time and Sharing

Helping Us Worship

Minister to the Congregation:

Rev. Jeannette Conver

Music Leader:

Peter Olson

Scripture Reader:

Jamie Wimble

Mark 1:21-28 New Living Translation

²¹ Jesus and his companions went to the town of Capernaum. When the Sabbath day came, he went into the synagogue and began to teach. ²² The people were amazed at his teaching, for he taught with real authority—quite unlike the teachers of religious law.

²³ Suddenly, a man in the synagogue who was possessed by an evil spirit cried out, ²⁴ “Why are you interfering with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God!”

²⁵ But Jesus reprimanded him. “Be quiet! Come out of the man,” he ordered. ²⁶ At that, the evil spirit screamed, threw the man into a convulsion, and then came out of him.

²⁷ Amazement gripped the audience, and they began to discuss what had happened. “What sort of new teaching is this?” they asked excitedly. “It has such authority! Even evil spirits obey his orders!” ²⁸ The news about Jesus spread quickly throughout the entire region of Galilee.

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