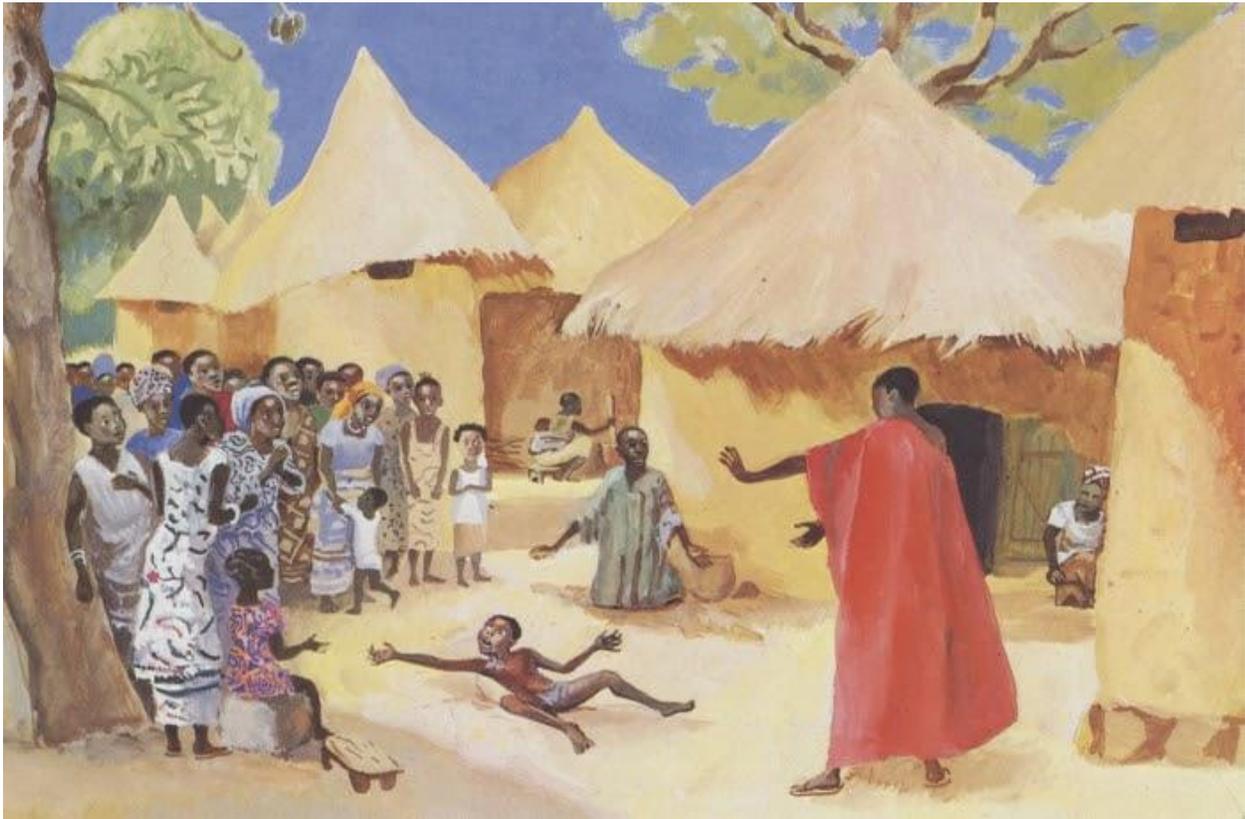




# REJOICE FELLOWSHIP

A Ministry of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

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January 31, 2021 at 10:00 am

Mark 1:21-28

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Epiphany

C: indicates spoken responses by the congregation  
P: indicates the Presiding Minister  
A: indicates the Assisting Minister

*Welcome to worship at Rejoice Fellowship! We have moved back to Facebook Live worship only at this time. We also have adopted a few safety measures for the small group that leads worship each week. The point of these measures is to ensure a high level of safety. We thank you for your understanding as we try out new ways of being the church and worshipping during the pandemic, all to the glory of God.*

*A note about communion—we will be celebrating Holy Communion this morning! We invite you to gather a piece of bread and wine or juice before worship begins. After the Invitation to Communion, all those in-person and at home can consume the elements and receive the blessed sacrament together, even if apart.*

## ✠ Gathering ✠

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### PRELUDE

### WELCOME

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
whose voice is upon the waters,  
whose mercy is poured out upon all people,  
whose goodness cascades over all creation.

**C: Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin, trusting in the abundant grace of God.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: Holy God,

**C: you search us and know us.**

**You are acquainted with all our ways.**

**We confess that our hearts are burdened by sin—  
our own sins and the broken systems that bind us.**

**We turn inward, failing to follow  
your outward way of love.**

**We distrust those who are not like us.**

**We exploit the earth and its resources  
and fail to consider generations to come.**

**Forgive us, gracious God,**

**for all we have done and left undone.**

**Even before the words are on our tongues,  
you know them;**

**receive them in your divine mercy.  
Amen.**

P: How vast is God's grace!  
Through the power and promise of † Christ Jesus,  
our sins are washed away  
and we are claimed as God's own beloved.  
Indeed, we are forgiven.  
By grace you are saved  
and set free to cooperate in God's liberating labor.  
In the wake of God's forgiveness,  
we are called to be the beloved community  
living out Christ's justice  
and the Spirit's reconciling peace.  
**C: Amen.**

**CALL TO WORSHIP (ISAIAH 60:1,4,20; PSALM 27:1)**

A: Arise, shine, for your light has come!

**C: The glory of the Lord has risen upon us.**

A: Lift up your eyes and look around:

**C: all gather together to proclaim the praise of the Lord.**

A: Your sun will never set again.

**C: The Lord is our light and our salvation!**

A: Your moon will wane no more.

**C: The Lord is our light and our salvation!**

A: Your days of sorrow will end.

**C: The Lord is our light and our salvation!**

A: Whom shall we fear?

**C: Whom shall we fear? The Lord is the strength of our life; whom shall we fear?**

## GATHERING HYMN

## STEP BY STEP

$\text{♩} = 104$

G D C C/D



O God, You are my God, and I will ever praise

4 G D C C/D



You. O God, You are my God, and I will ever praise

8 G Em D C



You. I will seek You in the morn - ing, and I will learn to walk in Your

12 Am G



ways; \_\_\_\_\_ And step by step You'll lead \_\_\_\_\_

14 D C C/D G



\_\_\_\_\_ me, and I will fol - low You all of my \_\_\_\_\_ days.

## GREETING

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

**C: And also with you.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Compassionate God, you gather the whole universe into your radiant presence and continually reveal your Son as our Savior. Bring wholeness to all that is broken and speak truth to us in our confusion, that all creation will see and know your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen.**

## ✠ Word ✠

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### FIRST READING

### PSALM 111

<sup>1</sup>Praise the LORD! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

<sup>2</sup>**Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them.**

<sup>3</sup>Full of honor and majesty is his work, and his righteousness endures forever.

<sup>4</sup>**He has gained renown by his wonderful deeds; the LORD is gracious and merciful.**

<sup>5</sup>He provides food for those who fear him; he is ever mindful of his covenant.

<sup>6</sup>**He has shown his people the power of his works, in giving them the heritage of the nations.**

<sup>7</sup>The works of his hands are faithful and just; all his precepts are trustworthy.

<sup>8</sup>**They are established forever and ever, to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.**

<sup>9</sup>He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant forever. Holy and awesome is his name.

<sup>10</sup>**The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding. His praise endures forever.**

## THE GOSPEL

MARK 1:21-28

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 1st chapter.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>21</sup>Jesus and his disciples went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. <sup>22</sup>They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. <sup>23</sup>Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, <sup>24</sup>and he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God." <sup>25</sup>But Jesus rebuked the spirit, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" <sup>26</sup>And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of the man. <sup>27</sup>They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, 'What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him.' <sup>28</sup>At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

P: The Gospel of our Lord

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

## SERMON

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## INSTRUMENTAL MEDITATION

## APOSTLE'S CREED

A: With the whole church, let us confess our faith:

**C: 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**

*Following each petition:*

A: Let us pray.

**C: Have mercy, O God.**

## **SHARING THE PEACE**

A: The peace of Christ be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

*You are invited to safely share a greeting of Christ's peace with one another.*

## **✠ Meal ✠**

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### **OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND TITHES**

*We are blessed by your generosity! Tithes and offerings can be sent in two ways: electronically by clicking here: <https://rb.gy/ryhn0m> ; or physical checks/cash can be mailed to the office at 105 1st Ave SW, Glen Burnie, MD 21061. Thank you for opening your heart!*

### **OFFERING PRAYER**

A: O God, receive these gifts as you receive us: like a mother receives her child, with arms open wide. Nourish us anew in your tender care, and empower us in faithful service to tend to others with this same love, through Jesus Christ, our saving grace.

**C: Amen.**

## **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

## **THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

### **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

P: Beloved: here is bread; here is wine. Here is Jesus.  
Come and be fed.

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

A: Christ Jesus, at this table we have feasted on your very life and are strengthened for our journey. Send us forth from this banquet nourished in body and in spirit to proclaim your good news and serve others in your name.

**C: Amen.**

# ✠ Sending ✠

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### BLESSING

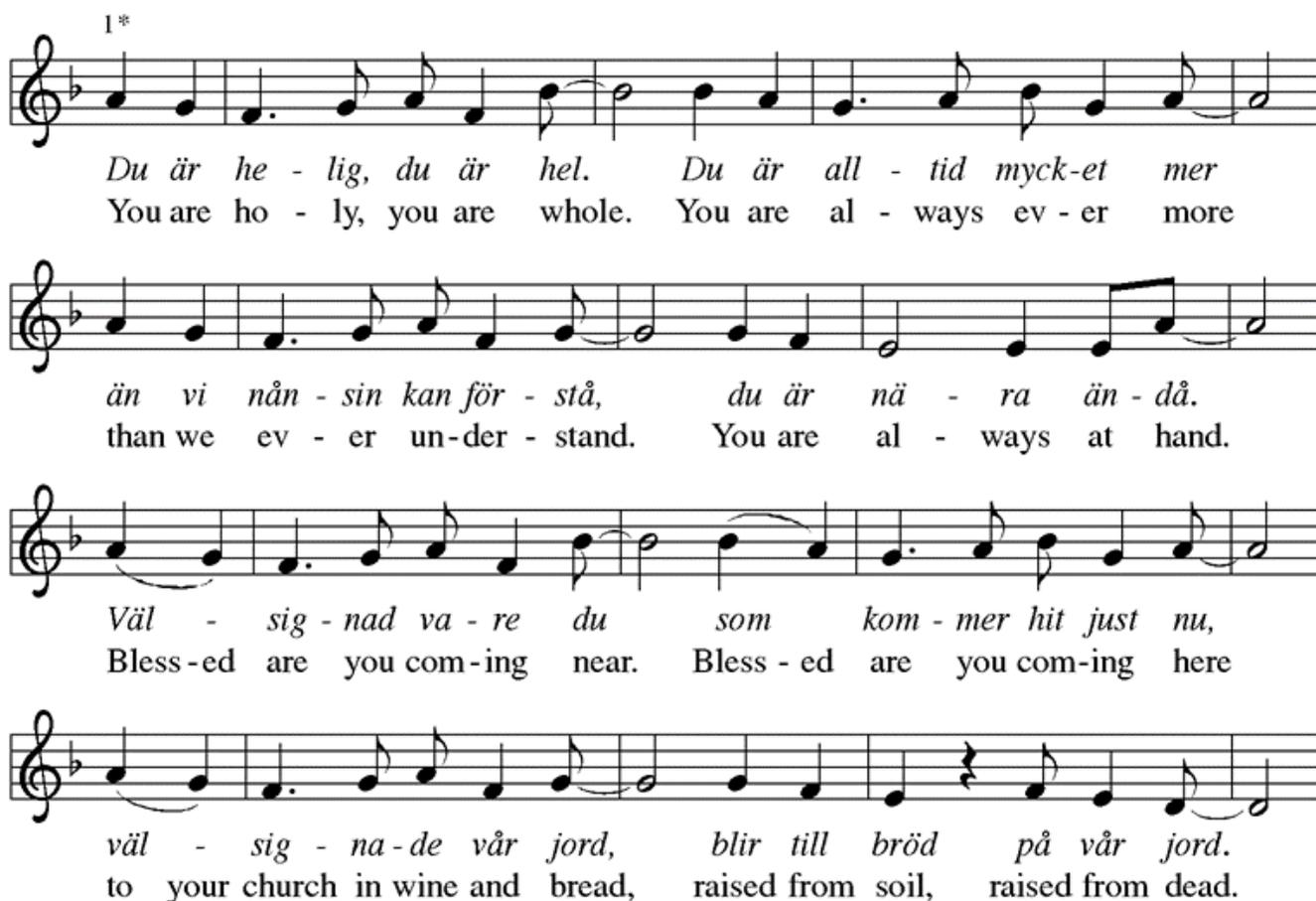
P: God the creator strengthen you;  
Jesus the beloved fill you;  
and the Holy Spirit the comforter ✠ keep you in peace.

**C: Amen.**

### SENDING HYMN

### YOU ARE HOLY

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*Du är he - lig, du är hel. Du är all - tid myck-et mer*  
You are ho - ly, you are whole. You are al - ways ev - er more

*än vi nån - sin kan för - stå, du är nä - ra än - då.*  
than we ev - er un - der - stand. You are al - ways at hand.

*Väl - sig - nad va - re du som kom - mer hit just nu,*  
Bless - ed are you com - ing near. Bless - ed are you com - ing here

*väl - sig - na - de vår jord, blir till bröd på vår jord.*  
to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.

