

# Third Sunday of Epiphany January 23, 2022



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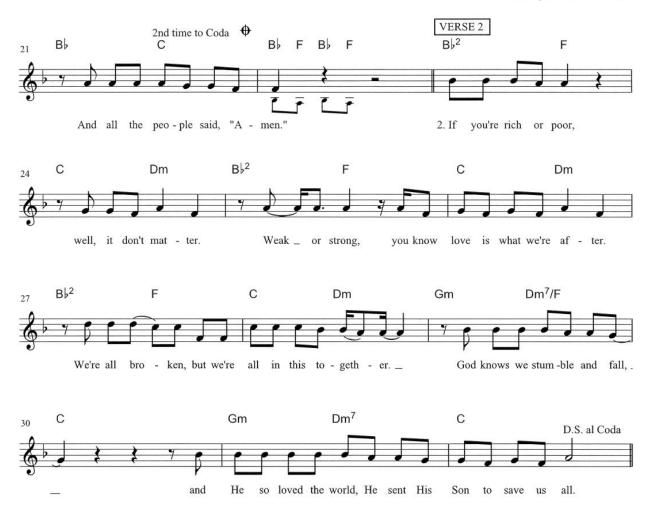
Gathering Music to Prepare Us For Worship

Gathering Songs - "All the People Said Amen"



## All The People Said Amen

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#### Welcome

Wherever you are on your journey of faith, we believe God meets you right where you are, and you are welcome here.

#### No Longer Strangers Prayer

God of the Stranger, Help us to see you alive in all who we meet, especially those we might fear. Transform our fear into hope so that we can love the stranger, the enemy, the friend. Your miracle of love is present in each one. Amen. Greet Someone New Music to Bring Us Back Together

Children's Time

Confession and Forgiveness



#### Words of Assurance

Jesus has opened the doors for service to each one of us. We have been freed from our fears and doubts. Rejoice, dear fiends! In Jesus' Name, we are forgiven and healed. **Amen**.

# Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the community of the Holy Spirit is with you all. **And also with you**.

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray,

C: O Christ, you lived as an ordinary man not in style but simply, yet still you caused uproar, and questions everywhere; you drew the expectations of hungry crowds, and brought buried conflicts to the light.

May we,

who are sometimes swayed by the crowd's approval, and who often avoid conflict for fear of its cost to us, hold fast to the gospel of peace and justice and follow faithfully in your way of compassion and solidarity with those who are poor and excluded, wherever it may lead us. Amen.

# THE STORY

(Reader): Our story and God's story continues today, with two readings. First, a reading from 1 Corinthians 12: 12-31

(Reader): Christ is just like the human body—a body is a unit and has many parts; and all the parts of the body are one body, even though there are many. We were all baptized by one Spirit into one body, whether Jew or Greek, or slave or free, and we all were given one Spirit to drink. Certainly the body isn't one part but many. If the foot says,

#### (Side 1): "I'm not part of the body because I'm not a hand,"

(Reader): does that mean it's not part of the body? If the ear says,

(Side 2): "I'm not part of the body because I'm not an eye,"

(Reader): does that mean it's not part of the body? If the whole body were an eye, what would happen to the hearing? And if the whole body were an ear, what would happen to the sense of smell? But as it is, God has placed each one of the parts in the body just like he wanted. If all were one and the same body part, what would happen to the body? But as it is, there are many parts but one body. So the eye can't say to the hand,

# (Side 1): "I don't need you,"

(Reader): or in turn, the head can't say to the feet,

# (Side 2): "I don't need you."

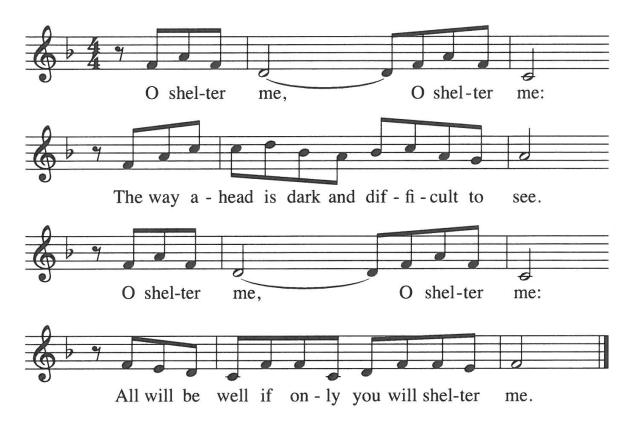
(Reader): Instead, the parts of the body that people think are the weakest are the most necessary. The parts of the body that we think are less honorable are the ones we honor the most. The private parts of our body that aren't presentable are the ones that are given the most dignity. The parts of our body that are presentable don't need this. But God has put the body together, giving greater honor to the part with less honor so that there won't be division in the body and so the parts might have mutual concern for each other. If one part suffers, all the parts suffer with it; if one part gets the glory, all the parts celebrate with it.

# (ALL): You are the body of Christ and parts of each other. In the church, God has appointed first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healing, the ability to help others, leadership skills, different kinds of tongues.

(Reader): All aren't apostles, are they? All aren't prophets, are they? All aren't teachers, are they? All don't perform miracles, do they? All don't have gifts of healing, do they? All don't speak in different tongues, do they? All don't interpret, do they? Use your ambition to try to get the greater gifts. And I'm going to show you an even better way. [Here ends the first reading.]

#### SHELTER ME A Prayer-Song in the Time of the COVID-19 Pandemic

Michael Joncas



(Reader): You are invited to stand in body or spirit as our story and God's story continues today with a reading from Luke 4: 14-21. (ALL): Glory to you, O Lord.

(Reader): Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom.

He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

(Side 1): "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor.

(Side 2): He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

(Reader): And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them,

#### (ALL): "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

(Reader): Stay tuned for the continuing saga that is our story and God's story.

#### ALL: Thanks be to God.

Sermon – Pastor Hans Peterson

Sermon Song: "Guardian Light"



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#### Prayers for the World

Together we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

Each petition will close with the words: God of Life And you are invited to respond: **Hear our Prayer** 

# Offering

**Worship Leader:** Thank you for your continued generosity and for all the ways you support God's ministry here at River of Hope. You can contact the church office and sign up for simply giving or give online or drop a check off at the church office.

Offering Song "Drawn to the Light"

# Drawn to the Light



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# The Feast

Setting the Table the children lead us as we pray together: Come, Lord Jesus, be our guest. And let these gifts to us be blest. Blest be God who is our bread, may all the world be clothed and fed. Amen.

# Invitation to the Meal

This is not my table or River of Hope's table, but rather this is Christ's table and all are welcome. If you hunger and thirst for grace and mercy that comes through Jesus Christ, then Christ has set this table just for you. Bring all that you are and all that you have to the table. You will be fed. You are forgiven. There is enough.

Let us pray, God of all good gifts who gives freely to us, You offer us new beginnings and guide us on our journey. Lead us to your table, nourish us with this heavenly food, and prepare us to carry your love to a hungry world, in the name of Christ our light. Amen

Thanksgiving at the Table

The Lord is with you And also 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 God thanks and praise.

In our sharing of bread today we include the saints alive and the saints resurrected.

In our sharing of bread today we include the poor, marginalized, and rejected of this world.

In our sharing of bread today we include those known to us and those not known who need Jesus now.

In our sharing of bread today we include Jesus, our incarnated, broken and risen Lord. Amen.

As we gather in this place, we remember, that in the night when Jesus was betrayed by his best friends, he took bread. He blessed it and broke it and gave it to these same friends saying, "Take and eat. This is my body given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup, blessed it and gave it for all to drink saying, "This is the new covenant, the new promise, for the forgiveness of sins. Do this for the remembrance of me." Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

# The 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. Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever and forever. Amen.

Communion Song: "One Bread, One Body"

## One Bread, One Body



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Blessing after Communion

Now may the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his peace. **Amen.** 

## Prayer for Good Courage Let us pray,

O God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# **The Sending**

Why does our church exist? What is our purpose? **We go out to transform lives through Jesus Christ**.

Purpose Sightings {Read slides so people online can hear}

MILESTONES! – Be Thou, My Vision Vs. 4 It's time for sharing milestones - a time where we join together as a community to share the big, small, good, and hard milestones in our life.

### Be Thou My Vision



Text: Irish 8th–10th cent.; tr. Mary E. Byrne, 1880–1931; vers. Eleanor H. Hull, 1860–1935, alt. Music: SLANE, Irish tune

Final Blessing

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us + be upon you now and forever. **Amen.** 

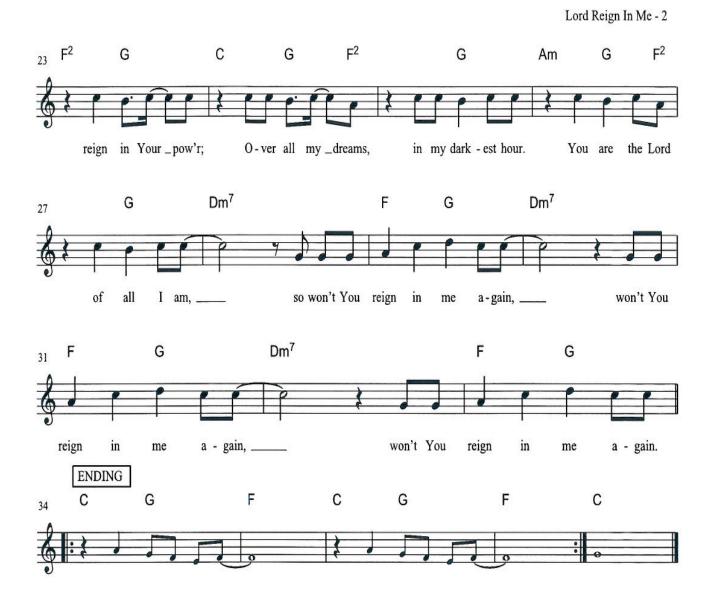
Sending Song: "Lord Reign In Me"

# Lord Reign In Me

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Go in peace – serve the Lord! Thanks be to God

## Music to Send You Out

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