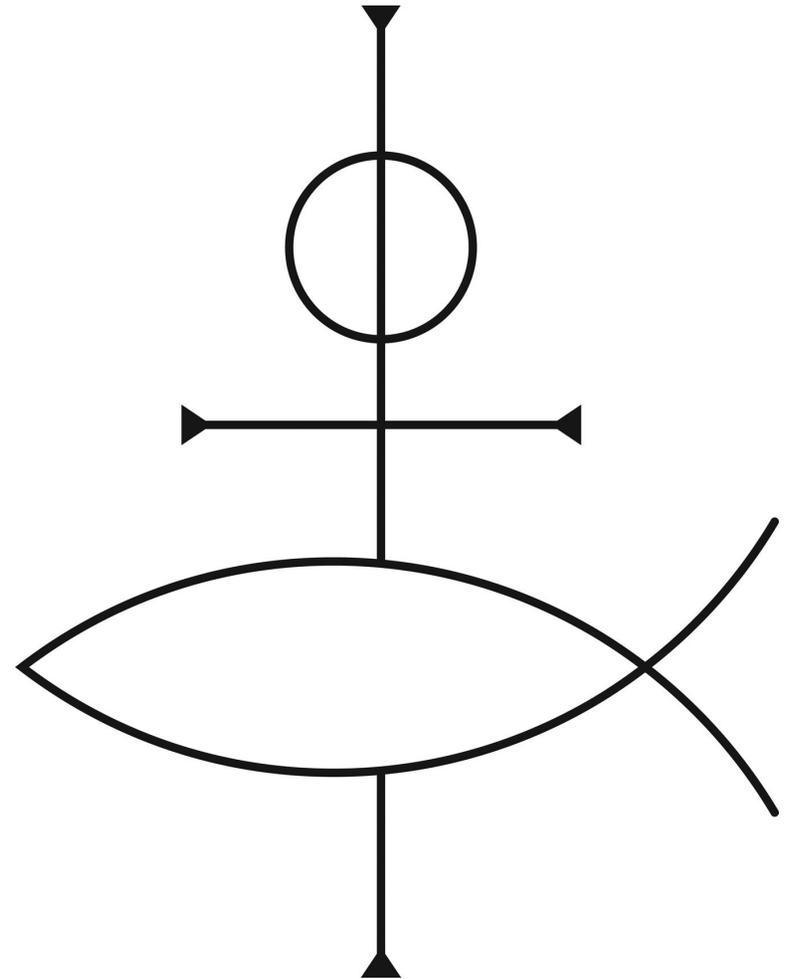


# Second Sunday after the Epiphany

January 15, 2023



## Worship Participants

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## Hearing Assistance

A telecoil hearing-loop system sends a signal into the sanctuary. If your hearing aid is t-coil equipped, try switching to the t-coil receiver. An FM hearing assistance system is also available for ears without hearing aids. Consult the sound operator for assistance.



## John 1:37-39a

The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day.

## Gathering

Welcome

\*Call to Worship (based on Isaiah 49 & 60)

Arise! Shine!

**God's light has come to reveal the Way to all nations.**

The Lord says, "It is too light a thing that you should raise up the tribes of Jacob;  
I will give you as a light to the nations,  
that my salvation shall reach the ends of the earth!"

**The glory of the Lord has risen upon us all.**

Arise! Shine!

**God's light penetrates the darkness that covers the world.**

Arise! Shine!

\*Song: "Arise, Shine, For Your Light Has Come"

**1. Arise, shine, for your light has come and the glory of God is on you.  
Arise, see, when the earth grows dark, that the Lord will arise upon you,  
the Lord will arise upon you.**

*Chorus: Nations will come to Your light, lift up your eyes and see:  
we'll gather together and come to You  
and your love will be all that we know.  
Your love will be all that we know.*

**2. Arise, come to the open gates for the Father is welcoming you.  
Fear not, for the Lord brings peace and redemption to all who believe,  
redemption to all who believe. (to chorus)**

*Bridge: The sun will not shine 'cause you'll be all the light that we need,  
and violence will end; all the wars that we wage will cease. (2x)  
We will glorify your name, we will glorify your name.*

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\*Song: "Across the Lands"

LUYH 775

\*God Greet Us, We Greet One Another

## Renewal

\*Call to Confession: "O Christ, the Lamb of God"

LUYH 630

Communion Song: "You Are Holy"

LUYH 598

\*The Thanksgiving: Psalm 103:1-4

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**Praise the Lord, O my soul;  
all my inmost being, praise his holy name.  
Praise the Lord, O my soul  
and forget not all his benefits—  
who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases,  
who redeems your life from the pit  
and crowns you with love and compassion.**

## Sending

\*Benediction

\*Closing Song: "This Little Light of Mine"

LUYH 930

## Table

The Institution: 1 Corinthians 11

Memorial Acclamation

Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith:

**Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

Prayer of Consecration, concluding with 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,**

**and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.**

**Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom and the power**

**and the glory forever. Amen.**

The Invitation

*We invite you to come down the center aisle to the communion table at the front of the sanctuary. You may partake at the table or take it back to your seats to partake there.*

Communion Song: "This Is Our God"

**1. A refuge for the poor, a shelter from the storm: this is our God.**

**He will wipe away your tears and return your wasted years:  
this is our God.**

**Call upon his name, he has come to save, this is our God.**

**2. A father to the orphan, a healer to the broken: this is our God.**

**He brings peace to our madness and comfort in our sadness:  
this is our God.**

**Call upon his name, he has come to save, this is our God.**

*Chorus:*

***This is the one we have waited for, this is the one we have waited for,  
this is the One we have waited for, Jesus, Lord and Savior. This is our God.***

**3. A fountain for the thirsty, a lover for the lonely: this is our God.**

**He brings glory to the humble and crowns for the faithful:  
this is our God.**

**Call upon his name, he has come to save, this is our God.**

Prayer of Confession

**Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,**

**by what we have done and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength.**

**We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

**In your mercy forgive what we have been,**

**help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be,**

**so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways**

**to the glory of your holy name.**

**Through Christ, our Lord, Amen.**

Words of Assurance: Psalm 40:1-5

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Offering Announcement

*Offering our gifts is an important part of our response to God—connecting our worship with a life of discipleship—and is a way to participate in the ministry of Covenant CRC here in this building and around the world. Offering boxes are located at the entrances to the sanctuary, or check your bulletin announcements for more ways to give.*

Prayers for the Church and World

## Word

Children's Blessing: "Somlandela/We Will Follow"

LUYH 129:1

Leader & Congregation: **The Lord be with you.**

Kids & Helpers: And also with you.

Leader & Congregation: **God bless you as you worship.**

Kids & Helpers: God bless you as you worship.

*Children ages 3 years old through kindergarten are invited to go downstairs to the Multi-Purpose Room for a time of worship designed especially for young children. Our young guests are welcome to participate in this service.*

Scripture Reading: John 1:29-42

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Message: "The Lamb Who Shepherds; the Guide Who Abides"

Pastor Joel Kok

\*Song of Response: "Abide with Me"

LUYH 466:1-3