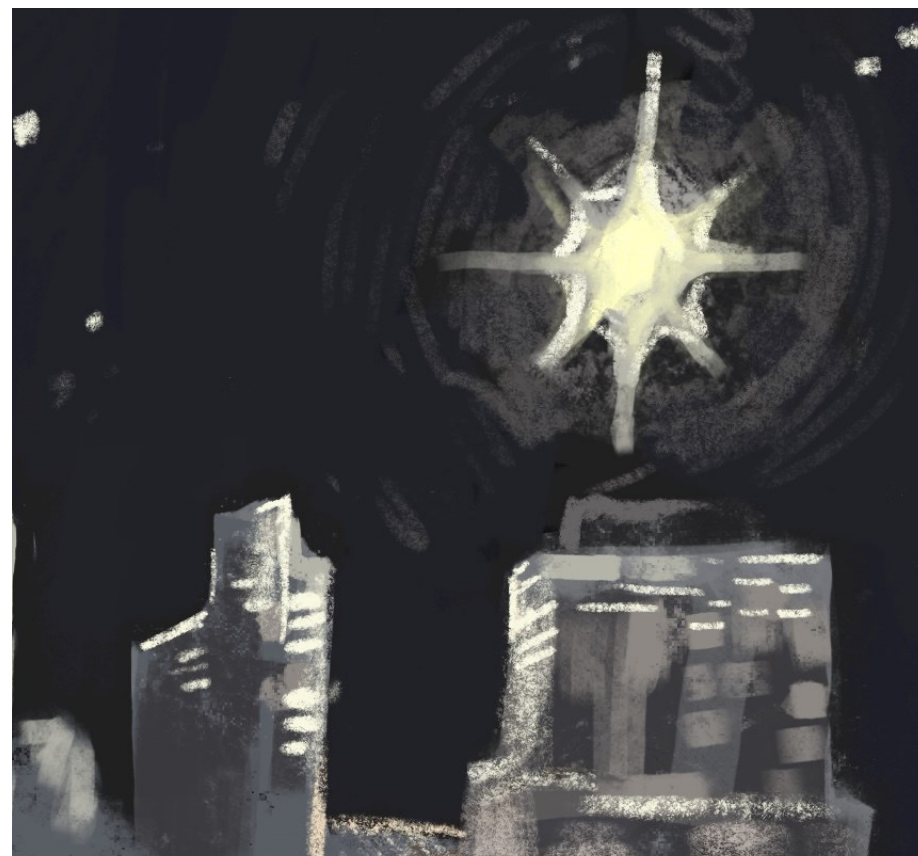


Second Sunday after the Epiphany

January 19, 2025



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Hearing Assistance

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Romans 8:1-2

Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you free from the law of sin and death.

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Gathering

Welcome

Call to Worship: Isaiah 62:1-5

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*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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*God Greets Us, We Greet One Another

*Song: "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

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Renewal

Call to Confession: Exodus 20:1-17

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Prayer of Confession

**Most 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;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.**

**1. We will not be burned by the fire, he is the Lord our God.
We are not consumed by the flood,
upheld, protected, gathered up. (to chorus)**

**2. In the dark of night, before the dawn, my soul, be not afraid.
For the promised morning, oh how long?
Oh God of Jacob, be my strength. (to chorus)**

**3. Every vow we've broken and betrayed, you are the faithful one.
And from the garden to the grave,
bind us together, bring shalom. (to chorus)**

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*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: "Oh, How I Love Jesus"

LUYH 676 (Chorus only)

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.
Dying he destroyed our death. Rising he restored our life.
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

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. Gluten-free bread is available on the table.

Communion Song: "Keep the Feast"

**1. Joyfully we join You at Your table, pleading not our righteousness.
By Your wealth of mercy, we are able now to feast in confidence.**

*Chorus: Take this bread and eat. Take this cup and drink.
Remember how He loved us; rejoice and keep the feast.*

**2. Who is fit to feast with such a Savior? Who His sandals could untie?
Who are we that He would show us favor? Granting us this gift of life.**

**3. Happy sign of friendship and reunion with the blessed Three in One.
Foretaste of that glorious communion, vision of the world to come.**

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Communion Song: "We Will Feast"

*Chorus: We will feast in the house of Zion.
We will sing with our hearts restored.
He has done great things, we will say together.
We will feast and weep no more.*

**For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon: Psalm 103:8-10 p.939

Song of Assurance: "By Grace We Have Been Saved" LUYH 675:1,2

Invitation to Giving

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 available, or check your bulletin announcements for more ways to give.

Prayers for the Church and World

Word

Children In Worship Dismissal: "This Little Light of Mine" LUYH 930:1

Children ages 3 years old through kindergarten are invited to a time of worship designed especially for young children and can gather in the fellowship hall with the helpers. Our young guests are welcome to participate in this service.

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading: Romans 7:21-8:4 p.1756

Message: "We in Christ; Spirit in Us" Pastor Joel Kok

*Song of Response: "And Can It Be" LUYH 695:1,3,4

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Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right for us to give thanks and praise.

Song: "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty" LUYH 538:1