

Let's Worship!

January 31, 2021-10:30 AM

Fourth Sunday After the Epiphany - WI-21 WO-47

A Hybrid Worship Experience, In-Person and Online

Today's worship team: Music Director Javne McDonough, Worship Leader Barbara Cain; Pastor, the Rev. Dr. Kevin Yoho; Worship Production Norris Clark.

WORSHIP YOUR WAY!

Join us for Worship Online or In-Person!

Online: www.facebook.com/ coldspringchurch. Note: new call-in details for better security. PLEASE REMEMBER TO ENTER THE PASSCODE! Call: 929-205-6099. Enter Meeting ID: 882 3154 2428. Enter Passcode: 1714 Dear worship online friends: Should our live stream be interrupted, please rejoin as



your patience. In-Person: Seating is limited. Protocols are required for everyone's safety, including no congregational singing, maintaining a six-foot distance, and wearing face masks at all times. Hand sanitizers and masks are available. Words in **bold** and music to be softly spoken or hummed if in-person. If online, sing aloud!

WORSHIP PREVIEW

Among the stressors we experience in the COVID-19 pandemic is the continually changing information we must evaluate every day. Who do you trust? How do you evaluate information sources? How can we more consistently make the very best decisions we can? What do you do when a long-held belief is challenged by reliable new information? The best decisions are based on reliable authority. On whose authority do you depend?

In this week's Gospel, those listening to Jesus became increasingly stressed, especially the religious know-it-all's because Jesus' new information challenged the status quo and empowered a new way of living. To the unclean spirits, unkind spirits, unforgiving spirits, negative spirits, confused spirits, Jesus' words are authoritative, reliable, but even more, Jesus' words were aligned with his actions. Jesus sets our spirits free! Jesus wasn't just a great teacher. He was a great healer! Jesus showed love to those most thought to be unlovable, incurable, and hopeless. Do you feel unloved? Do the stressors and circumstances of life, large or small, seem incurable? Does hope always seem just out of reach? This week, find hope, healing, and love that will amaze you. In worship, let's be open to experience Jesus' authority over every dimension of our life. Jesus is too amazing for words as he empowers us to live our very best life, the abundant life. Get ready to be amazed!

MUSIC PREVIEW

The hymn today, *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross,* was written by Isaac Watts in the 18th century. In today's video, we will hear the music as we reflect on the scrolling words. For Watts, the lyrics grew out of his desire to give followers of Jesus the ability to sing about Gospel events. The symbol of the cross remains a persistent image of sacrifice and hope. Jesus died for all on the cross, was buried, and rose again, leaving the empty cross to stir our spirits. This hymn is particularly stiring because it includes many poetic devices. For example, an oxymoron is found twice in the first stanza: "my richest gain I count but loss" and "pour contempt on all my pride." The third stanza contains a paradox in a crown of thorns, and there are two rhetorical questions in the second half of this stanza: "Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?" The piece ends with a proclamation of Amazing Love, that Demands my soul, my life, my all."

GREETING OF IN-PERSON WORSHIPPERS: REV. KEVIN YOHO (10:24)

COUNTDOWN TO WORSHIP (10:25)

PRELUDE: JAYNE McDonough (10:27:30)

WELCOME: REV. KEVIN YOHO: (10:30

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING NEWS:

The 2021 Annual Congregational Meeting will immediately follow worship in the sanctuary today, Sunday January 31st.

CALL TO WORSHIP (UNISON):

(10:32)

We start our new year following Jesus who meets us right where we are, as we begin our new year together. Let us joyfully worship God... Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

GOD WELCOMES ALL (UNISON): (1)

(1)-(10:32)

God welcomes all, strangers and friends; God's love is strong and it never ends.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (UNISON):

Loving God, as we hear your word proclaimed, keep our hearts and minds open to the Good News as we learn, grow, and serve. AMEN.

MESSAGE FOR KIDS:
PRAYER FOR FAMILIES

(10:33)

GOSPEL READING: MARK 1:21-28 (MSG)

(10:35)

Then they entered Capernaum. When the Sabbath arrived, Jesus lost no time in getting to the meeting place. He spent the day there teaching. They were surprised at his teaching—so forthright, so confident—not quibbling and quoting like the religion scholars.

Suddenly, while still in the meeting place, he was interrupted by a man who was deeply disturbed and yelling out, "What business do you have here with us, Jesus? Nazarene! I know what you're up to! You're the Holy One of God, and you've come to destroy us!" Jesus shut him up: "Quiet! Get out of him!" The afflicting spirit threw the man into spasms, protesting loudly—and got out. Everyone there was spellbound, buzzing with curiosity. "What's going on here? A new teaching that does what it says? He shuts up defiling, demonic spirits and tells them to get lost!" News of this traveled fast and was soon all over Galilee.

MESSAGE: TOO AMAZING FOR WORDS

(10:36)

MARK 1:21-28 • REV. KEVIN YOHO PRAYER AND SILENT REFLECTION:

Mark 1:21-28 — Rev. Kevin Yoho

MUSIC VIDEO- "WHEN I SURVEY THE WONDROUS CROSS"

(10:45)

Verse 1
When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of glory died
My richest gain I count but loss
And pour contempt on all my pride

Verse 3

See from His head His hands His feet Sorrow and love flow mingled down Did ever such love and sorrow meet Or thorns compose so rich a crown

Verse 4

Were the whole realm of nature mine
That were a present far too small
Love so amazing so divine
Demands my soul my life my all

CALL TO RECONCILIATION:

(10:48)

God loves you and nothing separates you from God's love. In a spirit of gratitude and honesty, let us pray together:

PRAYER OF FORGIVENESS:

(10:50)

Loving God, forgive us our sins, hurting or neglecting others, missing opportunities to serve. Help us turn around and live like Jesus, through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

SILENT REFLECTION: (07)

HEAR THE WORDS OF ASSURANCE:

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven to show real love, grace, mercy, joy, peace... the fruit of the Spirit!

Thanks be to God, we are forgiven! AMEN.

THE GLORIA (SPOKEN)

(3)(10:52)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

INSTALLATION OF ELDERS AND DEACONS:

(10:52)

QUESTIONS OF THE CANDIDATES
QUESTIONS OF THE CONGREGATION
PRAYER OF INSTALLATION

GIFTS OF GRATITUDE:

(11:00)

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PRAYER OF GRATITUDE

THE DOXOLOGY (SPOKEN)

(4) (11:03

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below; praise God above the heavenly host, praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

(11:04)

01/24: John Alves, (hospice). 01/17: Peace and hope across country, Lillian Ridgeway, homebound, The passing of Bob Arnott. 01/10: The Chestnut family suffering from Covid-19, and recent unrest at the nation's Capitol, pray for peaceful transfer of power. Passing of the Rev. Carlene Moyer. The Burke Family in sudden passing of Carol Burke. Dave W, recovering from back injury. Cloer family's grand-mom Ella Elliot (102) recovering from a fall.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES:

February 3- Marge Wetherill, February 4- Rebecca McCaughey

PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER (11:08)

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; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

FRESH EXPRESSION OF COMMUNITY

(11:10)

Once we were strangers, **Now we are neighbors.**Once we were strangers, **Now we are friends.**

BENEDICTION: REV. KEVIN YOHO POSTLUDE: JAYNE McDONOUGH

(11:10)

(11:10)

(Worshippers may now depart in peace. Members are encouraged to remain for our congregational meeting.)

So glad you've joined us in-person or online. Please share your worship experience with others on Facebook and Instagram. View worship at any time on our Facebook page. Invite others to join you next week in-person or online.

Notes for Today's Worship:

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- 1. God Welcomes All
- 2. When I Survey the Wondrous Cross
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