

Lit's Worship!

January 23, 2022—10:30 AM Third Sunday After the Epiphany

A Hybrid Worship Experience, In-Person and Online Today's worship team: Music Director Jayne McDonough, Worship Leader Beverly Mate; Pastor, the Rev. Dr. Kevin Yoho; Worship Production Max Moran.

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

In-Person: Protocols are required for everyone's safety including maintaining a six-foot distance, alternate-row seating and wearing face masks at all times. Hand sanitizers and masks are available. Words in **bold** and music to be softly spoken or sung if inperson. If online, sing aloud!

WORSHIP PREVIEW

Are you ready to fly?! Well, you'll need to break a few eggs first. Just ask Jesus about the time he went to a hometown reunion of sorts. It didn't go well. Not at all. In this week's Gospel reading, we will discover why it's O.K. to break a few eggs if it means breaking free. The religious leaders became angry when Jesus said he fulfilled the Messianic promise and proclaimed freedom not only to the religious locals but to everyone, *outsiders*, too. What a mess. Impossible!, Prohibited!, they cried. Madness! Jesus was all in! You might say that Jesus wants to break a few of your eggs, too, setting you free! Find out how to fly with Jesus this week at Cold Spring Church!

MUSIC PREVIEW

Our music video is Chris Tomlinson's *Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)*. After a chance encounter on a plane, a producer asked Chris to write music for his upcoming *Amazing Grace* movie. The movie is about William Wilberforce's work to abolish slavery in Europe. He wrote a chorus, *My Chains Are Gone*, to the well-loved traditional hymn. Chris says he never thought his version would be so popular in churches worldwide.

We close today with *Shine*, *Jesus Shine*, echoing today's Gospel, "This is God's time to shine!"

GREETING OF IN-PERSON WORSHIPPERS: REV. KEVIN YOHO

(10:24)

COUNTDOWN TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE: JAYNE McDonough

(10-27-30)

WELCOME: REV. KEVIN YOHO

(10:30)

CALL TO WORSHIP (RESPONSIVELY):

(10:31

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We come in these endless days, Precious God,

people in need of the constancy of your love:

We drink deeply from your fountain of life; We continue to be guided by your Light.

We gather in these weary days, Water-changing God, people looking for signs of hope and wonder:

We drink deeply from your fountain of life;
We continue to be guided by your Light. vWe
worship in these overwhelming days, Gifting God,
people who try to point others to Jesus:

We drink deeply from your fountain of life; We continue to be guided by your Light.

GOD WELCOMES ALL (UNISON):

(1-10:31)

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.

OLD TESTAMENT READING: NEHEMIAH 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10 (MSG)

(10:33)

By the time the seventh month arrived, the People of Israel were settled in their towns. Then all the people gathered as one person in the town square in front of the Water Gate and asked the scholar Ezra to bring the Book of The Revelation of Moses that God had commanded for Israel.

So Ezra the priest brought The Revelation to the congregation, which was made up of both men and women —everyone capable of understanding. It was the first day of the seventh month. He read it facing the town square at the Water Gate from early dawn until noon in the hearing of the men and women, all who could understand it. And all the people listened—they were all ears—to the Book of The Revelation.

Ezra opened the book. Every eye was on him (he was standing on the raised platform) and as he opened the book everyone stood. Then Ezra praised God, the great God, and all the people responded, "Oh Yes! Yes!" with hands raised high. And then they fell to their knees in worship of God, their faces to the ground.

Jeshua, Bani, Sherebiah, Jamin, Akkub, Shabbethai, Hodiah, Maaseiah, Kelita, Azariah, Jozabad, Hanan, and Pelaiah, all Levites, explained The Revelation while people stood, listening respectfully. They translated the Book of The Revelation of God so the people could understand it and then explained the reading.

Nehemiah the governor, along with Ezra the priest and scholar and the Levites who were teaching the people, said to all the people, "This day is holy to God, your God. Don't weep and carry on." They said this because all the people were weeping as they heard the words of The Revelation.

He continued, "Go home and prepare a feast, holiday food and drink; and share it with those who don't have anything: This day is holy to God. Don't feel bad. The joy of God is your strength!"

MESSAGE FOR KIDS: PRAYER FOR FAMILIES

(10:37)

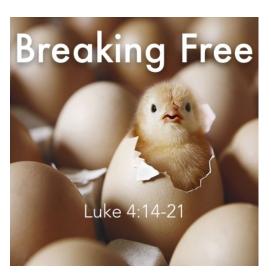
GOSPEL READING: LUKE 4:14-21 (MSG)

(10.42)

Jesus returned to Galilee powerful in the Spirit. News that he was back spread through the countryside. He taught in their meeting places to everyone's acclaim and pleasure.

Jesus came to Nazareth where he had been raised. As he always did on the Sabbath, he went to the meeting place. When he stood up to read, he was handed the scroll of the prophet Isaiah. Unrolling the scroll, he found the place where it was written,

God's Spirit is on me; God has chosen me to preach the Message of good news to the poor, Sent me to announce pardon to prisoners and recovery of sight to the blind, To set the burdened and battered free, to announce,



"This is God's time to shine!"

He rolled up the scroll, handed it back to the assistant, and sat down. Every eye in the place was on him, intent. Then he started in, "You've just heard Scripture make history. It came true just now in this place."

MESSAGE — BREAKING FREE

LUKE 4:14-21 REV. KEVIN YOHO

PRAYER AND SILENT REFLECTION:

MUSIC (VIDEO LYRICS): AMAZING GRACE (MY CHAINS ARE GONE)

Amazing grace how sweet the sound

That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost but now I'm found
Was blind but now I see

2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear

And grace my fears relieved How precious did that grace appear The hour I first believed

My chains are gone I've been set free My God my Savior has ransomed me And like a flood His mercy rains Unending love amazing grace

3. The Lord has promised good to me His word my hope secures He will my shield and portion be As long as life endures

4. The earth shall soon dissolve like snow

(11:00)

The sun forbear to shine
But God who called me here below
Will be forever mine
Will be forever mine
You are forever mine

My chains are gone I've been set free My God my Savior has ransomed me And like a flood His mercy rains Unending love amazing grace

My chains are gone I've been set free My God my Savior has ransomed me And like a flood His mercy rains Unending love amazing grace (3X)

CALL TO RECONCILIATION:

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: (UNISON)

(11:03)

Loving God, forgive us our sins and when we misuse your gifts. In our desire to have more, we cause more harm to your good creation. In our obsession with ourselves, we have neglected those around us. When we hoard what you have given us, we cannot be a blessing to other human beings created in your image. We need to hear your words: "Do not fear!" and 'I love you!" Our failures do not cause you to quit loving us. May your steadfast love strengthen us to forgive others and share our gifts, even as you have shared the Gift of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen. SILENT REFLECTION:

HEAR THE WORDS OF ASSURANCE: (RESPONSIVELY)

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God! By the Spirit of God's redeeming grace, we are marked and sealed as God's beloved children. Amen.

THE GLORIA (SPOKEN)

(3.11:05)

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.

GIFTS OF GRATITUDE:

(11:05)

Thank you for your financial support! Your gift may be mailed, given online through <u>tithe.ly</u>, or visit our <u>giving page</u>.

If you'd prefer giving in-person, donation boxes can be found at both doors. Your gifts, acts of kindness, expressions of love, respect, and thoughtfulness shown to others are deeply appreciated.

Remember, inviting someone to join you next week is the best gift you can offer our ministry and a great way to show your gratitude to God! 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.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Congregational Meeting Next Sunday! The Session has called for our Annual Congregational Meeting to immediately follow worship in the sanctuary next Sunday. We will vote on amended Bylaws, receive the Nominating Committee report, and elect elders and deacons. An abbreviated meeting is planned to minimize health risks for those who attend. The Annual Report and and Bylaws should be available today in the Narthex. They will be online, as well.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

(11:10)

Let us pray: Jacob Schaad's passing, prayer for friends and family. Betty Steger, recent heart surgery. Dorothy, radiation treatments. (Nancy Kessler's sister-in-law). Norris Clark, Curtis Bashaw, Will Chapman, and many others on their expedition to Antarctica. Michael and Wesley Tomlin's twovear-old child Reese. Dr. Micheal Moraldo (hospice). Luther Moyer, hospital. Eileen Stalford, Genesis Center. Joanne Miller, Vorhees Center. Tara and Pam Smith returning from a mission trip to Alabama. Bob Michetti (Facilities Manager) severe dog bite. Susan Buonadonna, recent knee replacement. Norma G. bad cold; Rebecca M. And Charles K to feel stronger. Elmer Cain (dizziness); Barney, vertigo. Jean Morgan's husband has pancreatic cancer. Barbara Baker (back surgery); John Stalford (back pain); Our veterans. For the friends and family of those who have recently passed on. The Moran family. Continued healing for Lenore, and for all of us to be well and stay safe. Nathalie Rodriguez (healing).

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

(11:14)

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

MUSIC (LYRICS ON SCREEN: SHINE, JESUS SHINE

(11:15)

- 1. Lord the light of Your love is shining
 In the midst of the darkness shining
 Jesus Light of the world shine upon us
 Set us free by the truth You now bring us
 Shine on me shine on me
 Shine Jesus shine
 Fill this land With the
 Father's glory
 Blaze Spirit blaze
 Set our hearts on fire
 Flow river flow
 Flood the nations
 With grace and mercy
 Send forth Your word Lord
 And let there be light
- 2. Lord I come to Your awesome presence From the shadows into Your radiance By the blood I may enter Your brightness Search me try me consume all my darkness

Shine on me shine on me
Shine Jesus shine
Fill this land
With the Father's glory
Blaze Spirit blaze
Set our hearts on fire
Flow river flow
Flood the nations
With grace and mercy
Send forth Your word Lord
And let there be light

3. As we gaze on Your kingly brightness
So our faces display Your likeness
Ever changing from glory to glory
Mirrored here may our lives tell Your story
Shine on me shine on me
Shine Jesus shine
Fill this land
With the Father's glory
Blaze Spirit blaze
Set our hearts on fire
Flow river flow
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BENEDICTION: REV. KEVIN YOHO
POSTLUDE: JAYNE McDonough
(11:20)

(Go in peace!)

So glad you've joined us. Please share your joy and worship experience with others, including with your Facebook and Instagram friends. Subscribe to our YouTube channel where you may view worship any time. Inviting someone to join you next week is your best gift to our ministry and great way to be a blessing!

Notes for Today's Worship:

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- 1. God Welcomes All: CCLI #7102394
- 2. Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)- Newton/Tomlinson/Giglio-CCLI#4768151
- 3. Gloria- Public Domain
- 4. Doxology. CCLI #4255578
- 5. Shine, Jesus Shine Graham Kendrick CCLI #30426

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