



**Sunday 19 January**  
**2nd Sunday after Epiphany**

**All are welcome**

### **CALL OF WORSHIP**

**Listen! In Christ, God speaks.**

**In our hearing, may the word be fulfilled.**

**Listen! God's voice goes out to the world.**

**The word calls us in and sends us out.**

**Listen! But don't just listen.**

**As we attend to the word, may we also enact it.**

### **HYMN MP 664**

**The Spirit lives to set us free,**

*Walk, walk in the light;*

*He binds us all in unity,*

*Walk, walk in the light.*

*Walk in the light,*

*Walk in the light,*

*Walk in the light,*

*Walk in the light of the Lord.*

Jesus promised life to all,

Walk, walk in the light;

The dead were wakened by His call,

Walk, walk in the light

By Jesus' love our wounds are healed,

Walk, walk in the light ;

The Father's kindness is revealed,

Walk, walk in the light.

The Spirit lives in you and me,

Walk, walk in the light;

His light will shine for all to see,

Walk, walk in the light.

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**PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER**

## HYMN

### How lovely on the mountains

Are the feet of Him  
Who brings good news  
Good news  
Announcing peace  
Proclaiming news of happiness

Waste places of Jerusalem break forth with joy  
We are redeemed, redeemed  
The Lord has saved and comforted His people

*Our God reigns  
Our God reigns  
Our God reigns  
Our God reigns  
Our God reigns  
Our God reigns*

Ends of the earth, see the salvation of your God  
Jesus is Lord, is Lord  
Before the nations He has bared His holy arm  
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You watchmen lift your voices joyfully as one  
Shout for your King, your King  
See eye to eye the Lord restoring Zion

## ALL AGE TIME

## HYMN

### They raged at Jesus' sermon in Jesus' own hometown,

For in the things he taught them, he turned  
life upside down;  
It wasn't just their neighbours who knew  
God's love and grace;  
For Jesus said God favours the ones we don't  
embrace.

We say Christ's words don't matter and  
throw them off a cliff.  
We push aside the stranger, we walk right  
by the poor,  
We disregard the prisoner and say we  
matter more.

God saved a foreign widow and rescued her  
from drought,  
For when she helped Elijah, God also helped  
her out.  
In Naaman, God's own favour to others was  
revealed;  
Though many locals suffered, that Syrian was  
healed.  
In this world's noise and clatter, too often  
values shift;

O God, your love is wider than we can  
comprehend;  
You reach to the outsider and call the  
stranger "friend."  
In Christ you gave a message transcending  
time and place  
May we your church have courage to  
share your love and grace

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## **SCRIPTURE Luke 4:14-30**

**J**esus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news about him spread through the whole countryside. He was teaching in their synagogues, and everyone praised him. He went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him. Unrolling it, he found the place where it is written: 'The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour.' Then he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down. The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on him. He began by saying to them, 'Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing.' All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his lips. 'Isn't this Joseph's son?' they asked. Jesus said to them, 'Surely you will quote this proverb to me: "Physician, heal yourself!" And you will tell me, "Do here in your home town what we have heard that you did in Capernaum." ' 'Truly I tell you,' he continued, 'no prophet is accepted in his home town. I assure you that there were many widows in Israel in Elijah's time, when the sky was shut for three and a half years and there was a severe famine throughout the land. Yet Elijah was not sent to any of them, but to a widow in Zarephath in the region of Sidon. And there were many in Israel with leprosy in the time of Elisha the prophet, yet not one of them was cleansed – only Naaman the Syrian.' All the people in the synagogue were furious when they heard this. They got up, drove him out of the town, and took him to the brow of the hill on which the town was built, in order to throw him off the cliff. But he walked right through the crowd and went on his way.

## **SERMON**

## **HYMN CH4 533**

### **Will you come and follow me,**

if I but call your name?

Will you go where you don't know  
and never be the same?

Will you let my love be shown,  
will you let my name be known,  
will you let my life be grown  
in you and you in me?

Will you leave yourself behind  
if I but call your name?

Will you care for cruel and kind  
and never be the same?

Will you risk the hostile stare  
should your life attract or scare,  
will you let me answer prayer  
in you and you in me?

Will you let the blinded see  
if I but call your name?  
Will you set the prisoners free  
and never be the same?  
Will you kiss the leper clean  
and do such as this unseen,  
and admit to what I mean  
in you and you in me?

Will you love the 'you' you hide  
if I but call your name?  
Will you quell the fear inside  
and never be the same?  
Will you use the faith you've found  
to reshape the world around  
through my sight and touch and sound  
in you and you in me?

Lord, Your summons echoes true  
when You but call my name.  
Let me turn and follow You  
and never be the same.  
In Your company I'll go  
where Your love and footsteps show.  
Thus I'll move and live and grow  
in You and You in me.

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## **PRAYER FOR INTERCESSION**

## **HYMN CH4 153**

### **Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,**

there is no shadow of turning with Thee;  
Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail  
not,  
as thou has been Thou for ever will be.

*Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness  
morning by morning new mercies I see;  
all I have needed Thy hand hath provided  
great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!*

Summer and winter, and seed-time and harvest,  
sun, moon and stars in their courses above,  
join with all nature, in manifold witness  
to Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to  
guide;  
strength for today and bright hope for  
tomorrow,  
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

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## **BENEDICTION**