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Color of the Day: Green - suggesting spiritual growth and maturity. There is nothing colorless about our need to grow and mature as disciples of Jesus Christ. That's why the "green meadow" time of the church year is so lengthy. Time must be given to encourage all worshipers to maintain their faith through the constant use of God's means of grace.

Opening Hymn #913 - O Holy Spirit, Enter In

Confession and Absolution Page 167

☒ ☒ ☒ **Service of the Word** ☒ ☒ ☒

Introit Page 168

Ps. 36:5-9; antiphon: Song 2:4

[The Lord] brought me to the ban- | queting house,*
and his banner over | me was love.

Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the | heavens,*
your faithfulness | to the clouds.

Your righteousness is like the moun- | tains of God;*
your judgments are like the great deep; man and beast you save, | O
LORD.

How precious is your steadfast love, | O God!*
The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow | of your wings.

They feast on the abundance | of your house,*
and you give them drink from the river of | your delights.

For with you is the foun- | tain of life;*
in your light do | we see light.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

[The Lord] brought me to the ban- | queting house,*
and his banner over | me was love.

Kyrie Page 168

Hymn of Praise (This Is The Feast) Page 170

Salutation & Collect of the Day Page 172

Almighty and everlasting God, who governs all things in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the prayers of Your people and grant us Your peace through all our days; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord,

who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever.

Old Testament Reading Page 172

Isaiah 62:1-5

¹For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not be quiet, until her righteousness goes forth as brightness, and her salvation as a burning torch.

²The nations shall see your righteousness, and all the kings your glory, and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give.

³You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

⁴You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate, but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the LORD delights in you, and your land shall be married.

⁵For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your sons marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

Gradual Page 172

Ps. 117:1-2a; 96:8

Praise the LORD, all | nations!*

Extol him, all | peoples!

For great is his steadfast | love toward us,*
and the faithfulness of the LORD endures for- | ever.

Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due his name;*
bring an offering, and come in- | to his courts!

Epistle Reading Page 172

1 Corinthians 12:1-11

¹Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers, I do not want you to be uninformed. ²You know that when you were pagans you were led astray to mute idols, however you were led. ³Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking in the Spirit of God ever says "Jesus is accursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except in the Holy Spirit. ⁴Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; ⁶and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone.

⁷To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the ability to distinguish between spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹All these are empowered by one and the same Spirit, who apportions to each one individually as he wills.

Alleluia & Verse Page 173

Holy Gospel..... Page 173

John 2:1-11

¹On the third day there was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ²Jesus also was invited to the wedding with his disciples. ³When the wine ran out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." ⁴And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what does this have to do with me? My hour has not yet come." ⁵His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." ⁶Now there were six stone water jars there for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷Jesus said to the servants, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸And he said to them, "Now draw some out and take it to the master of the feast." So they took it. ⁹When the master of the feast tasted the water now become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the master of the feast called the bridegroom ¹⁰and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and when people have drunk freely, then the poor wine. But you have kept the good wine until now." ¹¹This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory. And his disciples believed in him.

Children’s Message

Hymn of the Day #394 – Songs of Thankfulness and Praise

The Sermon..... God, in Christ, Gives the Best Gifts - John 2:1-11

Want to read along, miss a sermon, need some inspiration, need a review of church doctrine? Check out Pastor Bogs’ blog at: rabswritings.blogspot.com or Pastor Mendez’s blog at: pastormendez.blogspot.com.

Introduction

This morning _____ .

Three weeks ago _____ .

Two weeks ago _____ .

Jesus Divinity

Our text for today _____ .

In our text _____ .

This morning _____ .

In faith _____ .

After the servants had filled _____ .

John tells us _____ .

What does this mean?

What does John tell us _____ .

We know Jesus was a human _____ .

Now we see clearly _____ .

Some might object _____ .

Jesus’ death and resurrection _____ .

We do review and relive _____ .

Today Jesus still _____ .

As we travel with Jesus _____ .

Other Notes or Questions for Pastor:

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Prayer of the Church & Offering Page 175

Our First Fruits and Tithes are our regular, top priority, proportionate, grateful gifts to the Lord for the work of the Gospel. Our Offerings are special gifts for special causes over and above our tithes. This is an act of worship for members and friends of St. Matthew who are moved by God’s love to respond to the Gospel. Guests should not feel obligated to participate.

Offertory..... Page 176

⌘ ⌘ ⌘ **Service of the Sacrament** ⌘ ⌘ ⌘

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It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for in the mystery of the Word made flesh You have given us a new revelation of Your glory that, seeing You in the person of Your Son, we may know and love those things which are not seen. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus and Prayer of Thanksgiving..... Page 178

Lord’s Prayer and The Words of Our Lord..... Page 179

Pax Domini and Agnus Dei Page 180

Distribution Page 181

Before partaking of the Lord’s Supper, we ask that you read our communion statement on the pew insert behind the Bible. Thank you.

Distribution Hymns..... #408 – Come, Join in Cana’s Feast

#859 – Lord, When You Came as Welcome Guest

#628 - Your Table I Approach

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Closing Hymn..... #815 - All Praise to Thee, for Thou, O King Divine