

# **FIRST SUNDAY after EPIPHANY**

**Jesus and the Samaritan Woman**

**January 10, 2021**

**10:30 am**

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## **AS WE GATHER**

Our Bible Reading of the Day is John 4:1-42. Wearied by His journey from Judea to Galilee, Jesus sits down beside Jacob's well outside Sychar, a town in Samaria, at about the sixth hour (noon). A Samaritan woman comes to draw water from the well, a chore usually done in the early morning or evening, when it is cooler. She, however, comes during the hottest part of the day, perhaps shunned by the other women on account of her immoral lifestyle. Jews regarded Samaritans, especially Samaritan women, as perpetually impure. Rather than shunning her, however, Jesus asks her for a drink and, in turn, gives her living water. Her spiritual thirst exceeds Jesus' physical thirst. The Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, is the gift of God to those who believe in Jesus, the One who quenches mankind's thirst for eternal life.

**OPENING PRAISE SONG:** "This Is Amazing Grace" P Wickham | J Riddle

### **Verse 1**

Who breaks the power of sin and darkness  
Whose love is mighty and so much stronger  
The King of Glory, the King above all kings

Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder  
And leaves us breathless in awe and wonder  
The King of Glory, the King above all kings

### **Chorus**

This is amazing grace This is unfailing love  
That You would take my place That You would bear my cross  
You lay down Your life That I would be set free  
Oh, Jesus, I sing for All that You've done for me

### **Verse 2**

Who brings our chaos back into order  
Who makes the orphan a son and daughter  
The King of Glory, the King of Glory

Who rules the nations with truth and justice  
Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance  
The King of Glory, the King above all kings

### **Chorus**

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### **Bridge**

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain  
Worthy is the King who conquered the grave  
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Worthy is the King who conquered the grave  
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain  
Worthy, worthy, worthy  
This is amazing grace

### **Chorus**

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## **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen.**

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Pastor: Let us then come before God and each other and confess our sins and ask for forgiveness.

Pastor: Most merciful God,

**People: I confess to almighty God our Father that I have sinned by allowing other things to become more important to me than God. I have trusted more in myself, my possessions, my works, and my own desires. I confess that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him. Therefore I pray that He come to me in His Word and Spirit to forgive me and enlighten and keep me in the true faith. Amen.**

Pastor: Almighty God has had mercy on you and has come to you in the person of His Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. For the sake of His death and resurrection for you, God forgives you all your sins and gives you the strength of faith to serve Him in all faithfulness. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen. Thanks be to God.**

**PRAISE SONG:** “Great Are You Lord” All Sons and Daughters

### Verse 1

You give life, You are love You bring light to the darkness  
You give hope, You restore Every heart that is broken  
Great are You, Lord

### Chorus

It's Your breath in our lungs So we pour out our praise  
We pour out our praise It's Your breath in our lungs  
So we pour out our praise to You only

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We pour out our praise It's Your breath in our lungs  
So we pour out our praise to You only

### Bridge

All the earth will shout Your praise  
Our hearts will cry, these bones will sing  
Great are You, Lord

### Bridge

All the earth will shout Your praise  
Our hearts will cry, these bones will sing  
Great are You, Lord  
**(Repeat Bridge)**

### Chorus

It's Your breath in our lungs So we pour out our praise  
We pour out our praise It's Your breath in our lungs  
So we pour out our praise to You only  
**(Repeat Chorus)**

**READING OF THE DAY:** John 4:1-42

Now Jesus learned that the Pharisees had heard that he was gaining and baptizing more disciples than John— although in fact it was not Jesus who baptized, but his disciples. So he left Judea and went back once more to Galilee.

Now he had to go through Samaria. So he came to a town in Samaria called Sychar, near the plot of ground Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired as he was from the journey, sat down by the well. It was about noon.

When a Samaritan woman came to draw water, Jesus said to her, “Will you give me a drink?” (His disciples had gone into the town to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, “You are a Jew and I am a Samaritan woman. How can you ask me for a drink?” (For Jews do not associate with Samaritans.)

Jesus answered her, “If you knew the gift of God and who it is that asks you for a drink, you would have asked him and he would have given you living water.” “Sir,” the woman said, “you have nothing to draw with and the well is deep. Where can you get this living water? Are you greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did also his sons and his livestock?”

Jesus answered, “Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give them will become in them a spring of water welling up to eternal life.” The woman said to him, “Sir, give me this water so that I won’t get thirsty and have to keep coming here to draw water.” He told her, “Go, call your husband and come back.” “I have no husband,” she replied.

Jesus said to her, “You are right when you say you have no husband. The fact is, you have had five husbands, and the man you now have is not your husband. What you have just said is quite true.” “Sir,” the woman said, “I can see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you Jews claim that the place where we must worship is in Jerusalem.”

“Woman,” Jesus replied, “believe me, a time is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You Samaritans worship what you do not know; we worship what we do know, for salvation is from the Jews. Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in the Spirit and in truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in the Spirit and in truth.” The woman said, “I know that Messiah” (called Christ) “is coming. When he comes, he will explain everything to us.” Then Jesus declared, “I, the one speaking to you—I am he.”

Just then his disciples returned and were surprised to find him talking with a woman. But no one asked, “What do you want?” or “Why are you talking with her?”

Then, leaving her water jar, the woman went back to the town and said to the people,

“Come, see a man who told me everything I ever did. Could this be the Messiah?” They came out of the town and made their way toward him.

Meanwhile his disciples urged him, “Rabbi, eat something.”

But he said to them, “I have food to eat that you know nothing about.”

Then his disciples said to each other, “Could someone have brought him food?”

“My food,” said Jesus, “is to do the will of him who sent me and to finish his work. Don’t you have a saying, ‘It’s still four months until harvest’? I tell you, open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest. Even now the one who reaps draws a wage and harvests a crop for eternal life, so that the sower and the reaper may be glad together. Thus the saying ‘One sows and another reaps’ is true. I sent you to reap what you have not worked for. Others have done the hard work, and you have reaped the benefits of their labor.”

Many of the Samaritans from that town believed in him because of the woman’s testimony, “He told me everything I ever did.” So when the Samaritans came to him, they urged him to stay with them, and he stayed two days. And because of his words many more became believers.

They said to the woman, “We no longer believe just because of what you said; now we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this man really is the Savior of the world.”

Here ends the Reading.

## **CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

### **MESSAGE**

### **APOSTLES’ CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

### **OFFERING ANNOUNCEMENT**

### **INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS**

### **PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

### **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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the Kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

### **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.**

**People: Amen.**

### **DISTRIBUTION**

### **SPECIAL MUSIC: "Sustain Me"**

### **COMMUNION SONG: "Come As You Are" David Crowder, Matt Maher, Ben Glover**

#### **Verse 1**

Come out of sadness from wherever you've been  
Come broken hearted let rescue begin  
Come find your mercy Oh sinner, come kneel  
Earth has no sorrow That Heaven can't heal  
Earth has no sorrow That Heaven can't heal

#### **Chorus**

So, lay down your burdens Lay down your shame  
All who are broken Lift up your face  
Oh wanderer, come home You're not too far  
So, lay down your hurt Lay down your heart Come as you are

#### **Verse 2**

There's hope for the hopeless And all those who've strayed  
Come sit at the table Come taste the grace  
There's rest for the weary Rest that endures  
Earth has no sorrow That Heaven can't cure

#### **Chorus**

So, lay down your burdens Lay down your shame  
All who are broken Lift up your face  
Oh wanderer, come home You're not too far  
So, lay down your hurt Lay down your heart Come as you are

#### **Bridge**

Come as you are Fall in His arms Come as you are

#### **Verse 3**

There's joy for the morning Oh sinner, be still  
Earth has no sorrow That Heaven can't heal  
Earth has no sorrow That Heaven can't heal

#### **Chorus**

So, lay down your burdens Lay down your shame  
All who are broken Lift up your face  
Oh wanderer, come home You're not too far  
So, lay down your hurt Lay down your heart Come as you are

**Ending**

Come as you are Come as you are Come as you are

**COMMUNION SONG:** “Holy, Holy, Holy” Matt Maher**Verses 1**

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God Almighty  
Early in the morning Our song shall rise to Thee  
Holy, holy, holy Merciful and mighty  
God in three persons Blessed Trinity.

**Verse 2**

Holy, holy, holy All the saints adore Thee  
Casting down their golden crowns Around the glassy sea  
Cherubim and seraphim Falling down before Thee  
Which, wert, and art and Evermore shalt be

**Chorus**

From the cradle to the cross God with us, God with us  
For this broken world You love God with us, God with us  
You gave up Your only Son God with us, God with us  
So that all the world would know Our God with us

**Verse 3**

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God Almighty  
All Thy works shall praise Thy name In earth and sky and sea  
Holy, holy, holy Merciful and mighty  
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**Chorus**

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**DISMISSAL of the COMMUNICANTS and PRAYER****BENEDICTION****CLOSING SONG:** “All the People Said Amen” Matt Maher**Verse 1**

You are not alone, if you are lonely  
When you feel afraid, you're not the only  
We are all the same, in need of mercy  
To be forgiven and be free  
It's all you got to lean on but thank God it's all you need

**Chorus**

And all the people said Amen, woah  
And all the people said Amen  
Give thanks to the Lord for His love never ends  
And all the people said Amen

**Verse 2**

If you're rich or poor, well it don't matter  
Weak or strong, you know love is what we're after  
We're all broken, but we're all in this together  
God knows we stumble and we fall  
And He so loved the world, He sent His son to save us all

**Chorus**

And all the people said Amen, woah  
And all the people said Amen  
Give thanks to the Lord for His love never ends  
And all the people said Amen

**Bridge**

Blessed are the poor in spirit who are torn apart  
Blessed are the persecuted and the pure in heart  
Blessed are the people hungry for another start  
For theirs is the kingdom, the kingdom of God

**Chorus**

And all the people said Amen, woah  
And all the people said Amen  
Give thanks to the Lord for His love never ends  
And all the people said Amen

**End Chorus**

And all the people said Amen, woah  
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Give thanks to the Lord for His love never ends  
And all the people said Amen  
And all the people said Amen

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