

Jesus Changes Water Into Wine



Second Sunday after Epiphany
**EPIPHANY MOMENTS:
GOD DELIVERS MORE
THAN WE ASK, NOT LESS**

**Pastor Zietlow's Sermon:
John 2:1-11
A SPECIAL GUEST HAS ARRIVED**

WELCOME! WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

We pray that you find comfort, peace, and motivation through God's Word today. In our worship bulletin, you will find an outline of **today's order of worship**. The entire service can be found in the hymnal, up on the screen at St. John's and Emmanuel and livestreamed at www.stjohnsmontello.org and also at St. John's in the Lower Level. At St. John's, the **restrooms** are located in the link way, out the church entry way, to the left and down the stairs. At Emmanuel, they are located in the Parish Hall. You may also find a **nursery changing station** in the lower level of St. John's.

ST. JOHN'S & EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCHES-WELS

January 19, 2025

Emmanuel: Sun. 8:00am

St. John's: Sun. 10:00am

EPIPHANY MOMENTS

“Epiphany” comes from a Greek word that means “reveal.” When someone has an epiphany, it’s not that reality changed. The way they see that reality is what changed, for a deeper truth has been revealed. An epiphany is an “a-ha!” moment causing us to look at things very differently. In the Church Year, Epiphany is the season where we see Jesus begin his ministry, revealing the reason the Son of God came to earth. In this season we will come to understand that when we have Jesus in our lives, it does not always mean our reality drastically changes. It simply means that we see reality differently (and better). Jesus always provides an abundance of epiphany moments.

GOD DELIVERS MORE THAN WE ASK, NOT LESS

It is easy for us to assume that if God says “no” to a request, we are getting less than we wanted. We need to have an epiphany moment, seeing the reality—that God always wants more for us than we want from him. Saying “yes” to all our requests would often result in us receiving less joy, less blessing, a lesser life. So, when God says “no” to our request, we can be assured it is because he wants to give us more. Far more than existing as a “help desk” or 911 dispatch, God’s love for us is like that of a groom for his bride. His love for us exceeds all expectation and understanding. In that love, God always delivers more than we ask, not less.

ORDER OF WORSHIP: Setting One, hymnal pp. 154-164, 171

HYMNS: 386, 375, 385 v. 1-2

PSALM: 145 "I Will Exalt My God and King"

SERMON: John 2:1-11 A SPECIAL GUEST HAS ARRIVED We see His 1. Humility 2.

Wisdom 3. Compassion 4. Power

OPENING HYMN: 386 "Songs of Thankfulness and Praise"

FIRST READING: Isaiah 62:1-5

(The prophet Isaiah pictures the Church’s relationship with the Lord as an infinitely happy marriage. As our bridegroom, Christ delivers more than that for which we ask.)

¹For Zion’s sake I will not keep silent, for Jerusalem’s sake I will not remain quiet, till her vindication shines out like the dawn, her salvation like a blazing torch. ²The nations will see your vindication, and all kings your glory; you will be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will bestow. ³You will be a crown of splendor in the LORD’s hand, a royal diadem in the hand of your God. ⁴No longer will they call you Deserted, or name your land Desolate. But you will be called Hephzibah, and your land Beulah; for the LORD will take delight in you, and your land will be married. ⁵As a young man marries a young woman, so will your Builder marry you; as a bridegroom rejoices over his bride, so will your God rejoice over you.

PSALM: 145 "I Will Exalt My God and King"

SECOND READING: Ephesians 3:14-21

(St. Paul teaches that God wants us to have a life that is fuller than we could possibly imagine.)

¹⁴For this reason I kneel before the Father, ¹⁵from whom every family in heaven and on earth derives its name. ¹⁶I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, ¹⁷so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, ¹⁸may have power, together with all the Lord’s holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, ¹⁹and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God. ²⁰Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, ²¹to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

Gospel Acclamation

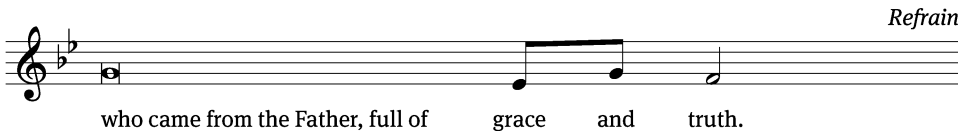
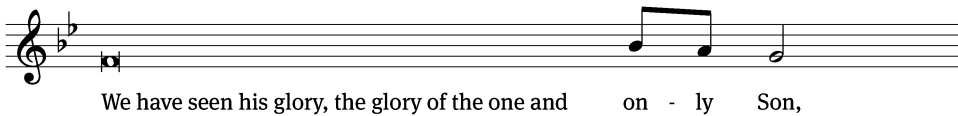
John 1:14



Refrain



Tone



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GOSPEL READING: John 2:1-11 (Sermon Text)

(To spare a newlywed couple embarrassment from having run out of wine, Mary asks Jesus to do something. Jesus delivers more than his mother asks, turning water into the choicest of wine.)

¹On the third day a wedding took place at Cana in Galilee. Jesus’ mother was there, ²and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³When the wine was

gone, Jesus' mother said to him, "They have no more wine." ⁴"Woman, why do you involve me?" Jesus replied. "My hour has not yet come." ⁵His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." ⁶Nearby stood six stone water jars, the kind used by the Jews for ceremonial washing, each holding from twenty to thirty gallons. ⁷Jesus said to the servants, "Fill the jars with water"; so they filled them to the brim. ⁸Then he told them, "Now draw some out and take it to the master of the banquet." They did so, ⁹and the master of the banquet tasted the water that had been turned into wine. He did not realize where it had come from, though the servants who had drawn the water knew. Then he called the bridegroom aside ¹⁰and said, "Everyone brings out the choice wine first and then the cheaper wine after the guests have had too much to drink; but you have saved the best till now." ¹¹What Jesus did here in Cana of Galilee was the first of the signs through which he revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

HYMN OF THE DAY: 375 "Arise and Shine in Splendor"

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OFFERING, FRIENDSHIP REGISTERS, ALTAR PRAYER

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH: Hymnal Page 164

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CLOSING HYMN: 385 v. 1-2 "Christ Begins" (cantor sings 1st stanza)

THEME FOR NEXT SUNDAY:

Third Sunday after Epiphany - EPIPHANY MOMENTS:
REJECTION IS NOT PROOF OF FAILURE

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I would like to thank the congregation for the generous gift I received. Your donations were greatly appreciated. I am the one who is blessed as I watch the little lambs grow in their faith and love of Jesus, once again, thank you ever so much. Valorie Schable

St. John's is looking for a few good men to help as Ushers! If you'd like to join the usher crew, please talk to Jerre Duerr, James Wachholz, or Matthew Kath. Thanks!!

The 2025 Emmanuel offering envelopes are now available to be picked up in the parish hall. If you may have any questions, please contact Brian Ninneman.

The 2025 St. John's offering envelopes are now available on the table in the linkway. If you have any questions, see Matt Kath, James Wachholz, Jerre Duerr or Pastor Zietlow.

CHURCH RECORDS

Dear members of St. John's, In coming months we will be updating our Church records and need your help! Office volunteers will be contacting you to update contact information and Church records. Thanks in advance for your cooperation.

Lenten suppers at St. John's begin Ash Wednesday—March 5th—which the St. John's Ladies Aid will serve. The following 2 Wednesdays will be served by the St. John's Sunday School and the Hands in Prayer ladies. If there are any other groups that are interested in serving, please contact Matt at the St. John's office. March 26th, April 2nd and April 9th are available. That is all since Good Friday is April 18th and Easter Sunday is April 20th.

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

- For the sick and others facing trials, including Janice Arvidson, Evie Blada, Gale "Blackie" Boyd, Sandy Buchholz, Bob Buehrens, Agnes Dassow, Edith Duesterhoeft, Don Ebert, Kaye Edwards (Mark Emond's friend), Ken Elmer (Sally's husband), Earl Ewert, Judy Fandrey, John Gaedke (Dan Finger's uncle), Donna Gatzke, Dennis Gray (Mary Dahlke's brother), Kelleen Grucza, Kim Hanko (Judy Fandrey's daughter), Samuel Harmon (Linda Lou Wacholtz's nephew), Del & Jean Henke, LuAnn Hoffman-Reber (Barb Hoffman's step-daughter), Darlene Hunter (Bonnie Chapman's mother), Xzander Jahr, Kris Kemp (Diane Hintz' daughter), Dale Kozlowski, Emily Krueger, Jeff Krueger (Diane Hintz's son), Jacob Kwit (Suzie Weber's son), Earl "Pete" Laun, Mary Luck, Darren Marceau, Garrett Miller (Dawn Marcelain & Candace Sonnenberg's brother-in-law), Julie Moran, Debbie & Steve Parrish, Milo & Barbara Petrick, Kim Peyton (Church Boetcher's niece), Sharon Priewe, Melissa Prater, Sharon Priewe, Karen Radke, Roxanne Schmanke, Ashley Schroeder, Eloise Schultz, Lynn Sellnow, Bob Sluga (Sherry's husband), Heather Smith (Diane Hintz' step-daughter), DuWayne Sommerfeld, Amanda Stalker, Tom Stempniak (Carol's husband), Billy & Gloria Tucker, James & Suzanne Weber, Paul & LuAnn Weldon (added this week: __)
- For those affected by the California wildfires
- For the family of Shelley Rene, Mary Isberner's niece, called on Wednesday at the age of 57
- For our Emmanuel member Marvis Wegner who retired on Friday after serving as Montello Public School secretary for over 55 years
- For our St. John's member Don Luck celebrating this 90th birthday today
- For Monday's presidential inauguration
- For Tuesday's CALA (principal & grades 6-8 teacher) & LL (director/teacher) call meetings

St. John's	Usher's Schedule
Sunday, Jan. 19	Sunday, Jan. 26
James Wachholz Zeb Zuehls Chuck Boetcher Jesse Schable Aaron Wachholz	Paul Van Treeck Matt Borzick Ken Borzick James Henke Haiden Van Treeck Nolan Van Treeck Brody Henke Milo Henke

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This Week: January 19-25, 2025

Monday	6:30 p.m.	Adult Choir SJ
	7:30 p.m.	Adult Bible Study SJ
Tuesday	5:45 p.m.	CALA Call Meeting SJ
	6:00 p.m.	LL Call Meeting SJ
	6:30 p.m.	Joint Council Meeting SJ
	7:30 p.m.	SJ Council Meeting
Wednesday	9:45 a.m.	The Residences Devotion
	10:00 a.m.	Montello Care Center Devotion
	10:30 a.m.	Adult Bible Study SJ
	5:00 p.m.	Public School Catechism SJ
Thursday	6:00 p.m.	GriefShare SJ

Next Sunday: January 26, 2025

8:00 a.m.	Emmanuel Worship with Communion
8:30 a.m.	Sunday School St. John's
8:45 a.m.	Adult Bible Study St. John's
9:00 a.m.	Adult Bible Study Emmanuel
10:00 a.m.	St. John's Worship with Communion

	Budget	Offerings	All Income	Expenses
November	\$40,014.98	\$21,829.30	\$29,646.05	\$37,904.77
Year to Date	\$200,074.90	\$121,201.90	\$163,734.94	\$182,123.57

*Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. **2 Corinthians 9:7***

LL, CALA and Sunday School Singing Schedule

Date	
1/19/25	LL/CALA K-8 PRINCETON
2/16/25	Sunday School MONTELLO

Attendance

Date	EM	SJ
1/12/25	46	64

CALA HOSTS WALL BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT FEB. 2025

On Feb. 15 & 16, Christ Alone Lutheran Academy will host the annual WALL basketball tournament at WLA in Fond du Lac, WI. We need all hands on deck! If you are looking for a way to support and serve your school, please consider giving your time. You do not need to be a sports family to serve. Areas that we will need help in are concessions, admissions table, bookkeeping, scoreboard, and providing baked good items. All proceeds made that weekend will go to CALA. From these proceeds, CALA also plans to give back by making a monetary donation to the WLA new school building project. Thank you for your consideration!

Please follow the link to sign up or contact Jorgia Kempley in the Princeton office:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1I_a4peA3NGuriLFfEuz4wGz9WPZOIVZ2Bspd8jA32RA/edit?usp=sharing

SNOW SHOVELING - A St. John's member who lives near the post office is in need of a caring member to shovel his walk after a snowfall. If you are interested in helping, phone or text Pastor Zietlow at 608-408-7830

CHRIST ALONE LUTHERAN ACADEMY SCHOOL FUNDRAISER

CHILDREN'S
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Art For Dinner

"Fearfully & wonderfully made"

BASKET
RAFFLE

CATERED
DINNER

MARCH 1, 2025

Where: CALA Princeton Campus

Silent Auction Preview: 3:30-5:30pm

Basket Preview: 3:30-5:30pm

Dinner: 5:00pm

TICKETS REQUIRED UPON ENTRY!

**FREE Spaghetti Meal
for children (13 & under)!**

To Buy Tickets:

artfordinner15@gmail.com

School Office 920-481-9002

Stop by the Princeton school office

Coordinator: Megan Jaster

608-369-3456



Daddy Daughter Dance



February 1st, 6-8pm

Recommended ages for Girls 3-12 years old
DJ, Photo Booth, Refreshments

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PRINCETON, WI
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STREET

**FREE EVENT OPEN
TO THE PUBLIC**

GIRLS MAY BE ESCORTED BY
DADS, GRANDPAS, UNCLES,
OR ANY OTHER PERSON THAT
FITS THAT ROLE.



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How to Register
Follow QR Code:
Phone: 920-295-4400
Email:
sjlcprinceton@gmail.com



Online:

<https://www.sjlprinceton.com>

The Evangelism Team

has some fun upcoming outreach projects and we are in need of monetary donations and volunteers!!!

We are in need of monetary donations to buy supplies and volunteers to help with the fun activities at the Easter Festival on April 12.

We are in need of volunteers for canvassing our local area for the Montello Care & Share Food Bank. This is an easy, unthreatening reason to be at the door. We are performing a community service for Care & Share while interacting with multiple households in Montello. Brief training is provided.

These projects are a great way to get involved with your Church Family and help to reach out to our community with the Gospel!

There will be a basket in the information room for donations for the Easter Festival.

If you'd like to help out with these projects, or join the Evangelism Team, please contact Lynn Sellnow, James & Linda Wachholz, Mark & Patty Emond or Matt Kath.

Help us stay in touch!

Scan the code below using your smartphone camera and fill out the prompted information. Don't have a smartphone? That's ok! Fill out an attendance card located at the end of each pew and place it in the offering plate located at the entry of each church.



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