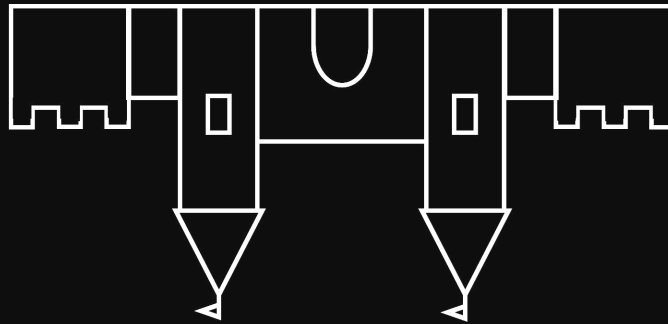


LIVING IN THE UPSIDE-DOWN KINGDOM

Matthew 5-7



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Third Sunday After Epiphany

January 21/22, 2023

Jon Pedersen, Pastor
Ellen D. Schroll, Minister of Music
Sue Hoff, Vicar
David Rhodes, Organist

Prelude *"Kyrie, Christ the Comforter of the World"*

Arr. Marcel Dupré

Opening Hymn *“O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright!”*

ELW 308

Confession and Absolution

Holy One, source of our renewal, we confess that we are wrapped up in sin, and cannot free ourselves. We have not practiced your righteousness. Our hearts have turned away from you. For the sake of the world you so love, forgive us, that we may be reconciled to one another for the glory of your holy name. **Amen.**

Haugen Kyrie / Hymn of Praise

Prayer of the Day

Loving God, your son Jesus taught many things that helped people know how deeply you love humanity. Help us to live in your love, so that we might be beacons of light for others. We pray these things in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Choir Anthem *“Blest Are They”* (Arr. David Haas)

Chancel Choir

Reading: *Matthew 4:23-5:12*

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people. So his fame spread throughout all Syria, and they brought to him all the sick, those who were afflicted with various diseases and pains, demoniacs, epileptics, and paralytics, and he cured them. And great crowds followed him from Galilee, the Decapolis, Jerusalem, Judea, and from beyond the Jordan.

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

'Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

'Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

‘Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

‘Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

‘Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

‘Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.’

‘Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

‘Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

'Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

L: Word of God, Word of Light **C:** *Thanks Be to God!*

Message

Pastor Jon Pedersen

Hymn of the Day *“Hear Our Praises”*

Praise Band

Apostles Creed

Passing of the Peace

Announcements

Prayers of the People

Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.
P: Lift up your hearts.
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord.

C: And also with you.
C: We lift them to the Lord.
C: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Communion Distribution

"Now We Join in Celebration"
"How Great is Our God"

ELW 462
Praise Band

Benediction

Sending Hymn

"Shout to the North"

Praise Band

Sending

L: You have been called. You have been gathered. You have been equipped. Now you are being sent. Go in peace to serve the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

"Prelude from Suite in C"

By Henry Purcell