

# NURTURE

*caring for one another, for our space, and for our growth as disciples*

**{Inward}**

WE ARE PRAYING for those who grieve, Glen Andrews, Mary Marshall, loved ones of Aunt Lou, Colleen Bouldin, Jim Rickards, Jerry Porter, Grayson Foy, Richard Weeks, Wayne, and Ben Hamrick. Wish to add or restore a name? Say so via the offering plate or the church's e-mail address.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH is up and running! Ms. LaRonda is among us. She's a favorite among students over at Grace Covenant's preschool. After children's moment (approximately 4:15) guardians are invited to accompany infants - 5 year olds to the end of the hallway. They rejoin us for Communion.

EPIPHANY SEASON'S GREETINGS! Twelfth Night (January 5<sup>th</sup> this year) brought Christmas to an end. Then came an even more ancient celebration among Christians: Epiphany. The Feast of the Epiphany is rooted in the visit of the Magi from the East. It also marks the beginning of a liturgical season that bridges the time between Christmas and Lent.

A LOOK AT LIFE TOGETHER in numbers.

	Ministry Costs	Your Gifts
January 1 - 6	\$4,885	\$6,066

## Boulevard United Methodist Church



Since the Spirit was popularly thought to have been withdrawn till the end of the age, his ministry as healer and exorcist *in the power of the Spirit* was proof enough that the end of the age had come.

This link Jesus maintained between his exorcisms and the kingdom (a new age) is one that should not be ignored...

- James D. G. Dunn & Graham H. Twelftree

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On the cover: Jesus driving out the unclean spirit relief necklace, Bridgeman Images

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Third Sunday after the Epiphany

4:00 pm at Fox Elementary

Gathering

Greeting

Rev. Drew Willson

Call to Prayer and Praise

It is good.

**It is good.**

To be in a house of the Lord.

**To be in a house of the Lord.**

One more time.

**One more time.**

Hymn

*Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness*

Prayer

Time with Children

Music

First Reading

Psalms 111

Music

Gospel Lesson

Mark 1:21-28

Sermon

“Even the Demons”

Rev. Rachel G. May

Hymn

*Cast Out O Christ*

Offering Tithes & Gifts

The Lord’s Supper

Prayer

Hymn

*God of Grace and God of Glory*

Dismissal with Blessing

INVITATION TO THE LORD’S SUPPER

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*Holy God...*

**Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord, God of power and might,**

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory,**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*In the fullness of time, you sent Jesus...*

And so,

in remembrance of these, your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,

we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving

as a holy and living sacrifice,

in union with Christ's offering for us,

as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

*Pour out your Spirit on us, and pour out your Spirit on these gifts...*

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, for ever and ever. Amen.**

BREAKING THE BREAD

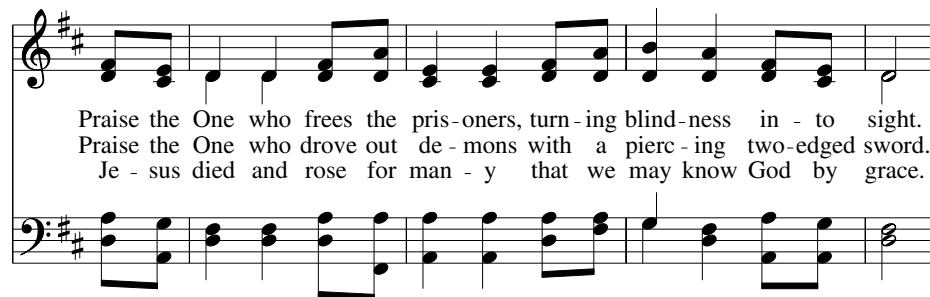
GIVING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

PRAYER

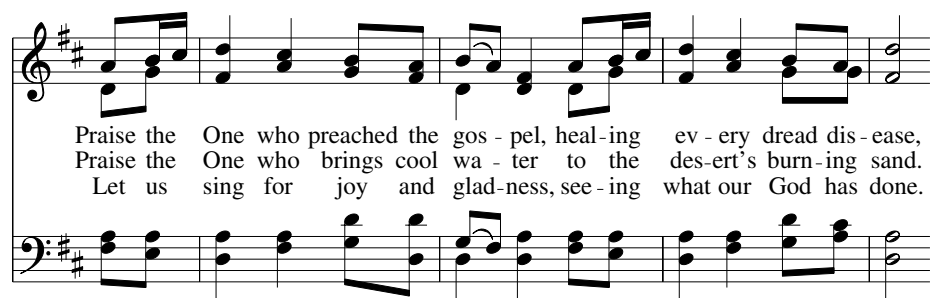
# Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness 93



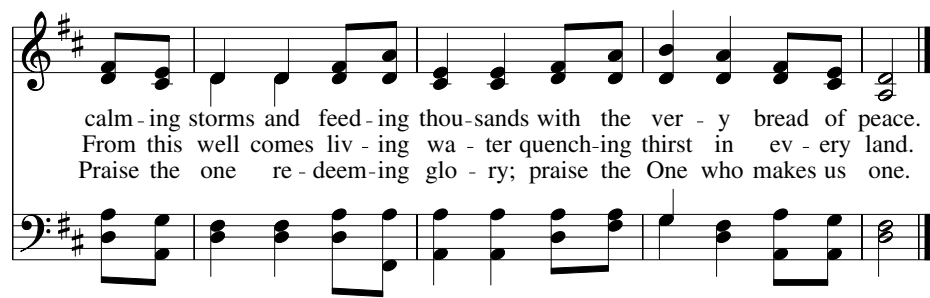
1 Praise the One who breaks the dark-ness with a lib - er - at-ing light.  
 2 Praise the One who blessed the chil - dren with a strong yet gen-tle word.  
 3 Praise the one true love in - car - nate: Christ, who suf-fered in our place.



Praise the One who frees the pris-oners, turn-ing blind-ness in - to sight.  
 Praise the One who drove out de - mons with a pierc - ing two-edged sword.  
 Je - sus died and rose for man - y that we may know God by grace.



Praise the One who preached the gos - pel, heal-ing ev - ery dread dis-ease,  
 Praise the One who brings cool wa - ter to the des-ert's burn-ing sand.  
 Let us sing for joy and glad-ness, see - ing what our God has done.



calm-ing storms and feed-ing thou-sands with the ver - y bread of peace.  
 From this well comes liv - ing wa - ter quench-ing thirst in ev - ery land.  
 Praise the one re - deem-ing glo - ry; praise the One who makes us one.

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Mark 1:21-28 New Revised Standard Version

<sup>21</sup>They went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. <sup>22</sup>They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. <sup>23</sup>Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, <sup>24</sup>and he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God." <sup>25</sup>But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" <sup>26</sup>And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. <sup>27</sup>They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, "What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." <sup>28</sup>At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

Psalms 111 New American Bible

**Hallelujah. I will praise the Lord with all my heart in the assembled congregation of the upright.**

Great are the works of the Lord, to be treasured for all their delights.

**Majestic and glorious is your work, your wise design endures forever.**

You won renown for your wondrous deeds; gracious and merciful is the Lord.

**You gave food to those who fear you, mindful of your covenant forever.**

You showed powerful deeds to your people, giving them the lands of the nations.

**The works of your hands are right and true, reliable all your decrees,**

Established forever and ever, to be observed with loyalty and care.

**You sent deliverance to your people, ratified your covenant forever; holy and awesome is your name.**

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; prudent are all who live by it. Your praise endures forever.