

**January 31, 2021**  
**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany**  
**Worship Video: <https://youtu.be/lfglRQ2s13A>**

**Welcome & Announcements**

Welcome to worship at Moville United Methodist Church.

As we worship, I hope you will feel the presence of God.

- We are now having in-person worship services in our Sanctuary at 10:15am on Sunday mornings.
- Please note that the church building does remain closed Monday – Friday to visitors. If you are in need of speaking to Holli our Administrative Secretary or myself please call the church office.
- We encourage you to continue to mail in your gifts and offerings to the church office or you may set up online giving by contacting Holli our administrative secretary. You will need to fill out a form and provide a voided check.

**Gathering Words**

**Opening Hymn**      *Come, Christians, Join to Sing*

1 Come, Christians, join to sing: Alleluia! Amen!  
loud praise to Christ our King: Alleluia! Amen!  
Let all, with heart and voice, before his throne rejoice;  
praise is his gracious choice. Alleluia! Amen!

2 Come, lift your hearts on high: Alleluia! Amen!  
Let praises fill the sky: Alleluia! Amen!  
He is our guide and friend; to us he'll condescend;  
his love shall never end: Alleluia! Amen!

3 Praise yet the Lord again: Alleluia! Amen!  
Life shall not end the strain: Alleluia! Amen!  
On heaven's blissful shore, his goodness we'll adore,  
singing forevermore: Alleluia! Amen!

**Responsive Call to Worship**

God comes into a world filled with uncertainties and darkness.

**God seeks out the voids of belief and conviction.**

God embraces the wounded and broken.

**God knocks down the walls of division and strife.**

God is the candle shining in the darkness of our days.

**God is the light of our lives.**

God is the one who makes all things new.

**Praise be to God, now and forevermore!**

**Pastoral Prayer**

## **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. Amen.

**Song**            *Majesty, Worship His Majesty*

Majesty, worship his majesty;  
Unto Jesus be all glory, honor, and praise.  
Majesty, kingdom authority,  
Flow from his throne unto his own, his anthem raise.

So exalt, lift up on high the name of Jesus.  
Magnify, come glorify Christ Jesus, the King.  
Majesty, worship his majesty,  
Jesus who died, now glorified, King of all kings.

## **Words of Preparation**

**Scripture** – Mark 1:21-28 (Common English Bible)

<sup>21</sup> Jesus and his followers went into Capernaum. Immediately on the Sabbath Jesus entered the synagogue and started teaching. <sup>22</sup> The people were amazed by his teaching, for he was teaching them with authority, not like the legal experts. <sup>23</sup> Suddenly, there in the synagogue, a person with an evil spirit screamed, <sup>24</sup> "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are. You are the holy one from God." <sup>25</sup> "Silence!" Jesus said, speaking harshly to the demon. "Come out of him!" <sup>26</sup> The unclean spirit shook him and screamed, then it came out. <sup>27</sup> Everyone was shaken and questioned among themselves, "What's this? A new teaching with authority! He even commands unclean spirits and they obey him!" <sup>28</sup> Right away the news about him spread throughout the entire region of Galilee.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Message**            *"The Power of Jesus" Pastor Jill Clem*

## **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**We give you all thanks and praise, O God,  
for your justice stands in splendor and majesty,  
and you nourish the faithful  
with mercy and kindness.**

**You are the one God who created all things  
and for whom we exist.  
From the beginning you have revealed your mighty deeds  
and upheld a covenant with your chosen ones.**

**You raised up among your people  
a prophet greater even than Moses,  
your Son and our teacher, Jesus of Nazareth.  
With words and deeds of authority he has taught us,**

**not the knowledge that puffs up,  
but the love that builds up.**

**You put your holy words in his mouth,  
and at his word even the demons fall silent.  
When he was killed, you raised him to life,  
and now it is through him that we exist,  
and in him, that the crippling grip of death is broken forever.**

**Therefore, with our hearts lifted high,  
we offer you thanks and praise at all times  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, forever and ever. Amen.**

**Closing Song**     *I Love to Tell the Story*

1 I love to tell the story of unseen things above:  
of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love.  
I love to tell the story, because I know 'tis true.  
It satisfies my longings as nothing else could do.

I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory,  
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

2 I love to tell the story; more wonderful it seems  
than all the golden fancies of all our golden dreams.  
I love to tell the story, it did so much for me;  
And that is just the reason I tell it now to thee.

I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory,  
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

3 I love to tell the story. 'tis pleasant to repeat  
what seems, each time I tell it, more wonderfully sweet.  
I love to tell the story, for some have never heard  
the message of salvation from God's own holy word.

I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory,  
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

4 I love to tell the story, for those who know it best  
seem hungering and thirsting to hear it, like the rest.  
And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song,  
'twill be the old, old story that I have loved so long.

I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory,  
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

**Blessing & Commission**