

First Cutlerville CRC  
**January 20, 2019 AM Service**  
**EPIPHANY**

Prelude

Welcome

Praise Team member  
Welcome to the worship of the Lord today.  
We come with all our needs and concerns.  
Some of us have been so blessed and we are grateful;  
some of us are discouraged and we need new hope;  
some of us have experienced God's care in deep ways this week;  
some of us wonder whether he has forgotten us;  
some of us have deep and abiding assurance;  
and some of us carry a load of regrets.  
Whatever our circumstance and whatever our needs,  
come today, let him embrace you with his love and care.  
Please stand, if you are able, to sing as God continues to call us to worship.

\*Call to Worship      All Who are Thirsty (P&W 3 #159) (PPT)

\*God's Greeting      Pastor Doug  
\*We Greet One Another      Pastor Doug to announce

\*Songs of Praise      Be Unto Your Name (P&W 2 #102) (PPT)  
                                 O Praise the Name (Anastasis) (P&W 8 #452) (PPT)

Confession of Sin and Assurance of Pardon - Pastor Doug - The Seven Deadly Sins - Pride

**PRIDE**

**A Responsive Confession of Sin**

Let us come before our heavenly Father in a prayer of confession.

**Father in Heaven, forgive us for being prideful people.**

So often we think that we are righteous by our own actions, rather than receiving righteousness through the blood of Christ. We do not like to admit that we are weak, and instead we look at the failings of others. We often think that we are better than others, and we expect them to be perfect for us.

**Forgive us, Lord.**

Forgive us for having an arrogant attitude toward our neighbors in the body of Christ, toward our neighbors who don't yet know you, and toward those we don't know but stereotype. We fail to see our neighbors as people made in your image.

**Forgive us, Lord.**

Sometimes, Lord, in our quest for perfection we fail to use the gifts you have given to us. We are afraid that others will see us as less than perfect, forgetting that only you are perfect.

**Forgive us, Lord.**

Forgive us, Lord, for our pride. Help us to see ourselves and our neighbor through your eyes—the eyes that looked at the world from the perspective of the cross.

**Forgive us, Lord. Amen.**

**Assurance of Pardon**

**Leader:** Congregation, let us share the Word of the Lord from Philippians 2:

If you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any fellowship with the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and purpose. Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves. Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others. Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus:

**People: Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness.**

And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death—even death on a cross!

Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Song      I Lift My Eyes Up LUYH 652  
(Children come forward at beginning of song for dismissal to Children's Worship - on slide)

Ordination and Installation of Office Bearer - Jim Krul (on slide)

Congregational Prayer      Pastor Doug      \*reminder to pass the Linkln

Offering      Christian Schools  
Offertory

Scripture      Acts 11:19-30

Message      Balcony People (Barnabas) (Re-Imagining Church; #23)

Prayer      Pastor Doug

\*Song of Response      The Servant Song LUYH 309: 1, 2, 4, 5

\*Announcement about Prayer Time after the service

\*Blessing      Pastor Doug

\*Doxology      We Receive Your Blessing LUYH 947

\*Postlude

Worship Leader	Pastor Doug Kamstra
Pianist	Heidi Wassink
Keyboard	Carly Meulenberg
Praise Team Leader	Holly Gort (Heidi subbing)
Praise Team	Stacy Meulenberg, Gretchen Roodvoets, Anna Visser, Josh Visser
Drums	Jeff Baar
Sound Tech	Ryan Carlisle
Video Tech	Kendon Fennema
Worship Coordinator	Heidi Wassink

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