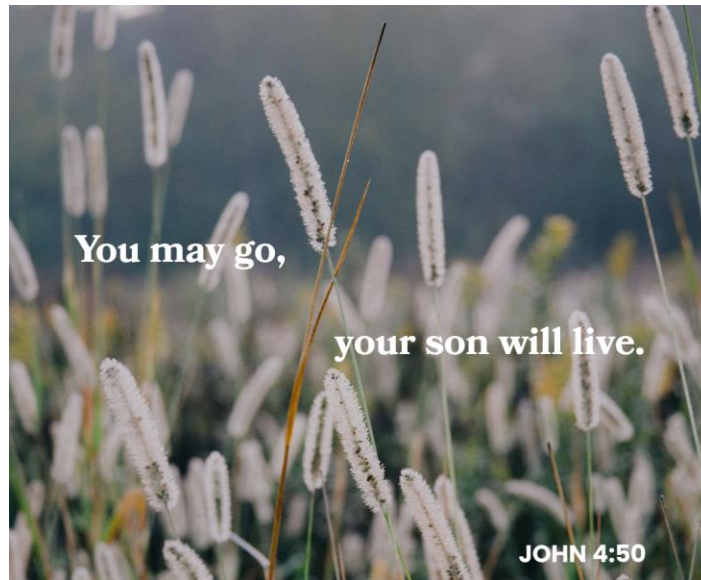


Jesus healed many people—not just Jews and not just those who believed in him.

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Fifth Sunday of Epiphany



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The mission of God is life. Hope replaces despair. Faith replaces fear. Life replaces death. How are you participating in God’s mission of life?

WELCOME

AM: Good morning and welcome to worship. This morning we welcome all guests and persons new to our faith community. Please know we experience you as a gift from God. Trinity welcomes and affirms all persons into full participation in the life of our faith community. Welcome to worship.

GATHERING SONG

AM: Our Gathering song is, “*Way Maker,*” *Osinachi Kalu Okoro Egbu*

Way Maker

Osinachi Kalu Okoro Egbu

You are here, moving in our midst.

I worship You. I worship You.

You are here, working in this place.

I worship You. I worship You.

You are here, moving in our midst.

I worship You. I worship You.

You are here, working in this place.

I worship You. I worship You.

Way maker, miracle worker, promise keeper, light in the darkness.

My God, that is who you are.

Way maker, miracle worker, promise keeper, light in the darkness.

My God, that is who you are.

You are here, touching every heart.

I worship You. I worship You.

You are here, healing every heart.

I worship You. I worship You.

You are here, turning life around.

I worship You. I worship You.

You are here, mending every heart.

I worship You. I worship You.

*Way maker, miracle worker, promise keeper, light in the darkness.
My God, that is who you are.*

*Way maker, miracle worker, promise keeper, light in the darkness.
My God, that is who you are.*

*That is who you are. That is who You are.
That is who You are. That is who You are.
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That is who You are. That is who You are.*

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FORGIVENESS AND CONFESSION

AM: We confess our sins before God and one another.

Pause for silence and reflection.

AM: Merciful God,

All: ...Jesus, the Word made flesh, shows us all the ways we fall short. In love, he provides a way out of the holes we've dug for ourselves. Forgive us our sins, and show us how to make better choices. Empower us to be better church members, friends, parents, children, partners, and co-workers. Let Christ's light shine through us, for the sake of Jesus we pray. Amen.

AM: Jesus cleanses us of our sin and recreates us in God's image. Those who believe this walk free of guilt, shame, and sin. We are made new! We give thanks to God for this good news. In Jesus' name we pray.

All: Amen

PRAYER OF THE DAY

AM: Let us pray together the Prayer of the Day. God of restoration,

All: ...You have the power to heal and to renew. Mend all that is broken in us and in our world, and bring us to wholeness, for the sake of your son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

PEACE

AM: The peace of the Lord be with you all.

All: And also with you

AM: If you are gathered with friends or family, greet one another with the sign of peace.

SPECIAL MUSIC

 *Down to the River to Pray*, Alison Krauss

Kyle Miskovic

*As I went down in the river to pray
Studying about that good old way
And who shall wear the starry crown
Good Lord, show me the way!*

*O sisters let's go down,
Let's go down, come on down,
O sisters let's go down,
Down in the river to pray.*

*As I went down in the river to pray
Studying about that good old way
And who shall wear the robe and
crown
Good Lord, show me the way!*

*O brothers let's go down,
Let's go down, come on down,
Come on brothers let's go down,
Down in the river to pray.*

*As I went down in the river to pray
Studying about that good old way*

*And who shall wear the starry crown
Good Lord, show me the way!*

*O fathers let's go down,
Let's go down, come on down,
O fathers let's go down,
Down in the river to pray.*

*As I went down in the river to pray
Studying about that good old way
And who shall wear the robe and
crown
Good Lord, show me the way!*

*O mothers let's go down,
Come on down, don't you want to go
down,
Come on mothers let's go down,
Down in the river to pray.*

*As I went down in the river to pray
Studying about that good old way
And who shall wear the starry crown
Good Lord, show me the way!*

*O sinners let's go down,
Let's go down, come on down,
O sinners let's go down,
Down in the river to pray.*

*As I went down in the river to pray
Studying about that good old way
And who shall wear the robe and
crown
Good Lord, show me the way!*

WORD

AM: Let us pray... Gracious God, we do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from you. Bless Don Jambrek, who will read to us the scriptures. Make us hunger for the Word of life, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

L: Through the proclaimed word of God, the Holy Spirit moves to instill and deepen faith.

The gospel according to John.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

John 4:46-54 [5:1-18]

⁴⁶Then he came again to Cana in Galilee where he had changed the water into wine. Now there was a royal official whose son lay ill in Capernaum. ⁴⁷When he heard that Jesus had come from Judea to Galilee, he went and begged him to come down and heal his son, for he was at the point of death. ⁴⁸Then Jesus said to him, "Unless you see signs and wonders you will not believe." ⁴⁹The official said to him, "Sir, come down before my little boy dies." ⁵⁰Jesus said to him, "Go; your son will live." The man believed the word that Jesus spoke to him and started on his way. ⁵¹As he was going down, his slaves met him and told him that his child was alive. ⁵²So he asked them the hour when he began to recover, and they said to him, "Yesterday at one in the afternoon the fever left him." ⁵³The father realized that this was the hour when Jesus had said to him, "Your son will live." So he himself believed, along with his whole household. ⁵⁴Now this was the second sign that Jesus did after coming from Judea to Galilee.

⁵[After this there was a festival of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. ²Now in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate there is a pool, called in

Hebrew Beth-zatha, which has five porticoes. ³In these lay many invalids—blind, lame, and paralyzed. ⁵One man was there who had been ill for thirty-eight years. ⁶When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been there a long time, he said to him, “Do you want to be made well?” ⁷The sick man answered him, “Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; and while I am making my way, someone else steps down ahead of me.” ⁸Jesus said to him, “Stand up, take your mat and walk.” ⁹At once the man was made well, and he took up his mat and began to walk. Now that day was a sabbath. ¹⁰So the Jews said to the man who had been cured, “It is the sabbath; it is not lawful for you to carry your mat.” ¹¹But he answered them, “The man who made me well said to me, ‘Take up your mat and walk.’” ¹²They asked him, “Who is the man who said to you, ‘Take it up and walk’?” ¹³Now the man who had been healed did not know who it was, for Jesus had disappeared in the crowd that was there. ¹⁴Later Jesus found him in the temple and said to him, “See, you have been made well! Do not sin any more, so that nothing worse happens to you.” ¹⁵The man went away and told the Jews that it was Jesus who had made him well. ¹⁶Therefore the Jews started persecuting Jesus, because he was doing such things on the sabbath.

¹⁷But Jesus answered them, “My Father is still working, and I also am working.” ¹⁸For this reason the Jews were seeking all the more to kill him, because he was not only breaking the sabbath, but was also calling God his own Father, thereby making himself equal to God.]

L: The gospel of the Lord

Praise to You, O Christ

SERMON - Video

Pastor Tom

A moment of silence follows to allow the Holy Spirit to instill and deepen faith in Jesus Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY

 ***Come As You Are***

David Crowder

*Come out of sadness from wherever you've been
Come broken hearted let rescue begin*

*Come find your mercy, oh sinner come kneel
Earth has no sorrow that heaven can't heal
Earth has no sorrow that heaven can't heal*

*So lay down your burdens, lay down your shame
All who are broken lift up your face
Oh wanderer come home, you're not too far
So lay down your hurt lay down your heart
Come as you are*

*There's hope for the hopeless and all those who've strayed
Come sit at the table come taste the grace
There's rest for the weary rest that endures
Earth has no sorrow that heaven can't cure*

*So lay down your burdens lay down your shame
All who are broken lift up your face
Oh wanderer come home, you're not too far
Lay down your hurt, lay down your heart
Come as you are, come as you are
Fall in his arms come as you are*

*There's joy for the morning oh sinner be still
Earth has no sorrow that heaven can't heal
Earth has no sorrow that heaven can't heal*

*So lay down your burdens lay down your shame
All who are broken lift up your face
Oh wanderer come home you're not too far
So lay down your hurt lay down your heart*

*Come as you are
Come as you are
Come as you are
Come as you are*

APOSTLE'S CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

We pray for the church, the world, and all those in need. After the words
'Lord, in your mercy' please respond '**Hear our prayer.**'

AM: God of all that is whole and well, so many came to your son, Jesus
for healing. Many responded with grace and gratitude. Others with
fear or apathy. Help us to turn our faces toward you with humility
and thankfulness for all you have done and continue to do. Lord, in
your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

AM: Often creation itself groans under the burden of brokenness, some
caused by humanity, some by natural disasters. Give us hands to

mend the wounds of this planet, and eyes to see where our actions hurt or where they heal. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

AM: Grant our world's leaders wisdom to lead with justice, courage, humility, gratitude, and mercy, ever lifting up the needs of those who cannot speak or act for themselves. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

AM: With all your saints we receive with thankfulness the fullness of your mercy and grace. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

AM: Let every voice be heard from every station, position, hierarchy, caste, or class. Level the playing field so that no one suffers at the hands of another. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

AM: Like the mindful healing of your son, Jesus, pour healing upon all who are in need today, all who suffer from illness, grief, poverty, addiction, despair, isolation, abuse, neglect, or any other form of suffering. Especially today, we uplift... Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

AM: Grateful for your everlasting faithfulness, we lift our hearts and our prayers to you, merciful God, in the name of your son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

OFFERING

AM: When we give a financial gift, we give it not to receive God's forgiveness but in gratitude for it. Give today with intentionality by reminding yourself that God is the source of all that we have. The slide outlines the different ways you can give.

Thank you and thank God for you.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

AM: Let us pray:

O God of justice and love, we give thanks to you that you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, awaken us to the needs of others, and at the end bring all the world to your feast; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever. Amen.

SENDING

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HAPPENINGS

THE LORD'S PRAYER

AM: Let us pray together the Lord's Prayer, using the King James version.

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 and ever. Amen

AM: Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN

 ***Go, My Children, With My Blessing, verses 1 & 3*** ***Hymn #543***

Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone.

Waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own.

In my love's baptismal river I have made you mine forever.

Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own.

*Go, my children, fed and nourished, closer to me.
Grow in love and love by serving, joyful and free.
Here my spirit's power filled you, here my tender comfort stilled you.
Go, my children, fed and nourished, joyful and free.*

DISMISSAL

AM: Go out into the world with passion and great joy. Christ is with you. Follow Him!

All: Thanks be to God!