

## **Epiphany Sermon Videos**

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## Your Heart's Desire

"And Jesus asked, "What do you want me to do for you?" Luke 18:41

Dear People of St. David's,

I pray that you and yours are well on these slightly dreary February days. These are good days for praying and reading, but not such great days for being outdoors. And that's a good thing.

I find these colder, darker days are a good time to catch up on a little spiritual reading, dust off the Bible to read one of the Gospels to reflect more on the words of Jesus, and spend a little more of my time in prayer and God's presence. It's so important for all of us to spend time with God every day. It brings a sense of peace when we allow God to draw us closer to God's heart and to consider our heart's desire.

Our heart's desire is an interesting consideration for us as individuals and as this community of St. David's. *What is it you want? What is your heart's desire?* It's one of the questions Jesus asked in His earthly ministry and with us today. He asks blind

people, "What do you want?" He asks people who can't walk, "What do you want?" And what seems so obvious is actually a sign of God's willingness to allow us to exercise our free will without God jumping to the conclusion or telling us what we should want. Taken on its own, it continues to be a hard question for many of us to answer because it makes us look into our own hearts and see what's really there and what we need from God to bring happiness and wholeness for us and for the life of the world.

The funny truth is that most of us don't know what we want. We don't know what we really want, much less what we are willing to ask God for and so we rarely pray for our heart's desire. But Jesus is interested and Jesus is willing to give us the true desire of our hearts. So look at your life and the world around you and tell God exactly what you want regardless of how far away or impossible it may feel to you. God invites us to pray for big things in our lives and big things for the life of the world because when we pray our true heart's desire they often align with God's purposes and desires for our lives. The prayer of our heart's desire may also be reshaped and reformed by God as we pray earnestly and openly.

These darker, quieter, slower days of winter are a good season for spending more time in prayer. So pray to God to show you your heart's true desire. Pray big and then enjoy watching God act in your life and in the life of the world around you. See you on Sunday!

Grace and Peace,





## Regular Worship Hours

8:00am | Holy Eucharist Rite I | Church 9:15am | Holy Eucharist Rite II | Chapel 11:15am | Holy Eucharist Rite II | Church 5:00pm | Holy Eucharist Rite II | Church