

2nd Sunday After Epiphany 2019

THE GATHERING

Ringing the 1887 Bell

Carillon Processional

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"
arr. Benjamin M. Culli/Marilyn Brattskar

* Call to Worship

One: How precious is the steadfast love of God.

All: All people may take refuge in the shadow of God's embrace.

One: Christ is the fountain of life.

All: In Christ we behold the light of God.

* Opening Hymn #409 "God Is Here!"

Prayer of the Day (*unison*)

Holy God, through signs of grace you reveal your glory to all the world. Open our eyes to the hidden and surprising wonders you perform, that we may believe with our minds and trust in our hearts that you alone are Lord of all creation. Through Christ, in the power of the Holy Spirit, we pray. Amen.

Call to Confession

One: In the light of Christ, we see the darkness of our world and of our hearts. Trusting in God's saving love, let us confess our sin.

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Almighty God, we confess that we have been led astray by the idols of our world. We have depended on our possessions and have not placed our trust in your grace. We have carelessly consumed the gifts you offer and have failed to be faithful stewards of the earth's resources. We have sought security in the might of the sword rather than the strength of your Holy Spirit. Forgive us, we pray. Lead us to true repentance that we may serve you faithfully. Through Christ we pray. Amen.

* Please stand as you are able

Bold type indicates text to be spoken or song to be sung by the congregation.

Assurance of Forgiveness

One: Hear the good news: Christ unmask the idols of our world and frees us from slavery to all that would oppress us. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

* Response #581 Gloria Patri

* The Passing of the Peace

One: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All: And also with you. (*Take a moment to greet each other with the peace of Christ*)

* Hymn #487 "These Treasured Children" vs. # 3

Time for Young Disciples

Rev. Meggan Farwell

All: You're beautiful! God loves you! And we love you too!

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination (*unison*)

Gracious God, by the power of the Holy Spirit, quicken our understanding that we may receive the testimony of Scripture and believe in the signs that reveal your presence. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 62:1-5

Pew Bible – OT p.692

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Choir Anthem

"Share Your Gift"
(Guitarist ~ Scott McPherson)

by Gerri Gribi

Scripture Reading

John 2:1-11

Pew Bible – NT p.58

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"Simply The Best"

Rev. Dr. Luke Farwell

THE RESPONSE TO THE WORD

* Affirmation of Faith Apostles' Creed Hymnal, pg. 35

* Hymn #749 "Come! Live in the Light!"

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Offering

Musical Offertory

“My Lord, What a Morning!”

setting, Robert W. Thygerson

* **Doxology #609** “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

* **Prayer of Dedication** (*unison*)

At the wedding feast at Cana you gladdened the guests with divine generosity, filled to the brim and flowing over. We offer our gifts with grateful hearts. Bless them and our lives to your service, that they may reveal your glory, nurture faith and manifest the common good. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

Welcome New Members

THE SENDING OUT

* **Closing Hymn #733** “We All Are One in Mission”

* **Charge & Benediction**

* **Postlude** “Jesu, Joy of Man’s Desiring” J. S. Bach/E. J. Lorenz



Following worship, deacons will be available to pray with you in the prayer room if needed.

Our beautiful Chancel flowers are given by Betty Pajkos in celebration of her Birthday on January 17th.

Assisting in Worship This Morning

Greeters: Kathy & Loren Porretto

Liturgist: Tom Steffen

Acolytes: Rhett & Ava Mehlberg

Ushers: Wally & Laurel Heil and Kip & Kellyn Pelegrin

Organist: Julie Mackey

Choir Director: Andy Parks

Elder of the Month: Scott McPherson

Deacons of the Month: Dan Hamersky & Betty Pajkos

Tech Crew: Mark Young, Ted Huebbe, Steve Marks & Joe Williams

Fellowship: Barb Kraus & Marilyn Heim

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