

January 14, 2024
2nd Sunday after Epiphany

PRELUDE "Prelude in C Major" Bach

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING SENTENCES

Sing to the Lord a new song; Ps. 96:1
sing to the Lord, all the earth.
There are varieties of gifts, services, and activities, 1 Cor. 12:4-6
but there is one Spirit, one Lord, and one God.
The Lord is about to do a new thing. 1 Sam. 3:10-11
Speak, O God, for your servants are listening.
Let us worship God!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

+HYMN: GTG #69 HERE I AM (SCHUTTE)
"I, the Lord of Sea and Sky (Here I Am, Lord)"

CALL TO CONFESSION Eph. 2:4-6

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful and loving God,
you have called us to be your people
and claimed us for the service of Jesus Christ.
We confess that we have not lived up to our calling
to proclaim the good news in word and deed.
We are quick to speak when we ought to listen
and remain silent when it is time to speak.
We put too much faith in our own actions
and fail to trust the strength of your Spirit.

O God, forgive our foolish and sinful ways.
Strengthen us anew to follow Christ's way in the world.
By your Holy Spirit, give us the grace we need
to be faithful disciples and fulfill our common calling;
through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

... in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!
Thanks be to God! Amen.

HYMN: GTG #468 "In My Life" LORD, BE GLORIFIED

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

... Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

+ Those who are able may stand. 1

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Children and youth are dismissed to Sunday School

INVITATION TO OFFERING Acts 20:35

OFFERTORY "Dance No. 2" Schubert

+RESPONSE: GTG #606 OLD HUNDREDTH
"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from A Brief Statement of Faith
(United States, 1991)

We trust in God the Holy Spirit
everywhere the giver and renewer of life.
The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith,
sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor,
and binds us together with all believers
in the one body of Christ, the Church.

The same Spirit
who inspired the prophets and apostles
rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture,
engages us through the Word proclaimed,
claims us in the waters of baptism,
feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation,
and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church.

In a broken and fearful world
the Spirit gives us courage
to pray without ceasing,
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,
to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,
and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,
we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks
and to live holy and joyful lives,
even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth,
praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON 1 Samuel 3:1-10 O.T. page 194

PSALM Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18 O.T. page 442

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON 1 Corinthians 6:12-20 N.T. page 129

GOSPEL LESSON John 1:43-51 N.T. page 70

RESPONSE TO SCRIPTURE John 6:68-69
The words of eternal life, by which we have come to believe.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Here I Am, for You Called Me" Rev. Bill Pinches

GTG = Glory to God (purple)

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ANTHEM

"When You Call"

Schram

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION: SENTENCES OF SCRIPTURE

There are varieties of gifts, 1 Cor. 12:4-7, 27

but it is the same Spirit who gives them.

There are different ways of serving God,

but it is the same Lord who is served.

God works through each person in a unique way,

but it is God's purpose that is accomplished.

To each is given a gift of the Spirit
to be used for the common good.

Together we are the body of Christ,
and individually members of it.

STATEMENT ON ORDINATION

CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS

PRAYER OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

DECLARATION OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

WELCOME

CHARGE TO THE NEWLY ORDAINED AND INSTALLED 1 Pet. 4:7-11

+HYMN: GTG #741 "Guide My Feet" GUIDE MY FEET

+BLESSING Ps. 121:8
... from this time on and forevermore. Amen.

+CHARGE 1 Pet. 4:10-11
... To God be the glory and the power forever and ever. Amen.
Thanks be to God.

+CHORAL BENEDICTION "Go Out and Serve Him!" Price / Besig

POSTLUDE "Romance" Chopin

You are invited to join us
for fellowship and refreshments
after worship in the Memorial Room.
It is not necessary to remain seated during the postlude.

SERVING US TODAY
Liturgist: Gin Gibson
Greeters: Vicki Drown and Kurt Immekus
Sound: Tim Hammond
Livestream: Tami Chapman
Security: Eva Schlenner

Today's flowers are given by Sandy and John Diehl
in memory of Agnes and Robert Elton

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CHURCH HISTORY IN MINIATURE

#67. Colossians:

Paul may have written his letter to the Christians in Colossae (in the Lycus River valley in Phrygia, in modern Turkey) while under house arrest in Rome. (c. AD 61-63)

THE STUDY CATECHISM

Question 123. What encourages us to pray each day?

The God who has adopted us as children is the God who encourages and commands us to pray. When we pray, we respond with love to that greater love which meets us from above. Before we enter into prayer, God is ready to grant all that we need. We may turn to God with confidence each day, not because we are worthy, but simply because of God's grace. By praying we acknowledge that we depend on grace for all that is good, beautiful, life-giving and true.

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DAILY PRAYER

Book of Common Worship: Daily Prayer (2018)

EVENTS THIS WEEK

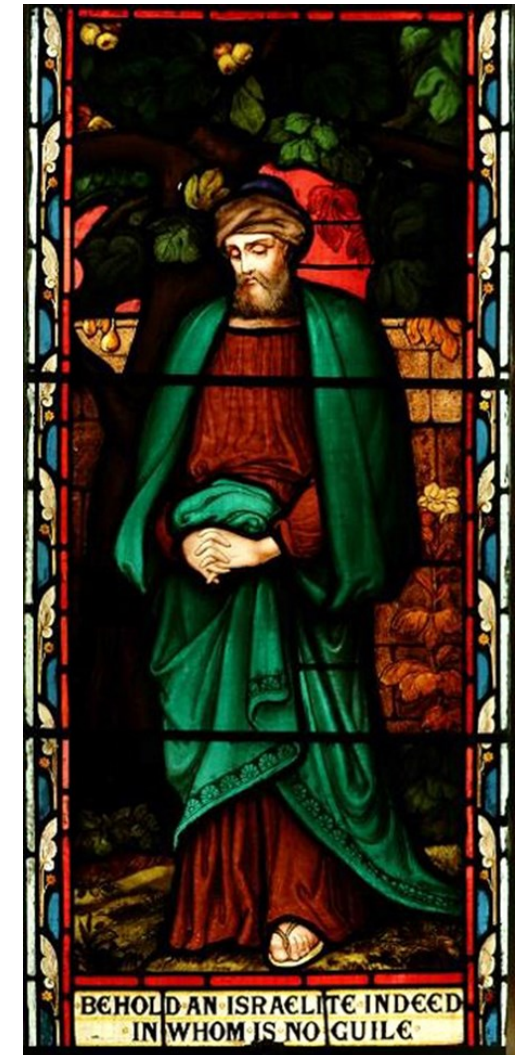
Today	Adult Sunday School	11:15 am
Monday	Church Office closed (Martin Luther King Jr. Day)	
Wednesday	Lunch Packing for Advent House	10:30 am
	Prayer Fellowship	12:00 pm
	Wonderful Wednesday (children/youth)	4:00 pm
	Wednesday Night Dinner	6:00 pm
	Bell Choir Rehearsal	6:30 pm
	Choir Rehearsal	7:10 pm
Thursday	Session	7:00 pm
Friday	Church Office closed / Pastor's Sabbath	
Saturday	Yarners	10:00 am

BIRTHDAYS

Joann Caltrider Jan. 14
Sandy Diehl Jan. 15
Dale Miihlbach Jan. 17

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*The fruit of the Spirit
is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity,
faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.
(Galatians 5:22-23)*