

For Prayer & Contemplation

"I say to you today, my friends, that in spite of the difficulties and frustrations of the moment, I still have a dream."

- Dr. Martin Luther King

Welcome & Sharing Information

Prelude "He's Got the Whole World In His Hands" - arr. Pethel
Sarah Carson, clarinet

Call to Worship

One: The Lord is our light and our salvation.

All: We shall fear nothing.

One: The Lord is the stronghold of all life.

All: Of what should we be afraid?

One: Hear, O Lord, when I cry aloud.

All: Be gracious and answer.

One: Come, says the heart.

All: Let us seek the face of God.

***Hymn No. 751** "From the Nets of Our Labor"

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, Who art rich in mercy to all those who call upon thee; have mercy upon us most merciful God and grant us peace and newness of life.

Moment of Silence

Words of Assurance

The God of life does not desire the destruction of creation, nor the suffering of those made in God's image. Jesus was born and baptized that we could all be released from the weight of sin. In his name, we are forgiven.

All: Thanks be to God!

***Hymn No. 581** "Glory Be to the Father"

"Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen."

*Passing of Peace

One: May the Peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also, with you.

Anthem "Cantad al Senor" (O Sing to the Lord)

- arr. Morris Tyler Bell Choir

Time with Children (Dismissal to Sunday School)

Pastor: It is time for you to depart.

Adults: God be with you there.

Children: God be with you here.

Scripture

1st Reading: *Isaiah 42 :1-9*

OT pg. 670-671, **Large Print** pg. 820-821

2nd Reading: *Matthew 3: 13-17*

NT pg. 3, **Large Print** pg. 3

Sermon "Don't Wade In The Water, Jump In"

- Rev. Jim Mehler

***Affirmation of Faith** (*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.**

Invitation to Offering

Offertory

***Doxology No. 606** "Praise God...All Blessings Flow"

"Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen."

***Unison Prayer of Dedication**

**God, for all of your many blessings, we give you thanks.
Today, we return a portion of what is yours. We pray that
our lives may reflect your grace and mercy. In your holy
name - Amen.**

The Prayers of the People

Jason, Tina, Joan Wagner, Nic Albadine, Erin Fitzpatrick, Meg Yanevski, Sara Crispin, Jim Taylor, David, William Loeb, Rachael Lodholz, Aaron Hill, Douglas Hoffman, Jason Bell, Greer and Graham, Marta, The Family of Dot Clay, Rev. Bruce Gillette, Bonnie MacGibeny, Harrison Gianfortune, Jane Sheridan, Family of Bill Herzer, Nick, Sandra, John Polhamus, Maureen St. John, Roxanne Somers, Terri D'Onofrio, The Family of Mike Savage, Terry Savage, The Family of Beryl Kane, Harry, Guy Williams

The Lord's Prayer

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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

***Hymn No. 170** "You Walk Along Our Shoreline"

*Benediction

***Benediction Hymn No. 62** "Love the Lord Your God"

**"Love the Lord your God with all your heart.
Love the Lord your God with all your soul.
Love the Lord your God with all your mind.
Love the Lord your God with all that you are."**

Postlude "My Soul, Now Bless Thy Maker" - Walther

***** **Please stand as you are able.** *****



JANUARY



Thank you to our Worship Servers

Ushers	Vicki & Jeff Downing
Liturgist	Bev Donofrio
Acolyte	Douglas Hoffman



Music Notes

Today's prelude is Stan Pethel's 2006 setting of "Whole World," one of the most widely known and loved African American spirituals, handed down through the generations via the oral tradition. The anthem is Hart Morris' 1999 arrangement of a Brazilian folk hymn, "Cantad al Senhor." It features several different handbell techniques, including tremolo, thumb damping, and malleting. We thank Sarah Carson and the Tyler Bell Choir for sharing special music with us this morning.

<i>This Week's Calendar</i> January 22-29	
<i>Sunday</i> January 22	10 AM Worship Service – Sanctuary/Livestreaming, Sunshine Singers 11:15am, Stephen Ministry 11:30am
<i>Monday</i> January 23	Liturgy Staff Meeting 6pm, Boy Scouts Social Hall 7pm, Worship Committee 7:15pm
<i>Tuesday</i> January 24	Third Meal 5:30pm, Girl Scouts – Social Hall 6:30pm
<i>Wednesday</i> January 25	Sparrow Chorale – Music Room, 6:30
<i>Thursday</i> January 26	Trustees Zoom Meeting 9am, Bell Choir 7pm, Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal 8pm
<i>Friday</i> January 27	
<i>Saturday</i> January 28	Books & Breakfast 6am, Family Game Night 6pm
<i>Sunday</i> January 29	10 AM Worship Service – Sanctuary/Livestreaming, Sunshine Singers 11:15am, Jazz Vespers 5pm



<i>This Week's Birthdays</i>	
January 24	Doris Ducat
January 25	Erin Fitzpatrick
January 29	Dan Lovelace & Ayden Putz

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 January 22, 2023
 3rd Sunday after Epiphany
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