



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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ORDER FOR WORSHIP THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY JANUARY 17, 2021

(BOLD indicates Read Together)

GATHERING

PRELUDES

Pleyel's Hymn - Thompson

GREETING and ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing - Haan

CALL TO WORSHIP

Sing to the Lord a new song;

sing to the Lord, all the earth.

The Lord is about to do a new thing.

Speak, O God, for your servants are listening.

HYMN – “For the Beauty of the Earth”

**For the beauty of the earth, For the glory of the skies,
For the love which from our birth Over and around us lies,
Lord of all, to Thee we raise This our hymn of grateful praise.**

**For the wonder of each hour Of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale, and tree and flower, Sun and moon, and stars of light,
Lord of all, to Thee we raise This our hymn of grateful praise.**

**For the joy of ear and eye, For the heart and mind's delight,
For the mystic harmony Linking sense to sound and sight,
Lord of all, to Thee we raise This our hymn of grateful praise.**

**For the joy of human love, Brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth, and friends above, For all gentle thoughts and mild.
Lord of all, to Thee we raise This our hymn of grateful praise.**

**For Thy church that evermore Lifteth holy hands above,
Offering up on every shore Her pure sacrifice of love,
Lord of all, to Thee we raise This our hymn of grateful praise.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God our Creator, we confess that we are broken, sinful creatures.
You speak to us with tender mercy, yet we fail to recognize your voice.
You know everything about us, yet we pretend we do not know you.
Forgive us, God of grace.
Help us to heed your voice of truth, to follow your way of faithfulness,
and to glorify you with our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN**
(silent confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

RESPONSE TO PARDON – “Gloria Patri”

**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.**

PROCLAIMING

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**Saving God, source of our calling,
your Word is full of power and glory.
Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us
so that we may receive your grace
and live as your beloved children;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN**

FIRST LESSON – I Samuel 3:1-10

³ Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread. ² At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; ³ the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. ⁴ Then the LORD called, “Samuel! Samuel!” and he said, “Here I am!” ⁵ and ran to Eli, and said, “Here I am, for you called me.” But he said, “I did not call; lie down again.” So he went and lay down. ⁶ The LORD called again, “Samuel!” Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, “Here I am, for you called me.” But he said, “I did not call, my son; lie down again.” ⁷ Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. ⁸ The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, “Here I am, for you called me.” Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. ⁹ Therefore Eli said to Samuel, “Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, ‘Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.’” So Samuel went and lay down in his place. ¹⁰ Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, “Samuel! Samuel!” And Samuel said, “Speak, for your servant is listening.”

(The Word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God!**)

SECOND LESSON – John 1:43-51

⁴³ The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, “Follow me.” ⁴⁴ Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. ⁴⁵ Philip found Nathanael and said to him, “We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth.” ⁴⁶ Nathanael said to him, “Can anything good come out of Nazareth?” Philip said to him, “Come and see.” ⁴⁷ When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, “Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!” ⁴⁸ Nathanael asked him, “Where did you get to know me?” Jesus answered, “I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.” ⁴⁹ Nathanael replied, “Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!” ⁵⁰ Jesus answered, “Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.” ⁵¹ And he said to him, “Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.”

(The Word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God!**)

SERMON – Rev. Anthony Lorenz

HYMN – “Jesus, You Once Called Disciples” - sung to the tune of “There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy”
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**Jesus, you once called disciples, choosing twelve to follow you:
Simon (also known as Peter), Andrew and Bartholomew,
Philip, Thomas, James, and Matthew, Simon, Thaddaeus, John, and James –
Then there was the one called Judas. These were your disciples’ names.**

**Women, too, were your disciples, sitting, learning, at your feet.
Mary knew your word was precious, even more than food to eat.
Martha trusted in your power when her brother Laz’rus died.
Women shared your journey, Lord, and stayed when you were crucified.**

**Lord, so many heard and followed, like the woman at the well.
Meeting you, the living water, she sought others she could tell.
Like the boy with loaves and fishes, like Zacchaeus in the tree,
Many gladly heard your message; many shared your ministry.**

**Jesus, still you call your people, “Come and follow me today!”
Some, like Paul, feel sudden wonder; some are brought up in your way.
Lord, no matter how we meet you, by your Spirit, make us new.
May we know your living presence; may we daily follow you.**

THE APOSTLES’ CREED (traditional)

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; 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 PEOPLE & THE LORD’S PRAYER

GIVING THANKS

OFFERING OURSELVES

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**To you, O God of glory, we offer the gifts of our lives
as a way of bearing witness to the gift of your Word made flesh.
Use the humble things we offer as signs of your grace and truth
so that all may know your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN**

SENDING

HYMN – “Will You Come and Follow Me”

**Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known,
Will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?**

**Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?**

**Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name?
Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same?
Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen,
And admit to what I mean in you and you in me?**

**Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around,
Through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?**

**Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.
In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.**

BENEDICTION

CLOSING RESPONSE – “God Be with You Till We Meet Again”

**God be with you till we meet again;
Loving counsels guide, uphold you,
with a Shepherd's care enfold you:
God be with you till we meet again.**

POSTLUDE – *Fugue* - Selby



ANNOUNCEMENTS

SERVING TODAY:

Reader: Charlie Thompson

Vocalist: Deb Ryerson

Cameraman: Joe Shane

Recorder: Ray Thomas

THIS WEEK, IN OUR PRAYERS:

* **the church at work:** Presbyteries of: Providence (SC); Savannah; St. Augustine; Trinity (SC); Tropical Florida

* **the church in Carlisle Presbytery:** Harrisburg Korean (Camp Hill); Rev. Inho Kang

* **the church in the community:** First Evangelical Lutheran (E. High St.)

* **the congregation (at random):** Barb Allen; JJ, Jen, Grace, Jack & Jane Patterson

THIS WEEK, IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH:

~ **Monday:** Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

A civic ceremony (the 32nd Annual) will be held to commemorate Dr. King's life. This year's event is **virtual**.

It features civic and spiritual community leaders, and includes a brief march, a secular ceremony at the Old Courthouse, and an ecumenical service with gospel music, held in a downtown Carlisle historic sanctuary.

The proceeds from the offering during the service and from the sale of advertising in the commemoration booklet go toward scholarships for Carlisle students. You can view the booklet now in a flip-book format:

<http://bit.ly/MLK32Carlisle>. The service will be live-streamed on YouTube and on Facebook. **A link to the**

presentation will be posted on Facebook at 10:00 AM Monday.

~ **Tuesday, 7:00 PM:** Session meeting (by Zoom)

~ **Wednesday, 6:00 PM:** Prayer Community meeting (by Zoom); Point of Contact is Jamie Hoffman

NEXT SUNDAY 3rd Sunday after Epiphany. . . . January 24, 2021

WORSHIP (recording of service)

SERVING: Ryan Crim (Reader); Deb & Ron Richcreek (Vocalists)

NOTE: While in-person worship is suspended currently, Sunday morning worship continues to be recorded at 9:15 AM and posted by Noon on the church website, church Facebook page, and YouTube ("Sunday on the Square").

2021 OFFERING ENVELOPES are available inside the alley door of the church. If you have a key, pick yours up anytime; if not, office hours are Monday & Wednesday, 9 AM–2 PM (or other times, by chance). Just ring the buzzer; you will not have to interact with anyone as the envelopes are within an arm's reach inside the door. In these unusual times, we ask that you deliver envelopes to anyone you know who cannot pick theirs up. If all else fails, you can, of course, send in offering (by week or by month) to the office at 2A N. Hanover St., and it will be credited to your envelope number. **The "per capita" amount remains \$27.20 in 2021:** A blue envelope is in your offering box.



Members of the Congregation, Ministers

The Rev. Anthony D. Lorenz, Pastor

The Rev. Jon A. Black, Pastor Emeritus

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