

CHURCH SESSION

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Presbytery of the Mid-South, Synod of Living Waters.

Grace Presbyterian Church

Worships God at 11:00 a.m.

January 20, 2019

Second Sunday after Epiphany

The Bell Calls Us to Worship

Prelude Standing on the Promises (based on hymn tune Promises)
Arr. by Sandra Eithun

Grace Notes Hand Bell Choir

The congregation stands to sing

Processional Hymn 139 Come, Thou Almighty King Italian Hymn

Opening Sentences

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord,
People: **The Maker of heaven and earth.**
Pastor: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**
Pastor: Let us pray.

Prayer for the Day (spoken by the pastor; the congregation joining the **Amen.**)

Eternal God, your mercy is an unexpected miracle. Help us to believe and obey, that we may be filled with the wine of new life, promised in the power of Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

The congregation sits.

Confession of Sin

Unison

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess

our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you.

You alone know how often we have sinned:

in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love.

Have mercy on us, O Lord,

for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease you.

Forgive our sins and help us to live in your light and walk in your ways

for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior ...

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

The congregation stands to sing
Hymn 462 Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies Ratisbon

Pastor: The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Passing of the Peace (Worshippers greet one another with the peace of Christ.)

Welcome and Announcements

The children come to the Baptismal Font for a

Time with Young Christians

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Isaiah 62:1-5

Psalms 36:5-10 Unison

Your steadfast love, O Lord, extends to the heavens,
your faithfulness to the clouds.

Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains;

your judgments are like the great deep;
you save humans and animals alike, O Lord.

How precious is your steadfast love, O God!

All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

They feast on the abundance of your house,

and you give them drink from the river of your delights.

For with you is the fountain of life;

in your light we see light.

O continue your steadfast love to those who know you,
and your salvation to the upright of heart.

Anthem Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation Dale Wood, 1964

Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ the head and cornerstone,
chosen of the Lord and precious, binding all the church in one.

Holy Zion's help forever and her confidence alone.

To this temple where we call thee, come, O Lord of Hosts, today.

With thy wonted loving kindness, hear thy servants as they pray,

and thy fullest benediction shed within its walls away.

Laud and honor to the Father, laud and honor to the Son,

laud and honor to the Spirit, ever three and ever one,

one in might and one in glory while unending ages run.

(-- Latin text, 7th century; translated by John Mason Neale, 1851)

Epistle 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Gospel John 2:1-11

Sermon It Gets Better ... and Better Mike Krech

“Everyone serves the good wine first and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.” John 2:10

The congregation stands to sing

Hymn 310 Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee St. Agnes

Apostles' Creed Unison; Hymnal, page 14, Traditional

Gloria Patri 579 Henry W. Greatorex, 1851

The congregation sits.

Pastoral Prayer of Thanksgiving, Intercession, and Dedication

The Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors) Unison; Hymnal, page 16, Traditional

Offertory Sentence

Offertory Alleluia (with The Majesty and Glory of Your Name)

Arr. Mark Hayes

The congregation stands to sing the

Doxology 592 Old Hundredth

Benediction

Recessional Hymn 142 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name Coronation

Postlude Sortie George Blake

Welcome to worship at Grace Presbyterian Church.

We are in the season of the Sundays after Epiphany. Epiphany means a shining forth, and thus the revelation of God in Christ to the world. On Epiphany Sunday that revelation was to the wise men through the leading of a star. Last Sunday, that revelation was at Jesus' baptism, with the descent of the Holy Spirit and the voice from heaven proclaiming Jesus as the Beloved Son. Today is the third of the ancient church's Epiphany themes – the miracle at the wedding at Cana of turning water into wine, which John's Gospel says, “revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.” (JMK)