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Worships God January 24, 2021

The Third Sunday after Epiphany Today's worship is online only

The Bell Calls Us to Worship

Prelude Praise the Lord, Rise Up Rejoicing (Alles ist an Gottes Segen)

Johann Löhner; arr. Dale Wood

The congregation stands to sing

Hymn 482 Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty Lobe Den Herren

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.**) Loving God, through your Son Jesus Christ you call us to repent of our sin, to believe the good news, and to celebrate the coming of your kingdom. May we, like the first apostles, hear Christ's call to discipleship, forsake old ways, and proclaim the gospel of new life to a broken world; through Jesus Christ our Lord, 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 179 God Is My Strong Salvation

Christus, Der Ist Mein Leben

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, Announcements, and a Word to Children

Prayer for Illumination

Epistle 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

Gospel Mark 1:14-20

The congregation stands to sing

Hymn 377 Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore

Pescador De Hombres

The congregation sits.

(The Psalm was inadvertently omitted from the recorded worship service, but is included here for the reader's edification.)

Psalm 62:5-8,11-12a

Unison

For God alone my soul in silence waits, for my hope is from him.

God alone is my rock and my salvation; my fortress; I shall not be shaken.

On God rests my deliverance and my honor.

My mighty rock, my refuge is in God.

Trust in God at all times, O people;

pour out your heart before him; God is a refuge for us.

Once God has spoken; twice I have heard this: power belongs to God.

Steadfast love belongs to you, O Lord.

Old Testament

Jonah 1:1-12,15-17; 2:10-3:5;10-4:4,9b-11

Sermon Catch of the Day Mike Krech

The congregation stands to sing

Hymn Jesus Calls Us Galilee

Jesus calls us o'er the tumult Of our life's wild, restless sea.

Day by day his sweet voice soundeth, Saying "Christian, follow me."

As of old, Saint Andrew heard it By the Galilean lake.

Turned from home and toil and kindred, Leaving all for his dear sake

Jesus calls us from the worship Of the vain world's golden store,

From each idol that would keep us, Saying, "Christian, love me more."

In our joys and in our sorrows, Days of toil and hours of ease,

Still he calls, in cares and pleasures, "Christian, love me more than these."

Jesus calls us. By thy mercies, Savior, may we hear thy call.

Give our hearts to thine obedience, Serve and love thee best of all.

(-- Cecil Frances Alexander, 1852)

Apostles' Creed

Unison; Hymnal, page 14, Traditional Henry W. Greatorex, 1851

The congregation sits.

Gloria Patri 579

Pastoral Prayer of Thanksgiving, Intercession, and Dedication

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

Offertory Sentence

Offertory Canon in D Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706)

Bob Vawter, trombone; Rickie Cooke, baritone horn; Susan Steppe, organ

The congregation stands to sing the

Doxology 592

Old Hundredth

Benediction

Hymn 345

Dear Lord and Father of Mankind

Rest

Postlude

Great God, We Sing Thy Mighty Hand (Truro) Arr. Lani Smith, from Thomas Williams' "Psalmodia Evangelica"

Welcome to worship at Grace Presbyterian Church.

The season after Epiphany continues with the theme of God's call to hear, follow, and serve, in the examples of Jonah and Peter, Andrew, James and John. (JMK)

[&]quot;The word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time, saying, 'Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you." Jonah 3:1-2

Hymn Texts for Online Worship

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

Praise ye the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation! O my soul praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation! All ye who hear, Now to His temple draw near; Join me in glad adoration!

Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth, Shelters thee under His wings, yea, so gently sustaineth! Hast thou not seen How thy desires e'er have been Granted in what He ordaineth?

Praise ye the Lord, O let all that is in me adore Him! All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him! Let the amen Sound from His people again; Gladly for aye we adore Him.

Text: Joachim Neander, 1680; Trans. Catherine Winkworth, 1863; alt. Tune: LOBE DEN HERREN; Stralsund Ernewerten Gesangbuch, 1665; Harm. The Chorale Book for England, 1863

God Is My Strong Salvation

God is my strong salvation; What foe have I to fear? In peril and temptation My light, my help, is near.

Though hosts encamp around me, Firm to the fight I stand; What terror can confound me, With God at my right hand?

Place on the Lord reliance, My soul, with courage, wait; God's truth be thine affiance, When faint and desolate.

God's might thy heart shall strengthen, God's love thy joy increase; Mercy thy days shall lengthen; The Lord will give thee peace.

Text: James Montgomery, 1822; alt. 1988 Tune: CHRISTUS DER IST MEIN LEBEN; Melchior Vulpius, 1609

Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore

You have come up to the lakeshore, Looking neither for wise nor for wealthy. You only wanted that I should follow.

Refrain:

O Lord, with Your eyes You have searched me, And while smiling, have called out my name. Now my boat's left on the shoreline behind me, Now with You I will seek other seas.

You know that I own so little, In my boat there's no money or weapons, You'll only find there my nets and my labor. (Refrain)

You need the caring of my hands. Through my tiredness, may others find resting. You need a love that just goes on loving. (Refrain)

You, who have fished other oceans, Ever longed for by souls that are waiting, My dear and good friend, as thus You call me. (Refrain)

Text: Cesareo Gabarain, 1979;

Trans. Gertrude Suppe, George Lockwood, and Raquel Achon, 1988; alt.

Tune: PESCADOR DE HOMBRES; Cesareo Gabarain; Harm. Skinner Chavez-Melo

Jesus Calls Us (The text for this hymn may be found in the worship bulletin). Text: Cecil Frances Alexander, 1852; Tune: GALILEE; W.H. Jude, 1887

Dear Lord and Father of Mankind

Dear Lord and Father of mankind, Forgive our foolish ways; Re-clothe us in our rightful mind, In purer lives Thy service find, In deeper reverence praise.

In simple trust like theirs who heard, Beside the Syrian sea, The gracious calling of the Lord, Let us, like them, without a word, Rise up and follow Thee.

O Sabbath rest by Galilee, O calm of hills above, Where Jesus knelt to share with Thee the silence of eternity, Interpreted by love!

Drop Thy still dews of quietness, Till all our strivings cease; Take from our souls The strain and stress, And let our ordered lives confess The beauty of Thy peace.

Breathe through the heats of our desire Thy coolness and Thy balm; Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire; Speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire, O still, small voice of calm.

Text: John Greenleaf Whittier, 1872;

Tune: REST; Frederick Charles Maker, 1887