

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Third Sunday after Epiphany

January 27, 2019

Eleven O'Clock

Greeters: Elizabeth Price and Lori Gast ~ Liturgist: Bill Gast

PRELUDE:

- I. *Meditation on "CHRISTE SANCTORUM"* - Anthony Giamanco, *Paris Antiphoner*, 1681
- II. *Children of the Heavenly Father* - SANDELL, Swedish Melody, arr. Robert J. Hughes

CHIMING THE HOUR

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Psalm 118 says: **This is the Day that the Lord hath made, let us rejoice and be glad in it! Good morning and welcome. It is so nice to see all of you here this morning. Please remember to sign the attendance registers located in each pew. It is time for announcements, does anybody have an announcement they would like to make?**

Please stand, in body or spirit, and join me in our Call to Worship and remain standing through the response

***CALL TO WORSHIP:** (Responsively)

Leader: **This day is holy to the LORD your God.**

People: **The joy of the LORD is your strength.**

All: **Let us worship God.**

*PRAISE CHORUS:

Hymn # 645 "*Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above*" (vs. 1)

MIT FREUDEN ZART

**Sing praise to God who reigns above, the God of all creation,
the God of power, the God of love, the God of our salvation.**

**With healing balm my soul is filled, and ever faithless murmur stilled:
to God all praise and glory!**

Please bow your heads for our Opening Prayer

***OPENING PRAYER** O God, You spoke Your word and revealed Your good news in Jesus, the Christ. Fill all creation with that word again, so that by proclaiming Your joyful promises to all nations and singing of Your glorious hope to all peoples, we may become one living body, Your incarnate presence on the earth. Amen.

Our first hymn today is

***HYMN No. 610**

"O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

AZMON

***CALL TO CONFESSION** If we say we are without sin, we deceive ourselves. Let us confess our sins before Almighty God.

Let us pray...

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Father God, hear our ardent prayers. We have grieved You by our thoughts and deeds. We ignore Your commandments and do what seems best in our own eyes. We have not loved one another as You want us to. We actively shun those who aren't like us and desire their problems be hidden from sight. We blame others for their own problems while feeling smugly superior in our comfort. Forgive us when we forget to care for those who have less, those who are in need. Help us to feel compassion for those in trouble, rather than silently judging their choices. Forgive all these things we ask in Jesus' name. (Please wait about 20 seconds, and then say,) Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON** Brothers and sisters in Christ, believe the good news of the Gospel. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

***RESPONSE:** Hymn #833 "O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go" (vs. 1) ST. MARGARET

O Love that wilt not let me go,
I rest my weary soul in Thee;
I give Thee back the life I owe,
that in Thine ocean depths its flow
may richer, fuller be.

You may be seated and at this time would our youth please come forward. (If there are no youth (besides the regulars,) then just say "you may be seated.")

TIME FOR YOUTH

Please bow your heads for our Prayer of Illumination

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION Open our mind and hearts to hear Your word as it applies to our lives and the world around us. Amen

PSALTER LESSON Our Psalter Lesson comes from Psalm 19 please read it responsively with me.

Leader: The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament proclaims His handiwork.

People: Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge.

Leader: There is no speech, nor are there words; their voice is not heard;

People: yet their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In the heavens He has set a tent for the sun,

Leader: which comes out like a bridegroom from his wedding canopy, and like a strong man runs its course with joy.

People: Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its circuit to the end of them; and nothing is hid from its heat.

Leader: The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul; the decrees of the LORD are sure, making wise the simple;

People: the precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the LORD is clear, enlightening the eyes;

Leader: the fear of the LORD is pure, enduring forever; the ordinances of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.

People: More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey, and drippings of the honeycomb.

Leader: Moreover by them is Your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward.

People: But who can detect their errors? Clear me from hidden faults.

Leader: Keep back Your servant also from the insolent; do not let them have dominion over me. Then I shall be blameless, and innocent of great transgression.

People: Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to You, O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.

Leader: **The Word of the Lord.**

People: Thanks be to God!

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Our Old Testament Lesson comes from Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10, you may follow along in your Pew Bibles on Pages 436-437

Our choir will now sing the Anthem:

ANTHEM: *They'll Know We are Christians* - arr. Lloyd Larson

GOSPEL LESSON Our Gospel Lesson comes from Luke 4:14-21, you may follow along in your Pew Bibles on Page 61

SERMON

Rev. Janet Boyanton

Those who are able, please stand and join with me in singing:

***HYMN** No. 772

"Live into Hope"

TRURO

Please join me in Affirmation of Faith as it is printed in your bulletin.

***AFFIRMATION** 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.

You may be seated. It is now time for our Prayer Concerns and Celebrations. Does anybody have anything they would like to share?

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNITY Prayer concerns and celebrations

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

OFFERTORY *Share His Love with All the World* - Trenton Watkins

***RESPONSE:** Hymn No. 606 *"Praise God, from Whom 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.

Please join me in our prayer of Thanksgiving

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

In You, O Lord our God, we find our joy, for through Your law and Your prophets You formed a people in mercy and freedom, in justice and righteousness. Pour Your Spirit on us today, that

we who are Christ's body may bear the good news of Your ancient promises to all who seek You.
Amen.

Our last Hymn today is:

***HYMN No. 451**

"Open My Eyes, That I May See"

OPEN MY EYES

***BENEDICTION**

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE:** Hymn #700 vs 1

"I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

I'M GONNA LIVE

I'm gonna live so God can use me anywhere Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna live so God can use me anywhere Lord, anytime!

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

***POSTLUDE:** *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing* - AZMOND, arr. Tom Birchwood

***Those who are able may stand.**

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Today's flowers are donated
by Bryan and Barry

*Please join us for our Pot-Luck Lunch
following the Worship Service*

Daily Bread

Supplement

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CLOTHES FOR THE NEEDY

Winter is here and our thoughts are with the homeless. We are collecting clothing for the needy. Especially needed are men's clothing, and socks in dark colors in all sizes. Please bring these items to the church and place them in the laundry basket located in the opportunity corner.

Thank you, Faith in Action

BRING IN BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION!

It's easy to find BOX TOPS, you may have some in your home right now. You can find them on hundreds of different products, from cereal as well as other kinds of food, to storage products, household products and school supplies. Look for a sample of one in the Opportunity Corner. Each BOX TOP is worth \$.10, so imagine how quickly they can add up! There is a write-up about this with a heartfelt thank you from the Goodland Academy on the bulletin board.

POT-LUCK LUNCH

Normally we have our Pot-Luck Lunches on the 5th Sunday of the month, but instead of having it on December 30, 2018, we moved it to today, January 27, 2019. Please join us even if you didn't bring anything to share, we always have plenty! Church Life Committee

DESOTO FOOD PANTRY

With the ongoing government shut-down, the need for food is greater than ever. Please bring non-perishable food items and put them in the cart, or you can always give a monetary donation, just make a notation that it is for the DeSoto Food Pantry and we will send them a check so they can buy what they need the most. Thank you for your generosity.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

MONDAY

06:00 PM Cub Pack 789 Tigers

07:00 PM Boy Scouts 109

TUESDAY

10:30 AM Tuesday Morning Group

THURSDAY

10:00 AM Art Group

NEXT SUNDAY

09:30 AM Choir Practice

10:30 AM Bible Study

11:00 AM Worship Service with communion

PRAYER CONCERNS

Our Leaders

Our Presbytery, our church, our Session

Our Troops

Millie Allen

Tom Price needs continued prayers

Continued prayers for Bill and Nina Swaney

Bill's father, Bill Gast

Sue Fitch

Continued prayers for Joan's nephew, Ryan McNeil

Makia and Mireille Epie

Joe and Lorrinda Alexander

Joan's sister Shirley Gearheart and her kids

Irmagene Mitchell

Steve Rangel

Bob Drury

Bruce Allen

Prayers for those who are unable to go to church, but would love to

Joe's friend, Kevin Kimsy – he had a stroke and has other medical problems

Pray for Russia – Christians can't share Christ in public

Travel mercies for Okoro, he went back home for 2 weeks

Karla Krueger, she has M.S. and is very sick

Mireille's co-workers

Nancy's granddaughter is being deployed for 4 months to an unknown location

Howard and Cathy McCreary and family

Cora Marsaw is going to start treatments, pray for a good outcome

Everyone who is sick with the cold or flu

Catherine's brother had another stroke and was sent to a different hospital

Keep all federal workers and their families in your prayers

Prayers for Robin and Tom Rawling, Tom was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer

Linda Sharp's sister passed away, prayers for Linda and her family

George Jageman passed away, prayers for Laura and the family

CELEBRATIONS

Joan Christy is celebrating the lives of Mike Keffer and Lori Gast

We collected \$301 for the Joy Offering and \$325 for the Angel Tree