



Our mission:
to nurture disciples of Jesus Christ
who join boldly with the Spirit's
work in the world.

*Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might:
thy justice, like mountains high soaring above;
thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.*

*To all, life thou givest, to both great and small.
In all life thou livest, the true life of all.
We blossom and flourish like leaves on the tree,
then wither and perish; but naught changeth thee.*

*Thou reignest in glory; thou dwellest in light.
Thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight.
All praise we would render; O help us to see
'tis only the splendor of light hideth thee!*

A Service for the Lord's Day
Third Sunday after Epiphany

January 23, 2022

10:30 a.m.

We enter this sanctuary not as strangers, but as children of God.

*Please join in reading aloud those parts of the service printed in **bold**.
When this symbol (*) precedes an element of the service, please rise in body or spirit.*

Please wear face masks throughout the service.

We Gather at God's Call

Water Pouring

Prelude *How Deep the Father's Love for Us* -Townsend/Shackley

Greeting

*Call to Worship Ron Matthews, Worship Leader

Our God reaches to the heavens.

Our God is lofty like the clouds.

God is mighty like the mountains.

God, immense like the great deep.

The salvation of our God is expansive and generous,

touching people and creatures alike.

Let us rejoice in this steadfast love

and worship the great name of our Lord.

*Hymn *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* 12

*Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.*

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

**Lord God, you have shown us deep love,
and stretched out your arms
to draw us into your embrace.**

**Yet we so often fail to show that love
within our lives,
or recognize its source.**

**Forgive our short-sightedness,
for the times we've failed to see your love
in the generosity of friend or stranger,
the shoulder to cry on,
willing ear to listen,
a word of encouragement,
holding our hand that extra mile.**

**Forgive us for failing to notice
how much you care for us.**

**Open our eyes to recognize
your hand at work in our lives.
Through Jesus we pray, Amen.**

*Assurance of Forgiveness (responsively)

Even before the words took shape on our lips -

or formed in our hearts,

the Spirit was at work within us, revealing our need for grace.

Thanks be to God who through Jesus Christ has forgiven our sin.

*Response Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing 475 (v. 3)

*O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!
Let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;
here's my heart; O take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above.*

We Gather Around God's Word

Time with the Children

Pastor Keith Phillips

*Afterward, children may return to their seats in the sanctuary
or go to Godly Play in the Fellowship Hall.*

Scripture Reading

John 2:1-11

Sermon

Pastor Ann Pettit

*Affirmation of Faith

**We trust in Jesus Christ,
fully human, fully God.**

Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:

preaching good news to the poor

and release to the captives,

teaching by word and deed

and blessing the children,

healing the sick

and binding up the brokenhearted,

eating with outcasts,

forgiving sinners,

and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition,

Jesus was crucified,

suffering the depths of human pain

and giving his life for the sins of the world.

God raised this Jesus from the dead,

vindicating his sinless life,

breaking the power of sin and evil,

delivering us from death to life eternal.

*you are my own.
In my love's baptismal river
I have made you mine forever.
Go, my children, with my blessing,
you are my own."*

*"Go, my children, sins forgiven,
at peace and pure.
Here you learned how much I love you,
what I can cure.
Here you heard my dear Son's story;
here you touched him, saw his glory.
Go, my children, sins forgiven,
at peace and pure."*

*Benediction

*Benediction Response

*"Go, my children, fed and nourished,
closer to me.
Grow in love and love by serving,
joyful and free.
Here my Spirit's power filled you;
here my tender comfort stilled you.
Go, my children, fed and nourished,
joyful and free."*

We Respond to God's Word

Invitation to the Offering

Special Music

As the Wind Song
Doug Sensabaugh

Concerns of the Congregation

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

We Are Sent to the World

*Hymn

Go, My Children, with My Blessing (vv. 1 & 2)

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*"Go, my children, with my blessing,
never alone.
Waking, sleeping, I am with you,*