

Bulletin Information
January 15, 2023
2nd Sunday After Epiphany

We Gather to Worship God

Prelude

Lighting the Candles and Ringing the Bell

*Call to Worship:

One: Sing a new song, a song of thanks and praise,

**All: for God has done wondrous deeds,
and is great beyond compare!**

*Morning Prayer

*Hymn

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

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Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Mothering God, we have chased after foolish things, and spent our strength on vanity; our labor has been in vain. Deliver us from arrogance and forgive our self-concern, that we may find our reward in you, as servants of your dreams...

(Pause for a few moments of silent reflection and personal confession.)

...through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Words of Peace

*Congregational Response

Glory Be to the Father

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Welcome and Announcements

We Listen for God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Lesson

Isaiah 49:1-7

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsive Psalm & Psalm Prayer

Psalm 40:1-10

One: I waited patiently upon the Lord,
who stooped to me and heard my cry.

**All: The Lord lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet
upon a high cliff, making any footing sure.**

One: The Lord put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God; many shall see, and stand in awe, and they shall trust the Lord.

All: Happy are they who put their trust in the Lord!
They do not turn to enemies or those who follow lies.

One: Great are the wonders you have done, O Lord my God!
 In your plans for us, none can be compared to you!
 Oh, that I could make them known and tell them!
 But they are more than I can count.

All: Sacrifice and offering you do not desire;
you have opened my ears; burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required.

One: And so I said, "Here I am; I come.
 In the scroll of the book it is written of me;

All: I love to do your will, O my God;
your law is deep within me."

One: I proclaimed righteousness in the greatest assembly;
 I have not restrained my lips, O Lord, you know.

All: I have not hidden your righteousness in my heart;
I have spoken of your faithfulness and your deliverance; I have not concealed your
steadfast love and truth from the great assembly.

One: O God, none can compare with you; your wondrous deeds for our salvation are without
 number. Make us bold witnesses to your faithfulness, that all the earth may rejoice in
 your love toward us in Jesus Christ, our savior and Lord. Amen.

New Testament Lesson

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Lesson

John 1:29-42

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Incarnational Theology

We Respond to God's Word

*Hymn

Spirit

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Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer

Invitation to the Offering

Offering

*Congregational Response

Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

*Affirmation of Faith

Col. 1:15-20

Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible. All things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn of the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross. Amen.

We Leave to Serve God

*Hymn

What Wondrous Love Is This

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*Charge and Benediction

*Congregational Response

Song of Hope

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Postlude

Sermon Text for next Sunday: Matthew 4:12-23