



Celebration of Worship on the Lord's Day

2nd Sunday after Epiphany
January 19, 2020
11:00 a.m.

† Those who are able, please stand

Prelude "Adagio" from Organ Sonata No. 1 in F Major
Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

Westminster Peal

GATHERING

Welcome and Church Family Life Rev. Barrett Abernethy
Moved by the Spirit Hannah Hagenau
Introit "Kyrie" Matthias Young
Gathering as the Children of God Barbara Bruce

One: I waited patiently for the Lord, who inclined to me and heard my cry.
All: *The Lord put a song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God.*
One: Happy are those who make the Lord their trust.
All: *Let your steadfast love and faithfulness keep us safe forever.*
One: Let us worship God.

† **Hymn #356** "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing" NETTLETON
Prayer of Confession Barbara Bruce

Gracious and loving God, we confess that we do not always put our trust in you. When we face the unknown, often it is easier to try to handle what lies ahead on our own. Help us to lay down our guard and to rely on you. Forgive us God, for pushing you away instead of drawing near to you. Help us to feel your presence, even in the desolate pit or the miry bog. *Silent Confession....Amen.*

Assurance of Pardon

One: ...Friends, believe the Good New of the Gospel.

All: *In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.*

† Response No. 579

GLORIA PATRI

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, Amen.*

† Passing of the Peace

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: *And also with you.*

Please exchange greetings of peace and welcome with your neighbor.

THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lesson

Psalm 40:1-11

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One: This is the word of the Lord.

All: *Thanks be to God.*

Sermon

"Into the Unknown"

Alexandra Hutson

RESPONSE

† Hymn #260

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

EIN' FESTE BURG

† Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

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.

Prayers of the People...concluding with the Lord's Prayer

*After each petition, Pastor will say "Lord, In Your Mercy."
Congregation will respond with "Hear Our 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.

THANKSGIVING AND OFFERING

Offering

Offertory

"Lamb of God"

arr. F. Melius Christiansen

† Doxology (#592)

OLD HUNDREDTH

** Please Wait for Pastor & Choir to Stand *
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.*

† Prayer of Thanksgiving

SENDING

† Closing Hymn #379

"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"

SOLID ROCK

† Benediction

† Choral Response

"A Lydian Amen"

Matthias Young

† Postlude

"Allegro assai vivace" from Organ Sonata No. 1 in F Major

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MVPC Mission Statement

Blessed to Be a Blessing

We are a Presbyterian church filled with love and energy – an inclusive congregation committed to spiritual growth through *worship, study, fellowship, and service.*

As **children of God**, we seek to *praise* God in worship and in all that we say and do

As **disciples of Jesus Christ**, we *listen* to scripture, tradition, one another, and the world in order to understand God's will for us as individuals and as a community

As **members of a family of faith**, we strive to *love* one another unconditionally, sharing our joys and standing beside one another in our struggles

Moved by the Spirit, we serve our gracious God by taking that with which we have been blessed and turning it into blessings for others.

Upcoming Events:

January 20	OFFICE CLOSED	Martin Luther King Holiday
January 24-25		Session Retreat
January 26	11:00 a.m.	Session Installation Worship Service
February 2	10:00 a.m.	Annual Meeting of the Congregation

Worship Participants for January 19, 2020

Pastor - Rev. Barrett Abernethy

Guest Organist - Justin Bowen

Guest Preacher—Alexandra Hutson

Director of Music - Matthias Young

Liturgist - Barbara Bruce



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