

Reaching Out with Nurturing Love to All People



Third Sunday of Epiphany
January 26, 2025 10 am Worship Service

First Time Here? Thank you for coming!

Please pick up a Welcome Bag in the narthex. Please join us for fellowship & coffee in Bowen Hall after service today.

Assistance needed?

Large print bulletins, a hearing loop and hearing assist devices are available from the sound system tech.

Tip for the Service-

*Asterisk means please stand if able. The **BOLD** is spoken by the congregation.

Children with you?

Activity materials for young worshipers are in the entry way and the kids table in the back of our Sanctuary.

Sunday school begins after the Gathering of the Children in the worship service. Cry Room open at back of church, please ask an Usher.

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE "Prayer from Finlandia" Jean Sibelius

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

(If you are a visitor, have a prayer request, or want to update your contact info, please fill out a connect card and place it in the offering plate.)

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

INTROIT "Christ is alive, let Christians sing!" Lowell Mason
Chancel Choir

*CALL TO WORSHIP

The Lord our God is revealed to us in many ways— through God s creative love in nature and people.

With reverent awe we come to worship our Glorious God. Let us worship God!

*HYMN #625 (1,2,& 4) "How Great Thou Art" Stuart K. Hine

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the worlds thy hands have made, I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, thy power throughout the universe displayed:

[Refrain]

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee: How great thou art! How great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee: How great thou art! How great thou art!

When through the woods and forest glades I wander and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees, when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze: *[Refrain]*

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration, and there proclaim, "My God, how great thou art!" [Refrain]

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

Perfect Light of revelation, as you shone in the life of Jesus, whose epiphany we celebrate, so shine in us and through us, that we may become beacons of truth and compassion, enlightening all creation with deeds of justice and mercy.

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.

WORDS OF AFFIRMATION

God pours his Spirit on us today, enabling we, who are Christ's body, to bear the good news of God's ancient promises to all.

Thanks be to God for love, mercy, grace, and forgiveness!

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #581

Gloria Patri

CALL FOR OFFERING

Lindsay Olsen

OFFERTORY

"Largo #5"

Antonio Vivaldi



*DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

(click to donate)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION HYMN ##288 Spirit of the Living God

Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me, Spirit of the Living God, fall

afresh on me. Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the Living

God, fall afresh on me.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 19

Lindsay Olsen

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM "There Shall A Star"

Felix Mendelssohn

The Chancel Choir

GATHERING OF THE CHILDREN-

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Luke 4: 14-21

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word! Thanks be to God!

SERMON A Jubilee Year! Rev. Dr. Cindy Alloway

*HYMN #754 Help Us Accept Each Other" Doreen Potter

Help us accept each other as Christ accepted us; teach us as sister, brother, each person to embrace. Be present, Lord, among us and bring us to believe we are ourselves accepted, and meant to love and live.

Teach us, O Lord, your lessons, as in our daily life we struggle to be human and search for hope and faith. Teach us to care for people, for all, not just for some, to love them as we find them, or as they may become.

Let your acceptance change us, so that we may be moved in living situations to do the truth in love; to practice your acceptance until we know by heart the table of forgiveness, and laughter's healing art. Lord, for today's encounters with all who are in need, who hunger for acceptance, for justice and for bread, we need new eyes for seeing, new hands for holding on: renew us with your Spirit; Lord, free us; make us one!

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

God the Holy Spirit, You are the restless breath of love that sweeps through the world. You move where you will, breaking down barriers; Stirring hearts to change, making all things possible. Inspire each one of us to hunger and thirst for justice!

May the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.

May the grace of the year of Jubilee reawaken us to be Pilgrims of Hope. May that same grace spread the joy of our Redeemer throughout the earth.

Come, Spirit of God, Sweep through our world bringing great change towards compassion. May the bounty of your peace and goodness be shared more justly, so all may share in the rich blessings of your creation. And, for us, bring transformation in our praying and living, so that we may act justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you all the days of our lives. As we pray the prayer you taught us saying:

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.

*HYMN #300 We are One In the Spirit" Peter Scholtes, 1966 We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord; We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord, And we pray that all unity may one day be restored:

[Refrain]

And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love; yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love; yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand; We will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand, And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land: [Refrain] We will work with each other; we will work side by side; We will work with each other; we will work side by side, And we'll guard human dignity and save human pride; [Refrain]

All praise to the Father, from whom all things come, And all praise to Christ Jesus, God's only Son, And all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one [Refrain]

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Epilogue" Robert Cundick

PREACHER: Rev. Dr. Cynthia Alloway LITURGIST: Lindsay Olsen
MUSIC: Carol Menke, Althea Wright, along with the Chancel Choir
AUDIO VISUAL TECHNOLOGY TEAM: Phil Goede, Damaris Hamilton, DJ Maxwell-Kellam, Josh Lim, Norm Smith, Nico Wycoff and Steve Yeager

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11:00 am Congregational Meeting

PLEASE REMAIN AFTER THE BENEDICTION.



Every Monday @ 10:30am- Seniors Exercise Video

TODAY Annual Cong. Meeting after worship 11:15am
Wed. Jan. 29th 7pm Bible Study (Zoom) "Jesus and his Jewish influence"
Sat. Feb. 1st Officer Training 10:00 am @ Westminster Woods



Free Concert

Young Aspiring Musicians Concert Sunday Feb. 9th 2pm

You're Invited!

Volunteer Appreciation Lunch



We want to thank everyone who has volunteered in any capacity this last year.

Please join us Thursday Feb. 13th @ 12:30

Our Church Community would not function without your time and talents!

Please RSVP by contacting the church office @ 707.542.4272 or

Office@churchoftheroses.org



PRAYER REQUESTS- Please include in your prayers-Those mourning the death of their loved ones-

Please pray for the family and friends of Hal Sneath as they grieve his passing on Wednesday January 15th 2025.

Service will be on **Sat. March 8th @ 1:00pm**

Darren Adams Robert Flandermeyer Nita Pinney

Donald Adams Wendy Galde Sherry Rupp

Dennis Baker Cathy Guy Elizabeth Schulz

Greg Basham Michele Hare Bob Simmons

Jeff Basham Julie Harris Marie Slack

Jim Bauer Phil Henry Alexis Spence

Bill Beaumont Jennifer Bill St. John

Barbara Blinn Wendy Jones Tina

Nora Boyd Rusty Jump Lynne Vandercook

Diana Burdick Carolyn Kenworthy Darlene Volkmann

Joyce Cairns Colby Lundmark Jill & Roger White

Marjorie Cortez Vivian Mazeski Rich Wells

Diana Carol Menke Helen Wikle

Eldon Davis Gene Michel Betty Witchey-Ryer

David Dews Jr. Jessica Morse Mandy Woolward

Yvonne Draper Lesley Pillsbury

Those serving in our military

James Kuntz (Sorani), US Navy on the USS Scranton. Sgt. David A. Dickens,
USAF Jason Morse, Coast Guard Commander Ian Alloway Culver,
Col. David Trowbridge, M.D. with the Air Force Reserve. Private Caleb Thorstad, US
Marine's Camp Pendleton



"Jessica Arriola dedicates the flowers today in memory of her mother, Lorna for her birthday."