

ORDER OF WORSHIP
Sunday, January 16, 2022 - 10:30 am Service

2nd Sunday after Epiphany

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Prelude

Psalm Prelude Set 1, No. 2
TIM EVERS, ORGAN

Herbert Howells

Introit

Behold, God Is My Salvation
QUARTET

Thiman

Call to Worship (*responsively*)

(Adapted from Psalm 150)

Let us praise the Lord! Let us praise God in his sanctuary; Let us praise God in his mighty firmament!
Let us praise God for his mighty deeds.

Let us praise God according to his surpassing greatness! Let us praise God with trumpet sounds.

Let us praise God with lute and harp! Let us praise God with tambourine and dance; with strings and pipe!

Let us praise God with clanging cymbals - with loud clashing cymbals!

Let everything that breathes throughout all creation praise the Lord.

+ Hymn 314 *Longing for Light, We Wait in Darkness*

CHRIST BE OUR LIGHT

+ Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)

God of deliverance, we long to be in your presence, and yet we often choose to resist your ways. We want to believe you are with us along the journey, and yet we often confuse our needs and desires with your faithfulness. We hunger for you to care for us, and yet we are often reluctant to care for others. Forgive us Lord for all those moments when we give into the discouragement and exhaustion of the moment – neglecting to act or choosing to act in ways that separate us from you and one another. Help us to trust in you. Open our hearts so that we might see and recognize your powerful presence along the journey of our daily lives.

+ Assurance of Pardon

Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

+ Gloria Patri (Hymn 581)

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.

+ Affirmation of Faith: 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.

Time with the Children

Kelli Masters

Baptism

Stephen Anthony Sessa, Jr., child of Stephen Anthony & Christie Lynn Sessa

First Scripture Reading: John 14:25-27

"I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Prayer Concerns and Choral Orison

O Take Me as I Am

Bell

QUARTET

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer (in unison)

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 438 *Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me*

TOPLADY

Announcements and Offering

Giving by text is an easy way to give. Simply text the word GIVE (not case sensitive) to our church's Giving Number (610 819 4483). If it's your first time, you'll be prompted to register before completing your gift. If you've given before, you can give immediately without having to re-enter any of your information.

Musical Offertory

Just As I Am

Bob Chilcott

QUARTET

Just as I am without one plea but that Thy blood was shed for me and that Thou bid'st me come to Thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come. Just as I am, though tossed about with many a conflict, many a doubt, fightings within and fears without, ... Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind; sight, riches, healing of the mind, yea, all I need in Thee to find, ... Just as I am, Thou wilt receive, wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve; because Thy promise I believe, ... Just as I am, Thy love unknown aath broken every barrier down; now, to be Thine, yea, Thine alone, ... Just as I am, of that free love the breadth, length, depth, and height to prove, here for a season, then above, ...

+ Doxology (Hymn 606) and Prayer of Thanksgiving & Dedication

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.

Second Scripture Reading: Exodus 17:1-7

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarreled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?" But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?" So Moses cried out to the Lord, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone

me.” The Lord said to Moses, “Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink.” Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the Lord, saying, “Is the Lord among us or not?”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Wilderness Trek – Challenges and Promise

RUTH SANTANA-GRACE

+ Hymn 287 *Gracious Spirit, Heed Our Pleading*

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+ Benediction and Choral Response

To Do the Work of God

Lewis

QUARTET

Postlude

Psalm 19 (The Heavens Declare)

Benedetto Marcello

TIM EVERS, ORGAN

LITURGISTS

Richard Miller, Austin Ricketts, Katy Shevel

FLOWERS

The Chancel flowers today are given to the Glory of God.

We are pleased to welcome the Rev. Ruth Santana Grace to our pulpit this morning. She is the first woman Executive Presbyter of the Presbytery of Philadelphia in its long history. She has a deep commitment to bringing people together of different cultures and theological perspectives and is currently serving the larger church on two national boards: Vice Chair of the Board of Trustees of Princeton Theological Seminary and member of the Board of Trustees of The Presbyterian Foundation.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- ◆ The rose on the pedestal celebrates the birth of Theodore Nils Berglund, son of Nils & Stephanie Berglund and grandson of Nils Lawrence (Larry) & Carolyn Berglund on December 14, 2021.
- ◆ PC(USA) Mission Partners of the Week: Shelvis and Nancy Smith-Mather are deeply aware of this pivotal time in the history of South Sudan and firmly committed to helping its churches build a better future for the region. They work with RECONCILE, (Resource Centre for Civil Leadership), an indigenous ecumenical Christian organization which promotes “peace building” by providing training in trauma recovery, conflict transformation, and civic education.

A SPECIAL NOTE REGARDING UPDATED COVID PROTOCOLS AT THE CHURCH

As we are observing Covid cases rising, we feel called to take steps to help limit exposure within our church community. To accomplish this goal, have temporarily pivoting to virtual-only worship services, programs, classes, and committee meetings for one more week. We plan to resume both in-person and virtual Sunday worship services at 9 am and 10:30 am on Sunday, Jan. 23. Visit waynepres.org for the most up-to-date information and to see how specific events are affected.

upcoming events

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY WITH JOE MODICA – RESUMES 1/23 AT 9:00AM IN PERSON IN THE KNOX RM. AND VIA ZOOM. The Study will be **1-2 Peter**, two letters found in the New Testament which are attributed to the Apostle Peter. These letters speak to the pressing issues facing the earliest followers of Jesus: suffering, perseverance, hope, avoiding false teachers and living a virtuous life. For questions or to be added to the class list, please contact Elder Todd Cameron at wtoddcameron@gmail.com.

UPDATE FOR THE WPC BOOK CLUB DISCUSSION IN JANUARY

Amish Grace: How Forgiveness Transcended Tragedy. Start reading now and join us on the new date - Sunday, January 30 at 9:00am or 10:30am. A Zoom option will be January 31 at 7:00pm. You can purchase a book during the week at the church office, M-F 8:30 - 4:30, for \$10. Email Janice Mack gardengirl65@gmail.com with questions.

THE WOMEN'S RETREAT IS POSTPONED UNTIL MARCH

Due to Covid concerns the WinGS Committee has postponed the Women's retreat, originally scheduled for January 21 & 22 until March. Be on the lookout for updated information regarding specific dates and times as well as registration.

THURSDAY MORNING MEN'S MINISTRY - 7:00 AM - VIA ZOOM THROUGH JANUARY

Dr. Gary Jenkins; Summer Scholars Associate: Professor of History; Topic: The historic relationship of Calvin/Reformed church to Anabaptists. Questions? Please contact Tim Pretz (tpretz@eastern.edu) or Sal Ambrosio (sambrosio55@gmail.com) for Zoom link.

UPDATE FOR WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY START TIMES

Word before Work will delay their start until January 26th, offering a hybrid format.
Women in the Word will delay their start until January 26th, offering a hybrid format.
MOMs currently remains unaffected, and is set to begin on January 27th.

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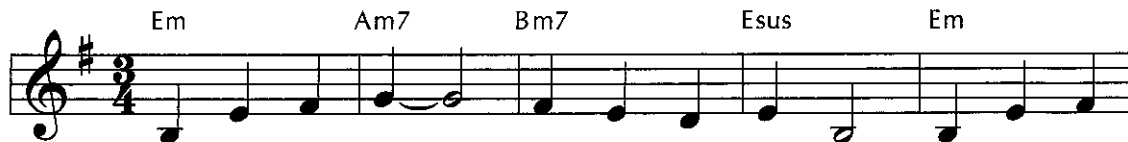
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Longing for Light, We Wait in Darkness 314

Christ, Be Our Light



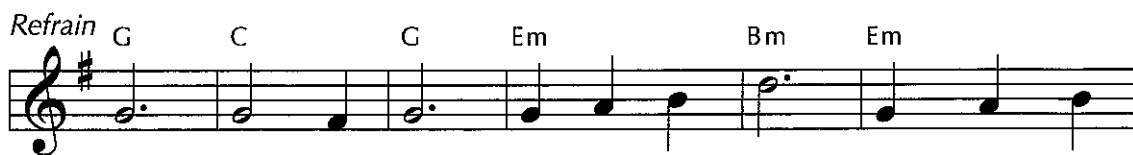
1 Long-ing for light, we wait in dark-ness. Long-ing for
 2 Long-ing for peace, our world is trou-bled. Long-ing for
 3 Long-ing for food, man - y are hun - gry. Long-ing for
 4 Long-ing for shel - ter, man - y are home-less. Long-ing for
 5 Man - y the gifts, man - y the peo - ple, man - y the



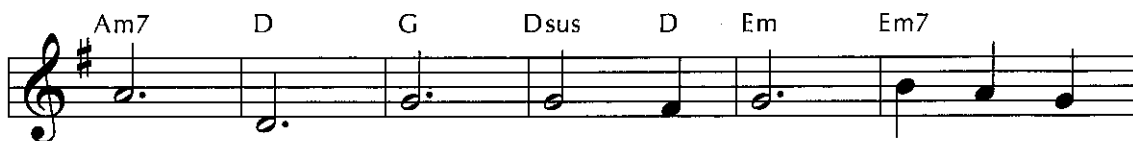
truth, we turn to you. Make us your own,
 hope, man - y de - spair. Your word a - lone
 wa - ter, man - y still thirst. Make us your bread,
 warmth, man - y are cold. Make us your build - ing,
 hearts that yearn to be - long. Let us be ser - vants



your ho - ly peo - ple, light for the world to see.
 has power to save us. Make us your liv - ing voice.
 bro - ken for oth - ers, shared un - til all are fed.
 shel - ter - ing oth - ers, walls made of liv - ing stone.
 to one an - oth - er, mak - ing your king - dom come.



Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the



dark - ness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your



church gath - ered to - day.

By blending biblical images and current vignettes in the present tense, this hymn connects Christ's promise that he is the Light of the world (John 8:12, 9:5) and his charge to his followers to be the light of the world (Matthew 5:14). This is part of the church's servant calling.

437 You Are the Lord, Giver of Mercy!

Em D Em Am Em D Em

You are the Lord, giv-er of mer-cy!

Am D C D Em C Em

You are the Christ, giv-er of mer-cy!

Em D G Am Em D E

You are the Lord, giv-er of mer-cy!

This adaptation of the traditional *Kyrie eleison* text transforms a series of petitions into a series of acclamations. With harsher music these might have seemed bold or rash, but this plaintive setting derived from an Appalachian melody preserves a sense of humility and trust.

TEXT: Trad. liturgical text; rev. *The Worshipbook*, 1970
 MUSIC: Appalachian folk melody; arr. Richard D. Wetzel, 1972
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438 Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

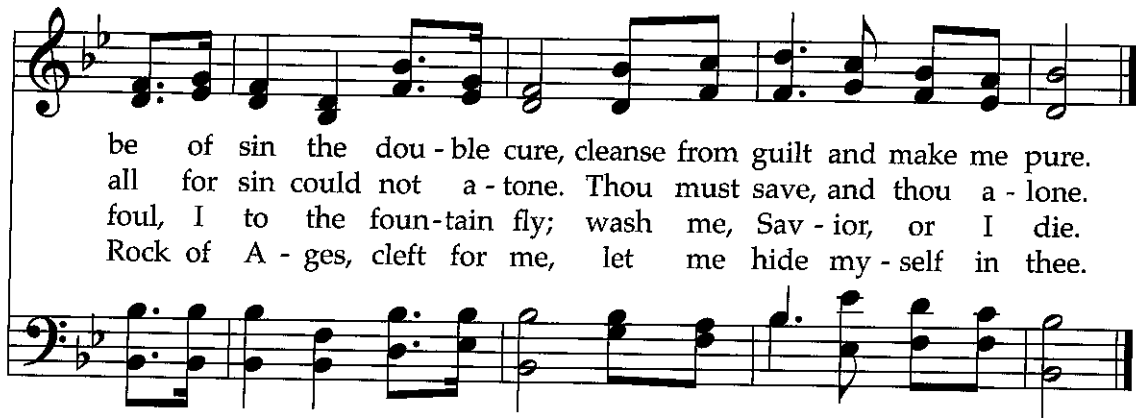
1 Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee.
 2 Not the la - bors of my hands can ful - fill thy law's de - mands.
 3 Noth - ing in my hand I bring; sim - ply to thy cross I cling;
 4 While I draw this fleet - ing breath, when my eye - lids close in death,

Let the wa - ter and the blood from thy wound - ed side which flowed
 Could my zeal no res - pite know, could my tears for - ev - er flow,
 na - ked, come to thee for dress, help - less, look to thee for grace;
 when I soar to worlds un - known, see thee on thy judg - ment throne,

Though scholars discredit the story that this hymn was written when the author found shelter under a large rock during a thunderstorm, the popular appeal of that conjecture perhaps lies in the energy of this plea and the vividness of its imagery drawn from many biblical sources.

TEXT: Augustus M. Toplady, 1776, alt.
 MUSIC: Thomas Hastings, 1830, alt.

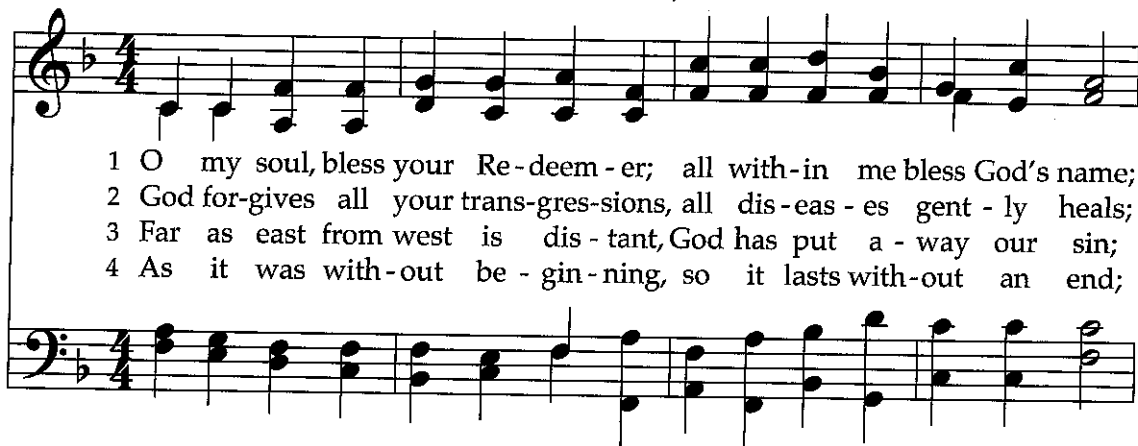
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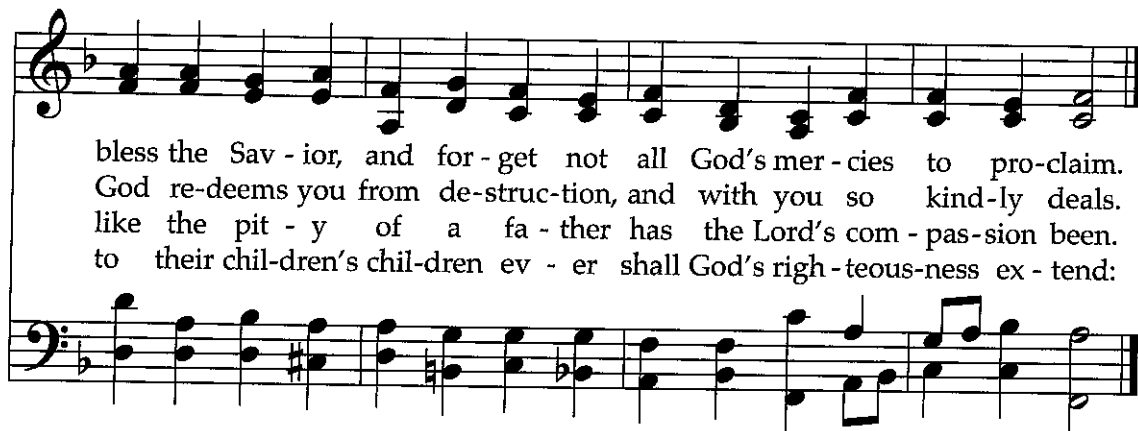
be of sin the dou - ble cure, cleanse from guilt and make me pure.
 all for sin could not a - tone. Thou must save, and thou a - lone.
 foul, I to the foun-tain fly; wash me, Sav - ior, or I die.
 Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee.

O My Soul, Bless Your Redeemer 439

(Psalm 103)



1 O my soul, bless your Re - deem - er; all with - in me bless God's name;
 2 God for - gives all your trans - gres - sions, all dis - eas - es gent - ly heals;
 3 Far as east from west is dis - tant, God has put a - way our sin;
 4 As it was with - out be - gin - ning, so it lasts with - out an end;



bless the Sav - ior, and for - get not all God's mer - cies to pro - claim.
 God re - deems you from de - struc - tion, and with you so kind - ly deals.
 like the pit - y of a fa - ther has the Lord's com - pas - sion been.
 to their chil - dren's chil - dren ev - er shall God's righ - teous - ness ex - tend:

- 5 Unto such as keep God's cov'nant and are steadfast in God's way;
 unto those who still remember the commandments and obey.
- 6 Bless your Maker, all you creatures,
 ever under God's control,
 all throughout God's vast dominion;
 bless the Lord of all, my soul!

These stanzas are selected from sixteen that originally made up this paraphrase of Psalm 103, the second of two versions in the volume where they were first published. The tune used here was probably created as a German psalm tune but later came to be used with hymn texts.

287 Gracious Spirit, Heed Our Pleading

1 Gra - cious Spir - it, heed our plead - ing;
 2 Come to teach us; come to nour - ish
 3 Guide our think - ing and our speak - ing
 4 Not mere knowl - edge, but dis - cern - ment,
 5 Keep us fer - vent in our wit - ness,

fash - ion us all a - new. It's your lead - ing
 those who be - lieve in Christ. Bless the faith - ful;
 done in your ho - ly name. Mo - ti - vate all
 nor root - less lib - er - ty; turn dis - qui - et
 un - swayed by earth's al - lure. Ev - er grant us

that we're need - ing; help us to fol - low you.
 may they flour - ish, strength - ened by grace un - priced.
 in their seek - ing, free - ing from guilt and shame.
 to con - tent - ment, doubt in - to cer - tain - ty.
 zeal - ous fit - ness, which you a - lone as - sure.

Refrain

Come, come, come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come.
 Njo - o, njo - o, nj - oo, Ro - ho mwe - ma.

Originally written for the uniting of the Lutheran churches in Tanzania, this prayerful hymn touches on the need of the whole church at all times for the Holy Spirit's guidance and blessing. When appropriate, the refrain can effectively be used alone as a prayer response.