

# Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

February 7, 2021

10 am

Prelude

*Adam O'Dell*

Welcome

**Call to Worship** (*responsively*)

The Spirit gathers us to worship God

and builds us up in faith, hope, and love,

**so that we may go into the world to proclaim the gospel**

**and work for justice and peace.**

Come, let us welcome God's Holy Spirit,

**and with the Spirit's power, let us worship God together!**

Opening Hymn

"Holy Spirit"

*Northside Chapel Praise Band*

*Bryan Torwalt | Katie Torwalt*

**Verse 1**

There's nothing worth more that will ever come close

No thing can compare, You're our living hope

Your presence

**Verse 2**

I've tasted and seen of the sweetest of loves

Where my heart becomes free and my shame is undone

In Your presence, Lord

**Chorus**

Holy Spirit You are welcome here

Come flood this place and fill the atmosphere

Your glory God is what our hearts long for

To be overcome by Your presence, Lord

Your Presence Lord

**Repeat: Verse 1, Verse 2, Chorus**

**Bridge**

Let us become more aware of Your Presence

Let us experience the glory of Your goodness (Lord) **(Repeat)**

## Chorus

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### Opening Prayer (*responsively*)

**Spirit of God, you fill our hearts with an assurance of God’s love, and our minds with God’s holy imagination. May your power be at work within us today, so that we might know more fully the depths of God’s love for us in Christ, and grasp more clearly the heights of God’s plans for us. We ask this in the name of Jesus, our Savior. Amen.**

### Anthem

“Blessed Assurance”

*Chancel Singers*

*Fanny Crosby | Phoebe Knapp | arr. Bradley Knight*

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### A Message for Young Disciples

*Cara Norris*

## Proclamation and Response

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### New Testament Reading

Acts 1:1-11

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning <sup>2</sup> until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. <sup>3</sup> After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. <sup>4</sup> While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. “This,” he said, “is what you have heard from me; <sup>5</sup> for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

<sup>6</sup> So when they had come together, they asked him, “Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?” <sup>7</sup> He replied, “It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. <sup>8</sup> But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” <sup>9</sup> When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. <sup>10</sup> While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two

men in white robes stood by them. <sup>11</sup> They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

**Leader:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God!**

**Message** "Superheroes: With Great Power Comes Great Responsibility"  
*Pastor Jen Eschliman*

### **Prayers of the People**

#### **Joys & Concerns**

#### **The Lord's 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 trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
forever. Amen.

### **Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts to God**

#### **Closing Song**

"Here I Am, Lord"

*Dan Schutte*

*Adam O'Dell,  
Diana Fay Williams*

#### **Verse 1**

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.

All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.

I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.

Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

#### **Refrain**

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.

I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

### **Verse 2**

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.  
I have wept for love of them. They turn away.  
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.  
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send? **(Refrain)**

### **Verse 3**

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame,  
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.  
Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.  
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? **(Refrain)**

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## **Sending Forth**

**Announcements**

**Benediction**

**Postlude**

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