

First Sunday After the Epiphany

January 9, 2022

10 am

GATHERING TO PRAISE GOD

Prelude

An die Hoffnung (To Hope)

Andy Potts

~ L. Van Beethoven (1770-1827)

Welcome

Call to Worship

God has gathered us to this place:

where we hear the stories that remind us who we are and Whose we are.

God will send us from this place:

to make God's love visible in our words and in our actions.

And yet, God does not ask us to do this on our own.

God invites us to worship:

where we experience God's presence in a way that changes us;

and where we're reminded that we can trust God wholeheartedly.

Dear friends, as those in need of God's transforming power,

let us bring our whole selves to God, Who is here among us.

Opening Song

Lord, I Need You

VIDEO

~Christy Nockels | Daniel Carson | Jesse Reeves | Kristian Stanfill | Matt Maher

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Verse 1

Lord, I come, I confess, bowing here I find my rest

Without You I fall apart, You're the One that guides my heart

Chorus

Lord, I need You, oh, I need You, every hour I need You

My one defense, my righteousness, oh God, how I need You

Verse 2

Where sin runs deep Your grace is more, where grace is found is where You are

Where You are, Lord, I am free, holiness is Christ in me

Chorus

Bridge

So teach my song to rise to You when temptation comes my way

When I cannot stand I'll fall on You, Jesus, You're my hope and stay

Chorus

Ending

My one defense, my righteousness, oh God, how I need You

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Opening Prayer

We praise You, Lord, for Your presence among us, for Your promises that sustain us, and for Your grace, without which we are nothing. As we offer You our worship, we open ourselves to Your Word and Holy Spirit. Speak to us, guide us, and renew us, so that our lives might reflect more clearly the life of Your Son Jesus Christ. We ask this in His name. Amen.

A Message for Young Disciples

Cara Norris

Proclamation and Response

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New Testament Reading

1 Peter 1:13-16

¹³ Therefore prepare your minds for action; discipline yourselves; set all your hope on the grace that Jesus Christ will bring you when he is revealed. ¹⁴ Like obedient children, do not be conformed to the desires that you formerly had in ignorance. ¹⁵ Instead, as he who called you is holy, be holy yourselves in all your conduct; ¹⁶ for it is written, “You shall be holy, for I am holy.”

Anthem

At All Costs

Chancel Singers **VIDEO**

Brandon Turner, soloist

~ Cliff Duren | Nick Robertson

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Gospel Reading

Mark 12:28-34

²⁸ One of the scribes came near and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that he answered them well, he asked him, “Which commandment is the first of all?” ²⁹ Jesus answered, “The first is, ‘Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one; ³⁰ you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.’ ³¹ The second is this, ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ There is no other commandment greater than these.” ³² Then the scribe said to him, “You are right, Teacher; you have truly said that ‘he is one, and besides him there is no other’; ³³ and ‘to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the strength,’ and ‘to love one’s neighbor as oneself,’—this is much more important than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices.” ³⁴ When Jesus saw that he answered wisely, he said to him, “You are not far from the kingdom of God.” After that no one dared to ask him any question.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Message

Wholly Christian: Worship

Pastor Jen Eschliman

Prayers of the People

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

Offertory

Holy Manna (Brethren We have Met to Worship)

Andy Potts

~ arr. Charles Callahan

Closing Hymn

Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

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arr. William Farley Smith

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Verse 1

Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart, in my heart;
Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.
In my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.

Verse 2

Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart, in my heart;
Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart. In my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart.

Verse 3

Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart, in my heart;
Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart. In my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart.

Verse 4

Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart, in my heart;
Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart. In my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart.

Sending Forth

Announcements

Gift Card orders due January 16th

Newsletter Articles due January 16th

Turnbaugh Trust grant proposals due January 24th

Benediction

Postlude

Old Hundredth (Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow)
~ Arr. Charles Callahan

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