

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Seventh Sunday After Epiphany

February 24, 2019 10:15 a.m.

CELEBRATION "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" arr. McChesney

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Elder Grover Baldwin

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE "Meditation in F" Helman

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

*CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 37: 3-7

Leader Trust in the Lord, and do good;
PEOPLE SO THAT YOU WILL LIVE IN THE LAND, AND ENJOY SECURITY.

Leader Take delight in the Lord,
PEOPLE AND HE WILL GIVE YOU THE DESIRES OF YOUR HEART.

Leader Commit your way to the Lord;
PEOPLE TRUST IN HIM AND HE WILL ACT.

Leader He will make your vindication shine like the light,
PEOPLE AND THE JUSTICE OF YOUR CAUSE LIKE THE NOONDAY.

Leader Be still before the Lord,
PEOPLE AND WAIT PATIENTLY FOR HIM.

*PRAISE "Come Just As You Are"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION adapted from Romans 8: 22-27

Leader We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now;
PEOPLE AND NOT ONLY THE CREATION, BUT WE, WHO HAVE THE FIRST FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT.

Leader For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope.
PEOPLE FOR WHO HOPES IN WHAT THEY HAVE SEEN?

Leader We hope for what we do not see,
PEOPLE WE WAIT FOR IT WITH PATIENCE.

Leader The Spirit helps us in our weakness;
PEOPLE FOR WE DO NOT KNOW HOW TO PRAY AS WE OUGHT.

Leader But that very Spirit intercedes for us with sighs too deep for words.
PEOPLE GOD, WHO SEARCHES THE HEART, KNOWS WHAT IS IN THE MIND OF THE SPIRIT.

Silent Reflection

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader Hear the Good News of the Gospel,
PEOPLE IN JESUS CHRIST, WE ARE FORGIVEN.

*GLORIA PATRI No. 579

PRAISE "How Sweet the Sound"

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES
**Happy anniversary to you, happy birthday to you.
The Lord bless and keep you, this coming year too.**

THE WORD

FIRST READING Genesis 45: 3-11

CHILDREN'S TIME Margaret Beigel

*HYMN "What Wondrous Love Is This" No. 85

SECOND READING Luke 6: 27-38

SERMON Listen Reverend Mark Gaskill

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE RESPONSE

OFFERTORY "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" arr. Courtney

*DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION No. 592

SENDING

*PRAISE "Start a Fire"

*BENEDICTION

* RESPONSE "Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun" No. 423 (v.1)

TAKING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

* THE PEACE
Leader: May the grace and peace of Christ be with you.
PEOPLE: AND ALSO WITH YOU.

*POSTLUDE "Joyous Recessional" Norian
"Leave in peace to serve our Lord and one another."

*Please stand if able.

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WELCOME AND
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PREPARE YOUR HEART

PRELUDE "Poeme" Cummings

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THE SACRAMENT

PRAYER AND WORDS OF INSTITUTION

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS (*Intinction*)

Communion in the Presbyterian Church is open. All who profess faith in Jesus Christ are welcome to the Lord's Table. The ushers will ask you to come forward in groups to form a semi-circle around the Communion Table. After taking a piece of bread, dip it in either the wine (first chalice) or grape juice (second chalice) and eat.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING WITH THE LORD'S PRAYER

SENDING

*BENEDICTION

"Leave in peace to serve our Lord and one another."

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

YOUTH GROUP

The Youth Group will meet tonight at 6:00 p.m. at the church.

NEW ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS CHRISTIAN POETRY

Starting March 3rd, and going for 8 weeks, this Christian Education class will explore various works of Christian poetry, starting with some Psalms, then proceeding to some classic and modern works by various Christian poets, including George Herbert, Gerard Manley Hopkins, Marianne Moore, Denise Levertov, and Mary Oliver. You will also have the opportunity to write your own, though this won't be required.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Any and all items for the March edition of the Messenger (newsletter) need to be e-mailed to gspc@comcast.net by **today**.

SHROVE TUESDAY – PANCAKE SUPPER

Join us Tuesday, March 5th, beginning at 5:30 p.m. for our traditional pancake supper. If you can assist in food preparation, serving, and clean-up, please sign-up in the narthex.

FRIENDS WHO LUNCH

The Friends Who Lunch will meet together on Tuesday, March 12th with a luncheon at Galazios in La Plata. They will meet there at 12:00 noon. Please plan to join us for good food and great fellowship. Look for a sign-up sheet in the narthex. For further information call the church office.

All children are welcome here, but we know that a fussy baby is much louder to a parent's ears than to any of ours. If you have need:

- We have a nursery (for children kindergarten and below) down the main stairs and to the left. It is staffed with volunteers, who will gladly care for any little ones who show up at the beginning of the service. If there are none, the volunteers will come up to the sanctuary, the nursery room will remain available. There is also a diaper change station in the Nursery and in both downstairs restrooms.
- We have a speaker in the narthex so that you DIY soothers can listen while you walk the little ones around.

Worship Service Notes

FIRST READING

GENESIS 45: 3-11

³Joseph said to his brothers, “I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?” But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence.

⁴Then Joseph said to his brothers, “Come closer to me.” And they came closer. He said, “I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. ⁵And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. ⁶For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. ⁷God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. ⁸So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. ⁹Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, ‘Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. ¹⁰You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children’s children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. ¹¹I will provide for you there—since there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.’”

SECOND READING

LUKE 6: 27-38

²⁷“But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, ²⁸bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. ²⁹If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. ³⁰Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. ³¹Do to others as you would have them do to you. ³²“If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. ³³If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. ³⁴If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. ³⁵But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. ³⁶Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

³⁷“Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; ³⁸give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back.”

We are pleased that you have chosen to worship with us today.
There are fellowship pads at the end of the row, please pass them, and sign them, so that you can learn the names of those who are sitting near you and so that they can know yours as well. Provide other information as desired. After the service, talk to old friends and meet some new ones.

We have snacks and coffee downstairs.

We have a platform lift for anyone who doesn't do well with stairs, see an usher for assistance.

*Please be mindful that as we prepare for worship
we are entering sacred space and sacred time.*

Please turn off cell phones and refrain from using other electronic media.

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The flowers on the Retable this morning are in celebration of the wedding anniversary of Ken and Kay Winters today.

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Today's Volunteers: *Greeters:* John Tipsword (8:00), Bill and Donna Koennel (10:15); *Ushers:* Tom Flora and William Buntz (10:15); *Readers:* Terri Tipsword (8:00), Bill Koennel and Kate Lassman (10:15); *Nursery Volunteers:* Jackie Flora and Penny Kriebel; *Coffee Hour:* Lori Gibson

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TODAY

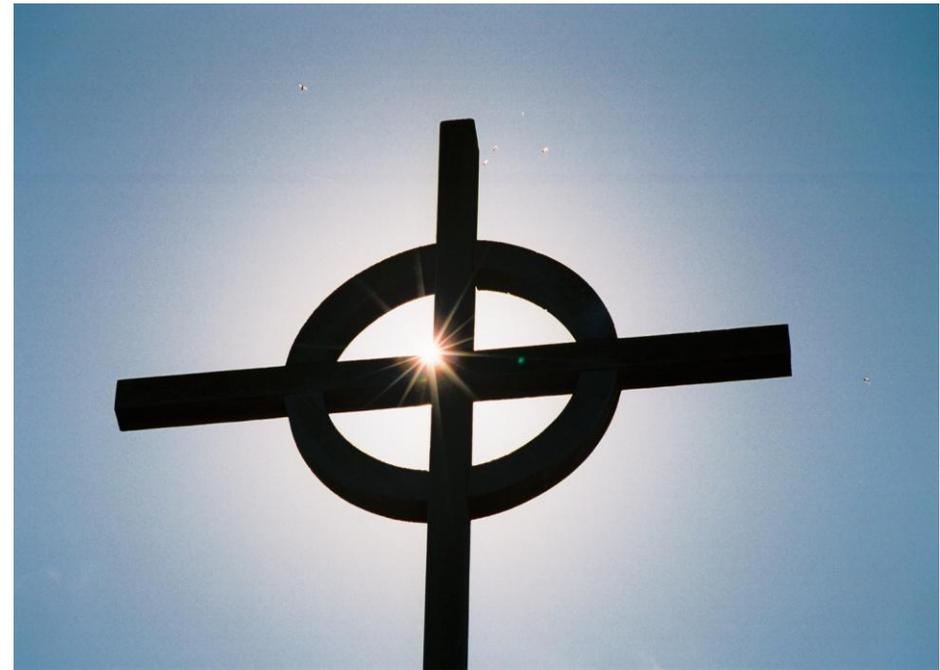
Worship Service at 8:00 a.m.
Sunday School at 9:00 a.m.
Worship Service at 10:15 a.m.
Youth Group at 6:00 p.m.

THIS WEEK

Mon. (Feb. 25): 10:30 a.m. – Crafters
Tues. (Feb. 26): 9:30 a.m. – Women's Bible Study
Thurs. (Feb. 28): 5:30 p.m. – Celebration Ringers
7:00 p.m. – Adult Choir
Sat. (March 2): 9:30 a.m. – Women's Fellowship at
Phyllis Ruble's Home

COMING SOON

Shrove Tuesday/Pancake Supper on March 5th at 5:30 p.m.



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SESSION MEMBERS (CLASS)

Grover Baldwin (2019)	John Holmes (2020)
Holly Banks (2021)	Megan Howell (2020)
Margaret Beigel (2019)	Stephen Lehrter (2020)
Jill Buntz (2019)	Beverly Tallmadge (2021)
Loann Burian (2020)	Jack Tuttle (2021)
Jack Crews (2019)	Sandy Webb (2021)

“Come Just As You Are”

Come just as you are,
Hear the Spirit call.
Come just as your are
Come and see,
Come receive,
Come and live forever. (repeat)

Life everlasting
Strength for today.
Taste the Living Water,
And never thirst again.

“How Sweet the Sound”

Yea though I walk through the valley, I know that You are always right beside me.
And I will fear no evil. You're my rock. You're my strength . You comfort me.

CHORUS

Amazing grace how sweet the sound. I hear You singing over me. I once was lost but now am found and it's beautiful.
Amazing grace how sweet the sound. It covers every part of me. My soul is silent. I am found. And it's a beautiful sound. It's a beautiful, beautiful sound.

You carry me through the waters where Your peace clears away all my sorrow.
And nothing can separate us from Your love, oh Your love it will always be.

CHORUS

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CHORUS TWICE

And it's a beautiful sound. It's a beautiful, beautiful sound. (repeat/end)

“Start a Fire”

This world can be cold and bitter, feels like we're in the dead of winter,
Waitin' on something better. But am I really gonna hide forever?
Over and over again, I hear Your voice in my head,
Let Your light shine, let Your light shine for all to see.

Chorus

**Start a fire in my soul. Fan the flame and make it grow.
So there's no doubt or denying. Let it burn so brightly
that everyone around can see.
That it's You, that it's You that we need. Start a fire in me.**

You only need a spark to start a whole blaze.
It only takes a little faith.
Let it start right here in this city so these walls will never be the same.
Over and over again, I hear Your voice in my head,
They need to know. I need to go. Spirit won't you fall on my heart now.

(Chorus)

*You are the fire. You are the flame.
You are the light on the darkest day.
We have the hope. We bear Your name.
We carry the news that You have come to
save..... Only You can save.....*

(Chorus)