# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 3rd Sunday After Epiphany January 24th, 2021 10:00a.m.

## WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

#### Welcome & Announcements

#### **Prelude**

# \*Call to Worship

Leader: For just this hour Jesus calls saying...

People: Follow me

Leader: Christ says, "listen to my word" and...

People: Follow me

Leader: Jesus asks that we live as disciples every day saying...

**People: Follow me** 

Leader: Pray, so Christ changes you and so you change the world

on the way when he says,

People: Follow me

Leader: Sing and praise God for Jesus Christ who is with us

always, saying....

People: Follow me

Leader: Come Holy Spirit, fill our worship. Come Christian people, let us worship God!

\*Opening Hymn "I Love You Lord" No. 627

I love you Lord, and I lift my voice, to worship you O my soul, rejoice! Take joy my king in what you hear, may it be a sweet, sweet sound in your ear.

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# \*Prayer of Confession

God...you call us...and sometimes...we duck down and hide, hoping you didn't notice and knowing someone else will answer. You call us and sometimes we are too busy and overwhelmed to be able to answer. Sometimes we fill our lives so full of worldly noise we cannot hear your call for us.

You call us and sometimes we don't like what you want us to do, or the people you want us to do it with. When you call we confess that we often forget that your call comes asking us to be ourselves in the places where our very self is what is most needed. So give us the grace to say "yes" to your call and give us courage and patience to serve in the ministry of the church through all difficulty with loyalty, faithfulness, and love. We offer our silent confessions...

#### \*Assurance of Pardon

#### \*Gloria Patri

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.

#### WE HEAR GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

**Children's Time** Margaret Poppell

First Scripture Reading Jonah 3:1-5. 10

**Second Scripture Reading** Mark 1:14-20

**Sermon** The Rev. Natasha Sudderth-Davis

**Special Music** 

#### CELEBRATING THE MINISTRY OF RULING ELDERS

Marilyn Culpepper, Steve Brown, Janice Musgrove, and Janece Campbell

\*<u>Hymn</u> "Give Thanks O Christian Peoples" No. 644 (see insert)

## Prayers of the People and 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 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.

## \*Closing Hymn "The Church's One Foundation" No. 321

The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord. She is his new creation by water and the Word. From heav'n he came and sought her to be his holy bride. With his own blood he bought her and for her life he died.

Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth, her charter of salvation: one Lord, one faith, one birth. One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food, and to one hope she presses, with every grace endued.

Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war, she waits the consummation of peace forevermore: till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest, and the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.

Yet she on earth has union with God, the Three in One, and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won: O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we, like them, the meek and lowly, may live eternally.

# \*Charge and Benediction

Leader: As we go out into the world

People: Follow Jesus in the way you love

Leader: At home and with friends

People: Follow Jesus in what you say and what you don't say

Leader: At school and at work

People: Follow Jesus with courage even when others do not

Leader: In everything you do this week

**People: Follow Jesus** 

Leader: And know he is with you always even unto the end of the

world.

\*Postlude

\*Those who are able, please stand.

#### **Announcements**

Congregational Meeting: following worship today

Monday Morning Yoga will continue, evening will not meet.

**Flowers:** The flowers are given in Glory to God in honor of the Ruling Elders Marilyn Culpepper, Steve Brown, Janice Musgrove, and Janece Campbell for their dedication as leaders and service in ministry.

**Leading Worship:** The Rev. Natasha Sudderth-Davis (Pastor); Zackary Wiggins (Liturgist); Leah Metzger (Accompanist)





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