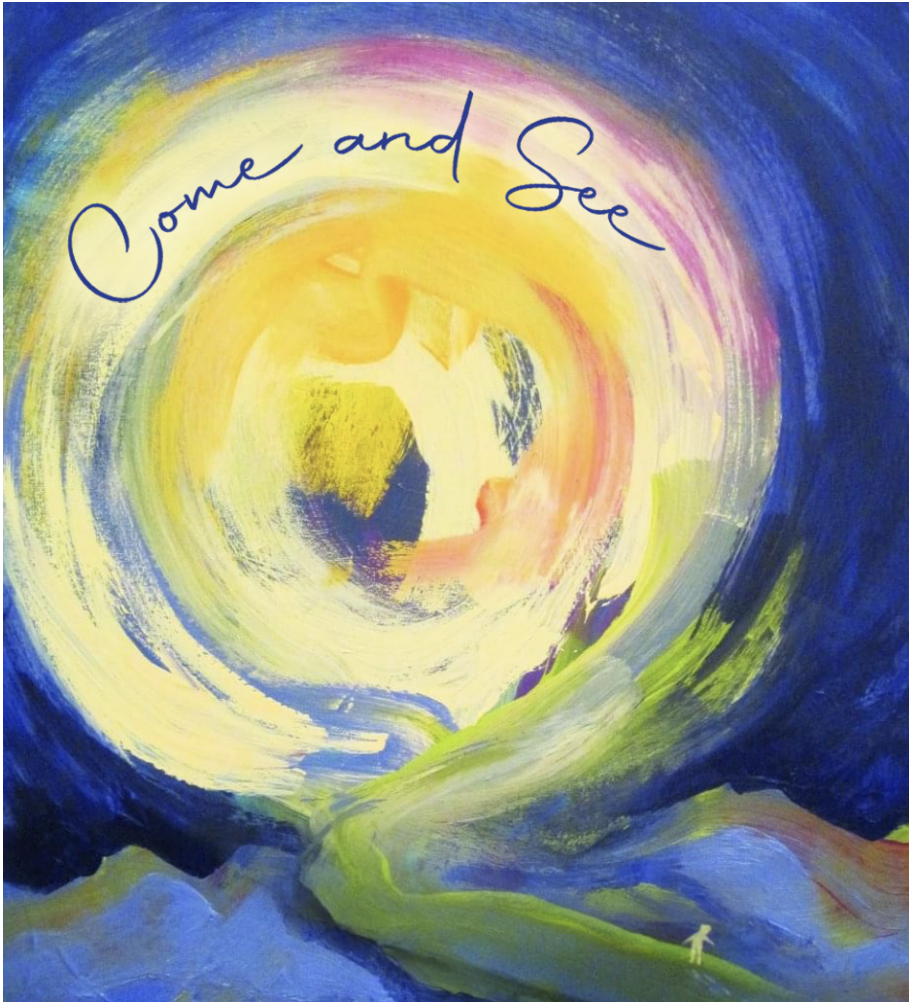


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| Pastors | Kristen Capel, Steven Delzer |
| Guest Preacher | Pastor Christine Belfrey |
| Organist | Julie Urban |
| Vocalists | Sara Birkeland, Kris Capel, Johan Christopherson, Annika Coyle, Carolyn Deters, Tim Wicker |
| Lector | Maisie Magnuson |
| Children's Message | Heather Magnuson |
| Recording/Editing | Dana Lonn |

In our prayers this week: Casey Austad, Linda Austad, Jerry Casterton, Rich Gronner, Jennifer Harris, Dee Levine, Dick Pelinka, Blanca Raniolo's sister Nelly, and Eric and Piper Roome.

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JANUARY 23, 2022

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

10:00 A.M.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

“Lord, You I Love with All My Heart”

Manz

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

LEADER: In each of our hearts live pieces of brokenness—
mistakes we have made and regrets long held.
These things do not define us.
Jesus shines in us and through us. This is the light that defines us—
the light of Christ, the light of life, the Light of the World.

HYMN 715 ELW (st. 1-2, 5)

“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
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
hearts that yearn to be - long. Let us be ser - vants



your ho - ly peo - ple, light for the world to see.
has pow'r to save us. Make us your liv - ing voice.
to one an - oth - er, signs of 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.

LEADER: The light shines in the darkness,
 and the darkness has not overcome it.
 Jesus says to you, child of God,
 "Let your light so shine before others
 that they may see your good works
 and glorify your creator in heaven."

ALL: Amen

HYMN OF PRAISE

ACS S702



1 ¡Glo-ria a Dios, glo-ria a Dios, glo-ria en los cie - los!
 1 Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry in the high - est!



¡Glo-ria a Dios, glo-ria a Dios, glo-ria en los cie - los!
 Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry in the high - est!



¡A Dios la glo-ria por siem-pre! ¡A Dios la glo-ria por siem-pre!
 To God be glo-ry for-ev-er! To God be glo-ry for-ev-er!



¡A - le - lu - ya! ¡A - mén! ¡A - le - lu - ya! ¡A - mén! ¡A - le - lu - ya! ¡A - mén!
 Al - le - lu - ia! A - men! Al - le - lu - ia! A - men! Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!



¡A - le - lu - ya! ¡A - mén! ¡A - le - lu - ya! ¡A - mén! ¡A - le - lu - ya! ¡A - mén!
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- 2 Glory to God, glory to God,
glory to Christ Jesus!
- 3 Glory to God, glory to God,
glory to the Spirit!

- 2 ¡Gloria a Dios, gloria a Dios,
gloria a Jesucristo!
- 3 ¡Gloria a Dios, gloria a Dios,
gloria al Espíritu!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

**ALL: Patient God,
your Son, Jesus, expressed anger
at abuses and injustice.
Help us to show concern, not apathy,
for injustice in our world,
and teach us to make right all that may be wrong.
Amen**

WORD

THE READING

Psalm 127:1-2

LEADER: Unless the Lord builds the house,
those who build it labor in vain.
Unless the Lord guards the city,
the guard keeps watch in vain.
It is in vain that you rise up early
and go late to rest,
eating the bread of anxious toil;
for he gives sleep to his beloved.
The Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ACS S703

A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya. A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya. El Se - ñor re - su - ci - tó.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ is ris - en, ris 'n in - deed.

THE GOSPEL**John 2:13-25**

LEADER: The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me."

The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

When he was in Jerusalem during the Passover festival, many believed in his name because they saw the signs that he was doing. But Jesus on his part would not entrust himself to them, because he knew all people and needed no one to testify about anyone; for he himself knew what was in everyone.

The Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**BLESSING SONG**

"The Song of Blessing"

Nelson/Weins

**May God give you eyes to see
all that is good, all that is good,
the courage for anything,
may you be strong, may you be strong.
May God give you ears to hear
God's loving voice, God's loving voice
speaking all around you,
all around and deep inside.**

SERMON

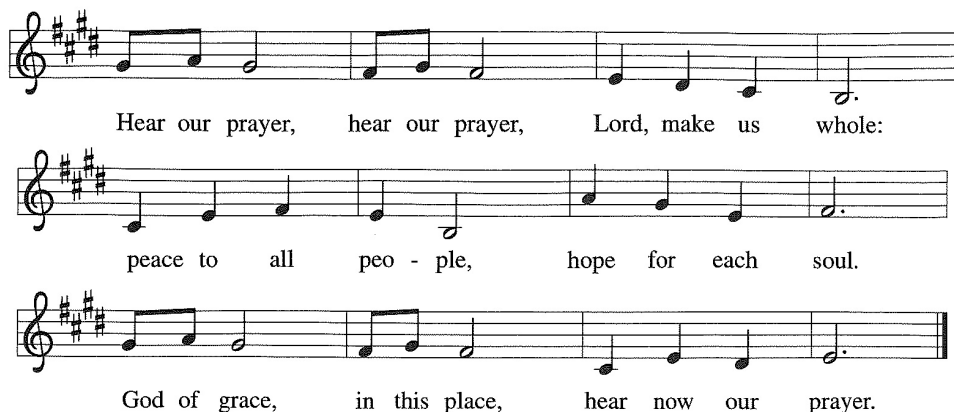
Pastor Christine Belfrey

SERMON SONG

"Rise Up"

Wardell/Mazunik

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH



Hear our prayer, hear our prayer, Lord, make us whole:
peace to all peo - ple, hope for each soul.
God of grace, in this place, hear now our prayer.

Between each prayer petition, there will be time for reflection.

LEADER: We pray in thanksgiving for all of creation, reflecting the generosity and creativity of our creator God.

We pray for healthcare workers, working tirelessly in this time of pandemic.

We pray for those without shelter or food, especially on these cold winter days.

We pray for an end to systemic racism and all the injustice in our world.

We pray in thanksgiving for all who speak out on behalf of marginalized people.

We pray in thanksgiving for family, friends, and community.

We pray for teachers who dedicate their lives to educate our children.

We pray for your church that we would live out our gospel of love.

We pray for all of those in need of healing, especially (*members and friends in need of prayer*) and those we name in our hearts and homes at this time.

Grateful for the abundance of your love, shown to us in the life, death, and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ, we lift all these prayers to you, O God, trusting that you receive them with mercy and grace.

ALL: Amen



Hear our prayer, hear our prayer, Lord, make us whole:
 peace to all peo - ple, hope for each soul.
 God of grace, in this place, hear now our prayer.

LORD'S PRAYER

**ALL: Our Father in heaven,
 hallowed be your name,
 your kingdom come,
 your will be done,
 on earth as in heaven.
 Give us today our daily bread.
 Forgive us our sins,
 as we forgive those
 who sin against us.
 Save us from the time of trial,
 and deliver us from evil.
 For the kingdom, the power,
 and the glory are yours,
 now and forever. Amen**

SHARING THE PEACE

LEADER: The peace of Christ be with you always.

ALL: And also with you.

GENEROSITY MOMENT

OFFERING HYMN 677 ELW (st. 1)

“This Little Light of Mine”

1 This lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine;
oh, oh,

this lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine;
oh,

this lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine,
oh,

let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

OFFERING PRAYER

ALL: **Generous God,
your goodness floods the earth with beauty
and our hearts with love.
Receive the gifts we bring—
gifts of service, compassion, and resources;
an overflowing of your goodness into the world. Amen**

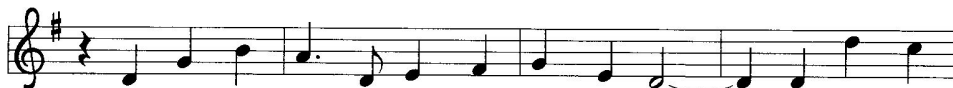
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN 546 ELW (st. 1, 3-4)

“To Be Your Presence”



- 1 To be your pres - ence is our mis - sion here, to show com -
- 2 To be your pres - ence is our mis - sion bold, to feed the
- 3 To be your pres - ence is our mis - sion blest, to speak for
- 4 We are your heart, O Christ, your hands and voice, to serve your



pas - sion's face and lis - t'ning ear, to be your heart of mer - cy
poor and shel - ter home - less cold, to be your hands of jus - tice,
all the bro - ken and op - pressed, to be your voice of hope, your
peo - ple is our call and choice, and in this mis - sion we, the



ev - er near,
right up - hold, al - le - lu - ia!
love ex - pressed,
church, re - joice,

SENDING

LEADER: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Moment of silence

POSTLUDE

“Chorale Prelude on ‘Engelberg’”

Miller

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